ESD IN SRI LANKA

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National initiatives, activities and program on ESD

- Improve the quality of school education
- Re-orient existing education program to address SD
- Develop awareness and understanding
- Provide training for teachers and other educational personals
The field we identified to introduce SD

- Educational reforms and restructuring
- Teacher education curriculum
Educational reforms and restructuring

• According to new reforms, there is the primary objective of creating an education system which will enable our people to lead satisfying and peaceful lives, to be productive and to contribute to the well-being of others.
We trying to develop the following skills

- Critical thinking and reflections
- Envisioning
- Systemic thinking
- Participation in decision making
- Building partnership
- Problem solving
Through School curriculum

• The new curriculum is called a competency based curriculum
• The competencies identified
• Co: related to communication
• Related to national, social and artificial environment
• Related to ethics and religion
• Related to use of leisure, enjoyment and recreation
• Related to learning how to learn
Some national goals

- Achieve peace and harmony through national integration
- Develop individuals who appreciate the values of adopting a sustainable life style
- Develop individuals who could adopt successfully to the changes that are taking place in the global community
- Develop skills relevant to achieving honorable status in the international arena
Teacher education courses

- The teacher education courses have been revised appropriately to serve the new education reforms.
- The curriculum is competency-based and includes components relevant to the understanding of problems common to the human community as a whole, such as environmental conservation, peace and conflict resolution, disaster risk management, second national language, psycho-social intervention and human and child rights.