



# Report on

## Impact of Cyclone Ditwah and Associated Flooding on the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka and the Recovery Strategy





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## List of abbreviations

<b>CAADDR</b>	Centre for Aquatic Animal Disease Diagnosis and Research
<b>DFAPH</b>	Department of Farm Animal Production and Health
<b>VTH-FA</b>	Veterinary Teaching Hospital (Farm Animal)
<b>MD-DVPB</b>	Microbiology Division, Department of Veterinary Pathobiology
<b>PM-DVPB</b>	Postmortem Room, Department of Veterinary Pathobiology
<b>Bio-DBVS</b>	Biochemistry Laboratory, Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences
<b>WATMRU- DVCS</b>	Wild Animal Treatment, Management and Rehabilitation Unit, Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences
<b>FVMAS</b>	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science
<b>UGC</b>	University Grants Commission
<b>DAPH</b>	Department of Animal Production and Health

# Endorsement by the Dean, FVMAS

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<hr/> <b>ENDORSEMENT</b> <hr/>		
<p>The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FVMAS) of the University of Peradeniya has, since its inception, been the cornerstone of Sri Lanka's veterinary education, research, and professional training. As the only institution in the country entrusted with producing the entire veterinary workforce, FVMAS has continuously upheld a national mandate that transcends academia, safeguarding public health, ensuring food security, supporting livestock and aquaculture industries, and contributing to biodiversity conservation and rural livelihoods.</p>		
<p>The recent devastation caused by Cyclone Ditwah and the consequent severe flooding of the faculty premises represent an unprecedented crisis in our history. The scale of destruction has been catastrophic, impacting on our teaching hospitals, laboratories, diagnostic units, and student facilities, thereby crippling both our academic and service functions. Years of public investment, intellectual effort, and institutional heritage were lost within hours, leaving behind widespread structural damage and the heartbreaking reality of suspended teaching and research activities. Despite the immense challenges, the resilience and commitment of our academic staff, students, and alumni have been exemplary. Through extraordinary collaboration and voluntary effort, emergency response measures were immediately undertaken to ensure safety, salvage equipment where possible, and begin essential cleanup operations. However, the magnitude of loss far exceeds what can be recovered through internal or ad-hoc measures.</p>		
<p>This report provides a comprehensive documentation of the destruction, the consequences for national veterinary manpower development, and a three-phase recovery and rehabilitation plan. The faculty urgently requires LKR 98 million (USD 320,000) to implement the Rapid Response and Short-Term Restoration phases, an essential investment to resume academic activities and clinical teaching in the immediate term. The importance of this recovery extends far beyond the faculty itself. Veterinary professionals trained at FVMAS serve across the nation, in public health, livestock production, disease control, wildlife conservation, quarantine services, and international trade compliance. Any delay in restoring our training and service functions will have far-reaching implications for food security, zoonotic disease control, rural livelihoods, and national economic resilience.</p>		
<p>Therefore, I strongly request the Government of Sri Lanka, the University Grants Commission, development partners, international organizations, and our veterinary alumni network to recognize the national significance of this institution and to extend immediate and sustained support for its complete restoration and modernization. With collective resolve, I am confident that FVMAS will not only recover from this disaster but emerge as a stronger, more resilient, and future-ready national center of excellence in veterinary medicine and animal science, continuing its proud tradition of service to the nation and its people.</p>		
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## **Executive Summary: Impact of Cyclone Ditwah and Flooding on Veterinary Education and the National Veterinary Service.**

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FVMAS), University of Peradeniya, the only higher education establishment **producing veterinary professionals in Sri Lanka**, suffered **catastrophic damage** from Cyclone Ditwah and subsequent flooding. The affected facilities included Department of Farm Animal Production and Health including Veterinary Teaching Hospital (Farm Animal) (VTH-FA) and its diagnostic facilities; teaching laboratories in Biochemistry and Microbiology; Centre for Aquatic Animal Disease Diagnosis and Research, Wildlife teaching facility; and a few other common amenities for students and staff. This damage has seriously jeopardized the training of five batches of undergraduates in the faculty. **The Impact was**, Extensive damage to the VTH-FA, Wild Animal Treatment, Management and Rehabilitation Unit, Diagnostic and teaching laboratories (Biochemistry, Microbiology, Virology, Mycology and Fish Diseases), student canteen and common room, the examination hall and the Faculty Sales Centre. The damage has resulted in a severe disruption of veterinary education, clinical training, diagnostic services and research activities at FVMAS. The loss of teaching laboratories, the hospital, and diagnostic and research facilities has compromised hands-on training for five batches of undergraduates, delayed academic progression, and weakened the faculty's ability to provide essential clinical, advisory and diagnostic services to livestock and poultry farmers, the wildlife sector, and the aquaculture industry. In the long term, this disruption threatens the national supply of qualified veterinarians and undermines animal health, food security, and public health in Sri Lanka.

- **National Crisis:** The disruption directly exacerbates the critical national shortage of veterinarians (already worsened by brain drain), threatening food security, public health, and agricultural (livestock, poultry, and cultured aquatic species) exports.
- **Urgent Imperative:** Immediate resumption of academic activities is a national priority. Any delay creates a bottleneck that endangers the national supply of veterinary professionals. Furthermore, a bottleneck in new student admissions could exacerbate existing delays for current batches, who are still recovering from the academic backlogs caused by the pandemic and other factors.
- **Action Plan:** A rapid, three-stage recovery plan has been formulated. The estimated budget for the essential Rapid Response and Short-Term Restoration phases is LKR 99 million.
- **Goal:** Emerge with a modern, disaster-resilient infrastructure capable of supporting Sri Lanka's economic and public health needs within a reasonable time period.

