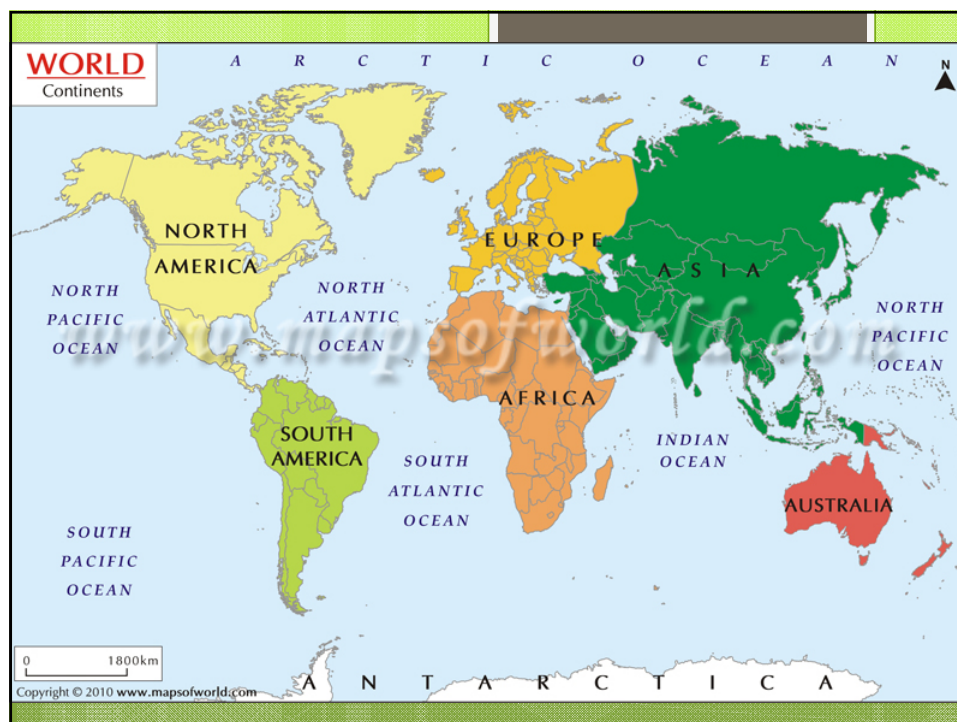


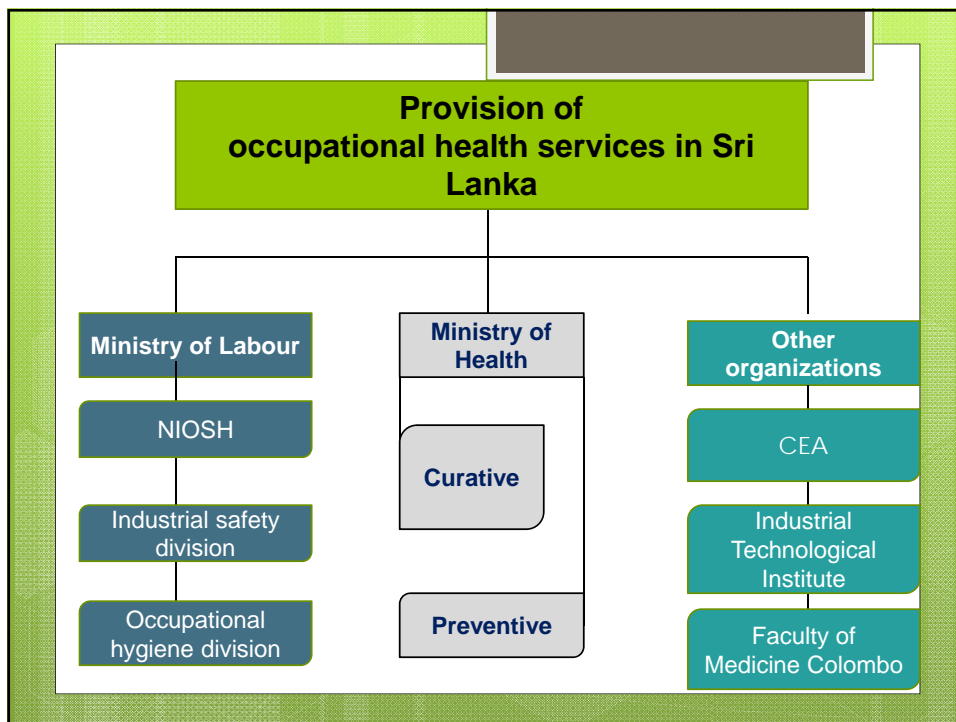
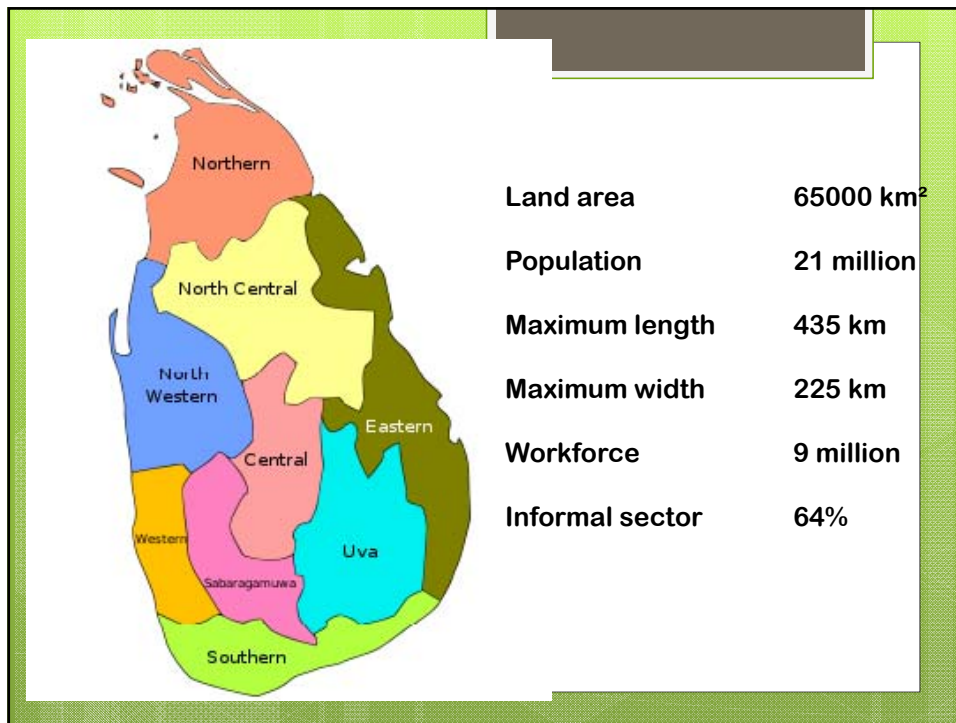
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Department of Labour

Occupational Hygiene Division – Department of Labour

- Provide consultancy, advisory and advocacy services on occupational health
- Training, educational and awareness programs on occupational health
- Provide environmental and biological monitoring facilities to industries

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Industrial Safety Division

- **Inspection of factories**
- **Registration of factories**
- **Approval of building plans**
- **Investigation of accidents**
- **Conducting safety awareness programmes**
- **Advisory services for improvement of work environment in factories**

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Ministry of Health

Occupational Health services are provided through

- **preventive sector (Public Health System)**
- **Curative sector**
- **Rehabilitative**

