



Annual Report 2018/19  
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# 25

YEARS OF  
BUILDING  
HOMES AND  
HOPE



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**We build  
*strength, stability  
and self-reliance*  
through shelter.**

### **Our mission**

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.

### **Our vision**

A world where everyone has a decent place to live.





# We Believe

**every family deserves a  
decent place to call home**

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What Habitat does is much more than just sheltering people. It's what it does for people on the inside. It's that intangible quality of hope.

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Millard Fuller  
(founder Habitat for Humanity)

# Home is the key

Habitat for Humanity is an international non-profit housing organization committed to providing decent and affordable homes for people living in poor conditions. Driven by the vision that everyone deserves a decent place to live, Habitat for Humanity was founded in the United States in 1976, and currently operates in more than 70 countries across the world. In 1994, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka began its operations as a voluntary social services organization committed to providing decent and affordable homes for people in Sri Lanka.

Our vision is a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to call home. We believe a decent home provides much more than just shelter. It is the foundation for a better future, giving families the opportunity to be healthier, happier and more secure, and leads to stronger and stable communities that can grow and sustain themselves. For 25 years Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka has been devoted to this bold mission of empowering families to break the cycle of poverty and helping them to achieve **strength, stability and self-reliance**.

In a world facing severe economic and climatic challenges we dare to believe that together we can make a lasting difference. Working with communities, Habitat Sri Lanka constructs homes that are affordable, environmentally friendly, safe and disaster resilient.

We consider providing communities with better access to safe drinking water, adequate sanitation facilities and hygiene education, an integral part of giving families the tools they need to create a stable and secure future for their children. Therefore, in all our interventions we focus on building **homes and not houses**, paving the way towards creating sustainable development that will transform communities.

Throughout our 25-year journey, it has been our joy and privilege to partner with over **26,621 families** on their road to progress, helping over **106,484 people** achieve strength, stability and self-reliance in Sri Lanka. We are grateful to our donors and partners for being part of our journey and for their generous support which has enabled us to create foundations for the future.

**Through shelter, we empower.**



# The Need for Affordable Housing in Sri Lanka

Since Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka first began its operations in 1994, the housing deficit in the country has rapidly increased. Despite great advances made by the Government, INGOs and civil society organizations, research indicates that the lack of adequate housing is one of the biggest challenges faced by the communities in the North and East and people living in disaster-prone areas of Sri Lanka. As revealed in the Housing Needs Assessment of 2016, out of the 6 million families living in Sri Lanka, only 5.2 million have some form of housing.

A decade after the nearly 30-year long civil war ended in 2009, many families are still identified as internally displaced persons (IDPs), living in temporary shelters in the North and East of the country. It is estimated that one in two people living in the capital Colombo is a slum dweller who lacks adequate access to clean water and safe sanitation. The lack of decent housing for plantation workers is another area of concern. These poverty-stricken workers live in deplorable conditions, in temporary structures known as 'line houses' which have poor ventilation and no proper access to safe drinking water or sanitation facilities.

Sri Lanka's official poverty line at national level (as at July 2019) – which is the minimum expenditure person per month to fulfil his/her basic needs, indicates that any person earning less than LKR 4,898 (USD 27) is considered to be living below the poverty line. In this context, **it is estimated that nearly 800,000 Sri Lankan families are still in need of safe places to call home. This is the need Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka strives to address.**

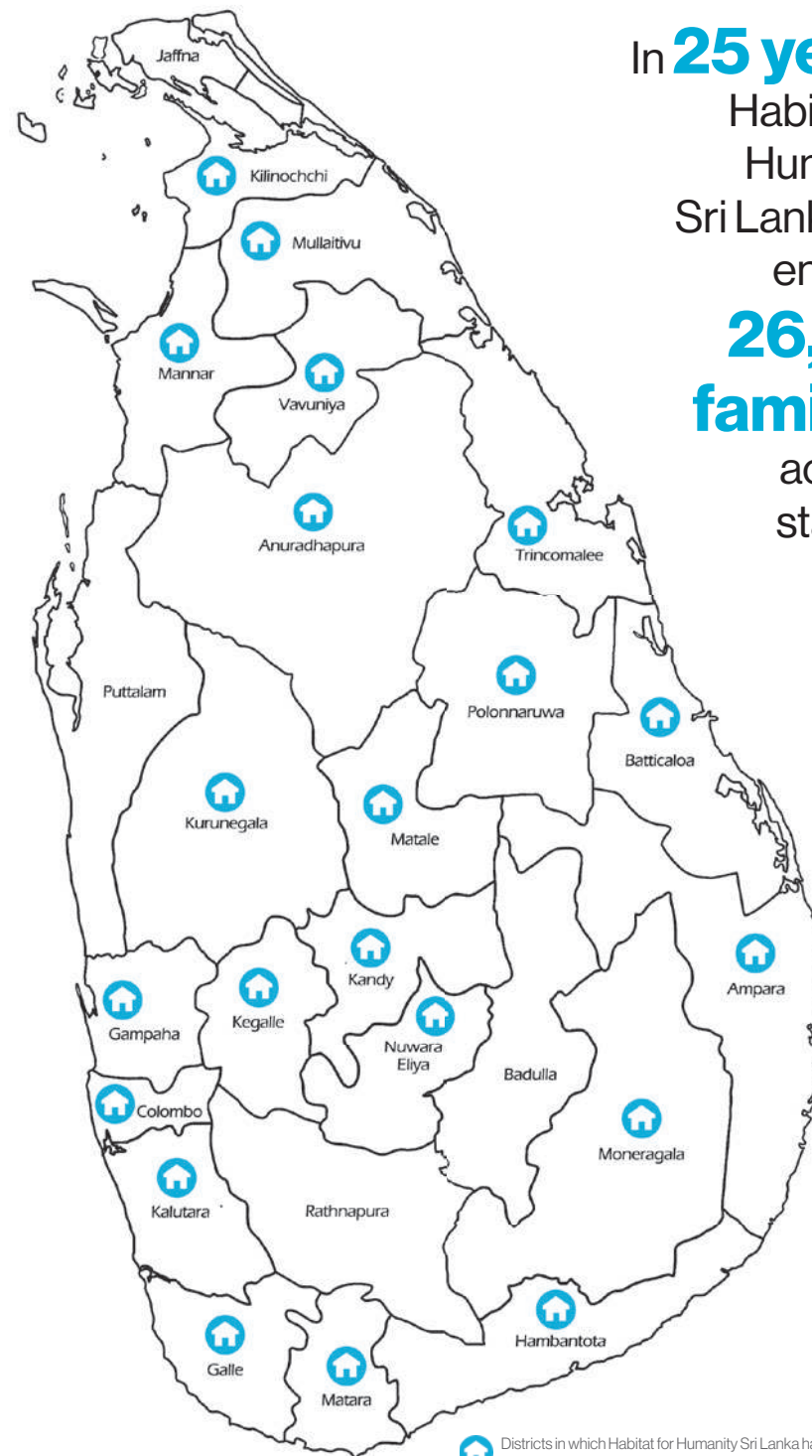
Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka is committed to reaching these impoverished communities through its varied program initiatives which focus on house construction, providing communities with access to safe drinking water and sanitation facilities and effectively responding to disasters.

## Families Served Per Province since 1994

Eastern Province	12,638
Southern Province	4,420
Western Province	2,056
Central Province	5,796
Northern Province	1,711

**TOTAL 26,621**

In **25 years**  
Habitat for  
Humanity  
Sri Lanka has  
enabled  
**26,621**  
**families**  
achieve  
stability.







# We Impact

sustainable  
change

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Sustainable development is the pathway to the future we want for all. It offers a framework to generate economic growth, achieve social justice, exercise environmental stewardship and strengthen governance.

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Ban Ki-moon

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In 25 years of transforming lives,  
Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka  
has helped more than

**106,484**

people obtain a safer place to sleep at  
night, along with the strength, stability  
and self-reliance to build better lives.

# Our Achievements 2018/19



**4,689**

INDIVIDUALS  
SERVED



**1,173**

FAMILIES  
SERVED



**4,488**

INTERNALLY  
DISPLACED  
PERSONS  
SUPPORTED



**1,766**

CHILDREN  
SUPPORTED



**11,476**

VOLUNTEER  
HOURS



**781 Million**

FUNDS  
RAISED



**281**

FEMALE HEADED  
HOUSEHOLDS  
SUPPORTED



**124**

PERSONS WITH  
DISABILITIES  
SUPPORTED



**963**

SAFE DRINKING  
WATER  
PROVIDED FOR  
FAMILIES



**1,173**

SANITATION  
FACILITIES  
PROVIDED FOR  
FAMILIES



**371**

VOLUNTEERS  
MOBILIZED



**1,185**

COMMUNITY  
CAPACITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
TRAININGS



**275**

HYGIENE  
AWARENESS  
FOR INDIVIDUALS



**283**

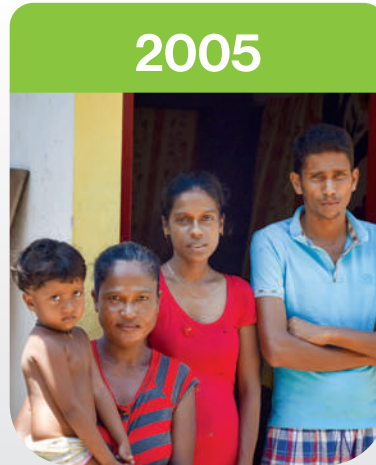
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LITERACY FOR  
INDIVIDUALS

# 25 YEARS of Making a Difference



1994

Founders of Habitat for Humanity Millard and Linda Fuller Visit Sri Lanka



2005

Rebuild Sri Lanka Program to construct permanent homes for fishermen in Negombo



2013



Construction of the First Habitat House in Millard and Linda Fuller Gardens, Hatton



1998



Post-Tsunami Rebuild Program, First Disaster Response Project to assist 3,264 families affected by the 2004 tsunami



2012



Commencement of the Indian Housing Project to build 3,713 homes for internally displaced families in Trincomalee and Batticaloa

2015



European Union funded housing project launched to provide homes for 2,325 IDP and returnee families

2017



Handover of the first house constructed with appropriate technology in Batticaloa

2019



570 volunteers participate in Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka's first Youth Build held in Sampur, Trincomalee



2016



Distribution of 1,000 WASH kits for families affected by floods in Kalutara and Galle



2018



'Homes for Hope Project' to construct homes for persons with disabilities in Negombo and Galle launched



# We Lead

with a heart  
for service

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Faith is the first factor in a life devoted to service. Without it,  
nothing is possible. With it, nothing is impossible.

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Mary McLeod Bethune

build  
**Community Impact**  
IMPROVE HOUSING CONDITIONS.

Improve access to decent housing for Sri Lankans, particularly the most vulnerable.

Target:  
Assist **2,500** families to improve their shelter conditions, annually.

build  
**Sector Impact**  
PARTNER TO INCREASE  
SHELTER ACCESS.

Increase market based supply of quality, affordable and safe housing solutions and support the development and implementation of national policies and systems that are conducive to the creation and preservation of decent housing for all.

Target:  
Create housing opportunities for **200,000** people annually through advocacy.

build  
**Societal Impact**  
INSPIRE ACTION TO END  
POVERTY HOUSING.

Raise awareness among donors, partners, Government stakeholders and the public on the importance of decent housing as a catalyst for development.

Target:  
Mobilize **700** volunteers annually to join the cause of affordable shelter.

build  
**a Sustainable Organization**  
MOBILIZE RESOURCES AND STEWARD THEM FAITHFULLY



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A Message from our  
Board President  
**Ms. Manjula Mathews**

### **25 years of Transforming Communities**

It gives me great pleasure to provide a message on behalf of the National Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka for fiscal year 2019. This year Habitat Sri Lanka celebrates the completion of 25 years of impactful work transforming communities across Sri Lanka.

Driven by the vision that everyone deserves a decent place to call home, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka first began as a grassroots effort in 1994. For 25 years – house by house, family by family, and community by community – Habitat Sri Lanka has dedicated itself towards realizing this bold vision of creating a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

### **Housing at the Centre**

Globally, with a presence in over 70 countries, Habitat for Humanity has successfully impacted the lives of more than 22 million people in need of decent shelter. Since 1994, using an extensive network of donors, partners and volunteers, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka has been able to support over 106,400 people to build or improve a place they can be proud to call home.

In the past fiscal year, thanks to our generous donors and nearly 380 volunteers, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka was able to support 4,689 people across the country build or improve their home. With a “hand up” from Habitat, more families have acquired the skills, confidence and opportunity they need to build healthier, more financially stable lives, thus breaking the cycle of poverty. This year, more than 1,700 people have been recipients of Community Capacity Development trainings on financial literacy, disaster risk mitigation, water management, and sanitation and hygiene practices, thereby gaining the potential to improve their housing conditions.

### **Rebuilding Sri Lanka**

In the decade since the civil war ended in 2009, Habitat for Humanity has played a pivotal role in addressing the housing needs of the most vulnerable and marginalized communities in the North and the East of the nation. With the support of major partners such as the Government of India, the European Union, the London Stock Exchange and Coca-Cola Foundation, Habitat for Humanity has been able to assist nearly 11,500 families rebuild their lives by restoring their dignity and providing them with a safe, stable and permanent home after nearly three decades of displacement.

### **Breaking New Ground**

This year, Habitat Sri Lanka launched a new housing project, ‘Homes for Hope’ which focuses on providing shelter solutions for families of persons with disabilities, who are very often among the most vulnerable and marginalized groups in our nation. Implemented in Negombo and Galle, this project has highlighted the urgent housing needs of impoverished communities of visually impaired persons and persons with disabilities as a result of conflict and diseases such as leprosy, who are forced to live in poor housing conditions due to their inability to afford decent shelter.

Our presence in these communities compels us to acknowledge that despite our focused efforts, there is much ground still to cover. We are grateful to the generous donors, who enable Habitat Sri Lanka to continue its work in providing these families with a chance at a brighter future.

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## Sustainable Communities

Focusing on building sustainable communities, Habitat Sri Lanka has continued its work on developing environmentally sustainable construction technologies as a step towards mitigating the impact of climate change. Particularly, through the activities of the 'Homes not Houses Project' funded by the European Union, appropriate construction technology in the form of Compressed Stabilized Earth Blocks is being promoted in the construction of homes in the North and East. Habitat Sri Lanka is also committed towards the promotion of Rainwater Harvesting for communities facing water scarcity, and promoting the use of clean and renewable solar energy in all Habitat for Humanity communities by 2025, enabling Habitat Sri Lanka to provide families with more environmentally sustainable homes.

