

Trash2Cash

A technology platform for recycle and **re-use**







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The Purpose

To change the way consumers and Households **recycle** and **re-use** (circular economy)



The Scale of the Problem

- Packaging: The biggest source of plastic pollution.
 - 938 MT is generated each day in SL, only 4% recycled.
- **Fast fashion**: The second largest source of plastic pollution.
 - Garment/ textile waste: 7% of global landfill space
 - Worldwide, 100 Bn pieces of garment gets manufactured annually. 60%
 thrown within 1 year, 10% gets upcycled/ repurposed, 1% gets recycled.

Electronics/ E-waste

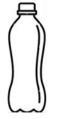
- 53.6 Mn MT/ year worldwide, 17% recycled
- In SL, 138 000 MT generated a year. 5.6 Kg per capita in Asia, only 11 % of documented recycling.



Trash2Cash gives a second life to:

Recyclables:

- Plastics
- Glass
- Cans
- Tetrapaks
- Paper
- E-waste











Reusables

- Clothing
- Kids/ sporting gear
- Books
- Furniture
- Electricals/ Electronics













The Solution:

Trash2Cash platform

A total solutions platform for recycling and re-use needs (circular economy)

- Dispose any unwanted material/ goods for Recycling or reuse, and receive monetary rewards
- Purchase any 2nd hand, repaired or refurbished goods for re-use

Design infused re-use and repurpose transformations to items



Product Trailer





4 component ecosystem

Material inflow

- On-demand Home pickups
 (Trash2Cash app)
- 2. Smart recycling bin

Value addition and design infusion

Chakra Transformation centers

Material outflow

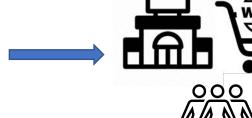
- Reusables: Physical and online thrift stores, women entrepreneurs (Chakra Kade)
- Recyclables: Existing recyclers















Via Trash2Cash app: mobile reloads or utility bill payments, in-store redeems (Keells supermarkets)





Design infusion

The future of design is upcycling



















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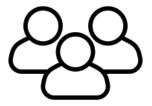






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Users



25 000+

Containers recycled



~50 000/ month

App downloads





3000+ (2 months)

Smart bins deployed



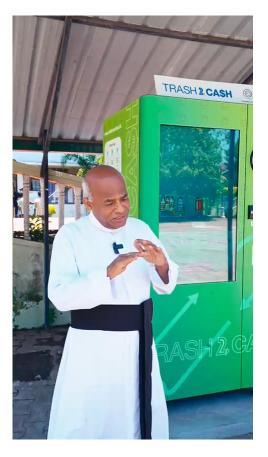
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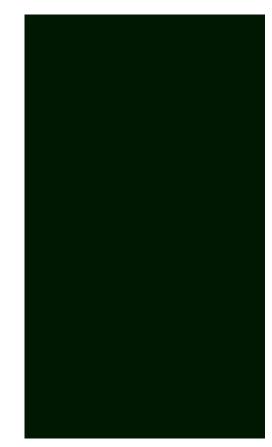


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(Implementation Videos)









Revenue model



Material



Retail/ online sales of re-use items



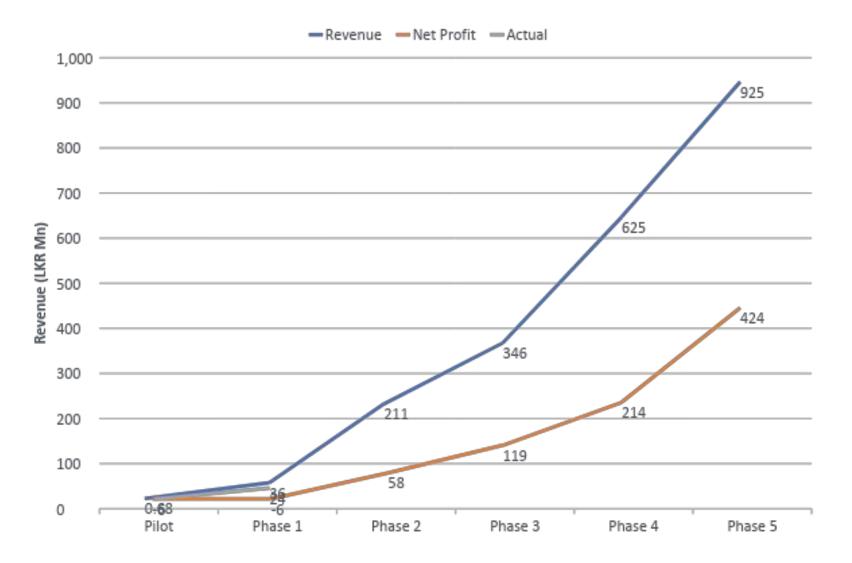
Brand partnerships



Analytics & Advertising



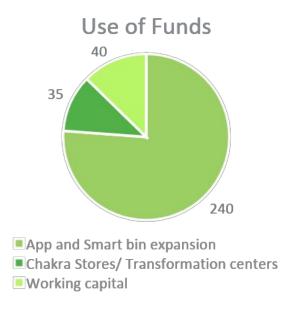
Financial projections





Ask
and
Use of funds







The Team



Sasanka **Digital Strategy**

- 15+ years: fashion/ apparel sector
- Alumnus Columbia Tolicass School



Achalanka
Process
- Lean specialist (Black
belt)/ Head of Lean Hemas



Thilini **Operations**

- Upcycling startup
- Women entrepreneurs



Finance
- Board Member/ Group
Finance Director MJF Group
(Dilmah).

Darshana



Himesh **CEO**

- Eisenhower Fellow, Circular Economy
- Director Innovation, Hemas
- Ph.D, Cambridge University



It's all about Circular Economy

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