PROJECT DATA SHEET

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Project Name	Roads Network Improvement
Country	Sri Lanka
Project/Program Number	28331-013
Status	Closed
Geographical Location	Western, Central, Southern, and Northern Provinces

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Sector and/or Subsector Classification	Transport and ICT / Road Transport
Thematic Classification	Economic growth
Gender Mainstreaming Categories	–

FINANCING

Type/Modality of Assistance	Approval Number	Source of Funding	Approved Amount (US$ thousand)
–	–	–	0
TOTAL			**US$ 0**

SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES

RDA prepared IEA and RIP for the project. Supervision consultants are monitoring the EMP and submitting monthly progress reports. Land Acquisition and Resettlements are expected under the project.
RDA has acquired 18,400 land lots for improvement of roads under the Project. Payment of compensation is completed for 11,656 people. The Government has already paid Rs.2,255 million for compensation. Number of lots to be compensated is about 703 lots. The slow progress of payment of compensation for these lots is due to delays in valuation reports and inadequate counterpart funds. This has been brought to RDAs attention. RDA has almost completed all

payments of compensation.

Environmental Aspects

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Involuntary Resettlement

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Indigenous Peoples

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STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATION, PARTICIPATION, AND CONSULTATION

During Project Design

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During Project Implementation

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DESCRIPTION

The objective of Bank assistance is to modernize and
streamline sector policies and institutional capacity to enable the effective planning and management of the entire road network to meet the needs of the growing economy. The Project will provide investment finance and advisory services to improve part of the high-priority national road infrastructure as well as the upgrading of the private construction industry. The scope of the proposed Project will include (i) improvement
of geometric alignment and pavement strengthening (Option 1) of about 189 kms of Class A and B roads, (ii) pavement strengthening only (Option 2) of about 156 km of Class A and B roads, (iii) rehabilitation and/or widening of 47 bridges, (iv) construction supervision, (v) capacity building in the local road construction industry, and (vi) engineering studies for the Southern Transport Corridor Project. (Piggybacked to this loan is Reengineering of Road Sector Institutions technical assistance).

PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

The Government's development goals are economic growth and poverty reduction. The roads to be improved under the Project link major centers of population with each other and with the Colombo metropolitan area, providing access to areas where export-oriented agricultural and industrial activities take place. Improvements to these roads will reduce transport bottlenecks which are presently constraining economic development.

DEVELOPMENT IMPACT

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PROJECT OUTCOME

Description of Outcome	Progress Towards Outcome
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OUTPUTS AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

Description of Project Outputs	Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)
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BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Date of First Listing	02 Feb 2007
Consulting Services	About 165 person-months of international consulting services and 750 person-months of domestic consulting services will be required for Project supervision. In addition, consulting services will be required to assist in the development of the local road construction industry through the provision of on-site advice to contractors and through formal training programs relating to technical and financial management. These services will require about 130 person-months of international consulting services and 40 person-months of domestic consulting services.
Procurement	The five largest civil works packages for road improvement works will be procured through international competitive bidding, while the rest of the contracts for improvement works and all of the contracts for pavement strengthening works will be carried through local competitive bidding. Procurement of civil works will be carried out in two phases.
Procurement and Consulting Notices	http://www.adb.org/projects/28331-013/business-opportunities

TIMETABLE

Concept Clearance	–
Fact-finding	07 Mar 1998 to 02 Apr 1998
Management Review Meeting	15 Jun 1998
Approval	08 Dec 1998
Last Review Mission	–

MILESTONES

Approval No.	Approval	Signing	Effectivity	Closing		
				Original	Revised	Actual
Loan 1649	08 Dec 1998	28 Jan 1999	26 Feb 1999	30 Jun 2005	31 Dec 2008	07 Apr 2009

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LINKS

Project Website	http://www.adb.org/projects/28331-013/main
List of Project Documents	http://www.adb.org/projects/28331-013/documents