



# Cities Development Initiative for Asia

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

Country: SRI LANKA City: COLOMBO		Status: COMPLETED Application approved: 20/JAN/2014	Key Sector(s): WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT
<b>PROONENTS</b>		<b>Geography and Population</b>	
Colombo Municipal Council, Town Hall, Colombo 07, Sri Lanka  Phone: +94 11 2695121 Website: www.cmc.lk		J.M. Bhadrani Jayawardena Municipal Commissioner Colombo Municipal Council  Phone: +94 11 2675425 Email: bjaya_cmclk@hotmail.com	<p><b>Area: 37.31 km<sup>2</sup></b> <b>Population: 752,993</b></p> <p>Colombo is the largest city in Sri Lanka, strategically located along the East-West sea trade route.</p> <p>Colombo has the largest and busiest port in Sri Lanka as well as in South Asia. While Sri Lanka moved its legislative capital from Colombo to Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte in 1982, Colombo remains as the designated commercial capital of Sri Lanka.</p>  
<b>Central State Partner</b> Ministry of Local Government and Prvincial Councils	<b>Other Partners</b> ADB		
<b>KEY CITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES</b>			
<p>The overall city's development plans focus on the following areas: The Colombo Sewerage System (CSS) was constructed between 1902-1925 now covers nearly 80% of the Colombo Municipal Council (CMC) area, while also catering to two adjoining municipalities and 11 other locations. Further improvements and additional assistance from the ADB are currently on-going with the Greater Colombo Wastewater Management Program (GCWMP) and the Greater Colombo Water and Wastewater Improvement Investment Program (GCWMIIP). However, rapid expansion of urban areas exacerbating the issues of sewer blockages, collapses and under-capacity of some of the sewers. There are numerous cross-connections between the storm water drainage and sewerage systems. About 30% of the city population lives in under-served or unsewered settlements, causing environmental pollution and endangering the health of the population. Free services provided by CMC to the residents further constrained the CMC from providing an adequate service and to run a sustainable operation and maintenance of the system.</p>			
<b>DETAILS OF COOPERATION</b>		<b>Intervention Areas</b> <small>Source of Maps: Wikipedia.org</small>	
<p>CDIA supported activities include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze the Wastewater Sector in Colombo's Urban Development Strategy and consider its land-use planning recommendations for growing Greater Colombo in the future.</li> <li>Develop a Pre-Feasibility Study for the Wasterwater Network / Pumping / Treatment facilities and integrate small components on Storm Water and Solid Waste Management</li> <li>Identify possible financial resources and cost-recovery options to maintain a sustainable system in the future</li> <li>Identify capacity gaps in the project preparation and implementation, and strengthen the existing Institutional System</li> </ol>		 <p>City of Colombo</p>  <p>Discharges from drainage outlets directed to the coast</p>	
<b>EXPECTED DEVELOPMENTAL IMPACTS</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimise the release of untreated sewerage into the environment with rehabilitation / upgrading of the sewer network, as such avoiding pollution of groundwater and improve the quality of water bodies in Colombo</li> <li>Improve living conditions for people resident in unsewered areas with access to sewer network</li> <li>Decrease the risks to public health from health hazards and water borne diseases (especially for the poor and disadvantage)</li> <li>Employment and livelihood opportunities for population of Colombo during construction period</li> </ul>			
<b>PROJECT PERIOD</b>	JUN/2014 - NOV/2015	<b>EXPECTED INVESTMENT FOLLOW UP</b>	
<b>CDIA SUPPORT</b>	180,461 US\$	Est. infrastructure investment value	311mil US\$
<b>CITY CONTRIBUTION</b>	46,000 US\$ (in kind)	Potential sources of financing	
		ADB (128mil US\$)	

