

Launching Compact Disk Containing a Database on Development Indicators

Department of Census and Statistics (DCS) conducted a special study to classify the GN division of Sri Lanka according to the poverty levels . This study introduced a proxy indicator for poverty called Unsatisfied Basic Need index (UBNI) which is a composite index of variables on some basic needs such as education, health, employment etc related to poverty. DCS prepared a Compact Disk containing database using DeveInfo soft ware at GN division level and it contains values of UBNI and all other indicators used for the study. Using this database, data satisfying user requirements can be retrieved and retrieved data can be presented by tables, charts and maps. The first copy of the CD was presented to Mr. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Hon. Minister of State Revenue and Deputy Minister of Finance by Ms.D. B. P. Suranjana Vidyaratne, Director General of Department of Census and Statistics, Dr.Amara Satharasinghe, Mr. H. R. Gunasekera, Mr.G. Y. L. Fernando Directors of the Department of Census and Statistics, Mr. W. K. K. Kumarasiri, Secretary to the Ministry of Nations Building, Dr.Gamini Batuwita, Project Director, Gamidiriya Community Development and Livelihood Improvement Project, were present at this occasion.

