

SRI LANKA EXPO 2012

Trade Exhibition - 28th to 31st March 2012

BMICH, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Strengths of Sri Lanka as a Business Destination

- High performing economy [Over past five years, GDP averages 5%]
- Logistical hub for South Asian region
- Highest ranking in World Bank's 'ease of doing business' ratings in South Asia
- Gateway country to vast Indian market via South Asian trade agreements
- Highly skilled and educated workforce
- English spoken everywhere
- Historical, strong trading links with UK
- Commercial Law based on British law

Opportunities in Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka is currently experiencing a substantial level of FDI and International Donor support for its extensive and wide ranging reconstruction programs in the North and East of the country. The option of PPP ventures between the Sri Lankan Government and foreign companies is strongly encouraged. Totally-owned foreign investment proposals are equally welcome. Currently, many British companies are recognizing the opportunities here and actively pursuing a wealth of new Government projects.

Existing projects cover:

- Wastewater management
- Roads and bridges
- Ports development and expansion
- Airports development
- Healthcare services
- Tourism
- Project finance

Further substantial opportunities exist in Education and Training, Business Services outsourcing, ICT development, and other niche technology projects
SOURCE: Doing Business in Sri Lanka - UK Trade & Investment

EXPO 2012 AND TRADE VISITS TO JAFFNA & TRINCOMALEE 20th March 2012 to 1st April 2012

LONDON - LHR – Depart to Colombo	20st March
AIRPORT / COLOMBO On arrival welcomed by Travel Arcade Holiday's Chauffeur and transferred to Hotel Renuka, Colombo - Overnight stay	21st March
COLOMBO / TRINCOMALEE After breakfast leave for Trincomalee. Meeting with Chamber of Commerce and overnight stay at Lotus Park Hotel, Trincomalee	22nd March
TRINCOMALEEE After breakfast leave for business meetings and visits in and around Trinco. Overnight at Lotus Park Hotel, Trincomalee	23rd March
TRINCOMALEE / JAFFNA After Breakfast leave for Jaffna. En route to Jaffna stop at Vavuniya for lunch & meeting with Chamber of Commerce. Overnight stay at Eurovile Guest House, Jaffna	24th March
JAFFNA After breakfast meeting with Chamber of Commerce and Business Manger's Forum and site visits. Overnight stay at Eurovile Guest House, Jaffna	25th March
JAFFNA/ COLOMBO After breakfast leave for business site meetings and visits. Leave for Colombo in the evening.	26th March
COLOMBO EXPO 2012 – Exhibition, Symposium, Business matching meetings & Business visits	27th March - 31st March
COLOMBO/ AIRPORT After breakfast leave hotel for departure flight	1st April

- Transport by air conditioned coach



Over 300 manufacturing and export businesses will showcase the widest array of goods and services. Ranging from Ceylon Tea, Fashion Apparels, Gems to Knowledge based skills such as ICT and Business Process Outsourcing.

With Sri Lanka emerging as the Business Hub of South Asia, Sri Lanka Expo 2012 will provide an ideal platform for networking and to make new business connections.

Products and Services across under a range of categories will include;

Apparel	Gems & Jewellery
Boat building	Giftware, Toys & Lifestyle
Coconut & Coir	Handlooms
Ceramics & Porcelain	ICT/ BPO
Electrical & Electronics	Ornamental & Aquarium Fish
Fishing & Fishery	Plastics
Food & Drinks	Printing & Stationery
Footwear & Leather	Rubber
Floriculture	Spices
Fruits & Vegetables	Tea