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## Fostering Volunteerism

Habitat for Humanity's volunteers are at the heart of all the homes constructed for families in need. Throughout the last 20 years, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka has played an active role in fostering volunteerism among the youth. Unlike any other organization, Habitat for Humanity opens its doors to volunteers from all walks of life to join hands and volunteer their time and effort to construct homes for families in need.

In the last year alone, over 370 international and local volunteers contributed nearly 11,500 volunteer hours towards the construction of homes across Sri Lanka. The dedication and commitment of these volunteers towards creating sustainable change in impoverished communities has been inspiring to all of us. Habitat Sri Lanka intends to establish more collaborative partnerships with local corporates and schools in the coming year, enabling more volunteers to give back to society.

## Vision for the Future

Looking ahead, in keeping with Habitat Sri Lanka's 5-year strategic plan, the organization is committed to providing shelter solutions to 2,500 families, annually. Habitat Sri Lanka is keen to engage in collaborative partnerships with like-minded organizations and individuals, as donors and partners to make Habitat's work even more meaningful and impactful in the years to come.

## Building on Faith

Since joining the National Board of Directors in 2016, and taking on the role of Board President in 2018, I have experienced firsthand the tremendous dedication, commitment and faith that is the foundation of Habitat for Humanity both globally and in Sri Lanka.

At Habitat for Humanity, we believe that every Sri Lankan deserves a decent place to live. I am very proud of the impact Habitat Sri Lanka has been able to create through our projects over the years and I take this opportunity to thank my colleagues on the Board, the National Director Mr. Yu Hwa Li, and the management team of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka for their continued commitment to the vision and mission of Habitat for Humanity.

As we celebrate the stories and impact numbers in this report, we thank you for your investment in our ministry. Thank you for so actively sharing in Habitat's vision and mission. The promise of a world where everyone has a decent place to live depends on your support, and we are grateful for all the successes you have helped make possible during this fiscal year, and look to the new year with anticipation and hope.



**Manjula Mathews**  
Board President



A message from our  
National Director  
**Mr. Yu Hwa Li**

The National Director's message to the Annual Report 2019 provides me with the opportunity to share with you how Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka has engaged and partnered as a catalyst in addressing urgent housing needs in our communities during the past year.

By the end of June 2019, we have been able to complete the first full year of Habitat Sri Lanka's 5 year Strategic Plan for Sri Lanka established at the beginning of the fiscal year. It has truly been a year of 'test' in many ways as we embarked on a journey with sense of 'newness' and encouragement with fresh ideas whilst building on our past experiences. To begin the year with alignment to Habitat for Humanity International's 'Three House' Global Strategic Plan was in itself a win and something to look forward to and I take this opportunity to reflect with you what we were able to achieve and 'not' achieve at the infancy of our long term goals and objectives.

An important step prior to embarking on a focused plan of action was to remind all of us at Habitat Sri Lanka of Habitat for Humanity's roots, which trace back to a small farm in southwestern Georgia. During the past year, we have tried to anchor ourselves in faith, inspired by Clarence Jordan, a New Testament scholar who co-founded an experimental Christian community named 'Koinonia' and planted seeds that grew to become a global ministry dedicated to helping families build strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable housing.

Glancing back at the year gone by, I wish to report the following:

### **Building Community Impact**

Habitat Sri Lanka's thrust during the year continued to be on improving housing conditions especially among the low-income families across the country. Our efforts focused on providing new homes to selected deserving families through the different interventions during the year. In the largest of our programs Habitat Sri Lanka provided technical assistance and supervision in the building of 865 homes under the 'Homes not Houses

Project' funded by the European Union, implemented in the north and east of the country. Of this number, 213 homes were built using 'appropriate technology' utilizing different types of 'compressed stabilized earth blocks' and 'baker-bond' technique as the main feature.

I am pleased to report that the Indian Housing Project, Habitat Sri Lanka's other mega-scale housing project sponsored by the Government of India which focuses on constructing homes for the plantation communities in Kandy, Central province completed yet another successful year. Habitat Sri Lanka provided technical assistance and supervision to local communities and service providers in building 98 new homes in Hellbodde Estate, titled 'Bhagat Singh Puram' and was handed over to the community in March 2019.

This year also marked the launch of Habitat Sri Lanka's unique shelter project to support persons with disabilities, funded by a committed Sri Lankan donor, titled 'Homes for Hope Project'. At present, 15 new homes for visually impaired persons has been completed in Katana, Negombo. An additional 15 new homes for persons with disabilities in Galle district are set to be constructed in the upcoming fiscal year. In all, a total of 4,689 individuals have been supported through various shelter solutions during this reporting period.

We are encouraged by the following impact created by the different housing interventions:

- The use of 'appropriate technology' construction material and methodologies has contributed to lower building costs; greater thermal efficiency and comfort levels for home-owners; increased capacity for skilled labor; greater contribution to sustainability and protection of the environment.
- Community transformation through active participation of beneficiaries; contribution through sweat-equity and personal finances; ownership and resilience which has been made possible through the preferred 'homeowner-driven' model encouraged by Habitat Sri Lanka.
- Enhanced technical capacity of Habitat Sri Lanka design and construction; project & grants management and Monitoring and Evaluation teams have been positively impacted through engagement in multi-dimensional programs.

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## Building Sector Impact

Over the past two decades of work in Sri Lanka, Habitat Sri Lanka's least experience has been in the area of building 'sector' impact. Whilst different initiatives to support market approaches that increase, especially products and financing for affordable housing had been tested in the past, none have been at any significant scale. Similarly, our ability to be an 'influencer' for promoting policies and systems that advance affordable housing has not reached desired levels. In our long-term strategy, we believe we can certainly be a worthy contributor towards the latter.

As we develop internal capacity in advocacy, the following areas of work will be prioritized for the future:

- Collaborative efforts towards addressing gaps and strengthening the existing National Housing Policy
- Advocating for sustainable housing solutions through promotion of 'appropriate construction technology'
- Advocate and collaborate towards strengthening land tenure security of communities

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## Building Societal Impact

During the period under review, Habitat Sri Lanka undertook several activities to inspire action to end poverty housing in Sri Lanka. Habitat's unique 'Volunteer Program' gave us the impetus to make positive impacts we have not seen in recent times. In 2019, a total of 371 volunteers, both locally and internationally, were mobilized as hearts, hands and voices for the cause of adequate, affordable housing in Sri Lanka. Global Village volunteers from Japan, Abu Dhabi, China, Netherlands, New Zealand, Canada and local youth volunteers took part in a series of volunteer builds hosted at Habitat Sri Lanka build sites in Negombo, Batticaloa and Kandy, contributing over 11,400 volunteer hours of labour advancing the construction of Habitat homes. In addition, awareness of housing in Sri Lanka and the work of Habitat in Sri Lanka increased significantly among the general public through communications and visibility activities conducted via social media, website, media releases and through various awareness raising events.

## Building a Sustainable Organization

Historically, funding the mission has been the most challenging task for Habitat Sri Lanka, and 2019 has been no different. Whilst significant grants were made available through the multi-year projects funded by the EU and the Government of India, infusion of new resources have been minimal except in the case of a single high net-worth individual donor. Increased un-restricted funding through the Global Village program generated was far greater than previous years although we were setback by the April Easter Sunday bombings which cancelled several planned Global Village Teams in the latter part of the year. Having identified the 'inability to raise the planned revenue and income' as the top risk to the organization, the Board's Committee on Fundraising has initiated a strategic fundraising plan towards overcoming this challenge in the coming year. As the year drew to a close several Project Proposals have been developed for marketing among Foundations, Organizations and Institutions (FOI) with the assistance of Regional Programs and through HFH's Global Funding Network countries. It is hoped these efforts will bear fruit in 2020.

I am deeply grateful to the National Board of Directors for their commitment to the mission of Habitat through their time, talent and treasure, individually and collectively. The Board-Management relationship has advanced during the past year, whilst the Boards' role and governance process has enhanced with strong oversight and effective Board Committees.

On behalf of the Senior Management, I take this opportunity to thank all our donors and partners, Habitat for Humanity International, Government stakeholders and all communities and families whom we serve, for their commitment, trust and confidence placed in Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka. My sincere appreciation to all our committed staff for their untiring efforts in making our vision a reality.

In conclusion, may I invite you to join with us as we bring people together to build homes, communities and hope!



**Yu Hwa Li**  
National Director



# We Dream

of building a  
brighter tomorrow

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We will only grow as big as we dream, that's why we must dream big.

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Gabrielle Williams



**AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING ENSURES  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

<b>1</b> NO POVERTY	<b>3</b> GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING	<b>4</b> QUALITY EDUCATION	<b>5</b> GENDER EQUALITY	<b>6</b> CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
<b>11</b> SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	<b>7</b> AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY	<b>8</b> DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH		
	<b>9</b> INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	<b>10</b> REDUCED INEQUALITIES	<b>13</b> CLIMATE ACTION	<b>17</b> PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Driven by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (2016) Habitat for Humanity recognizes that 'Housing' is a driver, catalyst and contributor to 12 of the 17 UN-SDGs. We believe that the home is the key towards ending the cycle of poverty. A stable home provides safety and security for families, empowers women, promotes better health and hygiene, better education and employment opportunities and opens the door to a world of opportunities for families in need. Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka firmly believes that investing in affordable housing solutions equals to investing in the Sustainable Development of the nation.

For nearly 25 years, Habitat Sri Lanka has partnered with supporters and volunteers to build decent and affordable homes for families in need of adequate housing. It is our belief that a decent place to live can remove barriers to opportunity, health and success that might have been part of a family's life for years – and in many cases for generations.

**At Habitat for Humanity we don't just build houses, we are committed to building homes which is an investment in the long-term development of communities.**



**1 NO POVERTY**



Adequate housing builds resilience and reduces vulnerability to economic, social and climate-related shocks and disasters.

Equal access to the economic resources of housing and the ownership and control over land and its income generation promotes sustainability.



**3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**



Poor housing conditions are associated with a wide range of health conditions including respiratory diseases, injuries and poor mental health.

Lack of safe drinking water and adequate sanitation facilities is a primary cause of the spread of water-borne diseases.



**4 QUALITY EDUCATION**



Decent and affordable housing creates a foundation for children to grow into their full potential and pursue an education.

Staying in the same school, having adequate space at home to study, and not worrying about having to move are all contributing factors to educational achievement.



**5 GENDER EQUALITY**



Equal access to housing protects women from discriminatory policies and practices related to land distribution, titling and inheritance.



## 6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



Access to clean water and sanitation are integral to safe, healthy, adequate housing.



## 7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



Housing systems that are energy efficient and that use affordable, clean energy save costs and reduce air pollution and climate change effects.



## 8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



Strong housing markets boost economic growth, as home construction creates job opportunities for local communities and stimulates the creation of small businesses and livelihoods.

Stable housing leads to better economic opportunities, as families are often excluded from basic services because they lack proper housing.



## 9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



New technologies promote affordable, market-based, resilient, energy-efficient and green housing approaches. Construction of homes with the use of appropriate construction technologies promotes innovation in the construction industry.



**10** REDUCED INEQUALITIES



Affordable housing is key to social equality for marginalized and vulnerable communities such as refugees, internally displaced persons and persons with disabilities.

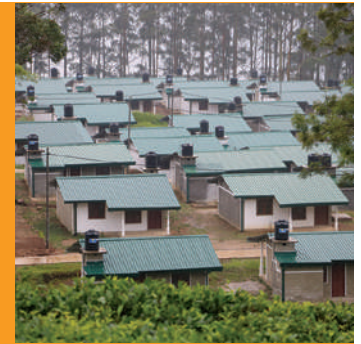


**11** SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



Access to affordable, adequate, safe and inclusive housing and basic services increases resilience.

Integrated housing frameworks support economic, social and environmental policy planning and infrastructure linkages across the urban-rural ecosystem.



**13** CLIMATE ACTION



Resilient homes promote preparedness among communities and enhance their ability to cope with environmental disasters and mitigate the impacts of climate change.



**17** PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Leverage global partnerships which mobilize international and local financing towards affordable housing.





# We Build

**community  
transformation**

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In every community, there is work to be done. In every nation, there are wounds to heal. In every heart, there is the power to do it.

—————  
Marianne Williamson

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# Homes not Houses Project

*Building a Sustainable Future Together*

Funded by the European Union, jointly implemented by Habitat for Humanity and World Vision Lanka, the 'Homes not Houses Project' is expected to benefit more than 215,250 internally displaced people in the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka. Seeking to serve the most vulnerable families displaced by the civil war, the project has committed Euro 14.7 million towards providing returnee families with permanent and affordable housing solutions, social infrastructure and livelihood protection.

The 'Homes not Houses Project' seeks to build 2,325 conventional and appropriate technology houses and repair 60 homes in 31 GN divisions across Batticaloa, Kilinochchi and Mullaitivu Districts by 2020. Now in its third year of operations, 2,433 beneficiaries have been officially selected, out of which 1,256 have completed the construction of their homes and another 768 homes are in varied stages of construction.

For a majority of these families, this is the first home they have ever owned, as many of them had been displaced due to decades of war. Focused on providing housing support for the most vulnerable, the 'Homes not Houses Project' has been able to successfully provide safe shelter solutions to 116 families of persons with disabilities, 12 child-headed homes - where both parents have been lost; and more than 644 homes which are headed by women.

Promoting eco-friendly and climate appropriate construction practices was an integral component of the 'Homes not Houses Project' design. Introducing the beneficiaries to appropriate construction materials such as Compressed Stabilised Earth Blocks (CSEB) and Earth Concrete Blocks (ECB), educating them on the health, environmental and cost benefits of these options formed a crucial feature of the programme. Following the orientation on the usage of appropriate construction materials, 891 beneficiary families chose to build their homes with appropriate materials. As at 30 June 2019, nearly 90% of all appropriate technology houses are in varied stages of construction, out of which, 226 houses have already been successfully completed.

