

# SLT And Mobitel Extends Rural Connectivity Solutions To Kelinkanda



Mobitel facilitating students' ICT needs by providing desktop computers equipped with 4G connectivity.



Kelinkanda students experiencing newly established 4G connectivity by Mobitel.

Sri Lanka Telecom (SLT) Group took prompt measures to expand connectivity solutions to rural areas by providing voice as well as 4G connectivity to the Kelinkanda area, located in Baduraliya. The joint endeavor by the SLT Group will facilitate the core objective of the Gamata Sannivedanaya project launched by the Government, which aims to reduce the digital divide by empowering people with connectivity solutions. This initiative will strengthen the Telecommunication Regulatory Commission's (TRC) initiative in providing adequate connectivity to the children in Kelinkanda who studied on the roadside due to lack of connectivity. SLT and Mobitel established connectivity by implementing a permanent base station to provide high-quality voice services as well as superfast 4G connectivity to schools in the Baduraliya area. In addition to that, the Group also donated financial aid, school accessories as well as desktop computers to the Kelinkanda Janapadaya Primary School and Kelinkanda Kanitu Vidhuhala to support the children's ICT requirements and empower them with digital learning facilities. Lalith Seneviratne, Group CEO, SLT and Mobitel said, "The SLT Group is committed to supporting and uplifting the lives of people, especially those in rural areas by providing unparalleled connectivity solutions. The expansion of this project is part of our continuing effort to bridge Sri Lanka's digital divide and further strengthens our vision in creating a knowledge rich society. As the nation's communication provider, we will continue to expand and power rural areas by providing supreme connectivity solutions and lead Sri Lanka towards the

next phase of digital revolution.” In addition, SLT and Mobitel laid the foundation for the development of first IT laboratory, which will be established in the Kelinkanda Kanitu Viduhala in the near future. The ceremony was graced by Oshada Senanayake, Director General of Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (TRCSL) and Shashika Senerath, the Chief Marketing Officer of Mobitel along with other officials from the SLT and Mobitel Group.