Colombo Courtyard—Asia’s First Boutique City Hotel Certified Carbonneutral®

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(L–R): Nishan Moonesinghe, CEO – Colombo Courtyard, Arun Thapar, Managing Director – Colombo Courtyard, Prof Mohan Munasinghe, Physicist, Economist, Nobel Laureate, and Chairman – Munasinghe Institute for Development and Sanith de S Wijeyeratne, CEO – Carbon Consulting Company

The Colombo Courtyard received the CarbonNeutral® certification for the hotel’s efforts to reduce its carbon footprint. The certificate was presented by Prof Mohan Munasinghe, Physicist, Economist, Nobel Laureate, and Chairman – Munasinghe Institute for Development to Arun Thapar, Managing Director – Colombo Courtyard at a ceremony held at the hotel.

In receiving the certification, the hotel sought the assistance of Carbon Consulting Company (CCC), an organisation that strives to reduce the environmental impact of the corporate sector of Sri Lanka through a range of services that promote

sustainable practices. The CCC carried out a Green House Gas (GHG) assessment to measure the emissions the hotel made—directly and indirectly—through various activities last year. This GHG assessment was carried out in accordance with the GHG protocol, developed by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), the World Resources Institute (WRI) and the Carbon Disclosure Project.

“Colombo Courtyard is a hotel that focuses on being environmentally friendly, by taking energy saving initiatives and using recycled material, which ensures that the hotel has a comparatively lesser footprint,” said Sanith de S Wijeyeratne, CEO – Carbon Consulting Company.