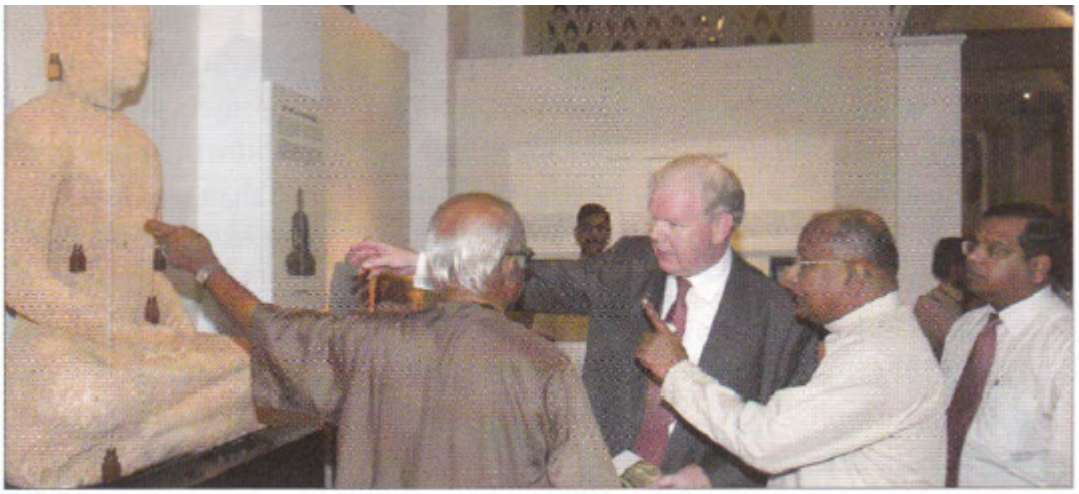
Revamping the Stone Antiquities Gallery

The newly-refurbished Stone Antiquities gallery at the Colombo National Museum was declared open, recently. The Chief Guest at the event was Mahinda Yapa Abeywardene, Minister for Cultural Affairs and National Heritage. Also present at the ceremony was Mike Smith, OBE, President and CEO of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) among others. This is the fifth gallery at the Colombo National Museum refurbished by HSBC. While the previous four galleries were History galleries, the Stone Antiquities gallery is the first thematic gallery to be revamped and opened to the public.



Mike Smith, President/CEO of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and Mahinda Yapa Abeywardene, Minister for Cultural Affairs and National Heritage being shown around the gallery