Sri Lanka’s Government Effort of Disaster Reduction and Recovery Issues

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DRR Efforts

• Development Agenda –Vision 2025
• Multi-hazard Risk Profile
• Investment on National Spatial Data Infrastructure
• River Basin Investment Plan with respect to Hydro Meteorological Hazards
• Forecasting, Early warning and Preparadness
• National DM Plan following the SFDRR
Rehabilitation Reconstruction and Recovery

- Amendment of Policies and Acts
- Introducing new acts and circulars for the construction
- Relocation Schemas for highly vulnerable communities
- Post Disaster Need Assessment for sectors
- Online Damage and loss reporting system
- Developing Recovery Framework for the country
- Use of Affordable hazard resistant technology and environment friendly construction methods
Issues and Way Forward

• Promote Science based Decision Making in recovery
• Innovative method to achieve Resilience (Resist, Absorb, Adaptation, Recover) Science and Technology
• More Research on Economic and Social Aspects of Disaster- Cost Benefit Analysis of DRR
• More attention on downscaling of global climate models outputs and identifying reliable downscaling procedures.