

**Sri Lanka Association of
Cambridge, Guelph, Kitchener and Waterloo**

(SLACGKW)

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**Report of the Collection and Distribution of the
donations for Tsunami Victims in Sri Lanka
by SLACGKW
during 2004 December to 2005 March**

May, 2005

**SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF
CAMBRIDGE, GUELPH, KITCHENER & WATERLOO
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APPEAL FOR TSUNAMI RELIEF

South and South – East Asia is facing the worst disaster ever known in the history of man kind. Recorded deaths is over 55, 000 and is increasing by the moment. In addition, millions have been made homeless, with no food, no water and no clothing. Since the media has been showing vivid pictures of the catastrophe, we do not intend to dwell on the magnitude of the catastrophe.

SRI LANKA: According to information available, the worst affected country is Sri Lanka. Nearly half the recorded deaths are also from this small island situated to the south of India. It is a developing country of 25, 000 square miles (smaller than the province of Ontario).

Being such a small country, facing this catastrophe is a Herculean task for the Government. Immediate need is to feed, cloth and look after the health of the people in the affected areas. Government will have to depend on the support of the international community for resources and non governmental organizations to provide the services.

We, the Canadians of Sri Lankan origin, are distressed and concerned about the sufferings in the affected areas. We are especially concerned about the people affected in Sri Lanka. The Sri Lanka Association of Cambridge, Guelph, Kitchener and Waterloo set up a relief fund to assist Sri Lanka at this time of need.

We appeal to all Canadians who wish to share what they have with those who have lost everything to donate **cash, summer clothing and / or school supplies** to be sent to Sri Lanka. Immediate need is cash and will be transmitted immediately. It is possible to purchase much of the needed items from within Sri Lanka at a reasonable cost. Other items received will be shipped later.

Our donations will be disbursed in Sri Lanka through “Sri Lanka Centre for Development Facilitation”. This non governmental organization (NGO) is headed by W.P.P. Abeydeera, who was earlier the Director of the “Sri Lanka Canada Development Fund”. Incidentally, he completed his Ph. D. at the University of Guelph and is known to many Sri Lankans living in this community.

The Association opened a special bank account at the CIBC Bank, Stone Road, Guelph, Ontario. Cash donations may be deposited to this account:

Name of the account: Sri Lanka Tsunami Relief Fund.

Transit #: 09952

Account #: 2896532

Other relief items: In order to hand over the other items, please contact one of the following:

Sriyani / Ranjith Moderagamage:	519-746-5420
Shihan Miskin:	519-880-0809
Sriya Gunasekera	519-741-9696
Dodangoda Gunasekera	519-763-9448
Deepananda / Aruni Herath	519-766-4349

FUND RAISING FOR SRI LANKA TSUNAMI VICTIMS

December 29, 2004

Dear friends in the neighborhoods,

We have no doubt that you are aware of the magnitude of the devastation to several countries in the Asian region due to the recent earthquake and tsunami. Sri Lanka, our motherland, is one of the worst hit with over 22,000 deaths and over a million displaced people. Most of those survived have lost everything and these are the poorest of the country.

As fellow Sri Lankans we are emotionally disturbed yet strong enough to standup together to help the survivors in all possible ways and means. We have started a fund raising campaign through the **Sri Lankan Association of Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge and Guelph**. As a part of this campaign the **Sri Lankans living in Westminister Woods, Pineridge, and Clairfield neighborhoods** would like to make an earnest appeal to our neighbors to consider making a generous donation towards this cause.

Here are some of the urgently needed items suggested by the relief agencies that are working in the affected areas.

- * Bed Sheets (suitable for warmer climate), pillow cases, and towels
- * School supplies (exercise books, pencils, pens, erasers, crayons, rulers and boxes of instruments, scissors),
- * Children's footwear (suitable for warmer climate)
- * Children's clothing (suitable for warmer climate)

Given the logistical difficulties in dispatching large consignments of these items in to the affected areas in timely fashion and the possibility of procuring these items at substantially lower prices in Sri Lanka, the relief agencies encourage cash donations. Your generous donation could be directed to the "Sri Lanka Tsunami Relief Fund" operated by Sri Lanka Association of Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge and Guelph. The account number of the Fund is 09952 2896532 (CIBC, 274 Stone Road West, Guelph). We have made contacts with an NGO named "Sri Lanka Centre for Development Facilitation" (formerly known as Sri Lanka Canada Development Fund) to distribute our donation to the most needy families directly.

