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SRI LANKAN QUANTITY SURVEYING & SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICE

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SRI LANKA-THE WONDER OF ASIA



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SIGIRIYA – THE 8TH WORLD WONDER

- Sigiriya is among the world's oldest landscaped gardens
- Sigiriya has moats and formal water gardens with a sophisticated water supply system
- Water is fed from elevated tanks via underground and surface drainage during the rainy season
- The water gardens operate using gravity-fed clay conduits for smooth water flow

(Trevor Turpin, 2006)



ANCIENT SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES



Integrates the forest, temple, village tank, and homesteads in concentric circles, prioritizing sustainability and harmony with nature



WHERE WE WERE



Jetavanaramaya Stupa-
273 BC

Clay Bricks with thin slurry as mortar



Lovamahapaya-161 BC

Architectural design that blended
with nature



Tank Cascade System

Water used and re-used
many times

(Ranaweera, 2010)



WHERE WE ARE



Mireka Tower and
Havelock City Mall

High performance Building
Automations System (BAS)



“The Round House”– Estate
Bungalow at Ahangama

Architectural design that blended
with nature



ITC One Colombo 1
Hotel Wing

Using recycled building
materials



CONCEPT OF SUSTAINABILITY

Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs

Brundtland Report published by the World Commission on Environment and Development 1987

Eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) to reduce extreme poverty by 2015

United Nations Millennium Summit 2000

Seventeen Sustainable Development Goals to end poverty and other deprivations with strategies to improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development 2015 (United Nations)



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Source : (The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development 2015-United Nations)



GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES FOR SUSTAINABILITY

GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

Sri Lanka has established 400+ government entities dedicated to achieving sustainability across various sectors. Some are;

- Ministry of Environment
- Central Environmental Authority (CEA)
- Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority (SLSEA)
- National Building Research Organization (NBRO)
- Ministry of Urban Development and Housing
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage
- Ministry of Tourism & Ministry of Transport

GREEN AWARDING SYSTEMS

The government recognizes the selected green projects and green materials, for instance, awarding systems for the materials and processes

Implemented by,

- Sustainable Development Authority
- Sustainable Energy Authority
- Board of Investment (BOI)



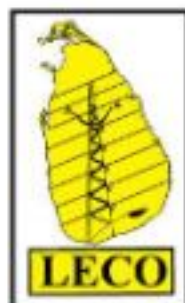
GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES FOR SUSTAINABILITY CONT.

COMMUNITY-BASED POWER GENERATION PROJECT

- Promote the installation of small solar power plants by providing credit line of US \$ 50 million established by the GoSL through a loan scheme from the ADB



Sri Lanka
Sustainable Energy Authority



AWARENESS PROGRAMS

Different kinds of conferences and workshops are conducted to increase the awareness of construction professionals



SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES IN SRI LANKA

PRACTICE	USAGE	IMPACT
Hempcrete	Insulations, Non-Load Bearing Walls	Regulate indoor temperatures, Requires less energy compared to traditional concrete
Bamboo	Structural Elements due to high tensile strength	Renewable Energy, Low embodied energy
Durra panels	Walls, Ceiling and Roof	Biodegradability due to waster reduction
Wattle and Daub	Interior Walls &Partitions	Renewable and minimal energy is consumed in production
Upcycled Materials (Shipping Containers)	Modular Units	Reduction of Waste



SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES IN SRI LANKA CONT.

