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URC INTERVENTION

The Recovery Allies Link and Lend Inventive Engaging Support (ALLIES) Model introduced by NDDCB appears to be part of a growing global movement to professionalize and deepen recovery support services.

In 2024, 18 members of the National Dangerous Drugs Control Board (NDDCB) completed the URC Recovery Allies curriculum, earning global certification through the Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme (DAP). This credential empowered them not just as practitioners, but as trainers and disseminators of the model across Sri Lanka.

It was an honour to participate in the certificate awarding ceremony held in the presence of Dr. Khalid Humayuni, Programme Manager for Asia and the Pacific, The Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme, and the Mr. K.K.S Kothalawala (Commander- Retired USP) Director General of the NDDCB.

On the 31st of August 2025, a Certificate Awarding Ceremony was held at the Auditorium of the National Dangerous Drugs Control Board (NDDCB).

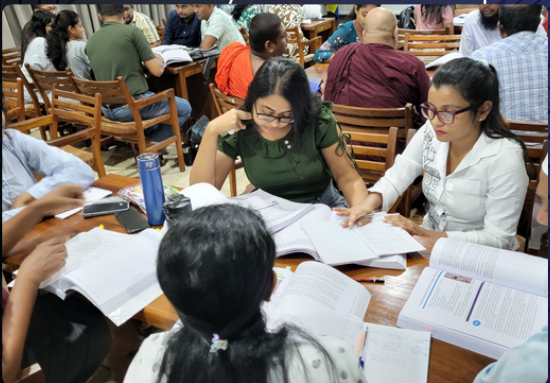




True to their commitment, NDDCB launched Echo-style trainings—a hub-and-spoke model that allows certified experts to mentor and train others in a cascading format. The first major dissemination took place at the Senapura Treatment and Rehabilitation Center in August 2024, where 38 professionals were trained over five days. These included staff from Senapura, Kandakadu, and Vavuniya centers—Sri Lanka's largest government-run rehabilitation facilities

Echo Training Programme – NDDCB Auditorium

In 2025, a transformative Echo-style training was conducted at the National Dangerous Drugs Control Board (NDDCB) Auditorium, bringing together 70 dedicated professionals from across Sri Lanka's recovery and education sectors. The URC training programme conducted by the Preventive Education and Training Division of the NDDCB—Sri Lanka was a truly transformative experience





The URC course was a truly enriching experience. The curriculum content was exceptionally well-structured, relevant, and thoughtfully designed to meet both theoretical and practical needs. Each module offered deep insights and was delivered with clarity and purpose.

The teaching methods were particularly engaging—blending interactive strategies, real-life applications, and creative facilitation that kept participants actively involved throughout. The sessions were not only informative but also emotionally resonant and intellectually stimulating.



Overall, the course was highly attractive in its presentation, inclusive in its approach, and transformative in its impact. I extend my sincere appreciation to the facilitators and organizers for their dedication and excellence.