

Let's Support And Build SRI LANKA



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VISION

- To enhance cultural ties and goodwill of Sri Lanka with Asian countries and rest of world.**
- To bring more prosperity in Sri Lanka.**
- To develop more peaceful and cultural ties with India.**

MISSION

- To promote the ancient Buddhist heritage sites of Sri Lanka and generate economy with tourism plans.**

WORLD TOURSIM RANKING OF PAKISTAN

- According to World Economic Forum, Geneva has prepared the report on “The Travel and Tourism Competitiveness Report 2011” Sri Lanka is ranked on 81.**

The TTCI 2011 Ranking

Rank (out of 139)	Country/Economy	Score (1-7)	Group*	Rank (out of 139)	Country/Economy	Score (1-7)	Group*
1	Switzerland	5.7	Schengen	71	Albania	4.0	
2	Germany	5.5	Schengen	72	Dominican Republic	4.0	Caribbean
3	France	5.4	Schengen	73	Georgia	4.0	
4	Austria	5.4	Schengen	74	Indonesia	4.0	ASEAN
5	Sweden	5.3	Schengen	75	Egypt	4.0	
6	United States	5.3		76	Macedonia, FYR	4.0	
7	United Kingdom	5.3		77	Colombia	3.9	
8	Spain	5.3	Schengen	78	Morocco	3.9	
9	Canada	5.3		79	Trinidad and Tobago	3.9	Caribbean
10	Singapore	5.2	ASEAN	80	Vietnam	3.9	ASEAN
11	Iceland	5.2	Schengen	81	Sri Lanka	3.9	SAARC
12	Hong Kong SAR	5.2		82	Serbia	3.9	
13	Australia	5.2		83	Azerbaijan	3.8	
14	Netherlands	5.1	Schengen	84	Namibia	3.8	
15	Luxembourg	5.1	Schengen	85	Ukraine	3.8	
16	Denmark	5.0	Schengen	86	Guatemala	3.8	
17	Finland	5.0	Schengen	87	Ecuador	3.8	
18	Portugal	5.0	Schengen	88	Honduras	3.8	
19	New Zealand	5.0		89	Cape Verde	3.8	
20	Norway	5.0	Schengen	90	Armenia	3.8	
21	Ireland	5.0		91	Botswana	3.7	
22	Japan	4.9		92	Gambia, The	3.7	
23	Belgium	4.9	Schengen	93	Kazakhstan	3.7	
24	Cyprus	4.9		94	Philippines	3.7	ASEAN
25	Estonia	4.9	Schengen	95	Kuwait	3.7	GCC
26	Malta	4.9	Schengen	96	El Salvador	3.7	
27	Italy	4.9	Schengen	97	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.6	
28	Barbados	4.8	Caribbean	98	Guyana	3.6	Caribbean
29	Greece	4.8	Schengen	99	Moldova	3.6	
30	United Arab Emirates	4.8	GCC	100	Nicaragua	3.6	
31	Czech Republic	4.8	Schengen	101	Mongolia	3.6	
32	Korea, Rep.	4.7		102	Rwanda	3.5	
33	Slovenia	4.6	Schengen	103	Kenya	3.5	
34	Croatia	4.6		104	Senegal	3.5	
35	Malaysia	4.6	ASEAN	105	Syria	3.5	
36	Montenegro	4.6		106	Venezuela	3.5	Caribbean
37	Taiwan, China	4.6		107	Kyrgyz Republic	3.4	
38	Hungary	4.5	Schengen	108	Ghana	3.4	
39	China	4.5		109	Cambodia	3.4	ASEAN
40	Bahrain	4.5	GCC	110	Tanzania	3.4	
41	Thailand	4.5	ASEAN	111	Zambia	3.4	
42	Qatar	4.4	GCC	112	Nepal	3.4	SAARC
43	Mexico	4.4		113	Algeria	3.4	
44	Cuba Rica	4.4		114	Iran, Islamic rep.	3.4	
45	Puerto Rico	4.4	Caribbean	115	Uganda	3.4	
46	Israel	4.4		116	Swaziland	3.4	
47	Tunisia	4.4		117	Bolivia	3.3	
48	Bulgaria	4.4		118	Tajikistan	3.3	
49	Poland	4.4	Schengen	119	Zimbabwe	3.3	
50	Turkey	4.4		120	Benin	3.3	
51	Latvia	4.4	Schengen	121	Malawi	3.3	
52	Brazil	4.4		122	Ethiopia	3.3	
53	Mauritius	4.4		123	Paraguay	3.3	
54	Slovak Republic	4.4	Schengen	124	Libya	3.2	
55	Li nuana	4.3	Schengen	125	Pakistan	3.2	SAARC
56	Panama	4.3		126	Cameron	3.2	
57	Chile	4.3		127	Madagascar	3.2	
58	Uruguay	4.2		128	Mozambique	3.2	
59	Russian Federation	4.2		129	Bangladesh	3.1	SAARC
60	Argentina	4.2		130	Nigeria	3.1	
61	Oman	4.2	GCC	131	Côte d'Ivoire	3.1	
62	Saudi Arabia	4.2	GCC	132	Burkina Faso	3.1	
63	Romania	4.2		133	Mali	3.0	
64	Jordan	4.1		134	Timor-Leste	3.0	
65	Jamaica	4.1	Caribbean	135	Lesotho	3.0	
66	South Africa	4.1		136	Mauritania	2.8	
67	Brunei Darussalam	4.1	ASEAN	137	Burundi	2.8	
68	India	4.1	SAARC	138	Angola	2.8	
69	Peru	4.0		139	Chad	2.6	
70	Lebanon	4.0					

HOW ANCIENT BUDDHIST SITES CAN BE BOON TO SRI LANKA

Sri Lanka is known worldwide for its ancient remains of different civilizations. In today's contrast nearly all the four provinces of the Sri Lanka have sufficient number of ancient Buddhist sites, which can give an edge in developing the tourism sector in all remote parts of provinces.

