



# Humanitarian Operations

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## VISION

Safer, resilient and socially inclusive communities through improving lifestyles and changing mind-sets.



## MISSION

Reduce risk, build capacity and promote principles and values by mobilizing resources, creating universal access to services through volunteerism and partnership



## PRINCIPLES

Humanity | Impartiality |  
Neutrality | Independence | Voluntary  
service | Unity and Universality

# Sri Lanka Red Cross Society

## Flood and Landslide Operation

### 2017

**Sri Lanka Red Cross Society serves its constituents through flood and landslide relief and recovery – May 2017**



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# FLOODS AND LANDSLIDE LATEST STATS

**AFFECTED PEOPLE 560,621**

## LIVES

215



DEATHS



MISSING  
INJURIES



74  
151

## HOMES

3029



FULLY  
DAMAGED



PARTLY  
DAMAGED



61560

## CURRENTLY DISPLACED



82

WELFARE  
CAMPS



PEOPLE

4002



Graphics: Dayan Hewawasam Sources: Ministry of Disaster Management released on 22nd June, 2017

Source: Daily News – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017



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**SLRCS** was in direct contact with DM authorities at national level, continuously.

It also published **alerts** regularly on its website.



# LANDSLIDE ALERT

[www.redcross.lk](http://www.redcross.lk)

**ISSUED ON 30 MAY 2017  
EFFECTIVE FOR NEXT 24hrs**

SOURCE - NATIONAL BUILDING RESEARCH ORG.

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**Caution** - People living on steep slopes and near dangerous cut-slopes should be watchful.

Always attention should be drawn to pre-landslide signs like slanting of trees or posts, cracks developing on ground and walls, and sudden appearance of muddy water emerging from the ground or from springs.

People should move away from hazardous areas when they notice above signs.



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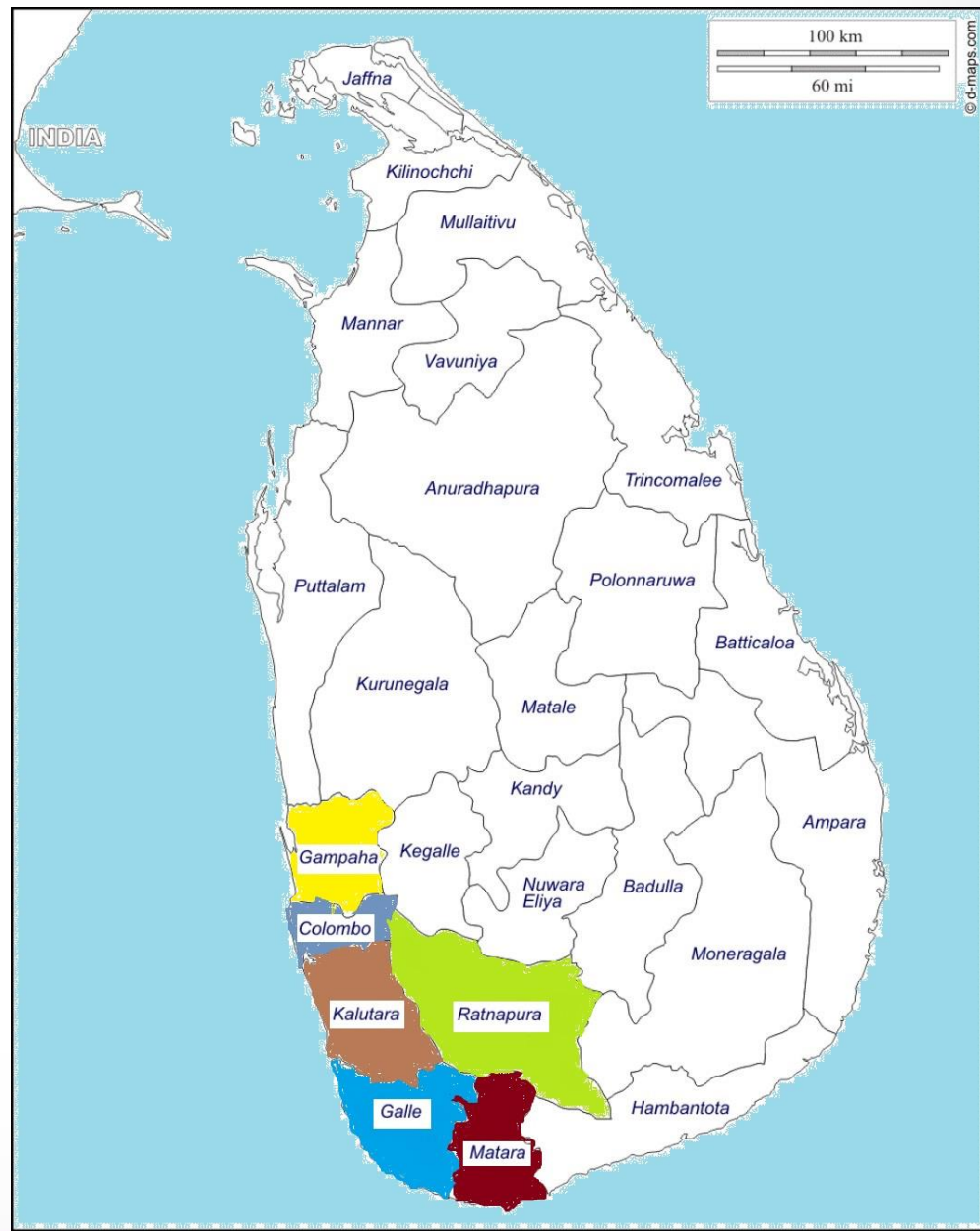
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# Map of Sri Lanka

