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Message from the Conference Chair

Prof. H.R. Pasindu
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Dear Participants and Esteemed Colleagues,

I extend a warm welcome to the 19th Transport Research Forum 2026, organized by the Transportation Engineering Division of the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Moratuwa. This annual forum continues to be a key platform for knowledge sharing, discussion, and collaboration among academics, researchers, and professionals in Sri Lanka's transportation sector and signifies its pioneering effort in organizing transportation sector conferences

This year, we are continuing with the initiative taken last year to introduce a key theme within the TRF conference proceedings, under the Industry Leaders Forum, where key industry stakeholders from diverse organizations will come together to discuss a common theme. This year, we are focusing on geospatial analysis applications in transportation, recognizing the multidisciplinary nature of transportation research and industry practice.

This year's conference also accepted over 15 research abstracts for presentations and for the poster session.

The discussions from distinguished speakers representing various sectors of the transport industry foster a multidisciplinary approach to addressing challenges and opportunities in transportation.

I wish to thank the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Niranjan Gunawardana; the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Jagath Manatunge; the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Prof. Ruwan Gopura; and Prof. Udeni Nawagamuwa, Head of the Department of Civil Engineering, for their steadfast support for the conference. Their commitment has been instrumental in advancing our efforts.

I am also grateful to the organizing committee for their dedication in planning this forum and to our academic and industry reviewers for their careful evaluation of the submissions. To our invited speakers, presenters, and participants, thank you for your contributions, which make this event a vibrant and meaningful exchange of ideas.

As we commence the conference, I encourage you to actively participate, engage with your peers, and share your insights. This is an opportunity to explore solutions to current challenges and contribute to shaping the future of transportation in Sri Lanka.

On behalf of the organizing committee, I look forward to a productive and engaging forum. Let us make the most of this opportunity to learn, collaborate, and advance our shared goals in transportation research.

Thank you.

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