

PROJECT PROPOSAL

Project Serene Peak: Preserving the Beauty of Sri Pada

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PROJECT PROFILE

| Project Title | Project Serene Peak: Preserving the Beauty of Sri Pada | | |
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| Name of Implementing Ambassador/ University | University of Colombo | | |
| Project Location | Sri Pada | | |
| Proposed Starting Date | 13/01/2025 | | |
| Project Duration | Two days | | |
| Estimated Budget | LKR 6000 per participant | | |
| Project Objectives | Main objective- Preserve the ecological and spiritual sanctity of Sri Pada through systematic cleaning efforts. | | |
| Target Beneficiaries | Undergraduate Students | | |
| Methodology | Identify the resources needed, including tools (gloves, trash bags, rakes), protective gear, and logistical support (transportation, first aid). Promote the project via social media, and organizations in the university to gather volunteers. Educate volunteers on safety procedures, proper waste collection, and segregation techniques. Highlight environmental conservation principles to inspire long-term awareness. Collect waste systematically, segregating recyclable, non-recyclable, and hazardous materials. Use designated bins or bags for each category. Transport the collected waste to designated recycling facilities or landfill sites. Work with local waste management authorities to ensure proper disposal. Share the project's results and environmental impact through social media, local news outlets, or community events. | | |

ABOUT THE ROAD TO RIGHT

The Road to Rights is an award-winning youth-led voluntary organization established in 2009 in Sri Lanka by the evolution of a childhood dream, to serve humanity from the age of 8, aimed at supporting and empowering young people on creating opportunities, skills development, creativity, and innovation by taking a human rights-based approach towards peace and sustainable development. The Road to Rights is working on empowering youth, children, and women through various forms of activities and creating awareness, promoting advocacy for the communities through community and social development programs including open forums, Conferences, Workshops, Capacity building programs, and social media campaigns to ensure peace and development.

The organization was recognized and awarded in various international and local platforms including the United Nations SDG Action Award out of 125 countries in 2018 in Germany, and the International Human Rights Hero Award in 2012 in Belgium. #ActionToImpact national campaign on SDGs and the largest undergraduate platform dedicated towards SDGs in Sri Lanka; G17 University Ambassadors Consortium are remarkable initiatives of The Road to Rights. Sports and Art programs are two major programs that Road to Rights is working on engaging people to educate them on their rights, and responsibilities and empower them through activities. Purposeful Play, Senses, and Soul, iLead, YouthVote, Human Rights Friendly Cities, Rock the City, and Green Girls are a few campaigns on the road to rights to address different social issues in achieving peace and development.

G17 University Ambassadors Consortium

G17 University Ambassadors Consortium is a global fellowship program initiated by the award-winning The Road to Rights organization in 2021, with its ultimate vision to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development within the university community. Therefore, this will be in progress up until 2030 under the decade of action where every year G17 will recognize 17 individuals from each university across the globe to become young Ambassadors through a one-year-long experiential leadership program with its various activities. G17 is dedicated to empowering university undergraduates on Sustainable Development Goals to become the next generation of young professionals and make SDGs a reality through its four pillars: Capacity Building, Leadership, Policy Advocacy, and Action.

INTRODUCTION

Transport is a crucial infrastructure facility in a country. The development of the transport sector will contribute to the development of a country. In terms of public transportation facilities in Sri Lanka, there are still gaps for improvement.

The project "Lankabus Compass" aims to develop a prototype of an app with the purpose of finding bus routes for specific locations. The app is targeted at new users of public transport and foreigners. It is also intended to assist Sri Lankan citizens lacking familiarity with the bus transport system of Sri Lanka.

The features of the application include a search bar; to input the specific location the user intends to travel to. The app will showcase specific buses to take, including a map of the bus route in order to get to that specific location.

Initially, a prototype will be developed through this project. The prototype will be later developed into a fully functioning application available for users to download.

The main objective of the development of this application is to make bus transportation more efficient using technology. The work for the prototype application will commence on August 1st and is intended to end on August 30th. For the development of the prototype of the app, assistance will be sought from a software engineer.