## 1. Introduction: The Critical Role of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FVMAS)

The FVMAS at the University of Peradeniya stands as the only institution in Sri Lanka responsible for producing the nation's entire veterinary workforce.

- **Teaching and Training:** FVMAS provides a rigorous five-year undergraduate programme, integrating comprehensive theoretical coursework, hands-on practical sessions, and clinical training both on-campus and in the field.
- **Manpower Capacity:** The faculty continuously accommodates five batches of approximately 100 undergraduates each, making its uninterrupted function critical to national staffing.
- **Professional Mandate:** Upon graduation, a mandatory six-month internship must be completed before registration with the Veterinary Council of Sri Lanka, emphasising the importance of uninterrupted career progression.

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## 2. Catastrophic Impact of Cyclone Ditwah and Associated Flooding

### 2.1 Overview of Disaster and Facility Damage

Due to its proximity to the Mahaweli River, the Faculty experienced severe, large-scale flooding following Cyclone Ditwah. Despite the location of several units above the established floodplain, the surge was extreme, resulting in extensive damage to critical academic, clinical, diagnostic, research and student-support infrastructure.

The following essential units were completely **inundated or structurally destroyed**:

Facility Unit	Specific Areas Affected	Functionality Loss
<b>Veterinary Teaching Hospital-Farm Animal</b>	OPD, ICU, Animal Holding Facilities (Cattle, Equine, Small Ruminant), Recumbent/Neonatal Care Units, Two Operating Theatres, Surgical Prep/Recovery rooms, Doctors' Lounge, Pharmacy, Diagnostic Laboratory, Animal Embryo Biotechnology laboratory, and several offices of staff and office equipment, IT facilities including internet and Wi-Fi.	Complete loss of emergency, surgical, and core clinical teaching capacity, including a massive stock of consumables, causing severe disruption to the service provided to livestock and poultry farmers and the industry and community.
<b>Department of Farm Animal Production and Health (DFAPH)</b>	Administrative and several staff offices and storage facilities, and internet and Wi-Fi.	Severe disruption of the management and administration of the academic programme research.

Facility Unit	Specific Areas Affected	Functionality Loss
<b>Department of Veterinary Pathobiology (DVPB)</b>	Bacteriology Laboratory, Virology Laboratory, Mycology Laboratory located in CAADDR, Postmortem Room (Shared).	Destruction of student training, essential national disease surveillance, diagnostic capacity and research.
<b>Centre for Aquatic Animal Disease Diagnosis and Research (CAADDR)</b>	Administrative Office, Aquarium, Water Quality Analysis Laboratory, Basic Diagnostic Laboratory, Parasitology Laboratory, Museum, Cleaning and Washing Area, Chemical Storage Facility, Fish Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, Lecture Hall, Fish Holding Units, Tanks and Ponds.	Disruption of diagnostic support for the nationally important aquaculture sectors affecting market access, fish disease treatment facility, training capacity and research, loss of fish stocks in the holding units
<b>Biochemistry Division of the Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences (DBVS)</b>	Biochemistry laboratory	Loss of equipment and consumables in the biochemistry laboratory and Animal Nutrition laboratory used for student training and instability of the building for further use.
<b>Wild Animal Treatment, Management and Rehabilitation Unit, Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences (DVCS)</b>	Wild animal wards, cages, restraining devices, storage	Destruction of wild animal rehabilitation facilities and disruption of hands-on wild animal teaching programme
<b>Other common facilities.</b>	Examination Hall, Student Common Room, Canteen, Kitchen, Toilets, Faculty Sales Centre.	Severely compromised core common and essential amenities used for student/evaluation; and student/staff welfare.

### 3. Emergency Response and Extent of Destruction

When the disaster struck, the faculty was in full session, posing a grave risk to life. The faculty community's exceptional presence of mind was instrumental in preventing a far greater tragedy.

- **Successful Evacuation:** All hospitalised animals were swiftly relocated, and all the faculty vehicles were moved to safer ground; however complete building evacuation was not possible due to the rapid rise of water late in the evening and the limited availability of communication sources which were already affected by the devastating weather and the unavailability of sufficient man power.
- **Scale of Devastation:** The affected area remained submerged for approximately **sixteen hours**, and the buildings were only accessible three days after the flooding.
- **Post-Flood Reality:** The receding waters exposed catastrophic destruction: collapsed infrastructure, irreparably damaged precision equipment, complete contamination of laboratories, and thick layers of mud and debris across all affected units and the surroundings.
- **Psychological Toll:** The devastation represents a loss of decades of work, investment, and resources, inflicting an immense psychological and professional toll on the entire faculty community.

#### 4. Impact on Undergraduate Teaching and National Manpower Supply

The consequences for the five concurrent batches of undergraduate students are severe, threatening both their personal well-being and the national veterinary supply chain.

- **Immediate Psychological Distress:** Students and staff are grappling with the loss of essential teaching spaces, clinical training facilities, and academic resources.
- **Direct Disruption to the teaching programme:** Any postponement of academic activities will directly delay graduation and mandatory internship training, creating an immediate and profound bottleneck in the national supply of veterinarians.
- **Exacerbated National Crisis:** This disruption occurs at a time when Sri Lanka is facing a critical shortage of veterinary manpower particularly in the government sector, a situation that has significantly worsened in recent years due to extensive migration (brain drain).

#### 5. National Imperative: Uninterrupted Production of Veterinary Graduates

The rapid resumption of academic training is not merely a faculty concern, but a matter of urgent national importance directly tied to economic stability, food security, and public health in the country.

