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Ministry/Department/Institution: Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development

Implementing Agency: Irrigation Department and Project Management unit of the Project

- A. Details of the Proposed Project
  - 1. Description of proposed project; Lower Malwathu Oya Reservoir Project
  - Project Location (indicate the place(s) where project activities take place, in terms of Province, District, Division, Location – provide additional description if boundary cannot be clearly demarcated);





#### North-Central Province

Anuradhapura District-Mahawilachchiya, Nuwaragampalatha – Central and Medawachchiya, AGA Divisions

#### Northern Province

Vauniya District – Settikulama and Sinhalayagama AGA Divisions Mannar District – Yoda wewa and Akithamuruppu tanks and related minor tanks

- 3. Proposed date of Commencement pf project; 2019
- 4. Projected date of Conclusion; 2023
- B. Rationale of the Project [If a Management for Development Results (MfDR) framework has been developed for the project, disclose the same]
  - 5. Project Objectives/ Goals; Contribution to the Country's GNP by increasing rice and OFC production of 33800 Acs-(13685 Ha) and Improving the living standards of the rural population by improved infrastructure, providing safe water & sanitation, higher income from agriculture and Livestock Development, accessibility to better markets and produce transport etc.
  - 6. Expected Project Outputs/ Benefits;

## 1. Agricultural Benefits

- 33,800 Acs (13,685 Ha) of cultivable lands with 1.75 overall cropping intensity
- This area includes,

New lands	- 3120 Acs (1263 Ha)
Area under Giants Tank	- 24,450 Acs (9,900 Ha)
Area under Akithumuruppu Tank	<ul> <li>6230 Acs (2,522 Ha)</li> </ul>

- 2. Water Supply Benefits
- Annually 12 Million Cubic Meters

## 3. Power Benefits

Annual Energy Production - 4.68 GWh

## **Other Benefits**

- Improving Forests/ Wildlife Reserves while enhancing the movement of wild animals.
- Improved internal road network

- Strengthened Agrarian Services activities & institutional developments.
- Prevention of flood in Vavniya and Mannar Districts
- Inland Fisheries Development
- Creation of employment during construction
- Promotion of tourism
- Development of Thanthirimale as a major town
- 7. The target beneficiaries/ stake holders; Farmers in Giant's tank and Akithamuruppu tanks and all the minor tanks feeds by Tekkam anicut. Families living in part of Anuradhapura and Vauniya Districts who need pipe borne water
- 8. Is there a likelihood of any citizen being affected by the implementation of the remove bold proposed project (for example, acquisition of private property for the project, those whose livelihood may be affected, any other rights of any person being affected)? <u>Yes</u>
- If yes, has adequate notice been provided to them and/or have they been consulted in respect of the project? <u>Yes</u>
- 10. If no, explain reasons for such omission; Not applicable
- 11. Provide details/ description of steps being taken to provide compensation/reparations to affected parties, if any, where applicable and details of the institution responsible for processing application for compensation; Compensation to all affected parties will be paid by the project through Divisional secretaries.
- 12. Justification (i.e. financial cost benefit, social cost benefit etc.); Financial Cost Benefit ratio =1.65 In addition to social cost benefit which is not calculated.
- C. Project Budget & Financial Information
  - 13. Total estimated cost of Project ; 22,900.00 Sri Lanka Rupees
  - 14. Agreed Amounts [state in currency payable as well as LKR equivalent] ; N/A
  - 15. Source of finance (foreign/ Local/ Other for example Public Private Partnership)
     Identify the foreign or local entities/ institution involved in financing the project;
     Expect Sri Lankan Government Funds.

- 16. If the proposed project is to be implemented on the basis of a Public Private Partnerships, provide the main terms and conditions of agreement between the Government and the private sector party, including details of equity and profit share bases, financial information such as fees, tolls, or other kinds of revenue that may be collected by private sector parties under authorization from the Government.; N/A
- 17. List all additional benefits/ concessions, if any, offered to the contractor or private parties at the cost/ expense of the State/ Government of Sri Lanka in the implementation of the proposed project. For example, tax holidays, tax concessions, sale/ lease of land at concessionary rates/ prices etc.; <u>N/A</u>
- D. Necessary Clearances
  - State the date when approval for the proposed project was received from Department of National Planning/ Economic Development Committee/ the Cabinet/BOI/Provincial Council/Local Council/ Relevant Authority, as relevant.; 07-06-2016
  - 19. Where applicable have the following been carried out;
    - a) Bid evaluations? N/A
    - b) Feasibility studies? Yes
    - c) Technical evaluations? Yes
    - d) Financial evaluation? Yes

Provide dates of above reports, in particular in respect of procurement committee reports, bid evaluations committee reports, technical evaluation committee reports, if any;

- 20. Describe the Environmental Impacts on physical, biological, socio-cultural or aesthetic status, if any? After the project a better environment due to the availability of scares water Resources in the project area situated in the dry zone of Sri Lanka.
- 21. Has an environmental impact assessment been carried out, where relevant? Yes
- 22. If yes, provide details of the institution/ entity that carried out the environmental impact assessment and dates (s) of reports (s).; <u>Mahaweli Consultancy Bureau</u>. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study for proposed Lower Malwathu Oya Reservoir Project May 2017
- 23. If no, provide reasons for the omission. N/A
- 24. Have approvals from relevant regulatory agencies been obtained, where applicable? <u>Yes</u>

- 25. If yes, from which agencies and dates of such approval; **Department of Forest Conservation, Department of Wild Life Conservation, Department of Archeology**
- 26. What approvals are pending? Approval for EIA study.
- E. Supplier/ Vendor/ Contractor
  - 27. Was the project solicited or unsolicited? Solicited
  - 28. If unsolicited, please provide details of the project proponent, project proposal, date when such proposal was made; **Not yet decided**
  - 29. If funding for unsolicited projects are externally sourced;
    - 29.1 Name of the funder? N/A
    - 29.2 Conditions of financing? N/A
  - 30. Provide details of the supplier/ vendor/ contractor who will implement the project; **Not yet decided**
  - 31. Was the contract awarded? No
  - 32. If yes, date of execution of contract? N/A
  - 33. If not, proposed date of execution of contract? With in 2019
  - 34. State the number of bidders as well as the relevant names/ contact details of those who submitted bids for the project.; **N/A**
  - 35. With regard to all of the above, please indicate if there is any complaints handling mechanism conforming to accepted standards of fairness and transparency which is accessible to the public.; An officer is appointed to note down any Complaint received within office hours to submit me for necessary action. There after the replies to the Complaints will be sent immediately.

Any further inquries and clarifications may be directed **to Project Director, Lower Malwathu Oya Reservoir Project** (Designation of officer in charge of providing information on the project to the public); Telephone ; **071 8344337**, E-Mail ; **Immpproject@gmail.com**