Showing the  
the most  
severely  
**affected**  
districts





# SLRCS RESPONSE

## 1<sup>st</sup> Phase - Emergency

### 1. Search and Rescue Operations

Galle, Matara, Kalutara, Gampaha and Ratnapura Districts







## 2. First Aid Services and Medical Camps

Isolated communities in Colombo, Ratnapura, Matara, Galle, Kalutara and Gampaha Districts served



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# SLRCS **RESPONSE**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase – Early Recovery

### 1. Medical Camps







## 2. Well Cleaning





## US Marines engage in well cleaning in Colombo District



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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Phase

1. Water and Sanitation
  - a. Construction of temporary toilets
2. Hygiene Promotion
3. Distribution of NFRI
  - a. Household Items and Kitchen Sets
  - b. School Items
4. Psychosocial Assistance
5. Livelihoods



# Rapid and Immense Assistance from the **IFRC and ICRC**

The International Federation for Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) were the first responders to assist the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society (SLRCS) in its relief efforts



IFRC – Promptly responded to Launching of DREF appeal

ICRC – Quick response to assistance requested



# ICRC



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# Other **Partner National Societies** Provide Crucial Aid

Foreign Partner National Societies of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement act decisively to help the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society (SLRCS), in quick response to aid operations



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## Red Cross of the People's Republic of China



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## Chinese Red Cross members visit a medical camp



## Singapore Red Cross



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Singapore Red Cross Team visits affected areas





# SLRCS RESPONSE

## Branch wise Response

### 1. Colombo Branch



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## 2. Ratnapura Branch





### 3. Kalutara Branch



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## 4. Galle Branch





## 5. Matara Branch







## 6. Gampaha Branch



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Video shows a **Sri Lanka Red Cross Society volunteer** giving **CPR** to a flood victim on the boat that is transporting him to the nearest hospital