Creating Long Term Social Transformation is at the heart of Habitat for Humanity's vision. Various flanking measures implemented under the project, have empowered families to choose appropriate technology or repair alternatives in keeping with their family plans, debt levels and livelihood potential. Financial literacy trainings provided through this project have also educated the families on how to efficiently utilize their income, analyze income and expenditure patterns to prioritize and reduce expenses while saving up for smart investments. Financial assessments prior to obtaining loans has assisted homeowners in making informed decisions to avoid the burdens of debt. Training and assisting homeowners to prepare correct property ownership documentation and obtain appropriate building approvals from relevant local government authorities, are initiatives key to ensuring the long-term security and stability of all these families who have already endured and survived much hardship.

Another aspect of this vision towards community transformation is the development of sustainable livelihoods. One approach adopted by the project is utilizing the land usage plans to equip homeowners to identify and efficiently avail resources from their own land to increase family income. Making informed decisions about placement of perennial crops, seasonal crops, home-garden and livestock rearing are just some of the benefits already visible amongst families who adopted the land usage plans.

The second approach, involving interventions to produce skilled workers for alternative construction and setting up construction related SME's, has improved value chain development in the construction sector and has provided many individuals with vocational training in construction and employment opportunities through the block production yards.

Encouraged and heartened by increased and sustained income generation, families benefiting from the 'Homes not Houses Project' have transitioned to focus more on their children's health and education. Others have expanded

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their livelihood to micro level businesses providing employment to others in the neighbourhood contributing towards social cohesion. These first fruits of social transformation are proof that this project is not just about building houses but about transforming lives. It's no doubt that the long term social, economic and environment impact of the 'Homes not Houses Project' will reverberate through generations to come.

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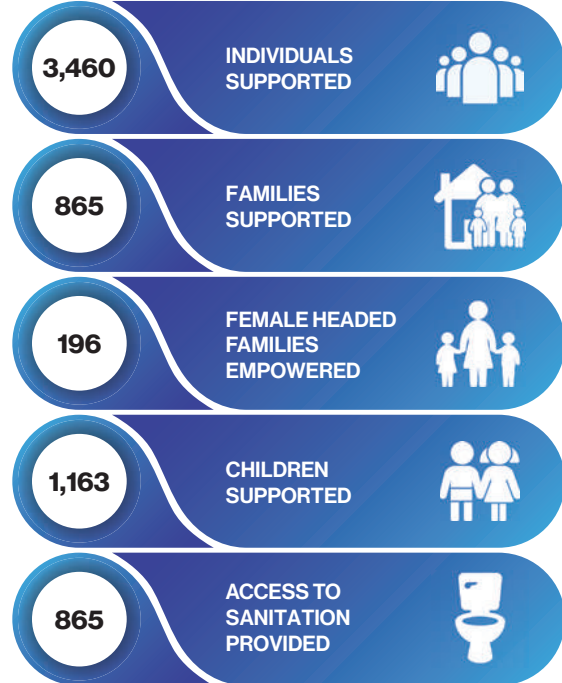
“I am hopeful that this project will assist in providing returnee families with not just homes and livelihood alternatives but also the necessary support to rebuild a life and a future for themselves. The goal has always been to turn the cycle of impoverishment and reliance to that of self-sufficiency, and I am encouraged to see that we are moving in the right direction through this initiative”. (2017)

HE Tung-Lai Margue  
Ambassador to Sri Lanka and the Maldives for  
the Delegation of the European Union (EU)

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### Project Impact FY2019



## Rebuilding Hope

Jagadeshwaran, his wife and their son were displaced by the war for many years, when in 2016 they were selected as beneficiaries of the 'Homes not Houses Project' funded by the European Union in Kilinochchi. He had the opportunity of attending community meetings that oriented the beneficiaries on this groundbreaking housing initiative which promoted the construction of homes using appropriate technology and locally sourced construction materials.

Having been selected as a family that would receive a model house constructed with Compressed Stabilized Earth Blocks (CSEB), Jagadeshwaran had the opportunity to witness first hand the innovative technology used to construct his home. His model home has been open to the public on many occasions providing other families the opportunity to also experience the difference of a home built with appropriate technology as opposed to a home constructed with conventional cement blocks.

Today, Jagadeshwaran has become a champion of the CSEB appropriate technology, as he appreciates the many benefits of owning a home constructed with environmentally-friendly earth blocks. The construction of the home took only two months, with Jagadeshwaran working side-by-side with the masons and Technical Officers of Habitat for Humanity, participating actively in the design and construction of his own home. He is grateful to the European Union and Habitat for Humanity for giving him the hand-up he needed to rebuild his life after decades of displacement. He prides himself in being able to finally provide his family with a safe, stable and permanent place to call home.

“ We are happy with our CSEB house especially because of how cool and comfortable it is. We feel the difference as we are able to breathe very comfortably. ”







## A Mother's Dream

Perinparasa takes care of a household with seven vibrant members. She is a daily wage laborer and works regularly at nearby paddy fields. Her husband is a fisherman and spends most of his time at the coast of Batticaloa looking for daily work to provide for their family. Having been displaced by the war for many decades, this new home constructed under the 'Homes not Houses Project' has been a dream come true for Perinparasa and her husband.

During the years following the war, her entire family lived in a one-room temporary shelter made with tin sheets. With poor ventilation, no proper sanitation and limited protection, Perinparasa constantly feared for the safety of her children, especially her daughters.

Today, standing in front of her new home, the sense of relief and joy she feels is evident on Perinparasa's face. Commenting on what this new home means to her, she said, "a home is where a family can live happily together and feel safe no matter what problems happen in life". Perinparasa feels that no matter what the future may hold for her family, the stability this home has brought to their lives has been invaluable.

Perinparasa, shares how his home has given the entire family a sense of hope, strength and stability to make forward thinking choices. She speaks of Shyalini, her 21-year-old daughter, who is now able to confidently plan for her future because she no longer has to worry about the fate of her parents and siblings.

“ This home is where my family can live happily together and feel safe no matter what problems happen in life. ”

# Indian Housing Project – Eastern Province

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## *Building Strength and Stability of Internally Displaced Families*

In the aftermath of the nearly 30-year civil war, displaced and returnee families faced many difficulties in accessing basic amenities such as shelter, food and sanitation. Thousands were forced to live in IDP camps and in temporary shelters making this already marginalized community even more vulnerable. The Indian Housing Project was launched in response to this grave plight of displaced families and the urgent need for permanent housing.

Funded by the Government of India, and implemented under the auspices of a bi-lateral Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL), the Indian Housing Project was an integral component of the Government of India's commitment to construct 50,000 homes for IDPs in Sri Lanka. Launched in 2012, Habitat for Humanity was among the four implementing agencies selected to implement this mega-scale Indian Housing Project in Trincomalee and Batticaloa Districts.

In 2017, Habitat Sri Lanka successfully completed the construction of 3,713 homes and repaired 46 homes, across 12 DS divisions in Batticaloa and Trincomalee Districts in the Eastern Province. Given Habitat for Humanity's successful implementation of Phase 1 of the project, the Indian High Commission entrusted the construction of an additional 401 homes in Batticaloa District under Phase II of the project. 144 of these homes were constructed in 2018 and the balance 257 homes were completed and handed over to the homeowner families in early 2019 bringing the Indian Housing Project in the Eastern Province to an end.

Since 2012, this impactful project has enabled Habitat for Humanity to provide 16,456 displaced persons with a safe and decent place to call home. Focusing on extending much needed support to vulnerable groups, the Indian Housing Project has empowered nearly 160 female-headed households, and over 800 young children now have a place that is safe for them to play and study.

The project followed the participatory "homeowner driven" process of construction, whereby the homeowners and

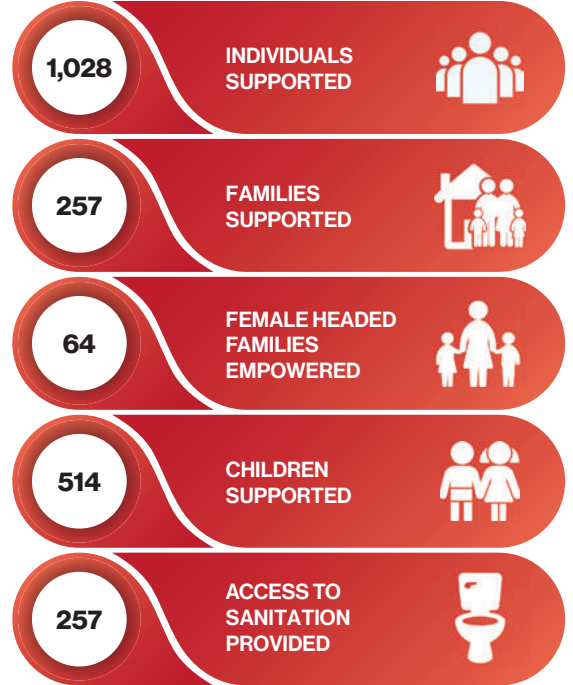
their families were encouraged and equipped to become an integral part of the construction process. This unique approach encouraged homeowners to take ownership of the design and construction of their own homes as it develops homeowner's sense of agency and active participation in the process. While utilizing the extensive orientation and training given by Habitat for Humanity on basics of construction, technical aspects and house lifecycle management, homeowners have become active participants in the construction process as opposed to passive recipients. Habitat Technical Officers regularly visited the construction sites and assisted beneficiaries to

source good quality building materials and provided technical expertise on the construction activities. This homeowner driven participatory construction method has been key to building strength, stability and self-reliance among these communities rebuilding their lives after the war.





### Project Impact FY2019



## A Future of Promise

Mother of three, Loganayagi resides with her husband, eldest son and her grand-daughter in their Habitat home that was constructed as a part of the Indian Housing Project in Batticaloa.

Loganayagi explains how wholesome the experience with Habitat Sri Lanka was - from becoming a beneficiary of the project to the completion of the house. She especially reflects with joy on the days she was able to spend with the Global Village volunteer team that travelled all the way from New Zealand to support them with the construction of their home.

From having lived in a small hut where all family members had minimal privacy and protection, Loganayagi is extremely grateful for the change in their quality of life that is provided through this home. Previously they had no toilet facilities, but with this new home, Habitat for Humanity was able to provide them with a home which provides them with access to adequate sanitation facilities.

“ This home will provide my granddaughter with a safe environment, and a foundation to be able to chase her own dreams. ”





## Safe at Last

Samithambi is a mother of two, who takes care of them and her husband who recovered recently from a hip surgery. Her husband was thankfully able to go through his healing process within the stable environment and comfort that their new home provides. To Samithambi, this home is a blessing that came into their lives at a time of difficulty.

They live in an area that is prone to elephant attacks. As a result they used to live in constant fear when living in their temporary shelter which provided limited protection. During times of heavy rains, water would seep through their tin roof flooding their temporary shelter, destroying what little belongings they owned.

Safe from adverse weather conditions and wild elephant attacks, their new Habitat home has become a symbol of new beginnings and a beacon of hope for Samithambi's entire family.

“ I now feel safer knowing that my children have a safe place to call home and we are protected during times of heavy rain. ”

# Indian Housing Project – Central Province

## *Building Self-Reliance of Plantation Worker Families*

The backbone of the thriving tea and rubber industries in Sri Lanka are its Plantation workers. An estimated 244,500 families, a population of 966,770 individuals, work and live on plantations across the Central and Uva Provinces of Sri Lanka. For generations, these plantation workers have lived in small attached houses, referred to as 'line-houses'. The damp and dank line-houses these families are compelled to call home, date back to the colonial era, and are in a sad state of disrepair. Compounding the problem, the families have grown over the years, but their accommodation has remained the same. Access to basic needs such as water and sanitation facilities are dismal as larger families crowded into already cramped spaces. Safety of the girl child, facilities conducive for children to play safely and study comfortably have been beyond reach for this poor, marginalized community.

Moved by the plight of the estate workers, the Government of India initiated the Indian Housing project in the Central and Uva Province, which envisions the resettlement of at least 4,000 plantation workers in newly created cluster villages or small townships. Implemented under the auspices of the Ministry of Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure and Community Development, the Indian Housing Project in the Central and Uva Provinces is an extension of the Government of India's overall commitment to construct 50,000 houses for the under privileged in Sri Lanka.

As part of Phase 1 of the Indian Housing Project, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka successfully completed the construction of 98 homes for the plantation workers of Hellbodde Estate. On March 24th 2019, High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka, His Excellency Taranjit Singh Sandhu ceremoniously handed over the brand-new homes, to beneficiary families of the Hellbodde Estate in Pussellawa. The village was officially named 'Bhagat Singh Puram', after famous Indian freedom fighter and youth icon – Bhagat Singh. Additionally, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka provided a 32,000-litre high-capacity water storage tank providing these 98 families with access to safe drinking water, an issue they faced for many decades.

Using the 'Homeowner-driven Model' of construction, each new 550 square foot incremental home constructed through the Indian Housing Project consists of two bedrooms, a living room and a toilet. The participatory approach of the 'Homeowner-driven Model' develops their agency and encourages homeowners to take ownership of the construction of their own homes, working together with the Estate Workers' Housing Cooperative Societies (EWHCS) and local construction service providers. Habitat for Humanity provided technical assistance, quality assurance & monitoring throughout the construction process, ensuring that housing quality standards were met. The beneficiaries have the flexibility to expand their house incrementally after the completion of the project. Beneficiaries are also encouraged to provide in-kind contributions of labour towards the construction efforts in order to save costs.

The extensive orientation and training given on technical aspects and house life cycle management has equipped homeowners to develop new skills and has contributed to their sense of self-reliance. Access to safe drinking water and enhanced sanitation facilities has significantly increased the hygiene and health standards of these families. The ample space has also created safe spaces for the children to study and play. It also means assured security and privacy for the growing girl child.

