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   2014

2. *මහාචාර්ය කතා*  
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P.H.D.H. de Silva & S. Wickramasinghe
2006

Spolia Zeylanica Vol. 44 (Traditional Textiles in the Colombo National Museum)
G.E. Vangeyzel
2008

Spolia Zeylanica Vol. 45
Ed. Nanda Wickramasinghe
2002

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S. Pathmanathan
2005

Spolia Zeylanica Vol. 48 (Dutch and other Foreign Tobacco Boxes in Sri Lankan Museums)
K.D. Paranavitana & S. Wickramasinghe & Bert Nelleans
2011

Spolia Zeylanica Vol. 49 (Handwoven Heritage Future Foundation)
Chandramani Thenuwara
2012

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Maud. S. Thenuwara, Chandramani
2003

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Maud. S. Thenuwara, Chandramani
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A catalogue of the Sangam Age Pandya and Chola Coins of the National Museum, Colombo, Sri Lanka

R. Krishnamurthy
2005

The Hand-Book of Ceylon National Congress 1919-1928

S.W.R.D. Bandaranayake
1991
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Directory of Museums in Sri Lanka
M. M. Dayananda Peiris
2005

The Rupamala
Translator E. R. Gooneratne
1995

A Guide to the Magampura Ruhunu Heritage Museum Hambanthota
Ed. Leelananda Prematilleke
2014

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