Buddhist tourism circuits could be developed by linking the various ancient sites nationally and internationally. These efforts can enhance growth in rural tourism sector and can be helpful in boosting the local art and craft industry also.

Sri Lanka

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Buddhist Site at Central Province - Matale district - Pidurangala



PRESENT SITUATION

- **Buddha Statue has been destroyed by treasure hunters.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**
- **Bushes and unwanted huge grass are growing casually around the site.**
- **Need promotional plan.**

Buddhist site at Central Province - Matale District - Manikdena



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The ruins of ancient monuments on the site are getting damage and pilfered.**
- **Panchawasa Complex is conserved, while other remaining monuments are lying in the ruined condition.**
- **The site is located jungle and is in isolation.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**

Buddhist Site at Central Province - Matale District -Vehaerabadihinda



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The ancient archeological site has been declare as a protected monument, but does not have any complete fencing.**
- **The site does not have any sign board.**
- **The site needs excavation.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**

Buddhist Site at Central Province - Matale District - Kaludiya Pokuna



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The site has been declared as an archeological reserve.**
- **The majority of ruins of kaludiya Pokuna rare are still in jungle.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**
- **The site needs further exploration and excavation.**

Buddhist Site at Hambanthota District - Thelulla



PRESENT SITUATION

- **This ancient site has been declared as an archaeological reserve.**
- **A portion of monument is conserve and currently it is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Archeology.**
- **The site need promotional plan.**

Buddhist Site at Sothern Province - Hambanthota District - Padikemgala



PRESENT SITUATION

- **Padikemgala is an ancient monastic complex; it had been constructed during the period of Anuradhapura.**
- **The site needs further excavation and conservation.**
- **Unauthorized settlement can be seen close to ancient site and it is future threat to the monuments.**
- **Treasure hunters also posse's threat to the ancient site.**

Buddhist Site at Sothern Province - Hambanthota District - Deuramvehera



PRESENT SITUATION

- **This was an ancient Buddhist monastic complex which was vandalized in past and need attention.**
- **The site is located jungle.**
- **Unauthorized settlement can be seen.**

Buddhist Site at North Central Province - Anuradhapura District -Padaviya



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The most ancient ruins of Padaviya site are still in jungle.**
- **Part of Buddhist complex is well conserved and maintained.**
- **Treasure hunters also posse's threat to the ancient site.**

Buddhist Site at North Central Province - Polonnaruwa District - Somavathiya



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The site is situated in "Minwill Wiled Reserve" large part site is in covered in Jungle.**
- **Heap of ancient antiquities can be seen in surrounding area.**
- **These antiquities should be preserved in Museum.**
- **Treasure hunters also posse's threat to the ancient site.**

Buddhist Site at Uva Province - Monaragala District - Yatihallathota



PRESENT SITUATION

- **This monastic complex has been spread in vast area and is located in jungle.**
- **Treasure hunted has damage the site in past.**
- **Unauthorized occupation and cultivation can be seen close to site.**

Buddhist Site at Northern Province - Puththalam District - Viladagoda



PRESENT SITUATION

- **Monastic complex has covered by jungle.**
- **The site faces threat from treasure hunters.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**
- **The site needs further exploration and excavation.**

Buddhist Site at Uva Province - Monaragala District - Nikewehera



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The Monastic complex situated in archaeological reserve.**
- **The site was damaged in past.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**
- **The site needs further exploration and excavation.**

Buddhist Site at Sabaragamuwa Province - Rathnapura District - Galpaya



PRESENT SITUATION

- **Unauthorized settlement poses threat to the site.**
- **The site lacks the effective security system.**
- **The site needs further exploration and excavation.**

Buddhist Site at Eastern Province - Trincomalee District - Mailawawa



PRESENT SITUATION

- Monastic complex has been located in Jungle.
- Treasure hunters have damaged a lot the site for antiquities.
- The site lacks the effective security system.
- The site needs further exploration and excavation.

Buddhist Site at Eastern Province - Trincomalee District - Thiriyaya



PRESENT SITUATION

- This Monastic complex is situated in Archaeological reserve.
- A part of ancient monument is well preserved, while other need due attention.

Buddhist Site at Northern Province - Vavuniya District - Sapumalgaskada



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The site is under Army jurisdiction.**
- **One of most beautiful monastic complex and part of the site is forest.**
- **Need further exploration.**
- **The site need promotional plan.**

Buddhist Site at Northern Province - Kokavil



PRESENT SITUATION

- **A Transmitter tower has erected on the side of as ancient monastic complex.**
- **It had severely damage the monument.**
- **Need immediate and effective security.**

Buddhist Site at Northern Province - Kanyar Kovil



PRESENT SITUATION

- Under the war circumstance monastery complex covered by Jungle. Still in jungle.
- S.L. Army has maintained this area.
- Therefore this ruins area should be explode, and after that systematical
- Archaeological process should be use.

Buddhist Site at North Western Province - Kurunagala District - Rasvehera



PRESENT SITUATION

- **The Monastic complex is situated in archaeological reserve**
- **A portion of site is preserved.**
- **The site needs further exploration.**

Buddhist Sites in Sri Lanka



The following number of ancient Buddhist sites has been documented in various provinces of Sri Lanka

Western Province	315
Central Province	345
Sothern Province	345
North Province	220
North Central Province	658
North Western Province	308
Eastern Province	320
Uva Province	240
Sabaragamuva	220

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