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A probe into the ancient educational system in Sri Lanka shows that it was structured towards the realization of the innermost thoughts and aspirations of the people. It is the greatness of this education based on a religion-centered curriculum and a society giving prime place to moral values. The guidance of this education is visible in the whole course of the great Sri Lankan culture. It was in the Kotte period that the splendour of this educational system last prevailed. The colonial rulers who administered the affairs of Sri Lanka between 1505 and 1948 introduced a new educational system to further their political, religious and economic aims. They destroyed the educational system that existed in Sri Lanka then. Although their aims were successful, thereby the moral basis of Sri Lankan civilization was drastically affected. In modern times, although Sri Lanka is an independent nation there still operates the colonial educational system with some adjustments. This educational system, while creating many social problems, has not succeeded at the minimum level in creating even a moral society. Many reports have pointed out the unsuitability of this system to our country. Therefore, we should concentrate on an education system suitable for us. For that purpose we can take as a model our ancient educational system which was successful. That system can be made use today with relevant modifications to suite the country's needs.

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