For further details to make a contribution towards this worthy cause you may contact one of the under signed in your neighborhoods.





Deepananda Herath, 87, Beaver Meadow Drive, Guelph (766-4349)
Susantha Jayasundara, 33, McGarr Drive, Guelph (827-1377)
Dodds Gunasekera, 230, Summerfield Drive, Guelph (763-9448)
Rohan Perera, 31, Borland Drive, Guelph (836 4278)
Jani Ranasinghe, 102, Pineridge Drive, Guelph (8216042)

Thank you very much

	Amy Dayasundara	Cambridge	10.00
	Ajith Rodrigo	482 Pastern Trail Waterloo N2K 4K6	100.00
	Nandana Rodrigo	482 Pastern Trail Waterloo N2K 4K6	100.00
	Niranjith Abeysekera	2-80 Babra Cresent Kitchener N2M 4N2	100.00
	Meharj N Thahir	101 1243 Queens Blvd Kitchener N2M 1C5	100.00
	Manage Anura Sirimanne	746 Queen St, S Kitchener N2M 1A4	100.00
	Mariula De Silva	3-371 Margret Ave, Kitchener N2H 4J6	100.00
	Nishantha Vilathgamuwa	422 Armond Dr, Waterloo N2T 2Y7	100.00
	Prasad Samarakoon	204-53 Water St.N Kitchener N2H 5A7	100.00
	Nimal Chandra & Sepalika	Guelph	125.00
	Somaweera	Guelph	100.00
	Roshan & Menaka	Guelph	50.00
	Priyantha & Kumudu	Guelph	25.00
	Rohan & Grace Perera	Guelph	100.00
	Ruwan & Kumudu	Guelph	100.00
	Basil	Guelph	50.00
	Priyangan	Guelph	100.00
	Najith Amarasinghe	Guelph	50.00
	Jana & Ramani	Guelph	100.00
	Kenndy & Iorrane		100.00
	Sunil & Jeevika	Guelph	100.00
	Herath & Aruni	Guelph	150.00
	Ajith Abeyratne	Guelph	100.00
	Jayantha Samarasinghe	Guelph	50.00
	Fizal	Guelph	75.00
	Tissa Lekamga	Guelph	100.00
	Nimal Fernando	Guelph	50.00
	Kumudini Kariyapperuma	Guelph	100.00
	Bandula Premalal	Guelph	100.00
	Avid Jayasundara	Guelph	50.00
	Susantha & Fiona Jayasundara	Guelph	200.00
	Oskar Fernando	Susantha Jayasundara	100.00
	Ari Gunasekera	Kitchener	100.00
	Anu Gunasekera	Kitchener	100.00
	Piyasena Ranasinghe	Kitchener	100.00
	Udaya Wettasinghe	Kitchener	100.00
	Shihan Miskin	Kitchener	100.00
Jnaki	Gordon & Richards	Janaki Ranasinghe	200.00
	Susan Cahoon	Janaki Ranasinghe	25.00
	Tera & David	Janaki Ranasinghe	20.00
	Mathew Cahoon	Janaki Ranasinghe	10.00
	Les Peebles	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	20.00
	Jim Mathie	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Eileen Kelly	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	100.00
	Diane Mark	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	20.00
	Eveleine Gaede	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	100.00
	Rhonda Campbell	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Hasmita	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	50.00
	Pat Kuhr	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Lauri Sears	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	25.00
	Tvonne Foster	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	50.00
	Lorissa Kuchma	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	20.00
	Diane Erdman	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Edwina Andrade	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	50.00
	Christine Calvart	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Eva Ribai	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	10.00
	Barb Strone	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	20.00
	Scott Richards	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	100.00
	Safety Collection	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	125.00
	Montreal Terminal	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	83.30
	Unknown	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	32.00
	Glasgow Warehouse	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	60.00
	Top UP by Pushpa	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	34.70
	Challenger Motor Freight	Puspa @ Challenger Motor Freight	1,000.00
	coin collection from Herath		79.66
	Laki Brandigampola		200.00