OBJECTIVES

☐ Promote Environmental Awareness

- Educate visitors, local communities, and pilgrims about the importance of maintaining the ecological balance of Sri Pada.
- Increase understanding of the impact of littering and pollution on the environment and cultural heritage of the site.

☐ Develop Technical Skills and Knowledge

- Train volunteers, local workers, and stakeholders in sustainable waste management techniques, such as waste segregation, recycling, and eco-friendly cleaning methods.
- Introduce community members and students to methods of environmental conservation and resource management.

☐ Encourage Community and Visitor Participation

- Involve local communities, pilgrims, and tourists in cleaning activities, creating a sense of responsibility and ownership toward maintaining Sri Pada.
- Foster collaboration among various stakeholders, including religious institutions, local authorities, and environmental organizations.

☐ Enhance Public Awareness Across Multiple Levels

- **Community Level**: Build awareness within local communities about sustainable practices and their role in preserving the sacred site.
- **National Level**: Generate nationwide interest and support for the project through media campaigns, partnerships, and public engagement.
- **International Level**: Showcase Sri Pada as a globally significant heritage site, emphasizing its environmental preservation efforts.

☐ Create a Cleaner and More Sustainable Environment

- Reduce visible waste and pollution along the pilgrimage trails, summit, and surrounding areas.
- Implement effective waste management systems to ensure sustainable upkeep of the site.

☐ Strengthen Long-term Sustainability

- Establish permanent waste management practices and promote ongoing communityled initiatives to maintain the cleanliness of Sri Pada.
- Create a replicable model for cleaning and preserving other heritage and ecological sites in Sri Lanka.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

Project implementation date- January 13th 2025

Project end date - January 14th 2025

Specification of the project - Cleaning Sri Pada

Resources/equipment needed- gloves, disposable bags, medicines

Management plan:

Phase 1: Planning and Preparation

- Conduct a situational analysis:
 - o Identify high-pollution areas along trails and the summit.
 - Understand stakeholder needs and challenges.
- Develop a resource plan:
 - o Budget allocation.
 - Procurement of cleaning tools and materials (e.g., gloves, bins, biodegradable bags).
 - o Recruitment of volunteers and partners.
- Secure funding:
 - Approach government agencies, corporate sponsors, and donors for financial support.
- Design campaign materials:
 - o Posters, social media content, and educational brochures.

Phase 2: Awareness Campaign

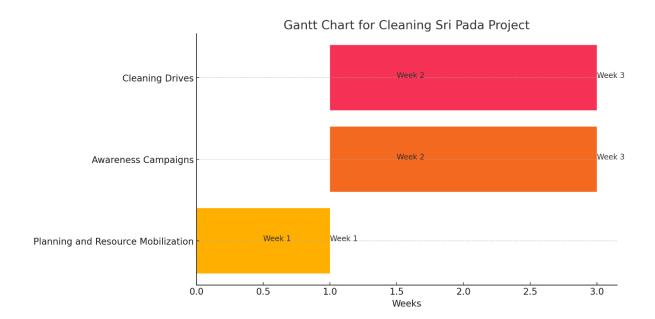
- Launch community engagement programs to educate locals and visitors on waste management and sustainable practices.
- Use signage and media campaigns to promote the initiative nationally and internationally.

Phase 3: Cleaning Drive

- Execute systematic cleaning operations:
 - o Start with the most affected areas and expand to less impacted zones.
 - Organize waste segregation into recyclable, non-recyclable, and compostable categories.
 - o Collaborate with recycling facilities and waste disposal services.

- Assign teams for specific tasks:
 - o Waste collection.
 - o Transportation of segregated waste.
 - o Maintenance of newly installed waste bins.

TIMELINE



BUDGET STATEMENT

| Expenses | Amount (LKR) | Income | Amount (LKR) |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Gloves | Rs.500 | Personal funds | Rs. 1000 |
| Disposable bags | Rs. 500 | | |
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| Total | Rs.1000 | Total | Rs.1000 |

Coordinator Contacts

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G17 University Ambassador's consortium

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all information has been approved in the above project proposal.

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