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ABSTRACT

This research was conducted to ascertain the Pe-construction delays in Civil Engineering Projects where it is executed by the State Organisations in Sri Lanka.

Furthermore, it was observed that most of the major civil engineering projects were executed with the assistance of Donor Agencies, where special emphasis is highlighted throughout this research. A similar study had be carried out by Mr W S Jayasinghe for Building Projects for his M.Eng thesis. The main findings were analysed categorically from this Research and they were stated as - Procedural, Institutional and any other clear illustrations.

Data was collected from a pilot study of 27 Projects, where Cabinet approval was sought for Projects value exceeding over Rs.5 million. Interviews and documentary research are the two methods adopted for data collection. For detail analysis only 12 Projects were considered since the rest of the Projects had no data available to retrieval.



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The final conclusion of the research was that the un-necessary delay resulted in obtaining concurrence from Donors. Awareness of the procedure to be adopted by the officers involved in the project work, obtaining cabinet approval at some stage and the submission of TEC Reports in time.

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Abbreviations	ADB - Asian Development Bank	
	WB - World Bank	
	OECE - Overseas Economic Corporation Fund	
	SD - Standard Deviation	
	COV - Coefficient of Variation	
	TEC - Technical Evaluation Committee	
	TOR - Terms of Reference	
	DMC - Developing Member Countries	
	JICA - Japanese International Co-operation Agency	
	SAPS - Special Assistance for Project Sustainability	
	SAPROF - Special Assistance for Project Formation	
	E/N - Exchange of Notes	
	GTC - General Terms of Contract	
	VOL - Volume	
	UN - United Nations	
	ITC - International Trade Centre	
	UNTAD - United Nations Conference on Trade & Development	
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