Aims of occupational health and safety

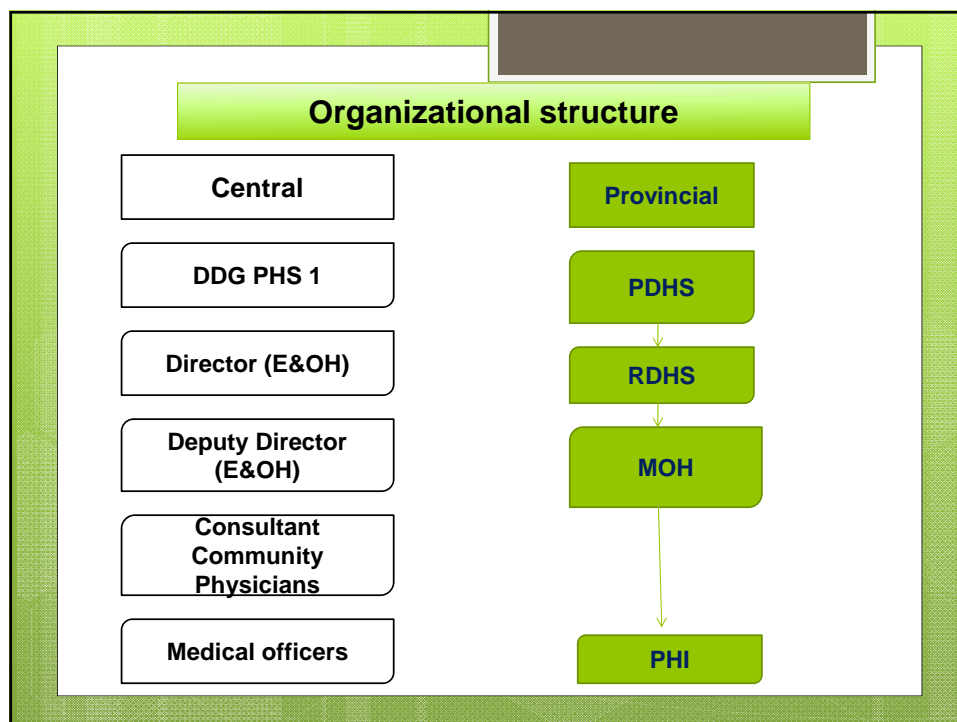
- The **promotion** and **maintenance** of the highest degree of health
- The **prevention** among workers of adverse effects on health caused by the working conditions
- The **protection** of workers in their employment from risks resulting from factors adverse to health
- The **adaptation** of work to humans

Objectives of the Occupational Health Programme

- To control workplace hazards
- To communicate on workplace risks and hazards to concerned bodies
- To provide advice on appropriate and efficient control measures
- To educate on the prevention of occupational diseases and injuries
- To promote healthy work settings in all workplaces
- To coordinate among stakeholders

- Manual for the Sri Lanka Public Health Inspector

Role of the preventive health sector



Directorate of the Environmental and Occupational health of the Ministry of Health

- Occupational Health (OH) policy development
- OH programme planning for Sri Lanka
- Monitoring and evaluation of OH services
- OH Diseases and injury surveillance
- Conducting research
- Training on OH
- Strengthening inter sectoral coordination

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District level service delivery done

- through the MOH Offices by Medical Officers of Health (MOH) and Public Health Inspectors (PHI)

- Major preventive activities include
 - Health Education and Workplace Health Promotion
 - Inspection of workplace and advice on remedial measures
 - Health screening for workers

Reduce occupational injuries
and diseases among workers

- Protect the health and wellbeing of the communities

Ministry of health is concerned
not only about the **health of
health workers**

but the

**health of all workers in all
occupations**

**Ministry of Health is responsible
for the health of all citizens in
Sri Lanka**

**Decreasing the number of
occupational injuries and
diseases and ill health of
communities due to workplace
activities will save**

**millions of rupees
from the health budget
annually**

Industrial Hygiene

- Industrial Hygiene is defined as:
The science and art devoted to the anticipation, recognition, evaluation, control, and management of those environmental factors or stresses, arising in or from the workplace, which may cause sickness, impaired health and well-being, or significant discomfort and inefficiency among workers or among citizens of the community.

Challenges

- Human resources
- Training
- Small scale and informal sector
- Aging population
- Inadequate analytical facilities
- Exposure limits – not legalized
- Issues with regards to standard setting
- Inadequacies in intersectoral coordination