##### 5.1 The Veterinary Contribution to National Sectors

Sri Lankan veterinarians are essential multidisciplinary professionals who serve numerous important national sectors:

- **Agricultural Economy:** Livestock, Poultry, Aquaculture, and Animal Feed industries.
- **Public Safety & Health:** Public Health, Food Safety, Quarantine Services, Disease Surveillance, and Diagnostics.
- **Conservation:** Wildlife Conservation and Zoological Institutions.

- **Governance & Research:** State and Private Universities, Local Government, Police, three armed forces, Customs, and International Agencies (WOAH, FAO, IAEA).
- **Enterprise:** Companion Animal Health, Veterinary Entrepreneurship and Pharmaceutical Industry.

## 5.2 National Imperative to Resume Training Without Delay

National Outcome	Impact of Delay	Role of Continuous Graduate Supply
<b>Food Security</b>	Reduced capacity for production consultation and disease control (e.g., Haemorrhagic septicaemia, Black leg, Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Tuberculosis, Salmonellosis, Avian Influenza, etc.) in livestock and poultry, leading to protein (chicken/egg/milk) scarcity and price volatility.	Ensures productivity enhancement, reduces production losses, and protects the food chain.
<b>Economic Stability &amp; Trade</b>	Failure to meet international Sanitary and Phytosanitary standards (SPS) for agricultural exports (e.g., chicken, seafood, dairy products).	Contributes to Gross Domestic Production (GDP), Safeguards access to foreign markets and sustains foreign exchange earnings.
<b>Public Health</b>	Compromised One Health vigilance, increasing the risk of zoonotic Disease transmission (e.g., Rabies, Avian Influenza).	Provides essential diagnostic services, disease surveillance, and food safety oversight.
<b>Conservation &amp; Tourism</b>	Hindered wildlife conservation efforts, affecting biodiversity and the tourism-linked wildlife sector, and human elephant/wild animal conflict.	Supports wildlife health management, research, and rehabilitation.

## 6. Recovery Plan and Budget

To ensure the prompt resumption of academic activities and the rebuilding of essential infrastructure, the faculty has developed a structured, three-stage recovery strategy.

## 6.1 Three-Stage Recovery Strategy

Phase	Duration / Status	Description and Key Actions
<b>Phase I: Rapid Response</b>	<i>Completed</i>	Immediate actions to stabilize the affected units: ensuring safety of damaged structures, decontamination, heavy cleaning, and essential disinfection. <i>(Action supported by Faculty alumni, SLVA, SVSA, SL Army, SL Air Force, staff, students and well-wishers).</i> Immediate restoration of basic utilities (water, electricity).
<b>Phase II: Short-Term Restoration</b>	<i>Urgent Priority - Progressing</i>	Essential repair and refurbishment focused on enabling the <b>full resumption of the academic programme and core clinical rosters</b> . This phase prioritises the minimum required facilities for basic and advanced teaching and conducting clinical work and providing optimum-service functions to Livestock & poultry farmers and aquaculture industry.
<b>Phase III: Long-Term Rebuilding and Modernisation</b>	<i>Planning in progress</i>	Strategic redesign, potential relocation, and modernisation of infrastructure in collaboration with national and international partners to ensure future disaster resilience and enhanced teaching quality.

## 6.2 Essential Budget Requirement

Given the national urgency to recommence teaching and training, **Phases I and II have been prioritised.**

The estimated total budget required to execute the Rapid Response and Short-Term Restoration to achieve minimum functional capacity is **LKR 271million / \$888,525 (as of January 15<sup>th</sup> 2026).**

## 7. Conclusion and Call to Action

The destruction caused by Cyclone Ditwah poses one of the most significant challenges in FVMAS's history. The immediate resumption of academic activities and the rapid rebuilding of the faculty are non-negotiable strategic investments in the nation's future, safeguarding food security, public health, and economic stability.

With coordinated national government support, assistance from international partners, and the collective resolve of the Alumni and University community, the faculty can not only recover but emerge stronger, modernised, and resilient, better equipped to serve the critical needs of Sri Lanka for decades to come

## **8. Notes on Strategic Actions:**

### **8.1). Immediate Recovery and Fundraising Initiatives**

Considering the critical need, FVMAS has taken the initiative in officially appointing an *ad-Hoc* committee representing the Veterinary Alumni Association of Peradeniya (VAAP), governance (ministry, UGC, NLDB, DAPH), professional veterinary bodies such as Sri Lanka Veterinary Association (SLVA), Association of Companion Animal Practitioners, Sri Lanka (ACAPSL), State Veterinary Surgeons' Association (SVSA), Sri Lanka Veterinary Council (SLVC) and current veterinary undergraduates to spearhead the mobilisation of financial contributions to support the restoration efforts. Through this committee, support is being actively sought from veterinary and non-veterinary organisations, government and private sector partners, and international organisations. Public Outreach campaign has been launched through social media platforms, using a fundraising flyer, a short video and this report detailing the extent of the damage.

### **8.2). Essential Government Support (The Long-Term Recovery Strategy)**

While the immediate fundraising efforts by professional and alumni bodies are crucial for short-term restoration, the long-term, comprehensive recovery of FVMAS is dependent on significant national investment. The faculty expects a fair and substantial proportion of the total required funds to be allocated through government support, considering the faculty's critical and unique national role, which directly impacts producing the country's next generation of veterinary professionals, their contribution to public health, livestock and poultry productivity economic development and human & animal welfare.

### **8.3). Official Government Visit and Recognition**

On 07<sup>th</sup> December 2025, a high-level delegation visited the affected areas in the FVMAS to assess the damage firsthand. This visit emphasises the national importance of the FVMAS.

