

CAP WORKSHOP FOR THE LAST-MILE HAZINFO PROJECT: SARVODAYA HQ, MORATUWA, FRIDAY, 21 JULY, 2006

The general objective of the [Last-Mile Hazard Warning System Project](#) is to evaluate the suitability of five ICTs deployed in varied conditions for their suitability in the last mile of a [national disaster warning system for Sri Lanka](#) and possibly by extension to other developing countries.

The socioeconomic belief is that a [Common Alerting Protocol](#) (CAP) message relay is one way of effectively managing disasters, and that is what is envisioned in the Last-Mile Hazard Warning System (LM-HWS) Pilot Project. This workshop is an output of the the current Workpackage of the LM-HWS project, which is developing the “Hazard Information Communication System”. The Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub (HIH) was specifically built with the intension of providing interoperable risk information such as CAP messages to the local communities. This workshop is designed to train the Sarvodaya Village and District First responders.

OBJECTIVES

- Ensure that all participants, namely Sarvodaya First Responders, have a good understanding of the Common Alerting Protocol
- Provide ICT Administration and User training to all Village and District First-Responders
- Introduce the Hazard Information Hub Help Desk functions to the participants
- Give the technology partners who designed and developed the ICTs an opportunity to demonstrate their solutions
- Handover the ICTs to the Village First-responders
- Update the Sarvodaya District Centers of the Last-Mile HazInfo Project current status

WORKSHOP ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

LIRNEasia will issue invitations and ensure participation by all partners other than Sarvodaya. With the support of [IDRC](#), it will bear the costs of the event. Sarvodaya, being the provider of the location, will bear organizational responsibilities regarding the actual meeting location, interpretation, hostel accommodation, etc. *LIRNEasia* will ensure background material is distributed beforehand.

All participants not belonging to the Sarvodaya organization will have to find their own travel and accommodation. Sarvodaya will provide lunch and refreshments on the day of the event. Sarvodaya does provide hostel facilities. Kindly, contact the Program coordinator if you need information on utilizing the Sarvodaya Hostel for your accommodation.

Overall direction : [Rohan Samarajiva](#), Executive Director, [LIRNEasia](#)

Program coordination : [Nuwan Waidyanatha](#), HazInfo Program Manager, [LIRNEasia](#)

Sarvodaya organization : [Ravi Ariyawickrama](#), Director Social Programs, [Sarvodaya](#)

PROPOSED ATTENDEES FOR THE WORKSHOP

Organization	Names	Comments
Sarvodaya Samana Teta	Nandana Jayasinghe, Illangasiri Peiris, Niluka Wickramasinghe, Jananjaya De Silva	Hazard Information Hub
Sarvodaya IT Unit	Ravi Ariyawickrama, S. Sumanasiri, Lalantha Ferdinando, Ruchika, Nishanka, et al.	HIH First Responders ¹ (Personnel on Roster)
District Telecenter Coordinators	Gamini, Isura, et al	District First Responders ²
Sarvodaya Field District Office	ICT Guardians from selected village	Village First Responder ³
University of Alberta	Gordon Gow	Technology Consultant
WorldSpace	Babu Kalakrishnan	Technology Partner
Dialog Mobile Communications Research Lab	Dr. Dileeka Dias, Michael De Soyza, Anjula Godakumbura. Gamini Jayasinghe,	Technology Partner
MicroImage	Harsha Purasinghe, S Shanmugalingum	Technology Partner
Amateur Radio Society	Victor Gunatilleke	
CTEC, Telwatte	Sarvodaya to invite	
Lanka Software Foundation	Chamindra De Silva, Ravindra De Silva, Sudheera Fernando, Priyanka Fonseka, et al	Technology Partner
World Health Organization	Asiri Hewamalage and Dilip Henseman	eHealth Program WHO
Vanguard Foundation	Ananda Wijeyasena	Media Partners
LIRNEasia	Rohan Samarajiva, Luxman Bandaranayake, Sujata Gamage, Nuwan Waidyanatha, et al	Research Partner

Note – Confirm your attendance by emailing the [HIH](#) or the [Program Coordinator](#).

¹Annex – 1: List of Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub First Responders

²Annex – 2: List of Sarvodaya District Centre First Responders

³Annex – 3: List of Sarvodaya Village First Responders

PROGRAM

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21. Jul. 2006	SESSION I	
0900-0925	Welcome comments and Lighting the Lamp	Sarvodaya and LIRNE <i>asia</i> , Chaired by Rohan Samarajiva
0925-0945	Self introductions	Participants
0945-1015	Why are we using CAP in Sri Lanka	Rohan Samarajiva
1015-1045	Tea/Coffee	
SESSION II		
1045-1215	CAP Technology and First Responder Introductory Training ???	Gordon Gow
1215-1230	Panel Discussion	Rohan Samarajiva (Chair), Gordon Gow, Dileeka Dias, Nuwan Waidyanatha
1230-1245	CAP Exercise	Niluka Wickramasinghe
1245-1345	Lunch	
SESSION III		
1350-1400	Opening remarks CAP ICT Session	Chaired by Gordon Gow
1400-1415	Sinhala/Tamil/English CAP Message Editor Sahan Project	Joseph Fonseka
1415-1430	WorldSpace CAP Alerting Software and DWRR	Babu Kalakrishnan
1430-1445	Dialog Remote Alarm Device	Gamini Jayasinghe
1445-1500	Sinhala/Tamil/English SMS Alerting Mobile Phones	S Shanmugalingum
1500-1515	Internet Public Alerting System	TBA
1515-1530	CDMA fixed phone alerting solution	Jananjaya De Silva
1530-1545	HIH coordination and Help desk functions	Niluka Wickramasinghe
1545-1600	Panel Discussion	Gordon Gow, Sudheera Fernado, Babu Kalakrishnan, Gamini Jayasinghe, S Shanmugalingum, Niluka Wckramasinghe, Jananjaya De Silva
1600-1630	Tea/coffee	
SESSION IV		
1630-1730	Handing over the ICTs to Guardians	Lead by Vinya Ariyaratna and Rohan Samarajiva
1730-1830	Optional tour of Sarvodaya Disaster Management Center	Nandana Jayasinghe

WORKING LANGUAGES

Working language will be Sinhala/English, with simultaneous interpretation provided for Sinhala, Tamil, and English. Documentation will be in English; when possible some will be translated to Sinhala and Tamil.

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ANNEX – 1: List of Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub First Responders

Monitors:

1. Niluka Wickramasinghe (Coordinator, Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub)
2. Jananjaya De Silva (Assistant, Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub)
3. Ruchika (Systems Administrator, Sarvodaya IT Unit)
4. Nishanka (Systems Administrator, Sarvodaya IT Unit)

Executives:

1. Nandana Jayasinghe (Director, Sarvodaya Disaster Management Center)
2. Ravindra Ariyawickrama (Director, Sarvodaya IT Unit)
3. Illangasiri Pieris (Manager, Sarvodaya Hazard Information Hub)

ANNEX – 2: List of Sarvodaya District Center First Responders

1. TBA (Telecenter Coordinator, Hambantota)
2. TBA (Telecenter Coordinator, Galle)

ANNEX - 3: List of Sarvodaya Village First Responders

1. TBA (Thalpitiya, Kalutara)
2. TBA (Wadduwa, Kalutara)