	Deposits Direct to bank		
12/30/2004		250.00	
12/30/2004	Shantha Jayawardana, ?	150.00	
Dec-04		100.00	
12/31/2004		100.00	
1/4/2005		325.00	
1/4/2005		40.00	
1/4/2005		50.00	
1/4/2005		120.00	
1/6/2005		100.00	
1/7/2005	Sriyani Moderagamage - Fellow employees	194.50	
1/7/2005		50.00	
1/7/2005		50.00	
1/10/2005	Sriyani Moderagamage ?	330.00	
1/10/2005		40.00	
1/10/2005		100.00	
1/11/2005		25.00	
1/13/2005		200.00	
1/17/2005		20.00	
1/17/2005		50.00	
1/17/2005		50.00	
1/19/2005		150.75	
1/24/2005		20.00	
1/31/2005		25.00	
1/31/2005		218.28	
1/31/2005		40.00	
1/31/2005		20.00	
1/31/2005		100.00	
1/31/2005		104.00	
	Deposits Made to Bank with no identification	3,022.53	
	Summary of Receipts & Expenses		
	Receipts Banked	20,846.64	
	Cash in Hand Upali & Basil	85.00	
	Container to Sri Lanka		2,620.00
	Bank Charges		11.70
	Remittance ot SLCDF		15,024.00
	Cash at Bank		3,190.94
	Van Rental for transport from Kitchener		117.49
	Rubber stamp		46.00
	Due to Dodan	78.49	
	Total	21,010.13	21,010.13

INBOX quota - 20.32MB of 25.00MB (81.28%)

Date: Tue, 19 Apr 2005 17:32:30 +1000
From: Sri Lanka Centre for Development Facilitation <slcdf@slt.lk>
To: dherath@uoguelph.ca
Subject: Support for Tsunami Victims in Sri Lanka
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Dear Herath,

Our sincere appreciation and gratitude for the kind gesture of the Sri Lanka Association of Cambridge, Guelph, Kitchener and Waterloo, on behalf of the tsunami victims in Sri Lanka. We apologize to you for this long delay in thanking you from our end. We Sri Lankans are really touched by the support extended by your Association in sending clothes, food items, shoes, toys, linen and other utensils for the affected needy. We have already made arrangements to distribute all packages to the victims in Ambalantota, Hambantota, Tangalle and Tissa AGA Divisions. According to government rules and regulations it is essential to get the approval of the District Secretary initially and thereafter respective Divisional Secretaries have to certify the proper delivery of the goods to tsunami victims for tax exemption. On top of that you have donated a cash contribution of Rs.1,225,978.50 and the bank acknowledgement are attached together with our official receipt for your information.

In due course, we will inform you of the expenses incurred at this end towards clearance / storage of the container and other delivery costs.

The government, INGOs and private sector have already pledged to assist tsunami victims in a number of ways. However, those pledges were not materialized fully yet. This situation put us in a dilemma to identify livelihood activities without duplication or waste of resources to rehabilitate these affected people. Hundred meter buffer zone issue and providing permanent housing are yet to be finalized. We are planning to utilize your funds for a multipurpose community centre comprising of a pre-school, children's library, mobile medical centre and a meeting and social gathering place for the community. We are expecting to obtain labour from the villagers to put up this centre. The second alternative is to reactivate livelihood activities of women-headed households in Hambantota / Matara / Galle districts depending on the resources available. Up to now, SLCDF raised funds over Rs.42 Million and expecting more in the near future to assist the victims.

Please once again thank all Sri Lankans for their support and we wish everybody all happiness and good health.

Warm regards
Abeey

Date : 22/03/2005

Ref. No. : IT96200503210087

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SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION
141/2 VAJIRA ROAD
COLOMBO 5

Dear Customer,

We confirm having received a payment in your favour, details of which are as follows:

Remitting Bank	CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA
Remitting Bank Reference	0211904
Remitter	SRI LANKA TSUNAMI RELIEF FUND 230
Details Of Payment	TSUNAMI RELIEF FUND

Remittance Amount	CAD 15,000.00
Exchange Rate	81.731900
Credit Amount	LKR 1,225,978.50
Credit Account Number	00-01-5119820-01
Charges Account Number	00-01-5119820-01
Credit Value Date	21/03/2005
Charges / Tax Total	LKR 0.00

We thank you for banking with Standard Chartered and are pleased to be of service to you.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a diagonal line.

SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

No. 141/2, Vajira Road, Colombo 5.

Sri Lanka Tel : 941-508435



RECEIPT

No. 0117

Date : 22/03/05

RECEIVED FROM

ON ACCOUNT OF

AMOUNT SL.RS.