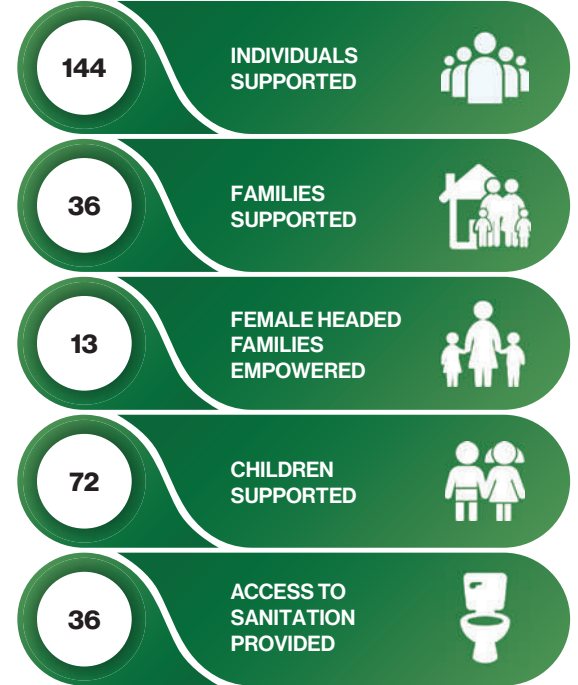
Encouraged by the quality of construction and the positive impact these homes have had on the plantation communities, the Indian High Commission in Colombo has entrusted the construction of an additional 267 homes in 05 other estates across the Central Province to Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka. 51 families in Nayapana Estate, 55 Kelebokke Estate, 60 families in Levellon Estate, 51 families in Hagalla Estate and 50 families in Hantana Estate are tirelessly working alongside Habitat Sri Lanka to build a safe place of their own to call home.

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## Empowering the Next Generation

Premalatha works in the plantations at the Hellbodde Estate and is also an active member of the committee formed by the homeowners of the Indian Housing Project. She is a resilient single mother of two. Her daughter is married and lives close by to her new home with her own family. Premalatha now lives in her Habitat home with her son; who works in town as a mason.

Premalatha has a strong bond with her son, and they support each other and live in harmony. She expressed how this new home has changed her life, because it gave a home and a “sense of strength and stability”.

She is committed towards female empowerment and works hard to assist other women in her community. She continuously looks into innovative ways to help her community, as she considers them her own family. After years of struggling due to her living conditions, she now has reached a point in life where she is stable enough to help others. Premalatha is grateful to the Indian Government and Habitat for Humanity for the opportunity she was given to rebuild her life.

“ This is a decade long dream of mine that is finally coming true. I have no words to thank Habitat for Humanity for making my dream a reality. ”







### Path to Stability

Yogarani and her husband Sogkumar are parents to three sons; Kishan, Dinushka, and Menaka. Sogkumar earns minimum wage by engaging in multiple jobs. He juggles between driving a school bus and taking 'Tuk Tuk' hires in order to support their family, while Yogarani works as an estate worker at Le Vallon Estate.

They previously lived in a line-room which was home to multiple families. This limited space was shared by nearly fifteen people and their life in the line-room was one full of challenges. The one bedroom space had very poor ventilation and no access to safe drinking water or electricity. The poor sanitation facilities caused their young children to fall ill on many occasions. The children studied under a single lamp light and the lack of space made it all the more difficult, with no privacy for the family.

Given their low-earning capacities, Yogarani and Sogkumar knew they could never afford a home of their own until they were selected as beneficiaries of the Indian Housing Project.

Yogarani's new Habitat Home will not only mean that her family will be living in a clean environment with access to electricity and water, but it will also provide her family privacy and the security they need.

“ To me, a home is as valuable and impactful as a place of worship. The value of this home cannot be measured, it means so much to us. ”

# Homes for Hope Project

A project funded in memory of late Dr. & Mrs. J.H.F. Jayasuriya

*Providing persons with disabilities with safe places to call home*

Persons battling disabilities and special needs are very often marginalized in their communities and as such lack access to basic facilities such as decent shelter. The 'Homes for Hope Project' initiated by Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka was conceptualized with the very purpose of providing persons with disabilities safe, decent and affordable places to call home. Providing persons with disabilities a decent quality of life, a happier environment and a brighter future so that they too can become productive members of society is the at the center of the 'Homes for Hope Project'.

Funded by an inspirational local donor family in memory of their loving parents, late Dr. & Mrs. J.H.F. Jayasuriya (Founder Chairman, Ceylon National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis); the 'Homes for Hope Project' seeks to provide nearly 60 families of persons with disabilities in Negombo and Galle, with housing solutions specifically designed to meet their special needs.

The families selected to benefit from this project lived in extremely challenging conditions, in small one-bedroom homes with limited protection from adverse weather conditions; with little or no space for the disabled individual to move around with ease and safety. Due to poor construction and unstable foundations, these original homes were in a state of disrepair. In some instances, the families had been asked to evacuate as the home was unstable and unsafe for residents. The children had no safe space to study in their homes as these homes provided little protection from outside intruders and provided minimal privacy for the girl child.

As Phase 1 of the project, 15 new houses have already been completed in the Katana DS Division including Nayanalokagama Village, benefitting families of persons with disabilities, particularly visually impaired persons. Additionally, 30 homes which are in dilapidated condition will be repaired through this housing initiative. Each fully completed Habitat Home is approximately 580 sq.ft. in extent, complete with two bedrooms, a living room, verandah, kitchen, attached toilet including plastering and

painting. The spacious design of the homes was intended to provide the persons with disabilities with more mobility. The intentional layout ensures the person with disabilities will have easy access to household amenities within the house. The indoor toilets increase accessibility and ease of care, especially at night. Phase 2 of the project will focus on supporting families of persons with disabilities in Galle, particularly families that are struggling with the debilitating effects of leprosy.

As an extension to the 'Homes for Hope Project', Habitat for Humanity was able to support the Nayanalokagama community further through the support of volunteers, to renovate the village livelihood center and the Kadirana Kanishta Vidyalaya – school hall. The Livelihood Centre was the only community space available for the visually impaired residents to engage in small-scale livelihood activities.

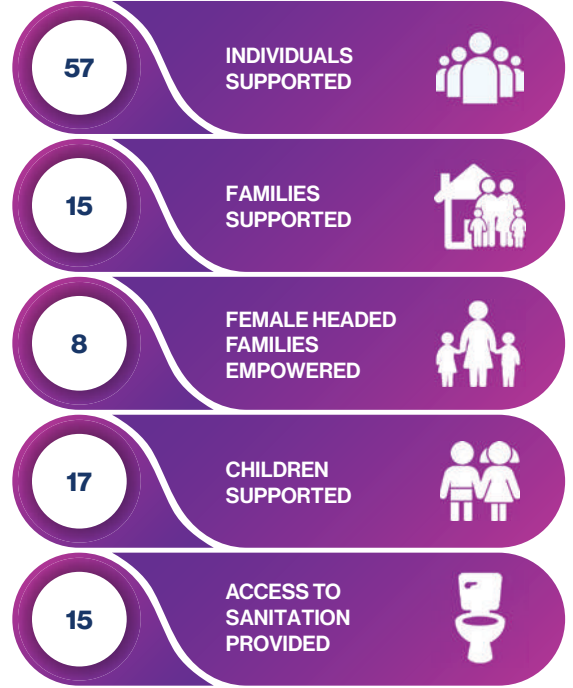
Similarly, the local village school, Kadirana Kanishta Vidyalaya, home to more than 500 students is the school which the children of the visually impaired beneficiaries attend. Both buildings which were in a state of disrepair as these low-income families were unable to attend to much needed repairs are now functional utility spaces as a result of the 'Homes for Hope Project'.

In keeping with Habitat's focus on building 'Homes' and not 'Houses' and using the Community-based Rehabilitation approach the 'Homes for Hope Project' also provides training to the beneficiaries on home management, house maintenance and good hygiene practices. Such initiatives are key steps to ensuring that the new homes become a foundation to a better quality of life, that is both sustainable and evolutionary.





### Project Impact FY2019



## A Brand New Chapter

Darcy Katherine, is a vibrant 90-year old lady considered a pillar of the visually impaired homeowner community in Nayanalokagama Village in Katana. Having lived a full life, Darcy reflects on the hardships she has faced throughout her life. After many years of yearning for a safe place for her family, she now lives in her new Habitat home with her son Anil; his wife and their two children Kaushalya and Akila.

Her son Anil is filled with joy as he reflects on the way their life has been positively impacted as a result of this new Habitat home. Previously they were never at peace, because their house was old and falling apart - the roof was not strong enough to keep the rain away, and the limited space meant that the family members had no privacy. Even after a long hard day of work - Anil felt he could not rest or relax because he was burdened by the lack of safety their previous home offered - especially for his elderly mother who is visually impaired.

To them, the best part of their Habitat experience was working closely with the Global Village volunteers. Anil is grateful for the volunteers kindness and generosity - and he remarks on the priceless value of their hard work during their volunteer trips. Even Anil's son, Akila gained many fond memories of working alongside the volunteer teams - he felt that they made friendships for life despite coming from very different backgrounds.

“ My prayer has always been to have peace - just like I feel now inside this new warm, comfortable and cozy Habitat home. We finally have a place to call home. ”





## Turning Dreams into Reality

Jayathilake and Matilda faced many challenges in life as they brought their children up. They had lived in their previous home for 35 years, and due to its construction flaws the walls were not strong enough to stand the test of time. The roof did not protect them from the harsh weather or serpents. Jayathilake especially faced many challenges due to his visual impairment. The sanitation facility was located outside of the previous house; hence the commute and lack of safety was a constant burden.

Now their children have moved on to build their own lives; and Jayathilake and Matilda have a fresh start to live the peaceful life they have always dreamed of. Now, because of their beautiful, spacious Habitat home, they are able to accommodate their children and grandchildren. Matilda especially loves their new kitchen; she has enough space to prepare food for her husband and visitors. She spends many joyful hours in there when her grandsons visit.

This home has also had a ripple effect on their son, who had become complacent in his life and had not been motivated to develop his own life. Seeing the joy of his parents has now motivated him to complete his own home and expand his business. Empowerment is a contagious path.

“ This home brings a sense of lightness to our minds - we don't have to depend on anyone for this stability - we are happy. We have each other and we have this roof over our heads. ”



# We Rebuild

hopes and dreams

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Housing is absolutely essential to human flourishing.  
Without stable shelter, it all falls apart.

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Matthew Desmond



**War-affected families  
supported since 2009**

**11,536**





Families assisted to rebuild following natural disasters

8,601



# We Empower

growth and stability

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One of the greatest things you can do to help others is not just to share and give what you have, but to help them discover what they have within themselves to help themselves.

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Rita Zahara

# 25 YEARS of Transforming Lives

## A House of Dreams : The Story of Habitat Sri Lanka's First Homeowner

Selwyn, a police officer in Hatton, and his wife Jegajothy lived with their 3 young children in the quarters the police provided for them. Closing in on his retirement age, paramount on Selwyn's mind, was ensuring that his wife and children had a secure and stable home to call their own. Investing in building a house was an impossible dream, his pay being just adequate to provide for the day to day living expenses of a young family. Ensuring that he provided for his children's education was critical to Selwyn. How could he provide for their needs today as well as build a secure future for them tomorrow? It was whilst this committed civil servant was mulling his options that he came to know about Habitat for Humanity, which was rooted in the deep conviction that every family deserved a safe and secure place to live. Inspired by the hope that reading about this organization gave him, Selwyn, a man of initiative, wrote to Habitat Sri Lanka, stating his need. Thus, 25 years ago, Selwyn became the very first homeowner to work in partnership with Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka, to build for his beloved wife and children the house of their dreams.

Over 20 years later we visit Jegajothy in the house that Selwyn built for her. Dressed in a bright pink cotton dress, complementing perfectly the cheery pink house, this diminutive lady of 68 sits and reminisces of how Selwyn built this Habitat house with his own hands. It is now 13 years since he passed on. Her three children are all grown up and working in Colombo in established companies and Jegajothy looks forward to their weekend visits. In their absence she finds great pleasure in pottering around the beautiful garden that she and Selwyn planted together.

The house Selwyn built for her is perched atop a hillock that overlooks a tea plantation. Strengthened by the knowledge that with the support of Habitat owning his own home was no longer a distant dream, Selwyn saved up to purchase this picturesque block of land. The innovative alternative technology introduced by Habitat which used the very soil of the property that was dug out to build the foundation to make earth compressed blocks helped Selwyn mitigate the expenses. How Selwyn himself, with his own hands, made

the bricks for their house is still fresh in Jegajothy's mind. The joy of moving into their new home, the memories of her children having ample space to study and play, how within two years of moving in they were able to also add an extension to their home, creating more private space for their two daughters, are for Jegajothy memories of happy and fruitful times.

Selwyn, the guardian of his family, was very moved by his experience of working alongside Habitat as a homeowner. The community instinct that led him to become a Police Officer found at Habitat Sri Lanka a new avenue for public service to his beloved Hatton community. When two years after moving into their home he retired from the police, Selwyn lost no time in signing up as Construction Supervisor with Habitat. Building on his own personal Habitat Home Owner experience Selwyn helped other families to build their own house of dreams.

Today those families that benefitted from Selwyn's commitment to help his community through Habitat, to have access to safe and secure homes of their own, remember the personal interest he took in their progress. He taught and helped them to build their own bricks, supervising in detail the safety and security of their homes. The strong, solid homes that have weathered the pass of time are very much his legacy as they are Habitat's. Inspired by the spirit of Habitat for Humanity, Selwyn has left behind, not only a house of dreams for his beloved Jegajothy, and a solid future for his three children, but a strong and secure community that is forever knit together by the experience of helping each other build brick by brick, the house of ones dreams.





**Kalutara Housing Project**

Indika, his wife and four children lived for many years in a temporary shelter made out of wooden planks which provided limited protection from adverse weather conditions. Receiving a new Habitat home has allowed him to provide a more stable and secure future for his children.



**Kegalle Housing Project**

Chandani and her family lost their home and all their belongings when Cyclone Roanu struck, causing devastating landslides in May 2016. Through this project, Chandani's hope of providing her children with a safe and stable future was restored and they now have a ladder to rebuild their lives.



**Homes for Hope Project**

Saranapala lived in a temporary shelter with 07 other family members that had inadequate sanitation facilities to support them all. With his visual impairment, he faced many challenges with safely navigating around his home, especially at night.

**Rebuild Sri Lanka Project**

Udayani, was a mother of 2 when she received a Habitat home back in 2012. Having a stable place to call home gave her and her husband the confidence to expand their family as they always hoped to. Their 03 children now have a safe space to study and play, where they are protected from harsh weather and other challenges.



**Indian Housing Project – East**

Having been displaced by the civil war Kumaraguru overcame many obstacles to keep his family safe. He encouraged his daughters to pursue a higher education because he understood the value of a sound education. This home has provided his daughters with the stability they needed to forge ahead and create opportunities for themselves.



