Prof. Janaka Bandara Ekanayake, from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering of the University of Peradeniya has been named an IEEE Fellow. He is being recognized for **contributions to education in renewable energy integration and smart grid.**

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Prof. Ekanayake believe to be the only Sri Lankan named as a Fellow of IESL, Fellow of IET (UK) and Fellow of IEEE (USA) and the only academic elevated to the grade of Fellow of IEEE while in service in Sri Lanka. He is also a distinguish lecturer of IEEE Power Engineering Society.

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