Name SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF CAMBRIDGE,
GUELPH, KITCHENER AND WATERLOO
Address CANADA

TSUNAMI
REHAQ, WATERLOO
PROGRAMME

RS.1,225,978.50

Rupees (in words) ONE MILLION AND TWO HUNDRED AND
TWENTY FIVE AND NINE HUNDRED AND
SEVENTY EIGHT AND CENTS FIFTY ONLY

BY CHEQUE

CASH

MONEY ORDER

OTHERS

RS.15,000

Sri Lanka Centre For Development Facilitation
141/2 Vajira Road,
Colombo 5, Sri Lanka

Signed by



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International Freight Forwarding, Clearing Agents & Exporters

74, Jethawana Road, Colombo 14, Sri Lanka.

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Fax: 011-2-386180 E-mail: trico@sl.lk

Attn: Mr. Thissa Wijeth

INVOICE

INVOICE NO. S/I/579

DATE: 24/03/2005

TO:

DR. W. P. P. ABEYDHEERA
SRI LANKA CENTER FOR
DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION
141/2 VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 4

GY / JOB NO.# 731
FLT # / VOY # 57W08 23/03/2005
VESSEL / AIR LINE JERVIS BAY
JOB TYPE SEA-IMPORT
BL / AWB NO. 00291
WT 18000.00
VOL 0.00
DESTINATION HALIFAX COLOMBO,

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
01X20' FT CONT. STC:119 PKGS OF TSUNAMI RELIEF AID TO SRI LANKA-SHOES, BED SHEETS & CHILDREN CLOTHES	
TERMINAL HANDLING CHARGES	11,500.00
CONTAINER DEPOSIT	3,500.00
LINER DOCUMENTATION CHARGES	2,070.00
DELEVERY ORDER FEES	2,500.00
TOTAL AMOUNT	19,570.00

PAID
29/03/05

Received 50000/-

Remarks:

(TOTAL RS. NINETEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY ONLY)

PREPARED BY

MANAGER

ACCOUNTANT

Head Office : # 50, K. Cyril C. Perera Mawatha, Colombo 13, Sri Lanka.

Tel: 2448270 Hunting Fax: 2432000 E-mail: trico@sl.lk



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Fax: 011-2-386180 E-mail: trico@sltl.lk

Attn: Mr. Wijethunga

INVOICE

INVOICE NO: S/I/595

DATE: 04/04/2005

TO:

DR. W. P. P. ABEYDHEERA
SRI LANKA CENTER FOR
DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION
141/2 VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 4

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	AMOUNT
S.L.P.A. CHARGES	10,000.00
CUSTOMS CHARGES	5,000.00
LABOUR CHARGES	8,000.00
TRANSPORT CHARGES	10,000.00
LORRY DETENTION CHARGES	4,000.00
PORT DEMURRAGE	18,000.00
LINER DEMURRAGE	3,933.00
CLEARING & HANDLING CHARGES	15,000.00
AGENCY FEES	2,500.00

PAID
04/04/05

TOTAL AMOUNT

76,433.00

Remarks

(TOTAL RS. SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY THREE O-

LY)

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MANAGER

ACCOUNTANT

Head Office : # 50, K. Cyril C. Perera Mawatha, Colombo 13, Sri Lanka.

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Expenses on Container Clearance from Colombo Port

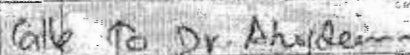
	Total Rs.	Total Rs.
D/O charges to Trico International	19,570.00	
Clearance charges to Trico International	76,433.00	
		96,003.00
Binding Tape for Re-binding	120.00	
	150.00	
		270.00
Tea expenses/ Tip at Port Authority	220.00	
Telephone / Port entrance fees	125.25	
Labour fees- unloading	1,000.00	
		1,345.25
TOTAL Rs.		97,618.25
Summary		
Total Bills of Set 1-7		97,618.25
Total Bills of Set A-K		11,436.00
GRAND TOTAL RS.		109,054.25

Expenses of Container Goods Despatched to Hambantota -Kirinda - Kudawella and Tangalle

