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Skilling Returning Migrant Workers Program

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BACKGROUND & APPROACH

• By January 2021, more than 75,000 Sri Lankans have returned and several thousand remain stranded
• More than 100,000 aspirants would be awaiting for approval to depart for employment.
• Those who have returned require socio-economic reintegration and psychological support
• Returning Migrant workers may also find minimal employment opportunities
• The International Labour Organization (ILO), in partnership with its tripartite constituents, TVEC and partners launched a project to facilitate Sri Lankan Migrant Workers who are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, by way of
  – recognizing their employability skills,
  – facilitating upskilling and reskilling processes to make them ready for employment or
  – qualification/certification
  – self-employment opportunities.
STAKEHOLDERS

• International Labour Organization (ILO)
• Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission (TVEC)
• Ministry of Foreign Employment Promotion and Market Diversification (SM/FEP&MD)
• Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment (SLBFE)
• Department of Manpower and Employment (DME)
• State and private Technical and Vocational Training (TVET) institutes
• Public Employment Service (PES)
• Small Enterprise Development Division (SEDD)
• Ministry of Youth and Sports and the Start and Improve Your Business Association of Sri Lanka (SIYB-ASL)
OBJECTIVES AND DELIVERABLES

• Public Outreach and Awareness Creation

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=__0glk-uYXA&ab_channel=ITNSriLanka)

• Recognition of Skills/Prior Learning of Migrant Workers

• Promoting Skills Passport

• Identifying and bridging Skills Gaps

• Entrepreneurship Development
EXPECTED OUTPUTS

• Public outreach events/ awareness creation conducted
• Migrant workers (returned or aspirant)
  – provided with or referred to psycho-social reintegration services
  – guided for and assessed under the RPL process
  – acquired the NVQ certification
  – guided and acquired the Skills Passport
  – provided with or referred to career guidance/counselling services
  – Tailor made training programs conducted, number of personnel attended and successfully completed such programs
  – referred to employment, self-employment and work aboard, through the channels agreed at the commencement of the assignment
  – follow-up/assessment of career outcome programs conducted and migrant workers assessed thereof.
EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Reaching the full target on events/training programs planned
2. Reaching the full target on recruitment of (returned or aspirant) migrant workers for each deliverable
3. Reaching at least 75% of the successful completion by the selected beneficiaries for each deliverable
4. Reaching at least 50% of the success rate at the career outcome assessment (i.e.: at least 50% of the beneficiaries should have found productive employment or self-employment or work aboard comparable to their skills composition)