Delegation comprised of;

- Hon. Dr. Harini Amarasooriya, Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education.
- Mr. Nalaka Kaluwewa, Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education.
- Mr. Thanura Dissanayake, Kandy District Minister.
- Deputy Chairman and officials from the University Grants Commission (UGC).
- University hierarchy including the Vice Chancellor, and the Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya.

## **9. Recommendations:**

It is imperative that the Government of Sri Lanka, through the relevant Ministries and the University Grants Commission, expedite the full damage assessment and commit the necessary substantial financial resources to ensure the rapid and complete restoration of the FVMAS, safeguarding this vital national asset.

## **10. Annexures:**

- 1: Evidence of Destruction Caused by Flooding.
- 2: Restoration Timeline.
- 3: Tentative Budget Outline.
- 4: Proposed Projects and Estimated Budgets for Veterinary Undergraduate Teaching:  
Short-Term Restoration and Long-Term Modernization.
- 5: How to Contribute Rebuilding FVMAS.

**Annexure 1: Evidence of Destruction Caused by Flooding**

**Evidence of Damage for Academic Departments, Teaching and Clinical Training Facilities, Diagnostic and Research Facilities and Common Amnesties for Students**

**i. Veterinary Teaching Hospital-Farm Animal (VTH-FA) & Department of Farm Animal Production & Health (DFAPH)**



VTH-FA & DFAPH



DFAPH



Rear view of DFAPH



Rear View of DFAPH



Rear View of DFAPH



Side View of VTH-FA



Side View of VTH-FA & Equine Recovery Room



Rear View, VTH-FA



Clinicians' Lounge & Part of the OPD, VTH-FA



Clinicians' Lounge, VTH-FA



Clinicians' Lounge, VTH-FA



Entrance- DFAPH



Boot Station Area, DFAPH



Entrance, Lecture Room/Auditorium,  
DFAPH



Entrance-Lecture Room/Auditorium,  
DFAPH



Admission Area, VTH-FA



Side View of VTH-FA



Patient Examination Area, OPD, VTH-FA



Neonatal Care Unit, VTH-FA



Entrance- Surgical Theatre Area, VTH-FA



Side View- Surgical Theatre Area, VTH-FA



Equine & Cattle Examination Area, OPD,  
VTH-FA



Small Group Discussion Room, VTH-FA



Outpatients' Department, VTH-FA



Entrance Door, OPD, VTH-FA



Small Ruminant Surgical Theatre, VTH-FA



Equine Recovery Room Entrance, VTH-FA



Attendants' Resting Area, VTH-FA



Students' Workstation, OPD, VTH-FA



Reproductive Biotechnology Laboratory, DFAPH



Pharmacy, VTH-FA



Neonatal Care Unit, VTH-FA



Small Ruminant & Equine Wards, VTH-FA



Goat Shed, VTH-FA



Neonatal Care Unit, VTH-FA



Cattle Wards, VTH-FA



Students' Diagnostic Laboratory, VTH-FA



Students' Resting Room, VTH-FA

ii. Department of Veterinary Pathobiology

Centre for Aquatic Animal Disease Diagnosis and Research (CAADDR), and the Division of Microbiology



Reception counter - CAADDR



Entrance-CAADDR, DVPB



Water quality analysis laboratory  
-CAADDR



Microbiology Laboratory -  
CAADDR



Basic Diagnostic Laboratory,  
CAADDR



Parasitology Laboratory- CAADDR



Office- CAADDR



Virology Laboratory – CAADDR  
Class II advanced biosafety Enclosure



Basic Diagnostic Laboratory, CAADDR



Chemical storage area -CAADDR



Corridor of the ground floor- CAADDR



Cleaning and washing area -Microbiology  
ULT freezer, autoclave and hot air oven



