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**MEMORANDIUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
between  
**MINISTRY OF CITY PLANNING AND WATER SUPPLY**  
and  
**UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA**

**ON**  
**ESTABLISHING A MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**  
of  
**CHINA- SRI LANKA JOINT RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION CENTRE FOR WATER**  
**TECHNOLOGY**

The Project named 'China – Sri Lanka Collaborative Grant Research Project on CKDu' and between the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the People's Republic of China has been originated by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by Mr. Rauff Hakeem, Hon. Minister, Ministry of Urban Development, Water Supply and Drainage and Prof. (Dr.) Chunli Bai, President, Chinese Academy of Sciences on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 in front of the two H.E Presidents of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the People's Republic of China. The MoU was based on four (04) main objectives as;

1. To identify the possible causing factors to the occurrence and distribution of the Chronic Kidney Disease (CKDu) of unknown etiology in Sri Lanka,
2. To develop groundwater treatment methods and technologies in CKDu affected regions in Sri Lanka,
3. To develop rainwater collection and use methods and technologies in dry areas of Sri Lanka, and
4. To help the government of Sri Lanka make integrated water supply and sanitation infrastructure development plan, integrated water resource management plan and land use plan.

In order to execute the above four objectives, eight (08) forms of cooperation were identified. Accordingly, referring to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> forms of cooperation stipulated in the above MoU (on 'Joint research centre' and 'Educational and training programmes' respectively), this MoU between the National Water Supply and Drainage Board, a body corporate under the law No 02 of 1974 and its principal of Business at Galle Road, Rathmalana, Sri Lanka (hereafter referred to as NWSDB) and the University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (hereinafter referred to as "UoP") has been formulated recognizing the benefits accruing to their respective organizations by the establishment of a strong relationship, hereby conclude this MoU. The term "parties" is used to refer the both organizations.

1. The purpose of this MoU is to develop an academic and research collaboration & training programs on water and sanitation related technologies (Refer clause 02) and to promote friendly relations among the parties through establishing the China – Sri Lanka Joint Research and Demonstration Centre for Water Technology (hereafter referred to as CSL-Joint R&D Centre).



2. Each party undertakes to promote and develop cooperation with each other through various activities, such as those listed below, with the focus on the basis of equity and reciprocity.
  - (i) Establishment of CSL-Joint R&D Centre in a land owned by UoP upon necessary approvals obtained from the relevant authorities of the UoP
  - (ii) The construction and operational procedures of the CSL-Joint R&D Centre will be arranged by NWSDB ensuring the key role of research lab towards resolving drinking water related issues in Sri Lanka.
  - (iii) The CSL-Joint R&D Centre will be governed by a steering committee, consisted of the Chairman, the Secretary, Ministry of City Planning and Water Supply (MoCP&WS) and the Deputy Chairman, Vice Chancellor of UoP and another five (05) members as Chairman, NWSDB, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, UoP, Director General, Department of Community Water Supply, a representative of Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), Beijing, China nominated by the President of CAS and a representative of Ministry of Health (MoH) nominated by the Secretary, MoH.
  - (iv) The management of the CSL-Joint R&D Centre will consist of permanent staff members and researchers from both NWSDB and UoP and headed by the working director of the institute, nominated from the NWSDB and approved by the steering committee.
  - (v) Exchanging faculty and research staff members and postgraduate students, and conducting research, colloquia, short courses, seminars and international conferences shall be approved by the steering committee.
  - (vi) Exchanging academic information & publications and cooperating research and joint publishing of the research output should be carried out with the concurrence of steering committee.
  - (vii) Other forms of cooperation mutually agreed upon by both institutes
3. In order to give effect to these forms of cooperation, representatives of each party will be encouraged to consult with each other and to develop specific plans for collaboration in any or all of the ways mentioned in Clause 2 above. Also the parties agree to maintain the necessary level of communication and flow of information as to allow for the proper development and follow-up of the activity indicated in the present MOU.
4. It is understood that the implementation of any of the cooperative activities stated in Clause 2 above shall depend upon the availability of resources at, and financial support from, the parties concerned. Financial matters will be decided by the steering committee.
5. This MoU will come into effect on the date when the representatives of each party affix their signatures to the MoU and ceasing of the MoU will be upon the agreement of both institutes (UoP and NWSDB)
6. The MoU may be revised or modified at any time with the mutual consent. It may be terminated by one party giving six months' notice to the other.
7. Any controversy or claim arising under or relating to the terms of this MoU or to any alleged breach thereof should be amicably settled by the parties. All such exchanges should be done only within the existing legal framework.



8. For future activities under this MOU, separate working agreement to be signed by the parties setting out the financial, legal and other obligations of the parties.
9. This MoU represents the entire and integrated MoU among the parties and all prior negotiation, representations and agreements should be treated as a part and parcel of this MoU and hereby reserved their rights to sign a legal agreement with relevant conditions and clauses in future if necessary.

For and on behalf of MoCP&WS

Ministry of City Planning and Water Supply  
of Sri Lanka

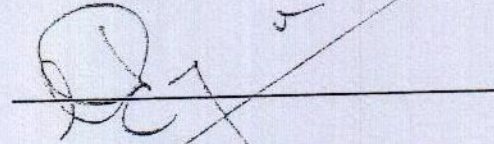


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