Travel routes in the interior of the Island: based on Davy's An account of the Interior of Ceylon and of its Inhabitants with Travels in that Land (1821)

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Abstract

John Davy born on 24 May 1790 in Penzance, United Kingdom was not only a Physician of the armed forces of the British Ceylon during the 19th century but also an excellent scholar and traveler at the time. His excursions in the interior of Ceylon are well elaborated and interesting to read. It provides a vivid description related to the socio-cultural history as well as exclusive landscapes in the Island. Based on Davy's "An account of the Interior of Ceylon and of its Inhabitants with Travels in that Land (1821)", present study will trace the transportation modes at the time as well as create a cartographic image with RGIS 102 software to indicate the travel routes in the interior of the Island at the respective time.

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