## Awareness Session on "Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism Compliance Obligations for Accounting Professional" – 20 May 2024

An awareness session on AML/CFT Compliance Obligations for Accountants was conducted on May 20, 2024, in collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Sri Lanka (ICASL). The session was held as a hybrid event at ICASL and was also virtually streamed via the Zoom platform.



The welcome address was delivered by Mr. Saman Sri Lal, Chairman of the Committee on Professional Accounts in Practice. The keynote address was given by Dr. Subhani Keerthiratne, Director of the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU). Dr. Gordon Hook, International AML/CFT Consultant, Dr. Ayesh Ariyasinghe, Additional Director of FIU, and Ms. Wangeesha Karunaratna, Deputy Director of FIU, participated as resource persons for the session. Around 80 ICASL members attended the session.

The session included a panel discussion moderated by Mr. Laknath Jayawickrama, Council Member of ICASL. The panelists were Dr. Subhani Keerthiratne, Director of FIU; Mr. Tishan Subasinghe, Vice President of ICASL; Mr. Neomal Goonewardena, Founding Partner of Nithya Partners; and Mr. Manil Jayesinghe, the President and Immediate Past President of ICASL.