	<u>Amout Rs.</u>	<u>Amout Rs.</u>
Transport		
Lorry Hire	9500	(Lorry No. 47-3138 Najibu Transport, Hambantota)
Loading labour cost	500	
Unloading labour cost	500	
		<u><u>10,500.00</u></u>
Food expenses		
lunch - 20.04.05	150	
Tea -20.04.05	145	
dinner-20.04.05	202	
breakfast-21.04.05	145	
		<u><u>642.00</u></u>
Other Transport/busfare		
Kirinda-Hambantota	28	
Hambantota/Matara	39	
Matara/Galle	50	
Galle/Colombo	115	
		<u><u>232.00</u></u>
Communication		
Call to Office	62	
		<u><u>62.00</u></u>
TOTAL Rs.		11,436.00

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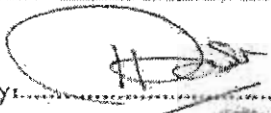


SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION
141/2, VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 5
PETTY CASH VOUCHER

Date: 20/4/05

Voucher No:

Particulars		Amount	
		Rs.	Cts.
Loading charges - (Labour) to Load Boxes to Lorry, (නමුත්තර මහලයා)	500/- 2		
	Total	500/-	

Certified By: 

Authorised By:

Received By: 


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Total 145.00

SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

141/2, VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 5

PETTY CASH VOUCHER

Date: 20/04/05

Voucher No:

Particulars		Amount	
		Rs.	Cts.
Transport charges - To transport Tsunni Contain Goods to Hambantota From SLIP Office.			
Lorry Number 47-3138 NAJIBU TRANSPORT - HAMBANTOTA			
(Tele No: 0777 530 723)	Total	9500/-	

Certified By: [Signature]
20/4/05

Authorised By:

Received By: [Signature]
54-2222-216
20/04/05

SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

141/2, VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 5

PETTY CASH VOUCHER

Date: 20/4/05

Voucher No:

Particulars		Amount	
		Rs.	Cts.
Labour charges for Lorry People	300/-		
① helper - 2/00/10/06			
② Driver - A.J. 2000/06	200/-		
(Total/10/06) 500/-	2		
	Total	500/-	

Certified By: [Signature]

Approved By:

Received By: [Signature]

20/04/05

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No. 63, Havelock Road, Colombo - 05.

Tel : 2597564

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Date 27 of Oct

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Helen
5/4/05

P. O. 82412

SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

141/2, VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 5


PETTY CASH VOUCHER

6

Date: 5/4/08

Voucher No:

Particulars		Amount	
		Rs.	Cts.
① Telephone charges - 2	24/- 15/-	39/-	
③ Colombo Port container Permit Fees	11.50 63.25 <u>11.50</u>	86/25	
	Total	125	25

Certified By: 

Approved By:

Received By:

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SRI LANKA CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT FACILITATION

141/2, VAJIRA ROAD, COLOMBO 5


PETTY CASH VOUCHER

7

Date: 5/04/08

Voucher No:

Particulars		Amount	
		Rs.	Cts.
Labour charges for container Unloading - Tsunami container from container	1000/-		
Voucher S.G. 60000000, 2000 138/6 - 20000000			
	Total	1000	-

Certified By: 

Approved By:

Received By: 

4/03

(2 Peoples) total

PROJECT PROPOSAL

1. **Title:** Post-Tsunami Relief & Rehabilitation of SLCDF - Eight Districts in Sri Lanka
2. **Name of the Organization:** Sri Lanka Centre for Development Facilitation (SLCDF)
Address: No.141/2, Vajira Road, Colombo 5, Sri Lanka
Contact Person: W.P.P. Abeydeera, Executive Director
3. **Districts/ Programme Locations:** Districts of
 1. Ampara
 2. Batticaloa
 3. Galle
 4. Hambantota
 5. Jaffna
 6. Kalutara
 7. Matara
 8. Trincomalee
4. **Organizational Profile:**
Registration: SLCDF was registered under Voluntary Services Act No. 17 of 1982 and the Registration No. is N(A) 965 dated 22nd January 2002.
Background of the Organization: Sri Lanka Centre for Development Facilitation (SLCDF) evolved as a non-governmental organization (NGO) in 2002, which operates as a non-profit development organisation, with a rich programme record and experience of Sri Lanka Canada Development Fund, a project generously supported by Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and Canadian NGOs. The programme was jointly managed by South Asia Partnership (SAP) Canada and (SAP) Sri Lanka. The new organisation could be recognised as an extension of the Sri Lanka Canada Development Fund, continuing the development activities, and taking on new challenges in proactive programming to enter into a sustainable phase with the support of multilateral donor agencies. Extracts of the brochure are attached as Annex 1.