**Homes not Houses Project**

Sivarasa and his family have begun picking up the pieces of their lives after decades of displacement due to the civil war. This Habitat home has been a symbol of peace and stability, especially for his children who have never had a permanent place to call home.



**Muthurajawela Housing Project**

Nimesha lived in a temporary structure in Muthurajawela, using cardboard sheets as walls. This was the family's only protection against the heat, rain and floods. Their house offered them no security against animals or other intruders. Their permanent home through Habitat has drastically improved the quality of life of every member in their family.



**Homes not Houses Project**

Rajeshwary lives with her aged parents in the village of Valliupuanam in Mullaitivu. This area was ravaged by the civil war in Sri Lanka - and they lost everything and faced many challenges during periods of uncertainty. Their new home denotes the restoration of Rajeshwari's family's dignity and a future full of hope.



**Tsunami Housing Project**

Nishantha and his family lost everything during the Tsunami in 2004. They lived in a wooden temporary shack and struggled to survive. They received their Habitat home in 2008 and looking back at 11 years; this home was the foundation they used to rebuild their lives post disaster.



# We Inspire

a spirit of  
volunteerism

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The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

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Mahatma Gandhi

# Global Village Volunteers

20 years of transforming lives across Sri Lanka

This year, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka celebrates 20 years of fostering volunteerism and mobilizing local and international volunteers as the hearts, hands and voices for the cause of affordable shelter. Volunteers are truly the backbone of Habitat for Humanity's global mission in putting God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes.

As we celebrate this landmark 20th Anniversary of the Volunteer Program of Habitat Sri Lanka, we reflect on the many international and local volunteers who have supported Habitat Sri Lanka's work by giving of their time, talents and treasure in order to provide impoverished communities with the ladder they need to rebuild their lives.

Since the inception of the Global Village Volunteer Program in 1998, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka has been privileged to host nearly **350 international volunteer teams** from across the world. From the first Global Village Volunteer team of 20 American volunteers that travelled to Hatton, Sri Lanka in 1998 to build homes for plantation workers, to the most recent group in 2019 from the Netherlands who volunteered to construct homes for persons with disabilities, each volunteer has made a significant impact on the work of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka.

Habitat for Humanity volunteers do more than assist in building safe, decent and affordable homes for families in need. Volunteers provide invaluable support to the communities they build with, helping to lower the cost of each house through their volunteer efforts. As a result of generous volunteer donations, each year, Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka is able to support more families in need across the island. Habitat homeowners and their family members who work alongside volunteers are in turn inspired to help others, which creates a positive cycle of community transformation.

This year, Habitat Sri Lanka was able to continue to impact communities across Sri Lanka thanks to the generous support of over 371 international and local volunteers who contributed nearly 11,500 volunteer hours towards constructing homes for families in need. More specifically, 295 international volunteers travelled to Sri Lanka from 06 countries (Japan, China, the Netherlands, Australia, Canada and Abu Dhabi) volunteering in 03 locations (in Negombo, Kandy and Batticaloa) through Habitat for Humanity's Global Village Program.

Additionally, as part of the 'Habitat Young Leaders Build' Asia-Pacific Regional Campaign, Habitat Sri Lanka was able

to conduct a special build event titled 'Youth Rebuild' in March 2019. International and local volunteers joined hands to support a community of visually impaired persons in Negombo, by repairing and painting the village livelihood centre and the local school, while also conducting a Hygiene Awareness Program for nearly 300 school students.

Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka is grateful to every volunteer that chose to support the vision and mission of Habitat for Humanity. Every volunteer hour spent has contributed towards improving the life a family in need.

**Every volunteer makes a difference.**

## Volunteer Program Impact Numbers FY2019



\* Volunteer sending countries that supported Habitat Sri Lanka in FY 2019



## Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity: Making a Difference

In isolation, a few hours by one volunteer might not look like much but, when combined, the actions of volunteer teams or Global Village volunteers have made a huge impact on the work done by Habitat Sri Lanka. The experience of volunteering with Habitat is unique - you are able to get a hands-on experience of building a tangible change for a family. Previous experience with construction is not necessary to become a volunteer. Habitat merely encourages its volunteers to come equipped with a positive attitude and willingness to create positive change while it is made clear that their safety on site is of utmost priority to Habitat. You'll experience the country like a local, meet people from different communities and cultures. Spending time with other cultures doesn't mean just exploring the differences, but also discovering the commonalities. You'll find that you don't even need to speak the language.

### Did you know?

- A 12-member team working 32 hours a week can provide all the unskilled labour to complete an entire house.
- Short-term volunteers who haul water and mix cement decrease fatigue on paid skilled labour allowing for a more efficient build.
- The participation of volunteers fosters a sense of community, encouraging more people to participate in builds as volunteers.
- The knowledge that people care and are willing to give their time to help, adds to the motivation of these communities.

Volunteers who join the work of Habitat for Humanity globally, all contribute towards building a world where everyone has a decent place to live.





### George Clarke (Canada)

George Clarke has been involved with Habitat for Humanity for almost ten years now; and he made his first trip to Sri Lanka in April 2019. George led a team of 12 members; some of who had been on GV trips before and some were first time Habitat Volunteers.

Their build was located in the Eastern Province of Sri Lanka - sunny Batticaloa. His volunteer experience in Sri Lanka was special for many reasons - one of them being the opportunity to work alongside one mason in particular; Ram. Ram had never worked with volunteers before and he was excited to have volunteers assisting him with the construction of his house. The language barrier between Ram and the volunteers was not a challenge as they began to work together. George loved how Ram always showed up with a smile no matter how hot or humid it was on the build site and he really let them try everything they could on the construction site, including leveling the foundation.

By the third day of their build, Ram would challenge George; and the two of them would compete to see who finishes the task first. This dynamic had a way of empowering both volunteer and mason, and they didn't feel the day pass by in the scorching heat. They were constructing a home in good spirits, with honest hard work.

On the fifth day of the build George and his team had a cooking lesson at the guest house they were staying at, which George describes to be the "greatest highlight" of the trip. Their Global Village experience was packed with local culture, hospitality and humility as they worked together with Habitat Sri Lanka to empower communities in need through decent and safe shelter.



### Gabrielle Chisholm (Australia)

In November 2018, Gabrielle travelled to Batticaloa, Sri Lanka with her niece Jessie as a part of a Global Village volunteer team from Australia. It was their first time in Sri Lanka and they had both been excited for what the island and the Habitat experience had in store for them.

To Gabrielle and her team, being a Global Village volunteer was one of the most rewarding things they had done in their lives. It gave them a chance to bond through the action of uplifting lives.

Though the harsh heat and humidity in Batticaloa was unforgiving - the mission of their journey motivated them to work hard during their volunteering week - and the team soon became experts in guided concreting of floors.

Connecting with local families and working alongside them for the week was the most fulfilling and heart-warming take for Gabrielle. She says "whilst we couldn't speak their language, we all shared the common language of laughter and friendship."

The children in the community made their week especially rewarding. Seeing them each day brought sunshine into their day. Gabrielle reflects on how this unique experience gave her and her team an everlasting connection to Sri Lanka, a connection of friendship and common purpose.

Gabrielle is also thankful to the team at Habitat Sri Lanka for their support, guidance and friendship and mentions how their team was inspired by Habitat Sri Lanka's work.



### Jennifer Lemke (Netherlands)

Jennifer Lemke is not only the team leader of a group of 14 power women called 'Hammers and Heels' but she is also the National Director of Habitat for Humanity Netherlands.

Jennifer considers 'Hammers and Heels' a medium to expose people in the various walks of life to the work of Habitat worldwide, prior to their GV trip to Sri Lanka, the Power Women made three other GV trips in the recent past, where they volunteered and helped to uplift communities. As a team leader Jennifer is passionate about giving the team opportunities to experience new places and cultures while giving them great memories and also validating their efforts.

The 'Hammers and Heels' team finds volunteering fulfilling because it not only provides them with an opportunity to make a meaningful change in people's lives but it also allows them to experience how selfless people can truly be, in spite of them having very little and yet are willing to share what little they have even with strangers.

Jennifer made her first trip to Sri Lanka a little over ten years ago- in the aftermath of the Tsunami. In May 2018, Jennifer had the opportunity to return to Sri Lanka through 'Hammers and Heels'. Volunteering in Sri Lanka years later and assisting victims of the civil war to rebuild their lives, has been an unforgettable experience for Jennifer. She's proud that her team was able to play a small yet vital role in helping people to uplift the quality of their lives through Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka.



### Emma Tallon (Australia)

Emma Tallon made her first trip to Sri Lanka in November 2018. She was volunteering with Habitat for Humanity through her organization – Morgans. Emma and her team of 10 were able to raise just under \$50,000 to support Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka.

Although Emma was aware that she will be volunteering to help less fortunate families, the conditions in which these homeowners survive were lot harsher than she expected which Emma found to be mind-boggling.

Bonding with the homeowners was a memorable experience for Emma; she especially connected with the daughter of the first homeowner she met and couldn't believe how the homeowners manage to overcome the communication barriers between them and get their message across.

Emma was touched by the homeowners' hospitality and how with almost nothing, the homeowners never fail to smile and spread love and kindness.



### Sally Shields (Canada)

Sally Shields partnered with Habitat for Humanity the first time when she received an invitation from her friend Darryll in November 2018. Sally joined up with ten other people across Canada and came to Sri Lanka for a home build.

Sally and her husband thought this a wonderful opportunity to not only create a lasting change in the community but to also see another country “we thought what a great excuse to a see a wonderful country have some fun, meet some new people and make a difference in the world.”

Sally explains what Habitat for Humanity means to her – “Habitat to me means peace; a family that has shelter will always feel safe and when they feel safe they will look after their food, they will look after their education, they will feel safe looking after and building their families and if you feel safe you have peace in your life so Habitat builds peace.”



### Jessie McDermott (Australia)

Jessie hopped on a 12 hour flight from Australia to Sri Lanka with uncertainty and hope about her Global Village experience. What she didn't know at that time was the journey to Sri Lanka would shape the way she would later view the world and volunteering forever.

Given the opportunity to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, Jessie was aware of the unique opportunity she had to impact people's lives who deserve it most. In this case it was a community who survived the effects of the civil war in Batticaloa.

However what Jessie was most surprised to learn through her experience, was the magnitude of the impact they as volunteers walked away with from their week of supporting this community.

Through this journey, Jessie learned “that happiness isn't something you experience when you have everything; it's something you are blessed with when you have people around you who love you. They taught us strength in the face of diversity. They taught us a new level of kindness and giving as they had only minimal to spare. Most importantly, they taught us the power of laughter and how it makes difficult days of hard labor and heat much, much easier.”

Jessie looks forward to pursuing more opportunities of working closely with Habitat for Humanity so that she can continue to play an active role in creating an impact in the world.



“ It’s amazing how you can communicate with people and not speak any of the same language.

*Emma Tallon, Australia 2018*

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“ TIMUN looks forward to working with Habitat in engaging more local and foreign delegates in creating change in the lives of many in the years to come.

*Gulzaar Ahmed, Sri Lanka 2019*

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“ Connecting with local families and working with them for the week was so fulfilling and heart-warming.

*Gabrielle Chisholm, Australia 2018*

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“ It's been a fulfilling experience to contribute our time and money to build a house for someone in need. ”  
*Kavisha Peiris, Sri Lanka 2016*



“ Habitat to me; means peace. ”  
*Sally Shields, Canada 2018*



“ I will take back home the feeling that we changed a family's life. Feeling good about what we accomplished. ”  
*Simone Tabor, Netherlands 2016*





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European Union

**Homes not Houses**  
Building a sustainable future together  
2016 - 2020



In collaboration with the Government of Sri Lanka

Home built using the  
**Owner-Driven Approach**  
with technical assistance from



**Habitat**  
for Humanity



World Vision



# We Partner

to increase  
shelter access

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Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

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Helen Keller

# 25 YEARS of Building Partnerships with Purpose



We are grateful for the continued support of our donors, ranging from Multilateral and Bi-lateral donors, to Foundations, Organizations and Institutions as well as Corporate Partners who have championed and sponsored the work of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka over the past 25 years. Multilateral and Bilateral donors such as the European Union and the Government of India have played a significant role in enabling Habitat for Humanity to assist **nearly 12,000 war-affected families** rebuild their lives following decades of displacement in the North and East of Sri Lanka. Our partnerships with foundations, organizations, institutions and corporates across the world have also afforded us the opportunity to support **nearly 9,000 disaster-affected families** rebuild their lives following major natural disasters, such as the Indian Ocean Tsunami in 2004.

We are committed to building more 'Partnerships with Purpose' which play a valuable role in changing the lives of families in Sri Lanka for the better. By working closely with generous donors who choose to support the work of Habitat, we have been able to give hope to **over 106,000 individuals** in need. With every partnership, we become one step close to realizing our vision of building a Sri Lanka where every family will have a decent place to call home.

## Corporate Engagement

The support of our Corporate partners has played a valuable role in changing the lives of families in Sri Lanka for the better. By working closely with generous organisations who choose to support our projects, we have together given hope to thousands of families by providing the stability and safety of a home, as well as providing assistance in areas such as water, sanitation and hygiene, livelihood and financial literacy training and disaster risk reduction.

The support of our corporate partners has enabled Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka to touch many lives and have a positive impact in uplifting communities, while improving communal facilities. Our corporate partners work hand-in-hand with us around the world to provide decent, affordable shelter to families who need it. Partnering with Habitat has proven to be an excellent way to promote a corporate's CSR goals while contributing towards making a lasting impact. In return, we provide our partners with a wealth of benefits, including donor recognition, publicity and team building opportunities while creating a positive impact on company morale and productivity.

Habitat has worked with corporations of all sizes to build customized partnerships that allow them to give back to communities in multiple ways:



### Corporate Social Responsibility

Habitat Sri Lanka has provided numerous Corporates the opportunity to partner with Habitat on CSR initiatives such as housing projects (for employees), disaster response projects, water and sanitation projects benefiting communities in need.



### Cause Marketing

Corporates and local businesses interested in Cause Marketing Campaigns also have the opportunity to join hands with Habitat Sri Lanka to provide their consumers with unique products that will not only grow their business but do good in the long-term by giving back to society through a portion of the profits being channeled towards Habitat Sri Lanka's Housing or Water and Sanitation Initiatives.



