





Strengthening national capacity for phasing out mercury-added products and environmentally-sound management of mercury and mercury waste in Sri Lanka

PROJECT OBJECTIVE






The overall objective of this project is to build capacity for the phase-out of mercury-added products and the environmentally sound management of elemental mercury and wastes consisting of, containing or contaminated with mercury in Sri Lanka.

PROJECT SUMMARY

The project will enhance understanding of alternatives to mercury-added products listed in Annex A, including thermometers, sphygmomanometers, light sources (CFL and LFL) and batteries, and will develop policy recommendations for addressing mercury-added products. It will build capacity for the environmentally sound management of mercury wastes in health, industrial, commercial, educational sectors, and will develop national technical guidelines for the sound management of mercury waste, using the Basel Convention technical guidelines. The project will also conduct training and disseminate targeted informational materials among stakeholders and the general public on the sound management of mercury and mercury wastes.

BUDGET	DURATION	RELEVANT ARTICLES	PARTNERS
 USD 178,659 Applicant contribution: USD 5,000	 24 Mar 2021 - 23 Sep 2023 (30 months)	 Article 4 - Mercury-added products Article 10 - Environmentally sound interim storage of mercury, other than waste mercury Article 11 - Mercury wastes Article 14 - Capacity-building, Article 17 - Information exchange Article 18 - Public information, awareness and education	 Ministries of Health, Industries, Education, Central Environmental Authority, Gem & Jewellery Research and Training Institute, National Solid Waste Management Support Centre, Industrial Development Board, Western Province Waste Management Authority, National Cleaner Production Centre Sri Lanka

PROJECT RESULTS

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OUTPUT 1
 Institutional setup for project implementation including technical committees for industrial, health, and education sectors established
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OUTPUT 2
 Report on mercury free alternatives with their cost-benefit analysis and recommendations for future policy directives developed
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OUTPUT 3
 National technical guideline for mercury waste management in industrial, health and education sectors established
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OUTPUT 4
 Employees from health, industrial and education sectors, mercury equipment suppliers and general public trained on mercury waste management
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OUTPUT 5
 Project results disseminated at relevant international forum

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Ministry of Environment

RELEVANT SDGs



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