At present, SLCDF is working directly with a large number of Community Based Organizations (CBOs), NGOs and District Consortia (DCs) which account for 3300, 332 and 16 respectively. SLCDF developed its horizontal and vertical links with above structures or networks. Further, it is in a strategic position to facilitate community level peace initiatives, which has become an integral part of development programmes of CBOs, NGOs and civil society organisations. Prior

to the Peace process, SLCDF commenced its development programmes in the Eastern Province by setting up a Regional Office in Batticaloa, to co-ordinate the development activities in Ampara, Batticaloa and Trincomalee Districts and recently extended its activities to Northern Province.

A bilateral project of CIDA for over 15 years, the SLCDF has developed as a multilateral organization since the beginning of 2003. In spite of development activities, the SLCDF has been engaged in relief and long-term rehabilitation through its district networks, especially during the natural disasters such as heavy floods and acute droughts. Please refer visuals attached on flood and drought relief and rehabilitation activities of SLCDF (Annex 2).

5. Post Tsunami Situation:

Sri Lanka is undergoing a very disastrous situation nationally. The Tsunami tidal waves destroyed human lives and infrastructure, about 2 km inland land from the coast. Over 35,000 people were killed and around 10,000 missing while around one million displaced. The SLCDF decided to use its 17-year development experience to engage its local and foreign partners, and donors to reduce the impact of this national calamity. Twelve out of 14 districts were affected and the damage in some of the Divisional and Grama Sevaka Divisions is beyond belief. Therefore, SLCDF is in a strong position with its extensive network, experience and capacity to manage and minimize the impact on the victims of this disaster by providing the services to most needy who, suffered heavily from the Tsunami.

Among the 14 coastal districts, 8 were identified, which represents four in Southern and Western Provinces and four in Eastern and Northern Provinces where SLCDF has strong networks at horizontal and vertical level with CBOs, NGOs and DCs. Please see Sri Lanka map (Annex 3). Out of a total of 118 Divisional Secretary Divisions, 58 were affected in the eight coastal districts. Similarly, 56 out of 174 NGOs working in these eight districts were affected due to the Tsunami disaster. Most of the deaths occurred in these districts and death toll stands at 29,087 while over 2860 persons missing.

Over 30% of the children are displaced. These displaced children are of different age groups and their needs obviously are varied. For some children, both their parents were lost while some others lost either the mother or the father. There are others who lost their siblings, and some close or distant relatives. Psychologically, majority of them are unstable or not settled and frightened of the sea. The school going

children are counting the days to go back to school after the vacation, but some schools are washed away. They do not have a safe place to play and sometimes they are restricted to camps. Where there is space in the camps play equipment are not available. There are no books or reading material or other basic requirements to keep them occupied. In some places electricity, water and proper toilet facilities for these children are insufficient or not available. Every one is donating food parcels or dry rations without taking much notice of the basic needs of the children. The government is not equipped to face an emergency situation of this magnitude. The necessary persons with experience to manage disaster situation too are inadequate. The SLCDF is mobilising its CBO, NGO and DC members and volunteers to assist them to work with the other civil society organizations and government officials in the area to take as much responsibilities of the affected people.

The non-affected Sri Lankan people were so concerned, provided initially with cooked food and some dry rations individually to different organizations for delivery. Some of those organisations in Colombo were flooded with food and clothing. This trend would be reduced after a few weeks. Then the victims have to depend on the government and other outside agencies. But channelling these items to certain areas and most deserving victims was not organized appropriately. As a result, some cooked food were spoilt and wasted. The proper channelling of food, medicine, health and sanitation materials, sleeping gear, drinking water containers are necessary priorities. Some basic health requirements and facilities for children and women were not addressed adequately. As telephone, electricity and road networks are damaged and the supply of proper communication and transport mechanism not normal the government and people had to face immense difficulties.

6. Objective:

To mobilize CBO, NGO and DC networks facilitated by SLCDF to promote and manage the short-term relief assistance and collect vital information relevant to the post Tsunami crisis to develop a long-term strategy, to support and rehabilitate displaced children, women and men.

7. Approach:

The SLCDF's approach is participatory and intense dialogue and consultation with the victims to collect necessary data and information to entrust responsibilities on non-affected local organizations with the collaboration of district networks.