### Teambuilding and Volunteer Opportunities

Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka also offers Corporates a unique team building experience for their own employees by participating in Habitat's "Corporate Team Builds". This program allows participants a unique experience in being able to participate in an exceptional 'team building' activity where you are able to construct a home for a family in need.

## House Construction Projects

### Multilateral and Bilateral Donors:



European Union  
Homes not Houses Project (2016)\*



Government of India  
Indian Housing Project  
For IDPs in the Eastern Province (2012)



Government of India  
Indian Housing Project  
For plantation workers in Central Province (2017)\*

### FOI donors



Kabbalah Centre for Charitable Causes  
Kabbalah Housing Project (2014)



International Indian Film Academy (IIFA)  
IIFA Housing Project (2012)



Japan Platform  
IDP Housing Project (2011)

### Corporate Donors



ODEL  
Kalutara Housing Project (2015)



London Stock Exchange Group  
Millennium IT Housing Project (2012)

### Individual Donor



Family of late Dr. J. H. F. Jayasuriya  
Homes for Hope Project (2019)\*  
Kalutara Housing Project (2017)




Disaster Response Projects

FOI donors

 Al-Waleed Foundation  
Kegalle Housing Project (2016)


 JOAC  
Flood Relief Project (2010)

 Tearfund  
Tsunami Housing Project (2005)

 World Concern  
Tsunami Housing Project (2005)

Corporate Donors

 Bloomberg  
Bloomberg & Unilever  
Flood Response Project (2017)

 Unilever  
Millennium IT/LSE  
Flood Response Employee Housing Project (2016)

 Millennium  
Flood Response Employee Housing Project (2016)

 Brandix  
Flood Response Employee Housing Project (2016)

 Coca-Cola  
Coca-Cola Foundation  
Flood Relief | Well Cleaning Project (2011)

 London Stock Exchange Group  
London Stock Exchange  
Flood Relief Project (2010)

 BASF  
BASF  
Tsunami Housing Project (2005)

Water and Sanitation Projects

FOI donors

 JOAC  
Safe Drinking Water & Sanitation Project (2016)

 Japan Platform  
Japan Platform  
Safe Drinking Water & Sanitation Project (2012)

Corporate Donors

 Hatton National Bank  
Drops of Life Project (2018)

Community Development and Advocacy Projects

FOI donors

 Coca-Cola  
Coca-Cola Foundation  
Preschool Project (2012)

 Australian Aid  
Australian Aid  
Land Rights & Secure Tenure Project (2012)

Corporate Donors

 Bloomberg  
Bloomberg  
Livelihood Centre and School (2019)  
Renovation Project (2019)

 JAT  
JAT Holdings  
TIMUN Youth Build - Nayanalokagama (2019)

Volunteer Youth Engagement Initiatives

Universities:

 NYU Abu Dhabi  
New York University Abu Dhabi  
Global Village Program (2013-2019)


Corporates:

 Bloomberg  
Bloomberg  
Youth Rebuild (2019)

 KEPCO  
Korean Electric Company  
KEPCO Build (2017)

 Cargills  
Cargills (Ceylon) PLC  
Youth Build (2015)

Youth Groups:

 TIMUN  
The International Model United Nations  
TIMUN Youth Build (2019)

 Sri Lanka Scouts Association  
Scouts Build (2017)

\* Only major donors of the multi-year Tsunami Project have been reflected.



# We Steward

our resources responsibly

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We must protect our limited resources for those who are truly in need and who are doing all they can to be self-sufficient.

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Paul LePage

# Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the Affairs of the Company for the Year Ended 30th June, 2019

The Directors have pleasure in submitting their Report together with the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 2019.

## 1. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Principal Activities of the Company were:

- To touch the lives of people by demonstrating: the love of God in obedience to the great Commandment; the spirit of unity based on ecumenical principles; and provide a way for sharing between the affluent and those in need.
- To take steps to improve the economic and social conditions of the low income & vulnerable people by the construction of simple, decent and affordable houses in partnership with those in great need without favouritism or discrimination of race or religion.
- To assist the poor and underprivileged by means of technical expertise to repair, extend and build houses at no profit.

## 2. DIRECTORS

The Director of the Company as at 30th June, 2019 were:

- |     |                             |   |           |
|-----|-----------------------------|---|-----------|
| 1)  | Ms. M. Mathews              | - | President |
| 2)  | Ms. A De Mel                | - | Director  |
| 3)  | Mr. W. P. S. Dias           | - | Director  |
| 4)  | Mr. R. S. Fernando          | - | Director  |
| 5)  | Mr. C. M. Anthonisz         | - | Director  |
| 6)  | Mr. W. N. J. E Perera       | - | Director  |
| 7)  | Mr. R. A. Fernando          | - | Director  |
| 8)  | Mr. S. M. Fernando          | - | Director  |
| 9)  | Mr. T. H. D. E. C. de Silva | - | Director  |
| 10) | Mr. J. M. G. Montemayor     | - | Director  |
| 11) | Mr. S. Mahendran            | - | Director  |
| 12) | Ms. M. D. A. Perera         | - | Director  |

## 3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Financial Statements of the Company are given in page 4 to 7 of the Audited Accounts.

## 4. AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements is given in page 1 to 3 of the Audited Accounts.

## 5. ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

The accounting policies and notes are given in page 8 to 22 of the Audited Accounts and there were no material changes in the Accounting Policies adopted.

## 6. DIRECTORS INTEREST IN CONTRACT

Ms. M. Mathews, Ms. A De Mel, Mr. W. P. S. Dias, Mr. R. S. Fernando, Mr. C. M. Anthonisz, Mr. W. N. J. E Perera, Mr. R. A. Fernando, Mr. S. M. Fernando, Mr. T. H. D. E. C. de Silva, Mr. J. M. G. Montemayor, Mr. S. Mahendran and Ms. M. D. A. Perera, Directors were not interested in the contracts of the Company other than the details given in note 21 to the Financial Statements during the year ended 30th June, 2019.

## 7. DIRECTORS REMUNERATION AND OTHER BENEFITS

The Directors were not paid remuneration in respect of the institute, for the financial year ended 30th June, 2019.

## 8. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

There were no significant events after the reporting date that required adjustments to or disclosures in the financial statements.

## 9. TAXATION

As per the Income Statement tax Credit for the year ended 30th June, 2019 was Rs. 1,932,266/-.

## 10. STATUTORY PAYMENTS

The Directors to the best of their knowledge and belief are satisfied that all statutory payments in relation to the Government and the employees have been made on time.

## 11. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no significant capital commitments and Contingent Liabilities as given under note 21 to the notes to financial Statements.

## 12. INVESTMENTS

The Association has invested its excess funds in Fixed Deposits which stood at Rs.70,949,715 as at 30th June 2019.

## 13. DONATIONS

The Association has made no donations during the accounting period.

## 14. AUDITORS

The present Auditors Messrs PricewaterhouseCoopers, Chartered Accountants, have signified their willingness to continue in office and are recommended for re-appointment.

As far as the Directors are aware, the Auditors do not have any relationship, with the Company other than its auditors and tax consultants.

The Auditors were paid Rs.775,000/- as audit fees for the year ended 30th June, 2019.

## 15. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held on 29th October, 2019 at 4.00 p.m. at the Conference Room of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka, at No. 42/14, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 3.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SRI LANKA  
ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS SECRETARIAL SERVICES  
(PRIVATE) LIMITED  
SECRETARIES

 Director	ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS SECRETARIAL SERVICES (PRIVATE) LIMITED - PV 4190  DIRECTOR / SECRETARY	 Director
	Secretaries	

## Statement of Financial Activities (all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE

	2019	2018
<b>Project income</b>		
Incoming resources	665,159,480	674,444,880
Total project income	665,159,480	674,444,880
<b>Project expenditure</b>		
Direct project cost	(561,970,172)	(597,907,848)
Direct project staff cost	(55,967,372)	(56,626,072)
Indirect project cost	(47,221,936)	(26,213,044)
Total project costs	(665,159,480)	(680,746,964)
<b>Net deficit on project activities</b>	-	(6,302,083)
Grants-unrestricted fundings	42,175,320	30,866,771
Other income	24,699,212	17,418,483
Administration and other operating costs	(37,290,392)	(56,837,129)
<b>Net surplus / (deficit) before income tax</b>	29,584,141	(14,853,958)
Income tax credit / (expense)	1,932,266	(3,726,859)
<b>Net surplus / (deficit) after income tax</b>	<b>31,516,407</b>	<b>(18,580,817)</b>

**NOTE**

Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka's auditors have expressed an unqualified opinion on our June 30, 2019, Financial Statements. Those Financial Statements include Associated Notes that are essential to understanding the information presented herein. The full set of statements and notes are available on Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka's website, [www.habitatsrilanka.org](http://www.habitatsrilanka.org)

## Balance Sheet (all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

	AS AT 30 JUNE	
	2019	2018
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Non current assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	11,105,370	18,275,982
Investments	70,949,715	29,086,203
	<u>82,055,085</u>	<u>47,362,185</u>
Homeowner receivables		
Prepayments and other receivables	18,550,270	16,210,716
Cash and cash equivalents	99,313,058	32,783,062
	<u>117,863,328</u>	<u>48,993,778</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>199,918,413</b>	<b>96,355,964</b>

	AS AT 30 JUNE	
	2019	2018
<b>Funds and liabilities</b>		
<b>Funds</b>		
Unrestricted funds	49,732,449	18,216,042
Restricted funds	127,184,406	54,693,885
Total funds	<u>176,916,855</u>	<u>72,909,927</u>
<b>Non current liabilities</b>		
Defined benefit obligation	14,649,320	13,041,412
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Income tax payable	7,046,007	9,213,467
Creditors and other payables	1,306,231	1,191,158
	<u>8,352,238</u>	<u>10,404,625</u>
Total liabilities	23,001,558	23,446,037
<b>Total funds and liabilities</b>	<b>199,918,413</b>	<b>96,355,964</b>

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# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 30 JUNE 2019

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## Independent auditor's report

### To the Members of Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka (Guarantee) Limited

#### *Report on the audit of the financial statements*

##### *Our opinion*

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka (Guarantee) Limited ("the Company") as at 30 June 2019, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organisations issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

##### **What we have audited**

The financial statements of the Company, which comprise:

- the balance sheet as at 30 June 2019;
- the statement of financial activities for the year then ended;
- the statement of changes in accumulated fund for the year then ended;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

##### *Basis for opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

##### **Independence**

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by CA Sri Lanka (Code of Ethics), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics.

##### *Other information*

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the annual report of the board but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The annual report of the board is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the annual report of the board, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

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Ms. S. Perera ACA, T.U. Jayasinghe FCA

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## Independent auditor's report

### To the Members of Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka (Guarantee) Limited (Contd.)

#### *Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organisations issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

#### *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SLAuSs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SLAuSs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.



## Independent auditor's report

### To the Members of Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka (Guarantee) Limited (Contd.)

#### *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (Contd.)*

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

#### *Report on other legal and regulatory requirements*

As required by section 163 (2) of the Companies Act, No. 07 of 2007, we have obtained all the information and explanations that were required for the audit and, as far as appears from our examination, proper accounting records have been kept by the Company.

01 October 2019.  
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*PricewaterhouseCoopers.*  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Statement of financial activities**

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	Year ended 30 June	
		2019	2018
<b>Project income</b>			
Incoming resources	5	665,159,480	674,444,880
Total project income		<u>665,159,480</u>	<u>674,444,880</u>
<b>Project expenditure</b>			
Direct project cost	6	(561,970,172)	(597,907,848)
Direct project staff cost	6	(55,967,372)	(56,626,072)
Indirect project cost	6	(47,221,936)	(26,213,044)
Total project costs		<u>(665,159,480)</u>	<u>(680,746,964)</u>
<b>Net deficit on project activities</b>		-	(6,302,083)
Grants-unrestricted fundings		42,175,320	30,866,771
Other income	7	24,699,212	17,418,483
Administration and other operating costs	8	(37,290,392)	(56,837,129)
<b>Net surplus / (deficit) before income tax</b>	9	29,584,141	(14,853,958)
Income tax credit / (expense)	10	1,932,266	(3,726,859)
<b>Net surplus / (deficit) after income tax</b>		<u>31,516,407</u>	<u>(18,580,817)</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Balance sheet**

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	As at 30 June	
		2019	2018
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	12	11,105,370	18,275,982
Investments	13	70,949,715	29,086,203
		<u>82,055,085</u>	<u>47,362,185</u>
Prepayments and other receivables	14	18,550,270	16,210,716
Cash and cash equivalents	15	99,313,058	32,783,062
		<u>117,863,328</u>	<u>48,993,778</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b><u>199,918,413</u></b>	<b><u>96,355,964</u></b>
<b>Funds and liabilities</b>			
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds	18	49,732,449	18,216,042
Restricted funds	18	127,184,406	54,693,885
Total funds		<u>176,916,855</u>	<u>72,909,927</u>
<b>Non current liabilities</b>			
Defined benefit obligation	16	14,649,320	13,041,412
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Income tax payable		7,046,007	9,213,467
Creditors and other payables	17	1,306,231	1,191,158
		<u>8,352,238</u>	<u>10,404,625</u>
Total liabilities		<u>23,001,558</u>	<u>23,446,037</u>
<b>Total funds and liabilities</b>		<b><u>199,918,413</u></b>	<b><u>96,355,964</u></b>

I certify that these financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act, No. 07 of 2007.

  
Finance Manager

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these financial statements. These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 01/10/2019.

