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## **Integrated Irrigation & Agricultural Livelihood Development in Killinochchi and Mullaitivu Districts**

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*The overall objective is to promote socio-economic development and economic integration of agricultural communities in the Northern Province in a participatory and sustainable manner.*

### **Background:**

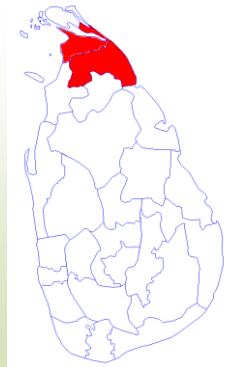
The Project “Integrated Irrigation & Agricultural Livelihood Development in Killinochchi and Mullaitivu Districts” will focus on rehabilitating community irrigation infrastructure, improving water resource utilization, promoting crop diversification and developing agricultural-based livelihoods for vulnerable farming households in former conflict and flood- affected districts of Northern Sri Lanka.

### **Estimated results:**

1. Increased access to irrigation water and land availability for increased production of paddy, OFCs and homestead vegetables for community and household economic growth.
2. Model irrigation systems developed for sustainable resource utilization with strengthened and participatory community-based Farmers’ Organizations.
3. Improved economic and household food security from increased crop production, resulting from improved access to water and new knowledge and practices in agriculture practices.
4. Strengthened agriculture extension capacity and outreach support of District level Department of Agriculture (DoA) and Department of Agrarian Development (DoAD) outreach staff.

### **Main activities:**

Rehabilitation of minor tanks covering up to 4,165 ha area and rehabilitation of up to 1,200 ha abandoned land; revitalized community-based Farmers’ Organizations (FO’s); increased agricultural production for 17,200 vulnerable farming families through improved variety of seeds and technical training; and training of agricultural extension staff in agriculture and water management.



### **Fast facts:**

**Donor:** European Union



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**Grant amount:** EUR 3,700,051

**Implementing period:**

Dec 2011 to May 2014

**Geographical area:** Killinochchi and Mullaitivu Districts

**Implementing agency:**

Department of Agriculture, Department of Agrarian Development, Department of Irrigation.

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