# Sri Lanka: Wastewater Management Improvement in Colombo Municipal Council

Project Name	Wastewater Management Improvement in Colombo Municipal Council
Project Number	47255-001
Country	Sri Lanka
Project Status	Closed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 8733-SRI: Wastewater Management Improvement in Colombo Municipal Council
	Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 500,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Partnerships Private sector development
Sector / Subsector	Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development - Urban sewerage
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements
Description	The TA will enhance the management of the wastewater facilities. Specifically, the TA will help develop a wastewater tariff structure, and assist CMC to enter into a PPP for the two new wastewate treatment plants to be constructed. The TA will also further enhance the tariff introduction in CMC area and PPP target set by the Greater Colombo Water and Wastewater MFF.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The Governments wastewater sector objective is to increase sewerage coverage from 2.5% to 7% in the country by 2020. The target for sewerage coverage in Colombo city is from 25% to 100% by 2020. The Country Partnership Strategy (CPS) 2012-2016 will focus on three pillars: (i) inclusive and sustainable economic growth, (ii) catalyzing private investment and enhancing the effectiveness of public investment, and (iii) human resource and knowledge development. The TA is in the COBP 2014-2016 to support CMC in: (i) institutional reforms and financial sustainability of CMC operations; (ii) capacity enhancement in the CMC to manage the wastewater services; (iii) PPP in wastewater service provision; and (iv) improved sustainability of the Colombo city wastewater services.
Impact	Improved financial sustainability and operations of wastewater services in Colombo city.

### **Project Outcome**

Description of Outcome	Improved capacity to operate and maintain wastewater services in Colombo city.
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	<ol> <li>Wastewater tariff scheme prepared.</li> <li>Publicprivate partnership (PPP) modality identified and prepared.</li> <li>Information campaign and training program implemented.</li> </ol>
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	Recruitment of most individual consultants are completed.
Geographical Location	

### Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

**Environmental Aspects** 

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation			
During Project Design	The CMC, which is the main beneficiary of the TA, has taken action in 2013 to maintain separate accounts for the wastewater services, and is examining the necessary changes to municipal by-laws that may impede introducing a wastewater tariff. The Mayor of CMC has agreed in principle, to the introduction of a wastewater tariff, but emphasizes the need to conduct an intensive awareness-raising campaign to apprise residents of the need for the action. Further discussions are necessary to agree on the tariff structure and its application.		
During Project Implementation	The CMC, which is the main beneficiary of the TA, is examining the necessary changes to municipal by- laws that may impede introducing a wastewater tariff. The Mayor of CMC has agreed to the introduction of a wastewater tariff, intensive awareness-raising campaign to apprise residents of the need for the action is being conducted. Two dissemination workshops held and most councils agreed to start collection the wastewater tariff in the beginning of 2017 with no domestic categories. The TA consultant is working on all above mentioned areas.		

# **Business Opportunities**

Consulting Services	The TA will be implemented over 2 years from October 2014 to September 2016. Consulting services totaling 30 person-months (15 person-months international and 15 person months national) will be required. The international consultants will provide expertise in the fields of water sector utility finances, wastewater tariff, and PPP. The national consultants will provide support on technical issues, public communications, and legal aspects. The consultants has been engaged by ADB in accordance with its Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time) on an individual basis.
Procurement	not applicable.

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#### Timetable

15 May 2014
10 Jun 2014 to 15 Jun 2014
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03 Oct 2014
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20 Sep 2016

#### TA 8733-SRI

		Milestones				
Annroval	val Cinning Data	e Effectivity Date	Closing			
Approval	Signing Date		Original	Revised	Actual	
03 Oct 2014	10 Dec 2014	10 Dec 2014	30 Sep 2016	30 Nov 2016	-	

Financing Plan/TA Utilization					Cumulative Dist	oursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpar	Counterpart			Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
500,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550,000.00	03 Oct 2014	419,845.20

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