  
  
Directors

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**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Statement of changes in accumulated fund**

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Notes	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Total Funds
Balance as at 1 July 2017		41,085,047	36,461,149	77,546,196
Net deficit for the year		-	(18,580,817)	(18,580,817)
Funds received during the year		688,213,163	-	688,213,163
Funds transferred to statement of financial activities		(674,444,880)	-	(674,444,880)
Transferred to unrestricted funds		(159,445)	159,445	-
Last year income tax portion		-	176,265	176,265
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2018</b>		<b>54,693,885</b>	<b>18,216,042</b>	<b>72,909,927</b>
<b>Balance as at 1 July 2018</b>		<b>54,693,885</b>	<b>18,216,042</b>	<b>72,909,927</b>
Net surplus for the year		-	31,516,407	31,516,407
Funds received during the year	18	737,650,000	-	737,650,000
Funds transferred to statement of financial activities	18	(665,159,479)	-	(665,159,479)
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2019</b>		<b>127,184,406</b>	<b>49,732,449</b>	<b>176,916,854</b>

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**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Statement of cash flows**

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	Year ended 30 June	
		2019	2018
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net surplus / (deficit) before taxation		29,584,141	(14,853,958)
<b>Adjustment for:</b>			
Depreciation charge	12	7,887,513	6,061,153
Provision for defined benefit plans	16	2,431,018	2,642,803
Interest income	7	(22,966,034)	(16,477,575)
Fund balance adjustments to incoming resources	18	72,490,521	13,944,548
Write-off of property plant and equipment		-	358,798
<b>Net cash inflows / (outflows) before working capital changes</b>		<b>89,427,159</b>	<b>(8,324,231)</b>
<b>Changes in working capital</b>			
Increase in prepayments and other receivables		(2,339,554)	(2,047,773)
Increase / (decrease) in creditors and payables		115,073	(3,972,815)
<b>Cash generated from / (used in) operations</b>		<b>87,202,677</b>	<b>(14,344,819)</b>
Income taxes paid		(235,194)	-
Defined benefits paid	16	(823,110)	(987,925)
<b>Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>86,144,373</b>	<b>(15,332,744)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Addition of property, plant and equipment	12	(716,900)	(1,121,625)
Investment in interest bearing instruments		(41,863,512)	2,402,878
Interest received	7	22,966,034	16,477,575
<b>Net cash (used in) / generated from investing activities</b>		<b>(19,614,378)</b>	<b>17,758,828</b>
<b>Increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>66,529,996</b>	<b>2,426,084</b>
<b>Movement in cash and cash equivalents</b>			
At start of year		32,783,062	30,356,978
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		66,529,996	2,426,084
<b>At end of year</b>	15	<b>99,313,058</b>	<b>32,783,062</b>

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# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements

(In the notes all amounts are shown in Sri Lanka Rupees unless otherwise stated)

### 1 General information

1.1 The Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka (Guarantee) Limited (HFHSL) is a non governmental organisation and is registered with the Department of Social Services under the Voluntary Social Service Organisation (Registration and Supervision) Act, No. 31 of 1980 as amended by Act, No. 8 of 1998.

HFHSL has been incorporated under the Companies Act, No. 17 of 1982 and re-registered under Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 on 1 September 2009 as a Company limited by guarantee. In the event the Company is wound up the liability of the members is limited to Rs 2,500 per member.

1.2 The principal activity of HFHSL is the provision of affordable houses to the needy families.

1.3 The Company had entered in to agreements with the following donor organisations to conduct activities in furtherance of its objectives:

- Indian High Commission
- Habitat for Humanity International
- Habitat for Humanity - EMEA (EU Project)
- Habitat for Humanity - AP
- Habitat for Humanity - Japan
- Habitat for Humanity - Canada
- Habitat for Humanity - Netherland
- Habitat for Humanity - Australia
- Habitat for Humanity - Abu Dhabi
- Ruani Prianthi Jayasuriya
- Hatton National Bank

### 2 Basis of preparation

#### 2.1 Statement of compliance

The Company's financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2019 are prepared under accounting policies that comply with Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organisations. The Company's transition date from SLFRS for SME to Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organisations is 1 July 2015. The balance sheet, statement of financial activities, changes in accumulated fund and the statement of cash flows together with the accounting policies and notes to the financial statements comply with Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organisations issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

#### 2.2 Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention.

#### 2.3 Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Sri Lankan Rupees (Rs.), which is the Company's functional and presentation currency. All financial information presented in Sri Lankan Rupees.

#### 2.4 Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated, and are consistent with those used in previous years.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 2 Basis of preparation (Contd.)

#### 2.5 Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the reporting date. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates can result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in the future.

##### (a) *Estimated impairment of non-current assets*

The carrying value of property, plant and equipment is reviewed for impairment either annually or when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amount the assets are written down to their recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of financial activities unless it reverses a previous revaluation surplus for the same asset.

##### (b) *Provisions*

The Company recognises provisions when it has a present legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. The recording of provisions requires the application of judgments about the ultimate resolution of these obligations. As a result, provisions are reviewed at each date of the balance sheet and adjusted to reflect the Company's current best estimate.

##### (c) *Useful life times of assets*

The Company has reviewed the useful life time of all non current asset as of 30 June 2019, and amended the financial statements accordingly as per the accounting policy stated above.

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies

#### 3.1 Foreign-currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the statement of financial activities.

#### 3.2 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash in hand, demand deposits, short term investments readily convertible to identified amounts of cash and which are not subject to any significant risk of change in value.

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and fixed deposits held at banks, net of bank overdrafts.

#### 3.3 Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the price at which inventories can be reasonably expected to be sold in the market place, less any estimated cost necessary to make the sale.

Cost incurred to bringing inventories to its present location and condition include cost of raw materials on a first in first out basis, any direct labour, and an appropriate portion of any other direct overhead.

Items donated for distribution or resale are not included in the financial statements until such time as they are distributed or resold.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies (Contd.)

#### 3.4 Property, plant and equipment

All items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials, direct labor and an appropriate proportion of production overheads.

Buildings owned are used for purposes of the Company and therefore do not fall under the definition of investment property.

All property, plant and equipment is initially recorded at cost and stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items and also includes the initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located, the obligation for which an entity incurs either when the item is acquired or as a consequence of having used the item during a particular period for purposes.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate only when it is probable that future economic benefit associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All repairs and maintenance costs are charged to statement of financial activities during the financial period in which they are incurred.

During the year the entity has reassessed the useful life time of each non current asset and resulting amendments have been taken into account in the current year financial statements.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method to write off the cost of each asset, to their residual values over their estimated useful lives.

Estimated useful life time of the non current assets after the reassessment is as follows:

	2019	2018
Building	10 years	10 years
Warehouse and construction equipment	3 years	3 years
Office equipment	5 years	5 years
Computer hardware and software	2 years	2 years
Motor vehicles	4 years	4 years

Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amount and are taken into account in determining excess of income over expenditure.

#### 3.5 Receivables

Receivables are carried at fair value. An impairment assessment is made for doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts at the year end. Irrecoverable balances are written-off during the year in which they are identified.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd)

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies (Contd.)

#### 3.6 Employee Benefits

##### a. *Defined benefit plan - Gratuity*

The retirement gratuity is a defined benefit plan. The Company is liable to pay gratuity in terms of Gratuity Act, No. 12 of 1983. In order to meet this liability, a provision is carried in the balance sheet that is based on the half-month's salary as of the last month of the financial year for all employees for each completed year of service commencing from the first year of service. The difference between the provision that is brought forward at the beginning of the year and the provision that is required to be carried forward at the end of the year is adjusted through the statement of financial activities.

This provision is not externally funded. However, in accordance with the Payment of Gratuity Act, No. 12 of 1983, this liability arises only on the completion of five years of continued service of any employee.

##### b. *Defined contribution plans*

All employees are eligible to contribution to the Employee's Provident Fund and the Employee's Trust Fund in accordance with the relevant statutes and regulations. The Company contributed a defined percentage of the gross emoluments of the employees to the Employees' Provident Fund and to the Employee's Trust Fund respectively.

#### 3.7 Accounting for receipts and utilisation of funds

##### a. *Unrestricted Funds*

Unrestricted funds are those that are available for use by Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka at the discretion of the Board, in furtherance of the general objectives and which are not designated for specific purpose.

Surplus funds are transferred from restricted funds to unrestricted funds in terms of the relevant Donor Agreements or with the subsequent approval of the Donor.

Contributions received from the general public are recognized in the statement of financial activities on a cash basis.

##### b. *Restricted Funds*

Where grants are received for use in an identified project or activity, such funds are held in a restricted fund account and transferred to the statement of financial activities to match with expenses incurred in respect of that identified project. Unutilized funds are held in their respective fund accounts and included under accumulated funds in the balance sheet until such time as they are required.

Funds collected through a fund raising activity for any specific or defined purpose are also included under this category.

Where approved grant expenditure exceeds the income received and there is certainty that the balance will be received such amount is recognized through receivables in the balance sheet.

The activities for which these restricted funds may and are being used are identified in the notes to the financial statements.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies (Contd.)

#### 3.8 Grants and subsidies

Grants and subsidies are recognised in the financial statements at their fair value. When the grant or subsidy relates to an expense it is recognised as income over the period necessary to match it with the costs, which it is intended to compensate for on a systematic basis.

Grants and subsidies related to assets are generally deferred in the balance sheet and credited to the statement of financial activities over the useful life of the asset.

#### 3.9 Statement of financial activities

##### a. *Incoming Resources*

Income realized from restricted funds is recognized in the statement of financial activities only when there is certainty that all of the conditions for receipt of the funds have been complied with and the relevant expenditure that is expected to compensate has been incurred and charged to the statement of financial activities. Unutilised funds are carried forward as such in the balance sheet.

Gifts and donations received in kind are recognised at valuation at the time that they are distributed to beneficiaries, or if received for resale with proceeds being used for the purposes of the Project at the point of such sale.

All other income is recognised when the Company is legally entitled to the use of such funds and the amount can be quantified. This would include income receivable through fund raising activities and donations.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements at their fair value. When the grant relates to an expense it is recognised as income over the period necessary to match it with the costs, which it is intended to compensate for on a systematic basis.

##### b. *Revenue*

Interest earned is recognised on an accrual basis.

Net gains and losses on the disposal of property, plant and equipment and other non current assets, including investments, are recognised in the statement of financial activities after deducting from the proceeds on disposal, the carrying value of the item disposed of and any related selling expenses.

Other income is recognised on an accrual basis.

#### 3.10 Expenditure recognition

Expenses in carrying out the projects and other activities of the Company are recognised in the statement of financial activities during the period in which they are incurred. Other expenses incurred in administering and running the Company and in restoring and maintaining the property, plant and equipment to perform at expected levels are accounted for on an accrual basis and charged to the statement of financial activities.

#### 3.11 Taxation

Income tax is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 24 of 2017 and is based on the elements of income and expenditure reflected in the statement of financial activities and on the elements of grants received, subject to exemptions referred to in Note 10 to the financial statements.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies (Contd.)

#### 3.12 Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only on the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events that are not wholly within the control of Habitat for Humanity - Sri Lanka. It may also be a present obligation that arises from past events but in respect of which an outflow of economic benefit is not probable or which cannot be measured with sufficient reliability. Such contingent liabilities are recorded under Note 19. For certain operational claims reported as contingent liabilities, it is not practical to disclose detailed information on their corresponding nature and uncertainties.

### 4 Going concern

These financial statements are prepared on the assumption that the Company is a going concern, i.e. as continuing in operation for the foreseeable future. It is therefore assumed that the Company has neither the intention nor the necessity of liquidation or of curtailing materially the scale of its operations.

### 5 Incoming resources

Activities in furtherance of Company's objectives

	2019	2018
Grants-Restricted Fundings (Note 6)	644,695,801	674,444,880
Grants-Restricted Fundings-Funds transferred from prior year balances	20,463,679	-
	<b>665,159,480</b>	<b>674,444,880</b>

Above incoming resources include restricted funds accounted based on Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organizations.

	2019	2018
Restricted funds received for the year	737,650,000	688,213,163
Unrestricted funds received for the year	42,175,320	30,866,771

However, the total cash funds received during the year was Rs 780,395,175 (2018 - Rs 716,872,154).

Donor	2019	2018
Indian High Commission	14,457,800	12,183,100
European Union	666,180,000	617,138,925
Habitat for Humanity - Asia Pacific	21,913,125	11,568,500
Habitat International GV Sending countries	17,029,720	18,113,221
Corporates	200,000	3,963,030
Individual local donors	60,600,000	53,869,628
Online donation	14,530	35,750
	<b>780,395,175</b>	<b>716,872,154</b>



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 6 Project activity summary

Identified project	Transferred from restricted funds		Funds transferred from prior year balances	Total amount expended			Total cost	Surplus/ (deficit) on projects
	Organisation	Amount		Staff	Direct	Indirect		
Indian High Commission-Plantation (LK16003)	Indian High Commission Colombo	632,100	12,842,506	(556,635)	-	(1,062,129)	(1,618,764)	11,855,842
Construction of Water Tank and Connections, Matale (LK16007)	HFH-Great Britain Cash Transfers	231,526	-	-	(98,785)	(132,741)	(231,526)	-
Homes not Houses: Building Sustainable Future (LK16011)	HFH-EMEA Cash Transfers	608,220,653	-	(42,083,640)	(543,879,667)	(22,257,346)	(608,220,653)	-
Indian Embassy Houses-Phase II - 270 Houses (LK17005)	Indian High Commission Colombo	1,000,661	517,331	(666,414)	-	(851,578)	(1,517,992)	-
HNB Watsan Project	Hatton National Bank	408,315	-	-	(283,500)	(124,815)	(408,315)	-
Indian Embassy Houses-Phase III - 131 Houses (LK18010)	Indian High Commission Colombo	5,043,500	3,651,079	(3,597,632)	-	(5,096,946)	(8,694,579)	-
Indian Embassy Houses-Phase II - 265 Houses (LK19003)	Indian High Commission Colombo	8,331,400	3,452,763	(8,575,419)	-	(15,064,586)	(23,640,005)	(11,855,842)
Homes for Hope Project (LK19006)	Local Donor	20,827,646	-	(487,632)	(17,708,220)	(2,631,795)	(20,827,646)	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>644,695,801</b>	<b>20,463,679</b>	<b>(55,967,372)</b>	<b>(561,970,172)</b>	<b>(47,221,936)</b>	<b>(665,159,480)</b>	<b>-</b>



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

### Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

#### 7 Other income

	2019	2018
Special event income	1,535,158	-
Interest income	22,966,034	16,477,575
Recoveries from write-offs	204,025	975,234
Net foreign exchange transaction loss	(6,183)	(39,328)
Other miscellaneous Income	178	5,002
	<u>24,699,212</u>	<u>17,418,483</u>

#### 8 Administration and other operating costs

	2019	2018
Establishment cost	37,290,392	47,967,445
Other operating costs	-	8,869,683
	<u>37,290,392</u>	<u>56,837,129</u>

Other operating costs includes housing support service cost, repair and maintenance costs for houses constructed which were incurred out of unrestricted funds.

