

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR PEOPLE FRIENDLY CITIES



SRI JAYAWARDENAPURA KOTTE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL - SRI LANKA



THE CITIES OF THE FUTURE ARE PEOPLE FRIENDLY CITIES

- A humanistic, people friendly city is first and foremost an accessible city where societal demands are supplied for all.
- Cities around the world are seeking for innovative solutions to keep the mechanisms of service delivery, equitable and sustainable.
- Intelligent traffic solutions, green buildings, water management and smart grid infrastructure are just a few of the technologies helping to steer today's urbanization toward sustainability.

PEOPLE FRIENDLY CITY AND ECONOMY

By creating and maintaining greener and cleaner cities with more public open spaces for people to enjoy, and by improving the infrastructure available within the urban spaces, cities will make full use of its development potential and become one of the fastest growing economies in the world.



PEOPLE FRIENDLY CITY AND HEALTHY PEOPLE

The creation of more public open spaces has been a key priority among the projects that have been initiated recently, Alongside the many developments in Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte with proper bicycle tracks and walkways have significantly improved the quality of life within Colombo city.



FACING SOCIETAL CHALLENGES TO ACHIVE A PEOPLE FRIENDLY CITY

- Fighting against inequality
- Securing food, water and energy supply
- Combatting natural disasters and poverty
- Seeking for employment

OTHER FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

Mounting costs of providing public services



REQUIREMENT

Major reforms of these services and great government efficiency

CONCLUSION

The traditional ways in which we have responded to societal demands are no longer sufficient

SOLUTION

For most social challenges social innovations need to be taken into account

IMPORTANCE OF PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION

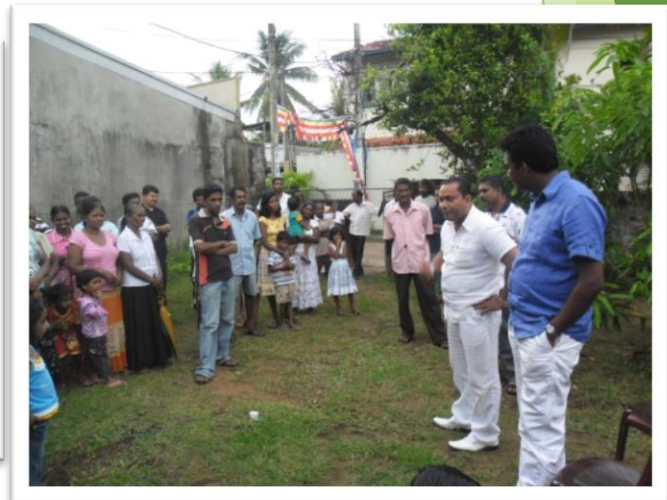
- Social innovation is contributing to reshape the society in the direction of participation and empowerment.
- Active engagement of the citizen will be the key to well respond to social needs and address societal challenges.
- Assurance of sustainable social impact on financial crisis.

THE IDEA OF COMMUNITY BUDGET

- A community organizational mechanism in which citizens can voluntarily participate.
- Creation of organizational structure available to citizens for express their interests in written or verbal form.
- Expectation of a budget which gives local public service partners the freedom to work together to redesign services around the needs of citizens.

METHOD OF IMPLEMENTATION

- Main concern will be on community development societies which have spread around our municipal area.
- First step will be to start with the smallest unit of a village called “Grama Seva Vasam”.
- These rural units will be subdivided into more community groups.
- From each group information and ideas will be collected by holding assemblies.



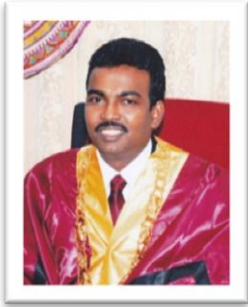
ROAD DEVELOPMENT AS A NEW SOCIAL INNOVATION

- Roads pose a particularly challenging problem in a developing country.
- It can effect from many perspectives including ecological, social, economical and cultural.
- Building roads can resettle a large number of people from rural to urban area and facilitate migration of people to isolated areas.

OUR GOAL

- To ensure that our budget reflects the community stop priorities, values and concerns.
- To increase the self-esteem and foster mutual respect and shared responsibility of our citizens by empowering them to participate in making decisions.
- To plan our economies actively and adopt social policies that enhance peoples welfare
- To emphasize our main theme of development plan for 2013, Which is development has to be woven around people not people around development.

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