PRACTICE	USAGE	IMPACT
Green roofs	Provide insulation, reduce stormwater runoff, and improve air quality	Reduces the urban heat island effect
Double skin facade	Natural Ventilation, Thermal Protection	Improved indoor comfort
Waste segregation and recycling programs	Reduces landfill waste	Reduces environmental pollution and conserves natural resources
Passive cooling building design	Walls, Ceiling and Roof	Reduce operational Energy
Rainwater Harvesting, Greywater Recycling	Reduce Water Consumption	Conserves water resources



GBCSL'S CONTRIBUTION

- The Green Building Council of Sri Lanka (GBCSL) is at the forefront of promoting sustainable building practices in Sri Lanka
- GBCSL fosters the development of environmentally responsible buildings and contributes to the broader goals of sustainability



01

GREENSL® Rating System
for Built Environment

02

GREENSL® Labelling
System to green products

03

GREENSL® Rating System
for Sustainable Cities



GREENSL® RATING SYSTEM



Version 2.1 – New Construction

Assesses the performance of new buildings and provides sustainable innovations to add to the designing and construction phases

Version 1.0 – Existing Buildings

Assesses the performance of existing buildings and guides through the process of converting the building to a greener building

Source : Green Building Council of Sri Lanka



GREENSL® LABELLING SYSTEM

ISO Type 1 Eco Labelling System



- Recognition in the Global Competitive Market
- Save on Energy consumption
- Reduces Environment Impact
- Improve Corporate Social Responsibility
- Possibility of achieving additional marks in green-rating projects.

