



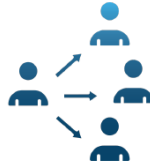
**FSLGA**  
FEDERATION OF SRI LANKAN  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

## **Federation of Sri Lankan Local Government Authorities**

**Strategic Plan 2023 - 2026**



# THE FIVE FAST FACTS



Project Partners



International  
Networks



All 341  
Local Authorities  
in Sri Lanka



Forums for  
Municipal Council  
Urban Council  
Pradeshiya Sabhas



Three National  
Languages



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## Federation of Sri Lankan Local Government Authorities

is the national association dedicated to advancing the development of all local government authorities.

Established in 2008, FSLGA is a limited guarantee company overseen by a Board of Directors comprised of Mayors and Chairpersons.

Interests of the all three types of local government authorities in Sri Lanka are represented by the FSLGA;  
Municipal Councils **24** - Urban Councils **41** - Pradeshiya Sabhas **276**

Three national languages of Sri Lanka are used for communication; Sinhala, Tamil, and English.

The **FSLGA Academy**, founded in 2020, serves as the training arm of the organization.

We are affiliated with both national and international networks, including ICMA, CLGF, UCLG-ASPAC, UCLG(CIB), and SCN-UK.

**our  
symbol  
is how you  
recognize us**



**The FSLGA logo** incorporates several significant elements:

**A hexagon**, a six-sided shape that occupies space entirely without leaving gaps. Each side lends strength to the others.

**Three hands**, symbolizing the three local government authorities.

In the center, a **map of Sri Lanka**, signifying the national vision of a unified Sri Lanka as one cohesive nation.

**The colors** hold special meanings too.

Purple signifies dignity, Grey represents neutrality, and White symbolizes peace.



## FSLGA Academy

Dedicated to upholding the three pillars of democracy –

Democratic Governance,  
Intellectual Freedom,  
&  
Moral Equality

FSLGA Academy was established in 2020, as the training and capacity building unit of Federation. Academy is dedicated to constantly improve the knowledge and skills of the elected members and officials attached to the Local Authorities. Academy facilitate discussions and exchange of views and good practices, through virtual platforms and in person.



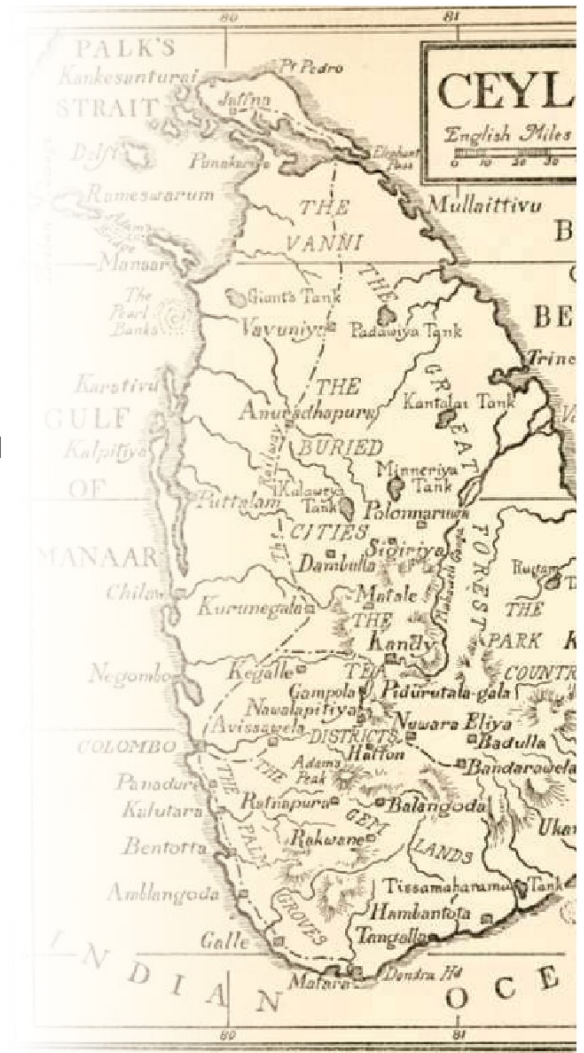
## Our Promise

We are committed to acting in a professional manner and serving with integrity, as we work towards developing partnerships and programs that empower local authorities.

## Our Vision

One voice . One strategy . One platform

We believe all local councils to have a unified voice and strategy that no one or no place is left behind.





## **Our Mission**

### **Serve as a unifying body for Local Authorities**

Building a coalition of 341 local councils across 9 provinces, we promote the role of Local Councils in Sri Lanka's national development policies and international fora.

### **Raising Awareness**

We improve the skills and build capacities of Local Councils and service recipients.

### **Providing a forum for collective intelligence**

We facilitate knowledge exchange, peer learning and implementing innovative approaches of innovative approaches, maintain the network of Mayors, Chairpersons, Youth and Women representatives.

**What is our focus ?**







## Strengthen Legal and Policy Framework

Our aim is to enhance the legal and policy frameworks governing the operations of Local Government Authorities.

- Strive to support councils in the development of by-laws.
- Work towards building the capacities of councils to effectively operate within the legal framework.
- Assist councils in formulating policies that align with their objectives.
- Provide guidance in establishing and fortifying standing and advisory committees within Local Government Authorities.

