

STRATEGIC CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (SCDP)

Resettlement Action Plan

of

Greater Galle City Development Project

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Executive Summary

The Project

The project, Strategic Cities Development Program (SCDP) as a common platform where the World Bank (WB) embarks on the first phase of development for two pilot cities, Kandy and Galle. It aims to bring about city transformation through strategic investments by leveraging on the city/city region's particular sociocultural and economic assets. The subproject is Greater Galle City Development Project (GGCDP) and under the GGCDP, there are several subproject activities identified focusing the main city Greater Galle and subordinating urban centres, namely Hikkaduwa and Weligama. There are seven prioritized project activities identified in year 1 – 2014. This Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) covers the resettlement impact of Moragoda Ela (Moragoda Canal) improvement activity comes under the GGCDP.

Subproject Activity

Moragoda Ela is a canal situated in eastern direction of Greater Galle city. It starts from Maagalle and ends in Hiriburegama area of Galle city. Its coordinates are 6°1'60" N and 80°13'60" E in DMS (Degrees Minutes Seconds) or 6.03333 and 80.2333 (in decimal degrees). Especially, Moragoda Ela is located in Eastern direction of the city. When compared with other canals it is fairly long and crossing a major part of the city. The total length of the canal is about 6 km and the proposed project activity has focused 4.3 km. The proposed project activity starts from Pettigala Watta GND to Dangedara East GND. Maagalle is the GND next to Pettigala Watta interfacing beach area near Southern Naval Base and Galle Harbour. It crosses Galle Matara Main road. The Moragoda Ela meets sea between Southern Naval Base and Galle Harbour. When pass Pettigala Watta the next GND is, Then, Moragoda Ela is passing through Maagalle, Pettigala Watta, Makuluwa, Miliduwa, Thalapitiya, Madawalamulla South, Dedugoda North, Dedugoda South, and Dangedara East GNDs. Therefore, both canal banks will be developed with road access or a walking path either side of the canal. Road side will be widening up to 4.5 meters and walking path will be 3 meters. The total acreage of affected land identified on indicative width (3 meters and 4.5 Meters) of canal bank is 380 perches.