

FROM THE EDITOR.....

Magampura or in other words Hambantota Port development project is one of the mega construction works undertaken by our country. In fact, it is the largest project to progress after the country was liberated from the clutches of terrorism. Though Sri Lanka does not have the land space to spare, the concept of this inland harbour is technically as well as economically favourable since almost all construction work could be handled under dry conditions.

It is needless to say that the major professional steering any such infrastructure project is the Engineer. From inception to completion and even beyond completion, an infrastructure project requires engineering inputs at all levels. In whatever scale one feels to perceive, successful completion of such a development project would make the players involved, especially the Engineers, feel proud and accomplished. It is achievements such as these that we could show with pride to our grand children.

However, the level of pride and accomplishment derived by us, the Engineers of Sri Lanka, is directly proportional to our positive involvement. We should look back and see whether it had been adequate and if we see that it is not, the only recourse would be to increase it by being confident, assertive and proactive. After all, who could be more conscientious about the future of our country than us?

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