Lecture room - CAADDR



Aquarium-CAADDR



Postmortem Room

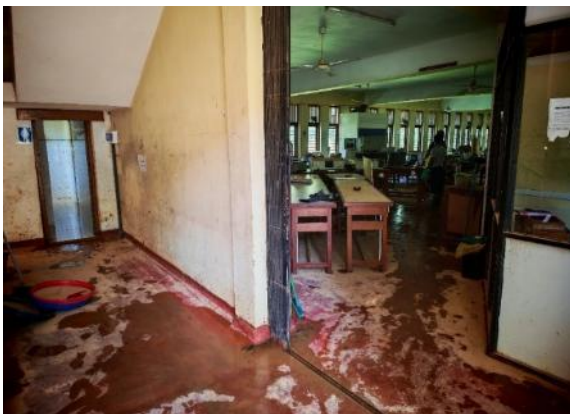


Postmortem Room with Destroyed Roof  
which was erected before 2 weeks

iii. Department of Basic Veterinary Sciences  
Biochemistry Division



Submerged Biochemistry Division



Entrance to the Biochemistry  
Laboratory



Washing Area



Submerged Student Laboratory



Submerged equipment



Submerged Student Laboratory



Submerged equipment



Fume Hood & Kjeldahl Digester



Lactoscan Milk Analyzer



Undergraduates' Biochemistry Laboratory



Analytical Balance



Ether Extractor



Fibre Analyzer



pH Meter



Damaged Microscope



Glass ware Cabinet



Centrifuge Machine & Homogenizer



Kjeldahl Distillation Unit



Gel Doc System



Centrifuge Machine



Spectrophotometer

**iv. Common Amenities**

**Examination Hall**



Inside the Examination Hall



Corridor Between Examination Hall & Canteen



Damaged Chairs and Tables - Examination Hall



Damaged Computer, Printer & UPS, Examination Hall



Damaged chairs and tables - Examination Hall



Damaged chairs and tables - Examination Hall



Damaged chairs and Tables -  
Examination Hall



Damaged Computer, Printer &  
UPS, Examination Hall

## Common Room and Kitchen



Damaged Canteen Furniture



Damaged Refrigerator and Freezer -  
Canteen



Damaged Windows of the Canteen  
Building



Inside the Canteen after the Flooding



Inside the Canteen after the  
Flooding



Submerged Kitchen Utensils



Submerged Kitchen Utensils

**v. Wild Animal Treatment, Management & Rehabilitation Centre**



Wild Animal Treatment, Management & Rehabilitation Centre



Wild Animal Treatment, Management & Rehabilitation Centre

## Annexure 2: Restoration timeline

Phase	Activities	Duration	Timeline
<b>Phase 1: Rapid Response</b>	Safety and damage assessment, decontamination	3 days	From wk 1
<b>Phase 2: Initial Stabilization</b>	Cleaning, drying, and commencing temporary teaching arrangements	2-8 wks.	wk 8
<b>Phase 3: Short-Term Restoration</b>	Restoration of common amenities, commencement of Teaching, FA Hospital & lab functionality at a minimal level	8 wks- 3months	wk 12
<b>Phase 4: Infrastructure Reconstruction</b>	Structural repairs & lab rebuild	3–12 months	1Y
<b>Phase 5: Replacement of Equipment</b>	Procurement & installation of major equipment	6–18 months	1 1/2 years
<b>Phase 6: Modernization &amp; Preparedness</b>	Digital upgrades & resilience planning	12–36 months	3 years
<b>Phase 7: Institutional stability and long-term sustainability</b>	Relocation and consolidation of Flood prone facilities of FVMAS	36-72 months	6 years

## Annexure 3: Tentative Budget Outline

### A. Rapid Response & Safety Measures

Project code	Project details	Estimated budget LKR millions	Remarks
VET 00	Structural & electrical safety inspections, emergency cleaning, decontamination & disposal of hazardous waste	1	Completed with Alumni support
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1</b>	

### B. Short-Term Restoration

Project code	Project details	Estimated budget LKR millions	Remarks
VET 04	Refurbishment of ground floors - DFAPH & VTH-FA	10	
VET 05	Restoration of internet and communication facilities - DFAPH & VTH-FA	2.5	
VET 06	Procurement of drugs, chemicals, and consumables - DFAPH & VTH-FA	5	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 22%
VET 07	Procurement of laboratory and clinical/ surgical equipment - DFAPH & VTH-FA	100	
VET 08	Repairing/ calibration of affected laboratory and clinical/ surgical equipment - DFAPH & VTH-FA	5	
VET 09	Procurement of furniture and office equipment - DFAPH & VTH-FA	5	
VET 10	Refurbishment of one-health laboratory - DFAPH & VTH-FA	1	
VET 11	Refurbishment of Sales center - DFAPH	1.5	
VET 12	Refurbishment - CAADDR & MD-DBVPF	5	
VET 13	Restoration of internet and communication facilities - CAADDR & MD-DBVPF	1.5	
VET 14	Refurbishment of postmortem room – PR-DVPB	6	

VET 15	Procurement of drugs, chemicals, and consumables - CAADDR, MD-DVPB & PR-DVPB	5	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 17%
VET 16	Replacement of positive-control materials and reference cultures - CAADDR & MD-DVPB	5	
VET 17	Procurement of laboratory equipment - CAADDR & MD-DVPB	50	
VET 18	Repairing/ calibration of affected laboratory equipment - CAADDR & MD-DVPB	5	Sent for repair to the local agents Progress: 2%
VET 19	Procurement of furniture and office equipment - CAADDR, MD-DVPB and PR-DVPB	3	
VET 20	Refurbishment of fish ponds, aquarium and museum - CAADDR	3	
VET 21	Refurbishment - Bio-DBVS	2.2	Totally committed by PetsVCare and VetGrows Progress: 50%
VET 22	Procurement of chemicals and consumables - Bio-DBVS	0.65	Totally committed by SLVA Progress: 20%
VET 23	Procurement of laboratory equipment – Bio-DBVS	43	
VET 24	Repairing/ calibration of affected laboratory equipment - Bio-DBVS	5	Initiated with the help of Vet Alumni Progress: 2%
VET 25	Procurement of furniture and office equipment - Bio-DBVS	2.5	
VET 26	Refurbishment of WATMRU-DVCS	1	
VET 27	Procurement of restraining equipment - WATMRU-DVCS	0.5	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 20%
VET 28	Repairing of perimeter fence and enclosures - WATMRU-DVCS	1	
VET 29	Refurbishment of Canteen and Kitchen	0.45	Completed by Batch 1994/1995 Progress: 100%
VET 30	Procurement of furniture and kitchen utensils for the Canteen	1	Completed by Batch 1994/1995, Alltech Biotechnology Pvt Ltd & University funding Progress: 100%

VET 31	Procurement of laptop and laser printer to the examination division	0.15	Completed by Batch 1994/1995 Progress: 100%
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>271</b>	

### C. Long-Term Reconstruction & Modernization

Project code	Project details	Estimated budget LKR millions	Remarks
VET 01	Consultancy on conceptual and architectural design for new teaching complex	2.5	
VET 02	Construction of new teaching complex	2500	
VET 03	Procurement of furniture, office, and teaching equipment for the new teaching complex	100	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2602.5</b>	

### Final Budget:

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A	Rapid Response & Safety Measures (Vet 00)	<b>1 million LKR</b>
B	Short-Term Restoration (VET 04 to Vet 31)	<b>271 million LKR</b>
C	Long-Term Reconstruction & Modernization (VET 01 to Vet 03)	<b>2602.5 million LKR</b>

