

# Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project



Equipment Procured by the Project

## Outline of Loan Agreement

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| Loan Amount/ Loan Disbursed Amount | ¥12,314 million / ¥5,881 million   |
| Loan Agreement                     | July 1988  |
| Terms and Conditions               | Interest rate: 2.75%,<br>Repayment period: 30 years (grace period: 10 years) |
| Final Disbursement Date            | September 1998   |

## Project Profile

The project was to mechanize the road repair in Sri Lanka to increase efficiency of rehabilitation and modernize road structures. At the same time the project aimed to raise the technical level of the government and private sector road repair operators and strengthen their structure to increase the efficiency of construction machinery operation.

## Results and Evaluation

The equipment obtained under the project was used in daily and periodic maintenance, and resulted in more progress in that field than had been envisaged in the plan. While there were delays in the rehabilitation of road sections suffering from severe damage and high traffic volumes, the equipment is still being used for road maintenance, and it makes a contribution to the modernization of roads and the improvement of road surfaces.

The asphalt plant and rock crushing plant procured under the project have industrialized domestic Sri Lankan production of raw materials, assisting in the stable supply of raw materials for road construction and maintenance. The training of engineers in the operation of machinery has been an effective technology transfer.

The Road Development Authority uses private sector road repair operators and the Road Construction and Development Corporation for maintenance. A great amount of maintenance equipment procured under the project is still in use, even though it has already exceeded the durable period, and it is mostly maintained appropriately.