

Sri Lanka Development Forum - 2007
29 - 30 January, 2007 - Galle, Sri Lanka

Venue: Lighthouse Hotel, Galle, Sri Lanka

January 28th

- 16.30 Registration of Delegates (Lighthouse Hotel)
18.30 Reception (Beach Garden - Lighthouse Hotel)

January 29th

09.00 -10.30 Opening Ceremony (Eddystone Hall- Lighthouse Hotel)

- 09.00 - 09.05 National Anthem and Lighting of the Oil Lamp
- 09.05 - 09.10 Welcome address by Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama
- 09.10 - 09.20 Speech by Mr. Frederick Lyons, United Nations Humanitarian/ Resident Coordinator, a.i.
- 09.20 - 09.30 Speech by Shri Dinesh Kumar Jain, Additional Secretary (Economic Relations), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
- 09.30 – 09.40 Speech by Mr. Robert O’ Blake, H.E. the Ambassador for USA in Sri Lanka
- 09.40 – 09.50 Speech by Mr. Reiichiro Takahashi, Deputy Director General, International Economic Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Japan
- 09.50 – 10.00 Speech by Mr. Ye Dabo, H Excellency the Ambassador for China
- 10.00 – 10.10 Speech by Mr. Praful Patel, Vice President, World Bank
- 10.10 – 10.20 Speech by Mr. Liqun Jin, Vice President, Asian Development Bank

10.20 – 10.40 Address by His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka Mahinda Rajapaksa

10.40 – 11.30 Tea

Session I

11.30 – 14.00 Political Economy in Context

***Chair & Panel: His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka, Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Chairman - Sri Lanka Development Forum***

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva

Hon. Mangala Samaraweera

Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardene

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Ferial Ashraff

Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama

Hon. Professor Tissa Vitharana

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya

Mr. Lalith C. Weeratunga, Secretary to the President

Dr. P.B. Jayasundera, Secretary to the Treasury/

Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Planning

11.30 – 11.40 Political Economy - An Overview - Dr. P.B. Jayasundera, Secretary to the Treasury/ Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Planning

11.40 – 11.50 Post Tsunami Recovery Challenges - Mr. B. Abeygunawardena, Director General, Department of National Planning

11.50 – 12.00 Security Law and Order - Mr. Gotabhaya Rajapaksa, Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order

12.00 – 12.10 The Conflict, Terrorism and Peace Building - Dr. Palitha Kohona, Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs/ Secretary General, The Peace Secretariat

- 12.10 – 12.20 Macro Economic Background and Outlook - Mr. Ajith Nivard Cabraal,
Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka
- 12.20 – 12.30 Private Sector Perspectives - Mr. Mahen Dayananda,
Chairman, Ceylon Chamber of Commerce
- 12.30 – 12.40 Civil Society Perspectives - Presentations by;
Mr. Jeevan Thiagarajah, Executive Director, Consortium of
Humanitarian Assistance
- 12.40 – 12.50 Trade Union Perspectives - Presentations by;
Mr. M.R. Sha, President, Ceylon Bank Employees' Union
- 12.50 – 14.00 Discussion
- 14.00 – 15.00 Lunch
(hosted by the World Bank)

Session II

15.00 - 16.30 The Conflict, Natural Disasters and Humanitarian & Resettlement Challenges

Chair &: Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama

Panel Hon. Mangala Samaraweera

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa

Hon. Professor Tissa Vitharana

Hon. D.E.W Gunasekara

Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe

Resource Dr. Palitha Kohona, Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Secretary

Persons: General, The Peace Secretariat

Mr. S.B. Divaratne, Deputy Secretary to the Treasury/

Commissioner General, Essential Services

Mr. C.R. de Silva P.C. Solicitor General

Brigadier Mohanthy Peiris, Director (Legal) and Director (Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws) Sri Lanka Army
Mr. H.M.G.S. Palihakkara, Former Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- 15.00 – 15.20 Human Rights, Humanitarian and Resettlement Challenges Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe, Minister of Disaster Management and Human Rights; An Overview
- 15.20 – 15.30 Legal and Regulatory Issues on Human Rights
C. R. De Silva P.C. Solicitor General
- 15.30 – 15.40 Reconstruction Strategies for the North and East
Mr. M.S. Jayasinghe, Secretary, Ministry of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development
- 15.40 – 15.50 Update of the Humanitarian Situation
Mr. Senaka Weeraratna, Deputy Director (Economic Affairs), The Peace Secretariat
- 15.50 – 16.45 Discussion
- 16.45 Tea
- 19.30 Dinner
(hosted by the Government of Sri Lanka)

January 30th

Session III

***9.00 – 10.30 Mahinda Chinthana: Vision for a New Sri Lanka;
A Ten Year Horizon Development Framework 2006 - 2016***

***Chair & Panel Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama
Hon. Mangala Samaraweera
Hon Maithripala Sirisena***

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa
Hon. Ferial Ashraff
Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama
Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya

Development

Mr. Liqun Jin

Partners:

Mr. Praful Patel

Mr. Reiichiro Takahashi

09.00 – 09.45

Mahinda Chinthana: Vision for a New Sri Lanka;
A Ten Year Horizon Development Framework 2006-2016
An Overview - Dr. P.B. Jayasundera, Secretary to the Treasury/
Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Planning

09.45 – 10.30

Discussion

10.30 – 11.00

Tea

Session IV

11.00 – 13.00

Randora/ Gama Neguma:
Development of Infrastructure and Lagging Regions

Chair &

Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama

Panel:

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva

Hon. Mangala Samaraweera

Hon. Jeyaraj Fernandopulle

Hon. W.D.J. Senavirathna

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Susil Premajayantha

Hon. Pavithra Wanniarachchi

Hon. Jagath Pushpakumara

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya

Recourse Persons **Mr. W.K.K. Kumarasiri, Secretary, Ministry of Rural Livelihood Development / Secretary, Ministry of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation**

11.00 – 11.30 Infrastructure Development - Presentations by;
Mr. S. Amarasekara, Secretary, Ministry of Highways
Mr. Tilak Collure, Secretary, Ministry of Ports and Aviation
Mr. M. M. C. Ferdinando, Secretary, Ministry of Power and Energy

11.30 – 11.50 Education and Health - Presentations by;
Mr. Ariyaratne Hewage, Secretary Ministry of Education
Dr. Athula Kahandaliyanage, Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition

11.50 – 13.00 Discussion

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
(hosted by the ADB)

Session V

(Closing Session)

14.00 - 16.00 ***Donor Assistance and Implementation***

Chair & Panel: ***Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama***
Hon. Mangala Samaraweera
Hon. A.H.M. Fowzie
Hon. Maithripala Sirisena
Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa
Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama
Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya

14.00 – 14.10 An Update on Foreign Assistance - Mrs. Sujatha Cooray,
Director General, Department of External Resources

14.10 – 14.20	Development Assistance, Sector Coordination and Implementation Challenges - Dr. P.B. Jayasundera, Secretary to the Treasury/ Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Planning
14.20 – 14.40	Comments by Delegates
14.40 – 15.40	Discussion
15.40 – 16.00	Concluding Statement and Vote of Thanks Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama
16.00 – 16.30	Tea
16.30 – 17.00	Media Briefing: <i>Hon. Mangala Samaraweera</i> <i>Hon Maithripala Sirisena</i> <i>Hon. Dr. Sarath Amunugama</i> <i>Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa</i> <i>Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama</i> <i>Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya</i>

Secretaries of Line Ministries will participate as Observers/Resource Persons during relevant Sessions