**Terms of Reference (ToR)**

**for feasibility study of**

**Development of recreational beach/sea water front from Colpetty to Dehiwala canal outlet**

**Environmental Lawyer**

**Duration 2 months**

# Introduction

The Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL) proposed to create a beachfront along the coastal belt from Colpetty to Dehiwla. The proposed beachfront is expected to meet the needs of public recreational activities in sustainable manner without compromising necessary space for future infrastructural developments. Reclaiming land to lay additional railway track for public transport along the above coastal belt is another objective to establish the beachfront from Dehiwala to Galle face Green. The beachfront is to be reclaimed by pumping sea sand. Due to the environmental concerns and scarcity of land based sand resources, sea sand turned to be the sole source for construction and reclamation. Currently in Sri Lanka, sea sand remains as the prime source of supply for land reclamations and coastline stabilization.

Colombo city recognizes the need for additional beachfronts, open spaces and recreational facilities in order to draw larger local and foreign attractions to the Colombo area and to make Colombo more competitive in tourism industry. It is expected integration of this development interconnecting three existing recreational zones i.e. Diyatha, Viharamaha-Devi and Beira-Lake recreational areas. In addition, it is expected to enhance the environmental standards by developing a methodical drainage/ storm water system along Colpetty to Wellawatta South for the betterment of the coastal eco system. Furthermore, it is proposed to construct 10 Nos high-rise buildings over the existing railway tracks which will serve the increasing demands for commercial developments such as luxury apartments, hotels, etc.

National Aquatic Resource Research and Development Agency (NARA) has been designatedtocarry out ‘Feasibility Study’ for the project in order to determine the viability of the Western Region Maritime City Development Project by the Ministry of Magapolis and Western Development.

# Objective of the study

* Identify the technical, socio-economical, socio-cultural, environmental, financial, operational and legal viability of the proposed Recreational Beach/ Sea Waterfront Project from Colpetty to Dehiwala canal outlet and process of resource extraction and;
* Identify and recommend optimal coastal structures and their Engineering design with locations to facilitate the study.
* Identify least viable and nonviable components of the Project Proposal (Concept Plan) and to suggest mitigatory actions and recommendations for alternatives and amendments if any.
* Identify the suitable methodologies for development and implementation of project components

# Scope of the work

The consultant shall address all legal matters concerning the air, land and water, specially on regulations regarding pollution, waste management, materials handling, protecting biodiversity and ecosystem

The detailed tasks to be carried out as follows;

* Identify key law enforcement related issues on environment management
* Review environment related laws and their applicability
* Identify relevant laws and regulations that are applicable to the project
* Conformity management plans and any other development /conservation plans of the Area
* Identify approvals needed from relevant agencies and any conditions laid down by such agencies
* Identify any cross related issues and provide solutions if any

# Deliverables

The Consultant shall submit reports for each activity as follows;

4.1 First Report (One month)

The First Report shall include detailed schedule of study and study methodology,

identified issues, areas of overlap, clearances (permits etc)deviations, additions to the study.

4.3 Final Report (Two month)

The Final Report Second Report shall address all the items listed on the scope of the work (3).

4.4 Final Report (Fourth Month)

At the completion of the study the consultant shall present the outcomes of the study to a panel elected by the Client. The report shall contain all details given in ToR.

# Roles & Responsibilities

# Roles & Responsibilities of NARA

* Providing a separate office including a desktop, printer, and internet facilities to undertake documentation activities
* Providing assistance to the Consultant by contacting / coordinating with the relevant stakeholder organizations
  1. **Roles & Responsibilities of the Consultant**
* Provide progress/updates of the study to the Client whenever it is required.
* Represent the Client’s side at the meetings/workshops with the NARA technical team

# Payment Terms

The payments will be made monthly basis as stipulated below.

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| **Input (No of days per month)** | **No of month** | **Month Rate** | **Lump Sum** |
| 22 | 2 | 250,000 | 500,000 |