

B. SARADA M. DE SILVA

CHAIRMAN

CINNAMON TRAINING ACADEMY OF SRI LANKA

Mr. B. Sarada M. De Silva has over 45 years' experience in the Spice Industry, specializing in the Cinnamon value chain. He has founded the Spice Council of Sri Lanka and the Ceylon Cinnamon Association. Throughout his career, Mr. De Silva has raised awareness on challenges and opportunities in the Cinnamon industry, gaining the attention of Government, non-governmental and foreign agencies. He has promoted the use of Good Agricultural Practices, Good Manufacturing Practices and HACCP in the cinnamon sector. With support from STDF and UNIDO, Mr. De Silva played a key role in establishing the Cinnamon Training Academy which builds the capacity of cinnamon producers on international food safety standards and provides nationally recognized vocational qualifications. Mr. De Silva is the current Chairman of the Cinnamon Training Academy of Sri Lanka.