# Assistance from other countries to **Sri Lanka**

**International Governments and  
Institutions respond to crisis situation  
through SLRCS**



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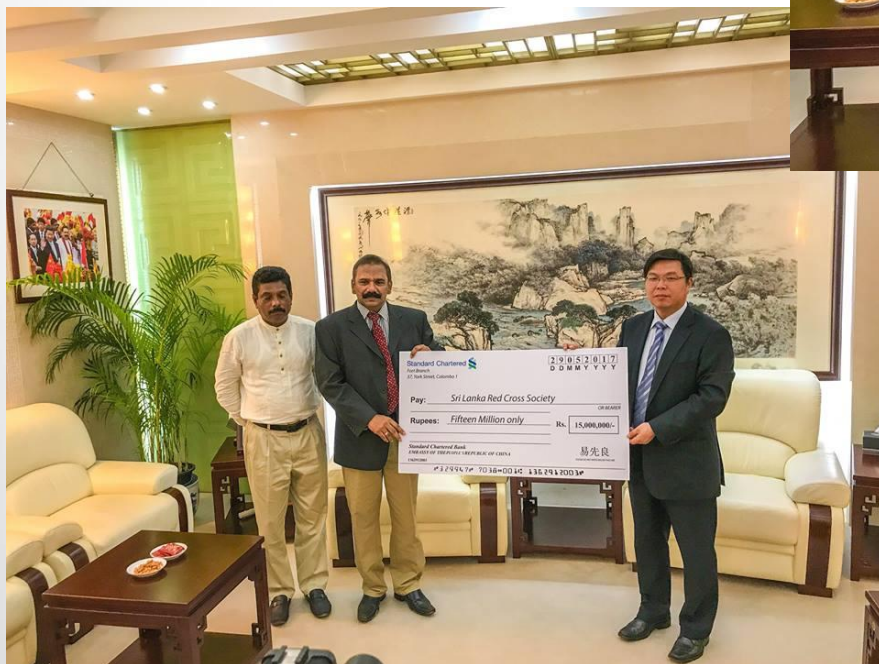
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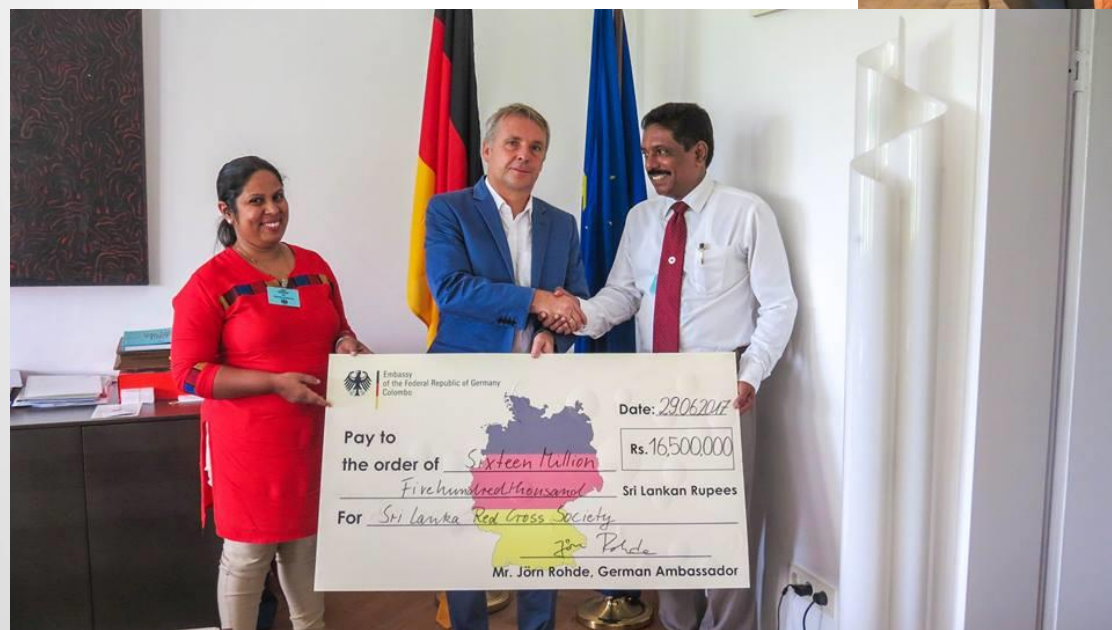




Secretary General of the Singapore Red Cross and Deputy Director General of the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society sign the Agreement for Dengue Operation while the Hon Foreign Minister of Singapore and Hony. President of the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society look on.



German Embassy  
contributed significantly  
towards SLRCS efforts







US Embassy assists in  
early recovery phase



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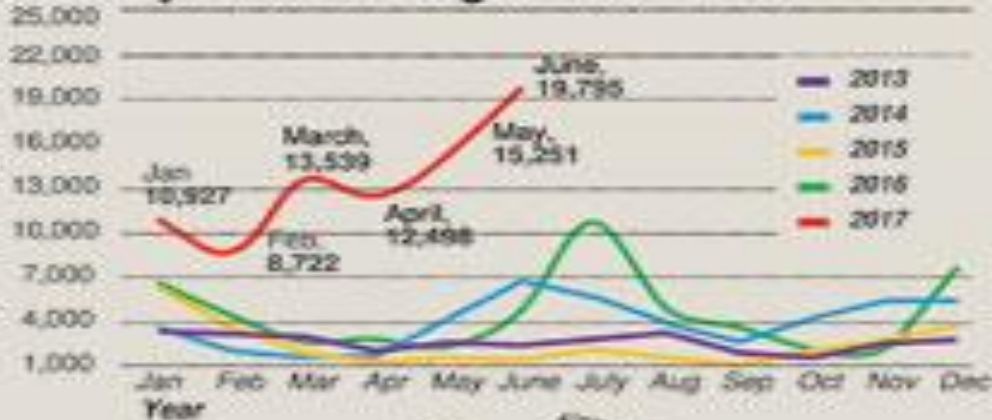
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# Dengue Operations

## Monthly Trend of Dengue 2013 - 2017



Preliminary laboratory results have identified dengue virus serotype 2 (DENV-2) as the circulating strain in this outbreak.

