

## About the Author



Dr. Fareena Ruzaik joined the Dept. of Geography, University of Colombo as a permanent faculty in 2005. Prior to that, from 1994 to 1999; she worked at the Dept. as an Assistant Lecturer. Her experience in the Central Environmental Authority, during the period from 1999 to 2005, has added more value to her academic activities in the University. She has more than 20 years of experience in environmental related activities including teaching the related subjects. In addition, she has organized and coordinated multiple programs and events (seminars, conference, post-graduate diplomas, etc.) for undergraduates and post-graduate students.

She served as the Secretary of the Sri Lanka Association of Geographers (SLAG) from 2005 to 2019. At present, she is the Secretary of the Ethics Review Committee for Social Sciences and Humanities (ERCSSH), Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo.

This Glossary is the first publication of Dr. Ruzaik in a book form. She has written many articles and research papers to the newspapers, journals, magazines, conference protocols and proceedings. She has contributed to various TV and radio programs as a resource person to educate the Tamil speakers on issues related to environment and Geography in Sri Lanka.

Considering the importance and the demand, the Department of Geography, University of Colombo has introduced two new courses: Medical Geography and Applied Medical Geography. The two courses are offered to undergraduates in all three languages namely Sinhala, Tamil and English. This Glossary provides a much needed support to understand the related technical terms in English, Sinhala and Tamil. Considering the novelty of the subject components in the Sri Lankan context, I am certain that this glossary will be very useful for the undergraduates, who follow the aforesaid two courses.

I take this opportunity to thank Dr. Ruzaik for her valuable effort.

I am aware that she is in the process of writing some more books for students at the G.C.E (A/L), undergraduates and post-graduates.

I wish her great success in all her future endeavors!

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