Source : Green Building Council of Sri Lanka



OTHER RATING SYSTEMS ADOPTED IN SRI LANKA

**United States Green Building
Council (USGBC) Rating System**

LEED Certification

First Green Certification in Sri Lanka



**Urban Development Authority (UDA)
Green Building Rating System**

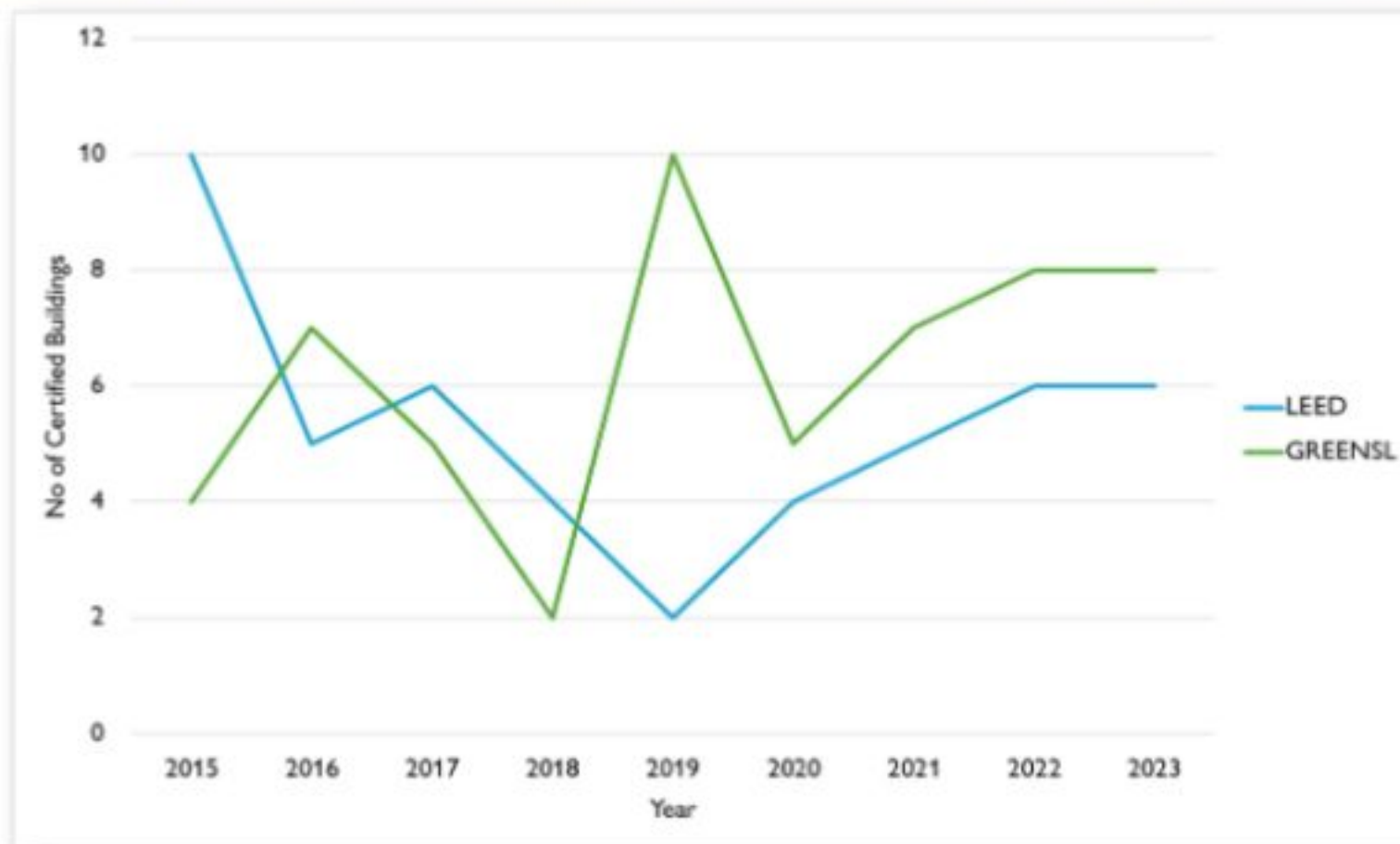
BLUE GREEN SRI LANKA

Green Building Rating System for
Government Constructions (2017)



STATUS OF GREEN BUILDINGS

YEAR	NUMBER OF BUILDINGS CERTIFIED	
	LEED	GREENSL®
2015	10	4
2016	5	7
2017	6	5
2018	4	2
2019	2	10
2020	4	5
2021	5	7
2022	6	8
2023	6	8



Source : Green Building Council of Sri Lanka
U.S. Green Building Council



HIGHLIGHTS OF GREEN BUILDINGS

SRI LANKA



Kandalama Heritance

First LEED-certified
project outside of the
United States
Dambulla, Sri Lanka



MAS Intimates Thurulie

The world's first purpose-
built green factory for apparel
manufacturing



Ulagalla Walawwa Resort

First Silver LEED certified
leisure project outside of the
United States, Anuradhapura,
Sri Lanka



Clear Point Resident

Highest (Platinum) rated
green building in
Sri Lanka



HIGHLIGHTS OF GREEN BUILDINGS

SRI LANKA CONT.



Logistics Park, Colombo

First fully conditioned warehouse in South Asia to achieve LEED Gold Certification



Cinnamon Bey, Beruwala

First hotel in Sri Lanka to achieve LEED Gold status



DYNASTY, Kandy

First Multi-Family Residential Building in Sri Lanka to achieve LEED



Ninewells Hospitals

First Private Healthcare provider to achieve GREENSL certificate



QS PRACTICES TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY

COST MANAGEMENT

Lifecycle Cost Analysis

Evaluates long-term costs of sustainable building materials and technologies

Value Engineering

Incorporates cost-effective, eco-friendly alternatives

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN INTEGRATION

Green Certification

Assists in achieving certifications like LEED or BREEAM

Energy Efficiency

Supports designs that minimise energy consumption



QS PRACTICES TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY CONT.

ECO-FRIENDLY PROCUREMENT

Sustainable Material

Promotes the use of responsibly sourced, environment friendly materials

Waste Reduction

Implement strategies to minimise waste and increase recycling

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Training and Education

Engages in continuous learning about sustainable practices and emerging green technologies

Research Contribution

Contributes to research and innovation in sustainable construction techniques



IQSSL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY

INTEGRATING SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES FOR TRADITIONAL COST MANAGEMENT

- Regulates and sets standards for Quantity Surveyors
- Advise the government on sustainable construction policies
- Accredits QS courses and promotes continuous professional development
- Conducts research and participates in government committees





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