## Number of deaths province wise



47% of cases were reported from the Western Province.

## Total Dengue

Cases: 89,885 | Deaths: 269

Sources: WHO, Epidemiology Unit, Ministry of Health

ST Graphic: Nalin Sulasuriya



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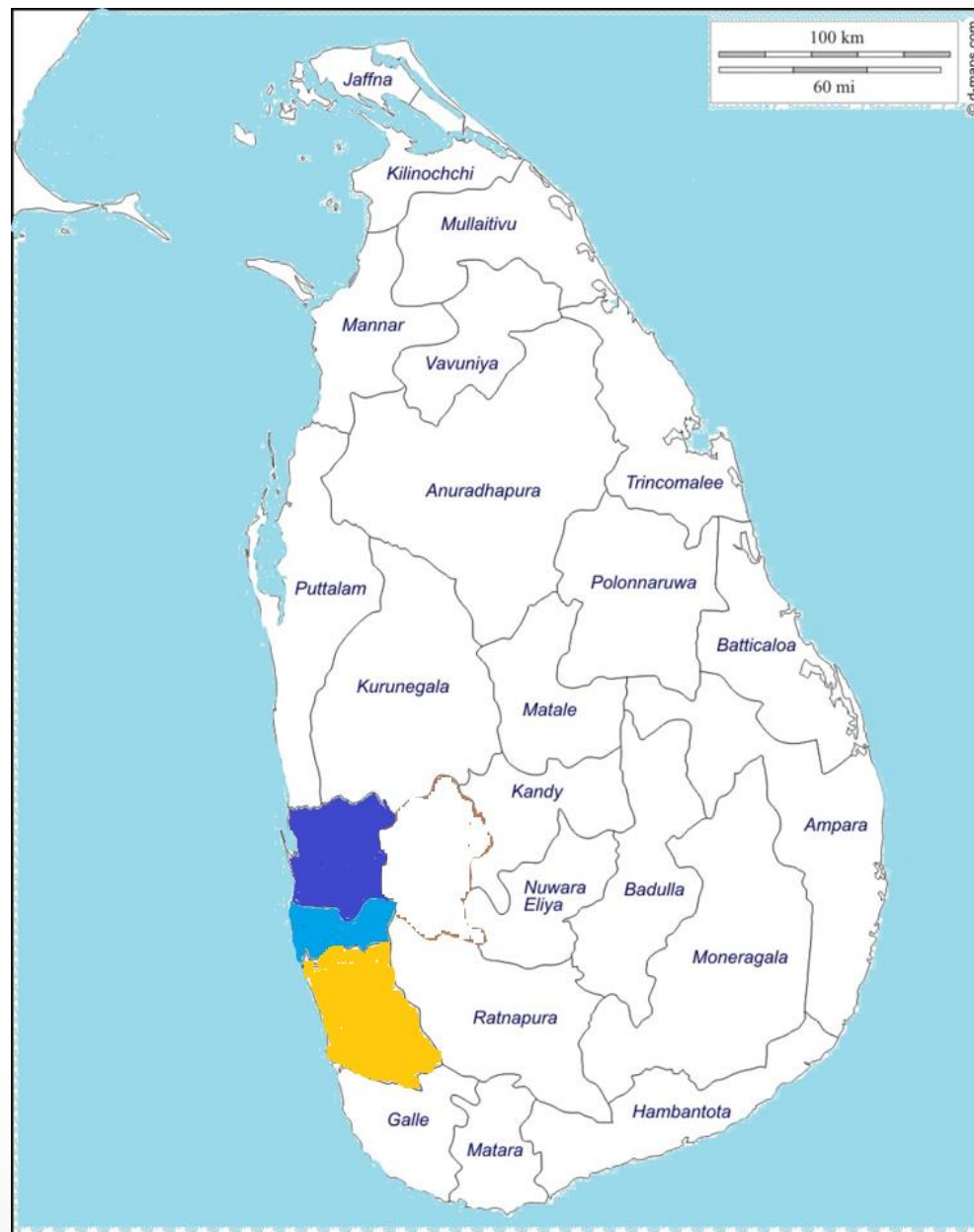
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# Map of Sri Lanka

Showing the  
Districts  
Operations in  
the Dengue



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# Objectives

- SLRCS volunteers mobilized for **dengue vector breeding site cleanup** – **18,000 houses**
- Good **solid waste management** practices promoted – **144 schools**
- **Hospitals** supported through SLRCS volunteers – **06 hospitals**
- **Emergency water and sanitation** facilities strengthened in hospitals – **90 toilets, 90 water points**







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