



Different Varieties of crops like mangoes, Citrus crops, and vegetable crops were exhibited for sale at the premises of “Hela Bojun Hala” Seeds of Traditional Varieties were also distributed.

Among the nutrition conscious urban upper-middle class, health foods with good nutraceutical properties made from locally available chemical free food becoming popular. The Western Provincial Department of Agriculture trained women entrepreneurs according to the traditional recipes. Therefore, Hela bojun Hala will be an ideal tool and a best practice creating biodiversity based novel sustainable livelihoods.



His Excellency the President and the Cabinet Minister for Environment Mr. Maithreepala Sirisena is enjoying a cup of herbal porridge made by women Agro-entrepreneurs of western province. Hon. Minister for Agriculture Mr. Duminda Dissanayake is taking famous traditional food “Milk rice” . Director General of the Department of Agriculture Dr. Rohan Wijekoon is in the Middle.

Dr. Cyril Wijesundara, former Director General for the Department of Botanic Gardens offered a lecture on “Biodiversity for Sustainable Development” while Head of the Food Research Division of the department of Agriculture Dr. K.H. Sarananda offered a lecture on “Biodiversity for Food Security.



Hon President observing a bottle of jam prepared by organically produced fruits. Secretary to the Ministry of Mahaweli development and Environment Eng. Mr. Nihal Rupasinghe observing next to the Director general of Department of Agriculture Dr. Rohan Wijekoon.