#### 9 Net surplus / (deficit) before income tax

The following items have been charged in arriving at net surplus / (deficit) before income tax:

	2019	2018
Auditors' remuneration - Audit fee	775,000	700,000
Depreciation charge on property, plant and equipment (Note 12)	7,887,513	6,061,153
Staff costs (Note 11)	88,734,370	84,581,949
Professional services	1,106,475	1,293,796

#### 10 Taxation

Effective from 1 April 2018, the Company was liable to income tax at the rate of 28% on 3% of grants received as per Section 68 of Inland Revenue Act, No. 24 of 2017. In addition to the tax on the grants received, interest and other income, if any, are liable for income tax at the rate of 10%.

As explained in Note 1.1 to the financial statements, the Company had been registered as a Non Governmental Organisation with the Secretariat Branch of the Inland Revenue for the purposes of applying for remission of income tax from the Commissioner General of Inland Revenue and applied for remission in respect of the Year of Assessment 2016/2017 & 2017/2018. The Inland Revenue had granted remission of 95.58%, 94.87% for 2016/17, 2017/18 respectively. Income tax remission in respect of the current year (year of assessment 2018/2019) have not been filled with the Inland Revenue and the Company intend to submit those requisitions on the due dates specified in the Income Tax Act.





# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 10 Taxation (Contd.)

	2019	2018
Tax (credit) / expense for the year net of over provision (see note)	(1,932,266)	3,726,859
	<u>(1,932,266)</u>	<u>3,726,859</u>
	2019	2018
Income tax on grants received during the year	6,559,026	6,009,181
Tax on other income		
Other miscellaneous Income	18	500
Recoveries from write-offs	20,403	97,523
Special event income	153,516	-
	<u>6,732,963</u>	<u>6,107,204</u>
Adjustment for over provision in respect of previous year	(8,665,229)	(2,380,345)
	<u>(1,932,266)</u>	<u>3,726,859</u>

### 11 Staff costs

	2019	2018
Wages and salaries	74,960,408	71,268,031
Other employee benefits	1,238,847	1,477,740
Defined contribution plans	10,104,097	9,193,374
Defined benefit obligations (Note 16)	2,431,018	2,642,803
	<u>88,734,370</u>	<u>84,581,949</u>

Average monthly number of persons employed by the Company during the year:

Full time	<u>89</u>	<u>82</u>
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# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 12 Property, plant and equipment

	Freehold land	Building	Warehouse and construction equipment	Office equipment	Computer hardware	Motor vehicles	Total
<b>At 01 July 2017</b>							
Cost	4,333,000	1,327,102	147,250	8,330,046	7,521,162	17,899,340	39,557,900
Accumulated depreciation	-	(1,271,230)	(147,250)	(3,407,522)	(5,151,959)	(6,005,630)	(15,983,591)
<b>Net book amount</b>	<b>4,333,000</b>	<b>55,872</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,922,524</b>	<b>2,369,203</b>	<b>11,893,710</b>	<b>23,574,309</b>
<b>Year ended 30 June 2018</b>							
Opening net book amount	4,333,000	55,872	-	4,922,524	2,369,203	11,893,710	23,574,309
Additions / transfers: Cost	-	-	-	143,925	977,700	-	1,121,625
Disposals / transfers : Cost	-	-	-	(758,542)	(210,460)	-	(969,002)
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	426,576	183,627	-	610,203
Depreciation charge (Note 9)	-	(55,872)	-	(941,338)	(659,322)	(4,404,621)	(6,061,153)
<b>Closing net book amount</b>	<b>4,333,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,793,145</b>	<b>2,660,748</b>	<b>7,489,089</b>	<b>18,275,982</b>
<b>At 30 June 2018</b>							
Cost	4,333,000	1,327,102	147,250	7,715,429	8,288,402	17,899,340	39,710,523
Accumulated depreciation	-	(1,327,102)	(147,250)	(3,922,284)	(5,627,654)	(10,410,251)	(21,434,541)
<b>Net book amount</b>	<b>4,333,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,793,145</b>	<b>2,660,748</b>	<b>7,489,089</b>	<b>18,275,982</b>
<b>Year ended 30 June 2019</b>							
Opening net book amount	4,333,000	-	-	3,793,145	2,660,748	7,489,089	18,275,983
Additions / transfers: Cost	-	-	-	-	716,900	-	716,900
Disposals / transfers : Cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation charge (Note 9)	-	-	-	(1,455,915)	(2,505,074)	(3,926,524)	(7,887,513)
<b>Closing net book amount</b>	<b>4,333,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,337,230</b>	<b>872,574</b>	<b>3,562,565</b>	<b>11,105,370</b>
<b>At 30 June 2019</b>							
Cost	4,333,000	1,327,102	147,250	7,715,429	9,005,302	17,899,340	40,427,423
Accumulated depreciation	-	(1,327,102)	(147,250)	(5,378,199)	(8,132,728)	(14,336,775)	(29,322,054)
<b>Net book amount</b>	<b>4,333,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,337,230</b>	<b>872,574</b>	<b>3,562,565</b>	<b>11,105,369</b>



**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)****13 Investments**

	2019	2018
Investments in fixed deposits	70,949,715	29,086,203
	<u>70,949,715</u>	<u>29,086,203</u>

Investments in fixed deposits include fixed deposit balance at Commercial bank and Hatton National Bank as of the year end.

**14 Prepayments and other receivables**

	2019	2018
Deposits and receivables	4,791,570	5,614,570
Advances	785,768	518,444
Other receivables	12,972,932	10,077,702
	<u>18,550,270</u>	<u>16,210,716</u>

- (a) Deposits and receivables mainly consist of refundable rent deposits made for Project offices & National Office amounting to Rs 1,561,570 (2018 - Rs 1,227,500) and prepayment for the National Office & Project offices amounting to Rs 3,230,000 (2018 - Rs 4,013,000).
- (b) Advances comprise 1/3 of medical insurance recoverable from employees amounting to Rs. 382,810 (2018 - Rs 416,944), business advances receivable from employees amounting to Rs 298,457 (2018 - Rs 15,000) and loan receivable from employees of Rs 104,500 (2018 - Rs 86,500).
- (c) Other receivables mainly comprise fund receivable in respect of Indian Housing Project-Phase III Plantation of Rs 3,702,300 (2018 - Rs 3,530,100), interest receivable for fixed deposit of Rs. 1,330,148 (2018 - Rs 512,563), receivable from EU Consortium Rs. 1,321,120 (2018 - 4,278,782), Receivable from EU- Sub-grantees Rs. 4,741,638 (2018 - Nil), and GV-China donation receivable -Rs. 609,000.(2018 - Nil).

**15 Cash and cash equivalents**

	2019	2018
Cash in hand	395,000	370,000
Cash at bank	98,918,058	32,413,062
	<u>99,313,058</u>	<u>32,783,062</u>

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, the year-end cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

	2019	2018
Cash and bank balances	99,313,058	32,783,062
	<u>99,313,058</u>	<u>32,783,062</u>



**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED****Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)****16 Defined benefit obligation**

The movement during the year is as follows:

	2019	2018
At beginning of year	13,041,412	11,386,534
Current service cost (Note 11)	2,431,018	2,642,803
Benefits paid	(823,110)	(987,925)
<b>At end of year</b>	<b>14,649,320</b>	<b>13,041,412</b>

The defined benefit obligation represents only the legal liability as per the Gratuity Act, No:12 of 1983 computed from the year of commencement of employment and is not actuarially valued or externally funded.

**17 Creditors and other payables**

	2019	2018
Accrued expenses	249,522	140,000
Accounts payable	1,056,709	1,051,158
	<b>1,306,231</b>	<b>1,191,158</b>

- (a) Accrued expenses mainly consist of utility payables such as telephone, electricity and water in respect of services obtained.
- (b) Accounts payable mainly consist of annual audit fee payable Rs 775,000 ( 2018 - Rs 700,000) and other miscellaneous payables Rs 281,709 (2017 - Rs 351,158).

**18 Funds**

The movement in unrestricted and restricted funds are as follows:

a) Unrestricted Funds	2019	2018
Balance at beginning of the year	18,216,042	36,461,149
Net surplus / (deficit) for the year	31,516,407	(18,580,817)
Transferred from restricted funds ( Note (b) below)	-	159,445
Last year income tax portion	-	176,265
<b>Balance as at year end</b>	<b>49,732,449</b>	<b>18,216,042</b>

b) Restricted Funds	2019	2018
Balance as at beginning of year	54,693,885	41,085,047
Funds received / receivable during the year	737,650,000	688,213,163
Transferred to unrestricted funds ( Note (a) above)	-	(159,445)
Transferred to statement of financial activities (Note 06)	(665,159,479)	(674,444,880)
<b>Balance as at year end</b>	<b>127,184,406</b>	<b>54,693,885</b>



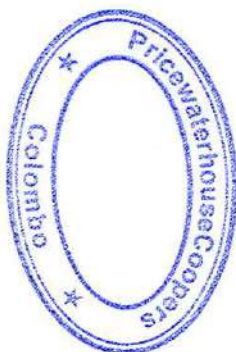
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## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 18 Funds (Contd)

#### b) Restricted funds

Project	Balance b/f	Funds received / (refunded) and receivable during the year	Transferred as incoming resources	Transferred (to) unrestricted funds	Transferred (to) / from other projects	Balance c/f
Cleaning of 1600 wells & 5 Pre-Schools-Cent & East	1,066,387	-	-	-	(1,066,387)	-
Indian Embassy houses - Phase I	22,037,586	-	-	-	(20,463,678)	1,573,908
Indian High Commission- Plantation (100 Houses)	-	632,100	(13,474,606)	-	12,842,506	-
Construction of Water Tank & Connections	922,755	-	(231,526)	-	-	691,229
Homes not Houses: Building Sustainable Future	23,463,152	666,180,000	(608,220,653)	-	-	81,422,499
IHP- Phase II -Eastern Region (270 Houses)	377,661	623,000	(1,517,992)	-	517,331	-
Designated funds - Disaster response	3,258,029	-	-	-	1,066,387	4,324,416
Kaluthara 37 Houses Project	1,866,372	(1,866,372)	-	-	-	-
HNB Watsan Project	208,315	200,000	(408,315)	-	-	-
Mercy House Renovation Project	1,493,628	(1,493,628)	-	-	-	-
IHP- Phase III -Eastern Region (131 Houses)	-	5,043,500	(8,694,579)	-	3,651,079	-
IHP- Phase II -Plantation (265 Houses)	-	8,331,400	(11,784,163)	-	3,452,763	-
Homes for Hope Project	-	60,000,000	(20,827,646)	-	-	39,172,354
<b>Total</b>	<b>54,693,885</b>	<b>737,650,000</b>	<b>(665,159,479)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,184,406</b>



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

## Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

### 19 Contingencies

#### (a) Contingent liabilities

The Company is registered with the Secretariat Branch of the Inland Revenue and is entitled to apply for remission of income tax from the Commissioner General of Inland Revenue under Section 68 of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 24 of 2017 on the grounds that the Company is engaged in:

- a) rehabilitation and the provision of infrastructure facilities and livelihood support to displaced persons in any area identified by the Government for such purposes; and
- b) in other activities approved by the Minister as being humanitarian in nature, taking into consideration the nature and gravity of any disaster and the magnitude of relief consequently required to be provided,

The Company intends to appeal to the Department of Inland Revenue and obtain remission of taxes payable, in respect of the current Year of Assessment.

In the event the Company fails to obtain remissions from the Commissioner General of Inland Revenue for the Year of Assessment 2018 / 2019, it will be liable to tax on the basis specified explained in Note 10 on the grant income at the stipulated rate.

Other than the above there were no material contingent liabilities or pending litigation outstanding as at 30 June 2019.

#### (b) Contingent assets

There were no contingent assets as at the year end.

### 20 Commitments

#### Capital commitments

There were no material capital commitments outstanding at the year end.

#### Financial commitments

There were no material financial commitments outstanding at the year end.

### 21 Directors' interest and related party transactions

#### 21.1 The directors during the financial year were ;

Ms. Manjula Mathews	
Ms. Amila de Mel	
Dr. Ravi Fernando	
Prof. W. Priyan Solomon Dias	
Mr. Rajith Stephan Fernando	
Mr. Christopher M. Anthonisz	
Pastor Neroshan Perera	
Mr. Shanek Fernando	
Mr. Chanaka De Silva	
Ms. Minette Perera	(Appointed on - 12.10.2018)
Mr. Sughadevan Mahendran	(Appointed on - 12.10.2018)
Mr. Marco Gamboa Montemayor	(Appointed on - 12.10.2018)
Mr. Eardley Perera	(Resigned on - 31.08.2018)
Mr. Rosanth Lakshan Madurasinghe	(Term ended on - 12.10.2018)
Mr. Revanke de Silva	(Term ended on - 12.10.2018)
Mr. Ernesto Castro	(Term ended on - 12.10.2018)



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - SRI LANKA (GUARANTEE) LIMITED

### Notes to the financial statements (Contd.)

#### 21 Directors' interest and related party transactions (Contd.)

21.2 The National Organisation is affiliated with Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI)-USA, through the National Affiliation agreement. However it is incorporated by "Guarantee" in the Register of Companies (ROC) - Sri Lanka.

Mr. Sughadevan Mahendran & Mr. Marco Gamboa Montemayor represents HFHI Asia Pacific Region, as Directors in the National Board of Habitat for Humanity Sri Lanka.

21.3 Following are the grants which have been received during the year through the Global Habitat for International (HFHI) countries for project and administrative activities.

Project / programme	Funds/grants received	
	2019	2018
Global village programme- HFHI-HQ	-	749,183
Grant Funding Networks countries (GFN)	17,638,720	17,364,038
Capacity Development HFHI-HQ	21,913,125	11,568,500
EU Project Grant Funding Networks countries (GFN)	666,180,000	617,138,925
	<b>705,731,845</b>	<b>646,820,646</b>

Except for above, none of the directors were directly or indirectly involved in any contracts with the Company during the year ended 30 June 2019.

#### 22 Events after the reporting period

No events have occurred, since the balance sheet date which would require adjustments to, or disclosure in the financial statements.



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