

# Mineral Resources of Sri Lanka, Prospects and Challenges – Symposium 2017

*17<sup>th</sup> October 2017, BMICH*

*Sharing technical information of mineral resources among the stakeholders and the general public*

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## INTRODUCTION

The Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment has decided to conduct a scientific forum on mineral related aspects, in line with Sri Lanka NEXT 2017 program, scheduled to be held at BMICH on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017. This is an event where technical information relating to minerals are shared among the stakeholders as well as general public. This forum focuses on the following thematic areas and the Ministry would like to extend an invitation to the interested persons/institutions/organizations/agencies/universities to submit abstracts on the same.

The selected abstracts will be published in a volume: **Mineral Resources of Sri Lanka, Prospects and Challenges**. Oral and poster presentations will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017 on the Symposium proceedings.

## KEY AREAS FOR SYMPOSIUM

- Mineral resources, mineral exploration, economic exploitation and value addition
- Environmental, sociological and economic impacts due to mining activities of Sri Lanka

## TARGET GROUP

Scientific community and the investors who are involved in mineral industry.

## GUIDENCE FOR SUBMISSION ABSTRACTS AND EXTENDED ABSTRACTS

### Format of Abstracts

- Number of words not exceeding 300 with maximum of four supporting key words.  
Font : Times New Roman, single line spacing and font Size:12
- Abstracts shall contain title, name of the author(s), affiliation of the author(s) and email.

### Format of Extended Abstracts

- Maximum four pages including references. Font :Times New Roman, single line spacing and font size:12
- Extended abstracts can contain figures, tables and/or images. Page format should be A4 page size with margins 2.5 cm wide from the right, left, top and bottom.

**Extended Abstracts must be submitted along with the abstract, on or before 30<sup>th</sup> July to [mineralsymposium2017@gmail.com](mailto:mineralsymposium2017@gmail.com)**

*Extended abstract will be considered in the evaluation process of the abstract; hence the extended version must properly elaborate the abstract itself.*

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017 : Submission of abstracts along with the extended version
- 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2017 : Acceptance notification
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017 : Final submission
- 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2017 : Symposium presentation

### **THE AWARDS**

The best three oral presentations and three posters will be appreciated with following rewards:

	<b><i>Oral Presentations</i></b>	<b><i>Posters</i></b>
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Prize :</i>	Rs. 75,000	Rs. 25,000
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:</i>	Rs. 50,000	Rs. 20,000
<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:</i>	Rs. 25,000	Rs. 15,000

*Selected abstracts for the abstract volume are entitled for an honorary payment of Rs. 10,000.00.*



## Ministry of Mahaweli Development & Environment

### Symposium on Mineral Resources - 2017

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- (a) Mineral exploration, economic exploitation and value addition
- (b) Environmental and Social Impact due to mining activities
- (c) Economic importance of gem reserves and value addition

The forum is open to scientific community and the investors who are involved in mineral and gem industry. Please send your abstracts and articles by registered post or hand delivery to the Director (Land Resources), Land Resources Division, Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment, "Sampathpaya", No. 82, Rajamalwatta Road, Battaramulla **on or before 2.00 p.m. on 23 June 2017**. Other relevant information can be obtained from our website [www.environmentmln.gov.lk](http://www.environmentmln.gov.lk), [www.gsmb.gov.lk](http://www.gsmb.gov.lk) and Facebook Land Resources Sri Lanka. For further clarifications please contact Ms. Kumudini (0713911851)/Ms. Nilmini (0713528751).

**Secretary**

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"Sampathpaya", No. 82, Rajamalwatta Road, Battaramulla.**