

Construction of surgical unit and supply of medical equipment at Teaching Hospital in Batticaloa



Scope of the Project : In response to a request from Government of Sri Lanka and also recognizing need for assistance in the field of health, Government of India has agreed to grant assistance for construction of a surgical unit and supply of medical equipments to Teaching Hospital, Batticaloa. The surgical unit will consist of 360 patient beds, 10 surgical intensive care beds and 3 operation theatres.

Project Cost : Maximum of SLR 275 million (INR 13 Crores)

Project Duration : 2 years

Implementing Partners :

1. Ministry of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine
2. Department of External Resources, Ministry of Finance



Modalities of Implementation : The project is being implemented under Small Development Project (SDP) model. An MoU for construction of surgical unit and supply of medical equipments was signed on 5 February 2016 during the visit of Hon'ble Minister for External Affairs, Mrs. Sushma Swaraj to Colombo. To monitor progress of the project, a Project Steering Committee, co-chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine, Government of Sri Lanka and the Deputy High Commissioner of India has been constituted. Consultant for construction of the building has been appointed by Government of Sri Lanka. Design of the building has also been finalized by the competent authorities.

Beneficiaries : Teaching Hospital of Batticaloa renders its services to around 2 million people in and around the Eastern Province. In 2015, there were 95,959 inward admissions, out of which 40% were surgical patients. In the said year, 18,378 surgeries were carried out in the hospital. The modernization and improvement of infrastructure for surgeries will benefit the people in and around Eastern Province.
