

1. Background of the Project

The Ministry of Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment (MOWCASE) has been facilitating women's access to various government services in order to enhance their economic empowerment, political participation, and the elimination of gender-based violence through Women Development Officers (WDOs)/ Women Development Field Assistants (WDFAs). Furthermore, MOWCASE has established Women's Action Societies (WAS) at the GN level organizing women in the community to promote gender equality and women's empowerment.

Considering the current situation, further capacity building of WDOs/ WDFAs for planning and implementation of activities for women's economic empowerment is needed. In addition, the function of WAS is currently limited in contributing to a better and gender-equal society. WDOs/ WDFAs need to further increase their capacity to mobilize women in the community and effectively support them by strengthening partnerships with various stakeholders. Their actions are required to address women's needs, particularly for economic empowerment as well as other gender/social issues including sexual and gender-based violence which prevent women's economic empowerment.



5. Project Offices

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The Project for Women's Economic Empowerment through Entrepreneurship, Leadership and Networking

2023 - 2027

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2. Outline of the Project

Overall Goal

The project model for women's economic empowerment developed by this project is applied in areas beyond the project target Districts.

Project Purpose

The project model for women's economic empowerment through entrepreneurship development and enhancement of women's leadership and networking is institutionalized.

Outputs

- Partners and resources to implement pilot activities in the target Districts are identified.
- Knowledge, good practices, and lessons learnt in strengthening women's entrepreneurship and business, leadership, and networking through pilot activities are verified.
- The project model for women's economic empowerment through entrepreneurship development and enhancement of women's leadership and networking is created through the implementation of the pilot activities.
- The capacity and mechanism of the Women's Bureau and WDOs/ WDFAs for the implementation of the project model are enhanced.
 - WAS Activation Component
 - Project Model Institutionalization Component

Project Sites

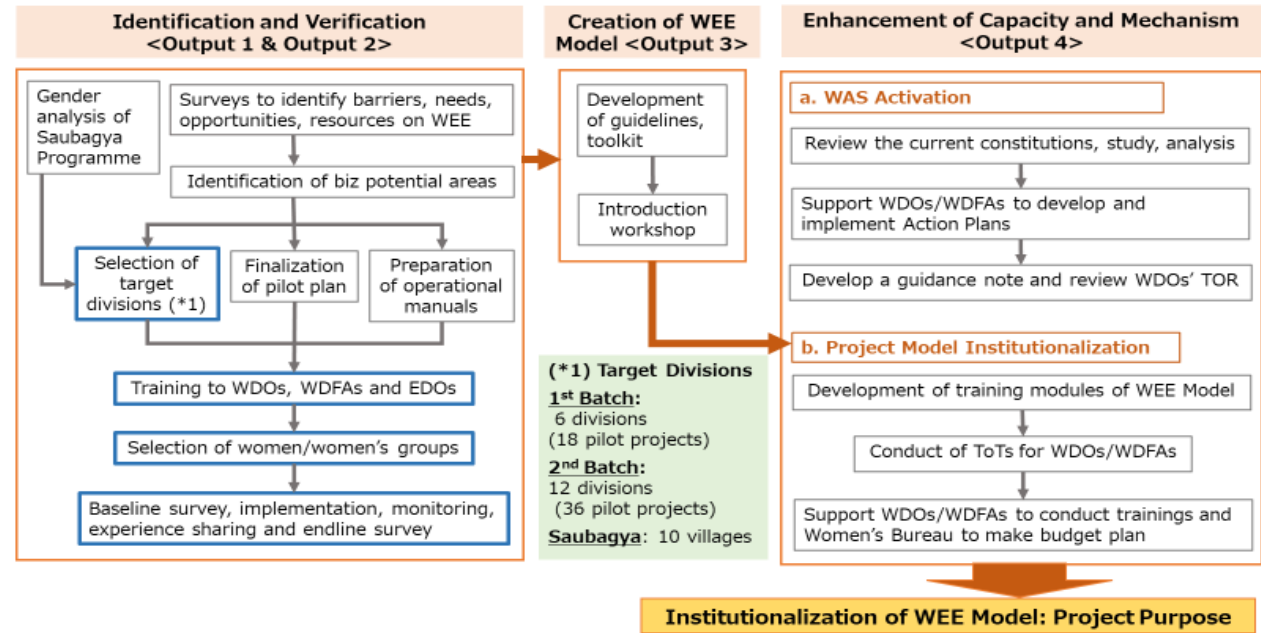
Colombo, Ampara District, Monaragala District

Project Period

March 2023 to March 2027



3. Activity Flow of the Project



4. Project Implementation Structure