### Why is this important?

It is crucial for Local Government Authorities to operate within the established legal framework and effectively utilize their granted authorities. This ensures that they can deliver essential services to their respective communities.

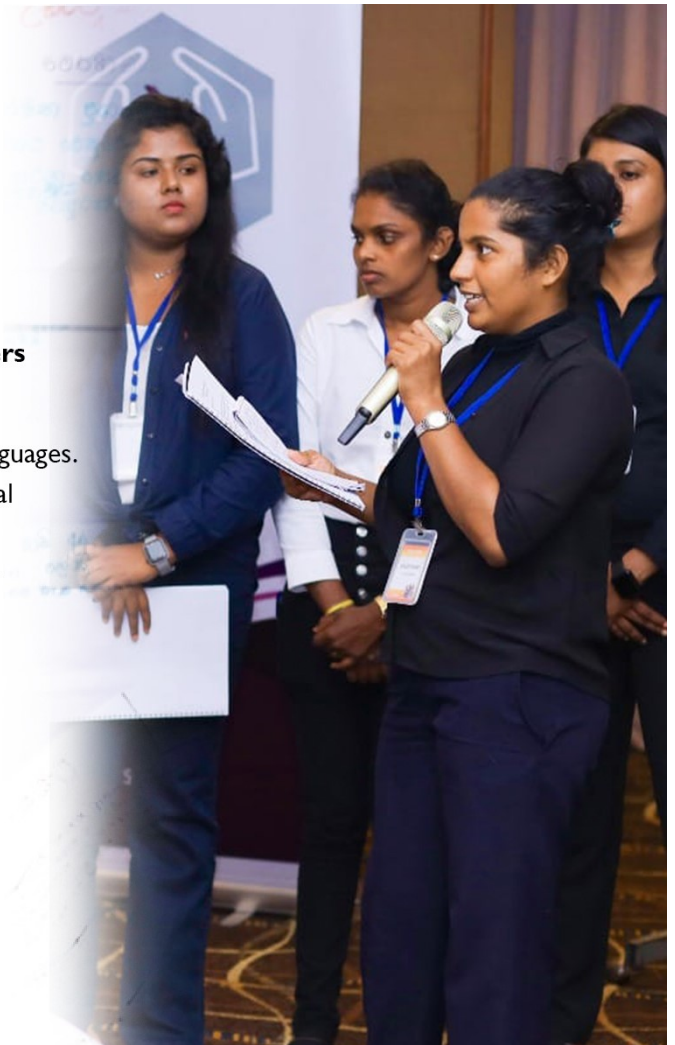
## Skill and Training Development

**Our goal is to enhance the capabilities of elected members and officers within Local Government.**

- Conduct skills and training programs in both Sinhala and Tamil languages.
- Aim to cultivate technical knowledge and soft skills that are crucial for individuals to perform their duties effectively and efficiently.
- Collaborate with the FSLGA Academy to deliver training courses.

### **Why is this important?**

Building the capacity of Local Government Authorities is essential to guarantee the effective and efficient delivery of services.



## Resource Development

**Our aim is to enhance knowledge.**

We will publish books, brochures, videos, and pamphlets showcasing best practices and distribute them to our stakeholders.

**Why is this important?**

Providing resources tailored to the context and conditions in Sri Lanka, and sharing them in the primary languages of our country, is crucial for empowering Local Government Authorities.



## Networking, Peer Learning and Exchanges

Our aim is to enhance the networks among Mayors, Chairpersons, young Councillors, local council members, and women councillors through activities like annual conferences/AGMs, International Conferences, and national and international exchange visits.

We seek to facilitate discussions, exchanges of knowledge, and peer learning.

### Why is this important?

Establishing a robust network of Local Government Authorities that can mutually support and learn from each other is essential for progress and development.



## International Agenda and Corporations

**Our purpose is to establish partnerships with institutions of a similar nature, allowing us to acquire new knowledge and techniques, facilitate learning exchanges, and share resources.**

Seek out international partners whose values and mandates align with our vision, mission, and values, and collaborate on joint programs.

Aim to participate in conferences with a global perspective, with the intention of bringing "good practices" to local government authorities.

Committed to actively contributing to international information exchange, thereby advancing issues and concerns relevant to Sri Lanka's Local Government Authorities



### **Why is this important?**

It is important that we learn from existing best practices and implement them within the Sri Lankan context while at the same it is important to raise awareness of issues and challenges faced in Sri Lanka.

## Research and Development

**Our primary focus is to demonstrate a steadfast commitment to evidence-based decision-making, ongoing improvement, and proactive planning for the betterment of the communities served by Local Councils.**

Research current trends in Local Government, including demographics and economic factors, to guide long-term planning. Explore sustainable development, gender equality, inclusive governance, climate change adaptation and local resilience.

Strengthen research skills of local government staff through training, workshops, and professional development. Promote the use of data in decision-making processes to enhance effectiveness.

Encourage a culture of innovation and continuous improvement within the local government. Learn from successful practices in other regions or countries for local adaptation.

Create and implement policies and programs based on research to improve local services. Share findings with other governments and contribute to the broader field of local governance.

Partner with academic institutions, research organizations, and stakeholders to access external expertise and resources for research projects.

### **Why this is important?**

Local Councils engage in evidence-based decision-making, innovation, and proactive planning to improve the well-being of the communities they serve. This in turn results in more efficient, responsive, and sustainable local governance.



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