

Jeep Club Expedition 2020

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The Jeep Club of Sri Lanka (JCSL) concluded its sixth annual expedition, an event that aims to engage and challenge members with a combination of scenic routes and undiscovered paths in the country. Nalin Premaratna, President, Jeep Club of Sri Lanka stated, "With 19 participant members joining the three nights and four days adventure, the event upheld the JCSL's commitment to cultivating the exploration of the great outdoors, whilst getting to know like-minded jeep enthusiasts better during the event". The expedition was arranged by the JCSL and DIMO, the only authorised distributor for jeep in Sri Lanka. This year's expedition was held under the theme 'Trail of Majesty', a concept, which was crafted to delve into the areas documented as part of the final battle held in Wasgamuwa national park between the Sri Lankan King Dutugemunu, and the invading South Indian King Ellalan. The expedition is one of the many ways in which the Jeep Club of Sri Lanka, along with DIMO, gives back to owners of the legendary 4x4 brand. Each year, owners of Jeep 4x4s are presented with challenging, fun and educational routes that allow them to fully embrace the extraordinary lifestyle that these off-road machines enable. Gahanath Pandithage, Group Chief Executive Officer, DIMO stated, "It's been a fascinating experience for all members of the Jeep Club of Sri Lanka. Being able to gather together our jeep owners and their families and have them bond together while exploring new routes within the country has been very interesting, and we look forward to supporting next year's event in a similar fashion." With much of Sri Lanka's natural beauty remaining off the beaten path, it's the commitment of JCSL to encourage the responsible exploration of areas that can only be enjoyed and accessed by these unique luxury 4x4 lifestyle companions. Each year the committee of the JCSL pays careful attention to the route that is taken. With an eye for selecting the most scenic surroundings, committee members plot the course beforehand, trying to select routes

that are left un- discovered by the majority of travelers. This year, the convoy traveled towards Agrapathana, over the Balangoda Mountain range and Fordyce Gap. The route passed through Kandapola and Ragala, and around the Piduruthalagala Mountain range, through the Randenigala and Rantambe dams along the historical path alongside Mahaweli River on Raja Mawatha to Wasgamuwa.