

# Supply of 500 tractors to Northern Province

## Scope of the Project:

Agriculture which happens to be the primary occupation of the people of the Northern Province was severely affected during the armed conflict over the last 2 decades. Government of India felt the need to improve the production and productivity of the agriculture by way of farm mechanization which could help the Internally Displaced Persons in the revival of their farming. Government of India approved the supply 500 tractors and agricultural equipments to Agrarian Service Centers of the Northern Province to help farmers.



**Project Cost:** 600 million (Project completed)

## Partner Organizations:

1. Ministry of Economic Development
2. Presidential Task Force for Resettlement, Development and Security in the Northern Province
3. DIMO Lanka (Pvt) Ltd. (Supplier of Mahindra Tractors)

**Beneficiaries:** Farmers & Agrarian Service Centers.

**Equipments supplied:** 500 tractors along with 500 units of each 9 Tine Tiller, Rotovator, two furrow Disc Plough and cage wheel were distributed among the Agrarian Service Centers functioning in Northern Province as follows.

S.No	District	No of Tractors	No of Agrarian Service Centers Covered
1	Jaffna	109	15
2	Kilinochchi	110	08
3	Mullaitivu	112	10
4	Mannar	100	11
5	Vavuniya	69	08
<b>Total</b>		<b>500</b>	<b>52</b>

**Impact:** The Project has helped to revive agriculture in the region. Farm mechanization has drastically improved crop production and productivity besides reducing the cost of cultivation by about 40%.