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Grand total	<b>2879.5 million LKR</b>
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**Annexure 4: Proposed Projects and Estimated Budgets for Veterinary Undergraduate Teaching: Short-Term Restoration and Long-Term Modernization.**

**Phase B: Short-Term Restoration**

<b>Project VET 04</b> <b>Restoration of ground floors - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	Restoration of class room teaching, practical training, clinical training, ongoing research, service functions, and administrative works
Description:	Repairing damaged doors and roller doors, Repairing aluminum partitions and windows, Repairing animal houses, Painting ground floors of two buildings, Repairing electrical wiring and Replacing fused switches, bulbs, and plug bases and Repairing air conditioner units
Estimated budget:	10 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 05</b> <b>Restoration of internet and communication facilities - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To restore and strengthen digital connectivity and communication systems, ensuring reliable support for teaching, clinical work, research, administration, and service delivery
Description:	Testing and installing network access points, Replacing two Layer-2 network switches with 10G SFP+ transceivers (SM), Installing 19m rack for networking equipment, Procuring 1 KVA UPS for backup power and Deploying two Wi-Fi access points to regain coverage
Estimated budget:	10 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 06</b> <b>Procurement of Drugs, Chemicals, and Consumables – DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To ensure continuous availability of essential drugs, chemicals, and consumables at DFAPH & VTH-FA, supporting uninterrupted training, research, service, and administration
Description:	Purchasing of Antibiotics (Injectables & Intramammary), Antiparasitic drugs, IV fluids & electrolytes, Anti-inflammatory drugs, Reproductive Hormones, Sedatives & Anesthetics, Vitamins & Supplements, Other Drugs (Injectables &

	Oral), Disposable Syringes, Needles & Sharps, Wound & Fracture care materials, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Surgical theater supplies, Laboratory consumables, Diagnostics and Test kits
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 22%
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 07</b>	
<b>Procurement of laboratory and clinical/ surgical equipment - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To procure essential laboratory and surgical equipment ensuring uninterrupted teaching, clinical training, research, and service delivery with compliance to institutional standards.
Description:	Purchasing laboratory instruments, diagnostic equipment and restraining devices, Procuring surgical tools and clinical devices, Supplying specialized field equipment for teaching and research
Estimated budget:	100 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 08</b>	
<b>Repairing affected laboratory and clinical/ surgical equipment - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To restore functionality of affected laboratory and surgical equipment through repair and calibration, ensuring accuracy, safety, and continuity of training, research, and clinical services
Description:	Inspecting damaged equipment, Repairing/ replacing mechanical and electronic components, Calibrating instruments for accuracy and Testing & certifying restored equipment
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Partially committed by the VAAP Progress: 10%
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 09</b> <b>Procurement of Furniture and Office Equipment- DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To procure essential furniture and office equipment to support teaching, administration, and service functions
Description:	Purchasing desks, chairs, storage units, Procuring office equipment (3 desktop computers, multifunctional printers, accessories), Supplying teaching aids (Smart boards, Smart TVs, projectors) and administrative tools
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Partially committed by the VAAP Progress: 10%
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 10</b> <b>Refurbishment of One-Health Laboratory - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish the One-Health laboratory, ensuring safe, modern facilities for teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Purchasing desks, chairs, storage units and smart board
Estimated budget:	1 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 11</b> <b>Refurbishment of Sales Center - DFAPH &amp; VTH-FA</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish the DFAPH Sales Center to restore service functions and support student training in commerce and outreach
Description:	Repairing damaged structures, Painting and finishing interiors. Upgrading counters, POS system and cold storage facilities
Estimated budget:	1.5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anil Pushpakumara, +94714473861

<b>Project VET 12</b> <b>Refurbishment – CAADDR &amp; MD-DBVPF</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish facilities at CAADDR & MD-DBVPF, ensuring continuity of teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Repairing structural damages, Painting and finishing interiors and Restoring electrical, air conditioning & plumbing systems and Repairing of power generator
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 13</b> <b>Restoration of Internet and Communication Facilities – CAADDR &amp; MD-DBVPF</b>	
Objective:	To restore digital connectivity and communication systems at CAADDR & MD-DBVPF, supporting teaching, research, administration, and service delivery
Description:	Testing & installing network access points, Replacing L2 switch and transceivers, Procuring UPS backup systems and Deploying Wi-Fi access points
Estimated budget:	1.5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 14</b> <b>Refurbishment of Postmortem Room – PR-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish the postmortem room at DVPB, ensuring safe, hygienic, and functional facilities for teaching, research, and service
Description:	Repairing structural damages including roof, Painting and finishing interiors, Upgrading ventilation and lighting, Installing safety fixtures
Estimated budget:	6 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 15</b>	
<b>Procurement of Drugs, Chemicals, and Consumables – CAADDR, MD-DVPB &amp; PR-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To ensure continuous supply of essential drugs, chemicals, and consumables for teaching, research, and service delivery across CAADDR, MD-DVPB, and PR-DVPB.
Description:	Purchasing laboratory consumables, Culture media & reagents, Aquatic diagnostics & treatment supplies, Test kits, Sedatives & anesthetics, PPE, Fish feed & supplements and Aquarium accessories
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 17%
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 16</b>	
<b>Replacement of Positive-Control Materials and Reference Cultures – CAADDR &amp; MD-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To replace positive-control materials and reference cultures ensuring accuracy, reliability, and continuity of laboratory teaching, service functions and research
Description:	Procuring certified reference cultures, Replacing positive-control materials and Validating laboratory protocols
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 17</b>	
<b>Procurement of Laboratory Equipment – CAADDR &amp; MD-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To procure essential laboratory equipment for CAADDR & MD-DVPB, supporting teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Purchasing microscopes and imaging systems, diagnostic instruments, incubators, autoclaves, centrifuges, cold storage facilities, Procuring specialized laboratory devices for water quality assessment
Estimated budget:	50 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 18</b>	
<b>Repairing of Laboratory Equipment – CAADDR &amp; MD-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To repair and calibrate affected laboratory equipment ensuring accuracy, safety, and continuity of teaching and research
Description:	Inspecting damaged equipment, Repairing/replacing components, Calibrating instruments and Testing restored equipment
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Sent for repair to the local agents Progress: 2%
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 19</b>	
<b>Procurement of Furniture and Office Equipment – CAADDR, MD-DVPB &amp; PR-DVPB</b>	
Objective:	To procure furniture and office equipment supporting teaching, administration, and service delivery across CAADDR, MD-DVPB, and PR-DVPB
Description:	Purchasing desks, chairs, storage units, Procuring office equipment (desktop computers, multifunctional printers) and Supplying teaching aids (smart boards, multimedia projectors)
Estimated budget:	3 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 20</b>	
<b>Refurbishment of Fish Ponds, Aquarium, and Museum – CAADDR</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish fish ponds, aquarium, and museum at CAADDR, ensuring continuity of teaching, research, and outreach functions.
Description:	Repairing structural damages, Cleaning and restoring ponds, Procuring aquarium tanks, Painting and finishing museum areas, Installing safety fixtures & pumps and Supply of aquarium accessories
Estimated budget:	3 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. Samantha Jagoda, +94714440402

