

***Lagenandra wayambae*: a new species discovered from a freshwater swamp forest**

A research team comprising of Mr. Indrakeela Madola, Prof. Kapila Yakandawala, Prof. Deepthi Yakandawala & Dr. Senani Karunaratne has discovered a new endemic aquatic plant from the Freshwater swamp forest in Bulathsinghala and named as *Lagenandra wayambae* after the Wayamba University of Sri Lanka. The species is a rare and considered as critically endangered.

With this finding the number of endemic plants to Sri Lanka has increased. The work has been published in the latest issue of the journal Phytotaxa. The research was supported by a Wayamba University Research Grant.

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