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PRESS RELEASE

Workshop on Sri Lanka's National Disaster Risk Financing Strategy



A workshop on the preparation of Sri Lanka's National Disaster Risk Financing Strategy was held on 21 October 2026, with the participation of key stakeholders involved in disaster risk management, relevant government institutions, development partners, and representatives of the insurance industry.

The workshop focused on the importance of developing a comprehensive disaster risk financing strategy to strengthen Sri Lanka's financial preparedness for natural disasters, health emergencies, energy supply and food price shocks and other situations falling within the scope of the strategy.

The discussions highlighted the need to identify, assess disaster-related fiscal risks, appropriate financing instruments, and adopt a risk-layering approach to ensure timely and sustainable financing for disaster response and recovery while safeguarding fiscal stability.

With technical assistance from the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the Public Debt Management Office (PDMO) is leading efforts to develop Sri Lanka's National Disaster Risk Financing Strategy, which is expected to be finalised by mid-2027. The strategy aims to strengthen national financial resilience, protect development gains, and enhance the Government's capacity to manage the fiscal impacts of natural disasters.

The active engagement of key stakeholders will be important in developing a practical and sustainable strategy aligned with Sri Lanka's requirements.