<b>Project VET 21</b> <b>Refurbishment – Bio-DBVS</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish Biochemistry laboratory facilities ensuring safe, modern infrastructure for teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Repairing structural damages in the floor area and drainage outlets, Painting and finishing interiors, Restoring electrical and plumbing systems
Estimated budget:	2.2 million LKR
Status:	Totally committed by PetsVCare and VetGrows Progress: 50%
Contact person:	Prof. Anura Jayasooriya, +94776379532

<b>Project VET 22</b> <b>Procurement of Chemicals and Consumables – BL-DBVS</b>	
Objective:	To ensure continuous supply of chemicals and consumables for teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Purchasing laboratory chemicals & Test kits, Procuring consumables & PPE, Supplying teaching and research materials
Estimated budget:	0.65 million LKR
Status:	Totally committed by SLVA Progress: 20%
Contact person:	Prof. Anura Jayasooriya, +94776379532

<b>Project VET 23</b> <b>Procurement of Laboratory Equipment – Bio-DBVS</b>	
Objective:	To procure essential laboratory equipment for Bio-DBVS, supporting teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Purchasing cold storage, analytical instruments, spectrophotometers, ovens, centrifuges, micropipettes, Procuring specialized nutrition laboratory devices (Ether Extractor, Fiber Analyzer, Muffle Furner, Fat analyzer, Bomb calorimeter, Kjeldahl Nitrogen analysis system with related consumables)
Estimated budget:	43 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anura Jayasooriya, +94776379532

<b>Project VET 24</b> <b>Repairing of affected Laboratory Equipment – Bio-DBVS</b>	
Objective:	To repair and calibrate affected laboratory equipment at Bio-DBVS ensuring accuracy, safety, and continuity of teaching and research
Description:	Inspecting damaged equipment, Repairing/ replacing components, Calibrating instruments and Testing restored equipment
Estimated budget:	5 million LKR
Status:	Initiated with the help of Vet Alumni Progress: 2%
Contact person:	Prof. Anura Jayasooriya, +94776379532

<b>Project VET 25</b> <b>Procurement of Furniture and Office Equipment – Bio-DBVS</b>	
Objective:	To procure furniture and office equipment supporting teaching, administration, and service delivery at Bio-DBVS
Description:	Purchasing desks, chairs, storage units, Procuring office equipment (desktop computers, multifunctional printers) and Supplying teaching aids (smart boards, multimedia projectors)
Estimated budget:	2.5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Anura Jayasooriya, +94776379532

<b>Project VET 26</b> <b>Refurbishment of WATMRU-DVCS</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish WATMRU-DVCS facilities ensuring safe, modern infrastructure for teaching, research, and service delivery
Description:	Repairing structural damages, Painting and finishing interiors, Restoring electrical and plumbing systems, Restoring bedding and animal feeding systems
Estimated budget:	1 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Nayana Wijayawardhane, +94718477428

<b>Project VET 27</b> <b>Procurement of Restraining Equipment – WATMRU-DVCS</b>	
Objective:	To procure restraining equipment for WATMRU-DVCS ensuring safe handling of animals during teaching, research, and clinical services
Description:	Purchasing animal restraining devices, Procuring safety equipment and protective gear
Estimated budget:	0.5 million LKR
Status:	Partially committed by the SLVA Progress: 20%
Contact person:	Prof. Nayana Wijayawardhane, +94718477428

<b>Project VET 28</b> <b>Repairing of Perimeter Fence and Enclosures – WATMRU-DVCS</b>	
Objective:	To repair and strengthen perimeter fencing and wild animal enclosures at WATMRU-DVCS, ensuring safety, security, and continuity of teaching, research, and service functions
Description:	Inspecting damaged perimeter fencing and enclosures, Repairing and reinforcing structural sections, Replacing broken panels, gates, and fixtures, Painting and treating surfaces for durability and Installing safety features to protect staff, students, and animals
Estimated budget:	0.45 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Prof. Nayana Wijayawardhane, +94718477428

<b>Project VET 29</b> <b>Refurbishment of Student Canteen and Kitchen</b>	
Objective:	To refurbish the canteen and kitchen ensuring safe, hygienic, and functional facilities for staff and students
Description:	Repairing structural damages, Painting and finishing interiors and Repairing electrical system
Estimated budget:	0.45 million LKR
Status:	Completed by Batch 1994/1995 & University funding Progress: 100%
Contact person:	Dr. Madura Munasinghe +94777281442

<b>Project VET 30</b>	
<b>Procurement of furniture and kitchen utensils for the Canteen</b>	
Objective:	To upgrade cooking, food serving and storage facilities of the canteen ensuring safe, hygienic, and functional facilities for staff and students
Description:	Procuring essential furniture and kitchen utensils
Estimated budget:	1 million LKR
Status:	Completed by Batch 1994/1995, Alltech Biotechnology Pvt Ltd & University funding Progress: 100%
Contact person:	Dr. Madura Munasinghe +94777281442

<b>Project VET 31</b>	
<b>Procurement of laptop and laser printer to the examination division</b>	
Objective:	To procure ICT equipment for the examination division, ensuring dedicated support for students with writing impairments in line with medical board recommendations
Description:	Purchasing a laptop and a laser printer
Estimated budget:	0.15 million LKR
Status:	Completed by Batch 1994/1995 Progress: 100%
Contact person:	Dr. Madura Munasinghe +94777281442

### Phase C: Long-Term Reconstruction & Modernization (VET 01 to Vet 03)

<b>Project VET 01</b>	
<b>Consultancy on Conceptual and Architectural Design for New Teaching Complex</b>	
Objective:	To engage consultancy services for the conceptual and architectural design of a flood-resilient, modern, inclusive, and functional teaching complex that supports teaching, clinical training, research, administration, and student welfare.
Description:	Conducting needs assessment and stakeholder consultations, Developing conceptual design proposals, Preparing architectural drawings and layouts, Integrating accessibility, safety, and sustainability features and Aligning design with institutional standards and future expansion plans
Estimated budget:	2.5 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. A.W. Kalupahana, +94713858581

<b>Project VET 02</b> <b>Construction of new teaching complex</b>	
Objective:	To construct a flood-resilient, modern, and inclusive teaching complex that provides functional facilities for teaching, clinical training, research, administration, and student welfare, while relocating flood-prone divisions, units, and the Department of FVMAS to ensure a resilient faculty
Description:	Executing construction based on approved conceptual and architectural designs, Building flood-resilient structural foundations and facilities, Developing classrooms, laboratories, clinical training areas, and administrative offices, Installing utilities, ICT infrastructure, and safety systems, Ensuring accessibility, sustainability, and compliance with institutional standards
Estimated budget:	2500 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. A.W. Kalupahana, +94713858581

<b>Project VET 03</b> <b>Construction of new teaching complex</b>	
Objective:	To procure modern, inclusive, and flood-resilient furniture, office, and teaching equipment for the new complex, ensuring functional, accessible, and sustainable facilities
Description:	Purchasing classroom furniture (desks, chairs, storage units), Procuring office equipment (computers, printers, ICT accessories) and Supplying teaching aids and laboratory furniture
Estimated budget:	100 million LKR
Status:	
Contact person:	Dr. A.W. Kalupahana, +94713858581

## Annexure 5: How to Contribute

FVMAS has been severely impacted by recent flooding. We are reaching out to our alumni, well-wishers, organizations and VEEs to help us restore our facilities and resume our vital work in animal care and education.

Monetary donations can be made directly to the **University of Peradeniya, with the deposit reference of the specific project (VET 01, VET 02, VET 031 etc.)**. You can also select specific project through **PeraRebuilt** web portal: <https://site.pdn.ac.lk/UOPdonation/index.php> and make online transfer.

### Bank Account Details:

**Account Number: 057-1001-5133-8031**  
**Account Name: Bursar - University of Peradeniya**  
**Bank Name: People's Bank - Peradeniya Branch**  
**Bank Code: 7135**  
**Swift Code: PSBKLKLX**

**Important:** Upon completion of your bank transfer, please notify the Bursar's office by sending the transaction details to [bursar@gs.pdn.ac.lk](mailto:bursar@gs.pdn.ac.lk)

**Please Note all donations made to the University of Peradeniya are deductible in computing taxable income under Sections 52 and I(b) (iii) of the Fifth Schedule of the Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017.**

Alternatively, monetary donations can be also made directly to the **Veterinary Alumni Association Peradeniya (VAAP), with the deposit reference "FVMAS REBUILD"**. If you wish to support a specific unit, please include the relevant **Deposit Reference** listed below. If you wish to support in kind or need to know more details, please reach out the following academic staff members if FVMAS.

### Bank Account Details

**Account Name:** Veterinary Alumni Association Peradeniya  
**Account No:** 057100190040893  
**Bank:** People's Bank  
**Branch:** Peradeniya  
**Swift Code:** PSBKLKLX

Additionally, online donations can be made directly to VAAP through Local fund-raising web portal (<https://karuna.lk/program/together-for-sri-lanka%E2%80%99s-one-and-only-veterinary-faculty.html> )

Affected Department / Unit	Deposit Reference	Contact Person	Contact #	e mail
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CAADDR (Dept. of Veterinary Pathobiology)	FVMAS REBUILD (CAADDR)	Dr. Samanthika Jagoda	+94714440402	samanthika@vet.pdn.ac.lk
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Wild Animal Treatment & Rehab Centre	FVMAS REBUILD (WILD ANIMAL TH)	Prof. Nayana Wijayawardhane	+94718477428	nayanaw@vet.pdn.ac.lk
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