A BLUEPRINT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF JAFFNA
It’s time to start thinking about Jaffna’s future
Expand Kankesanthurai (KKS) harbour with breakwater. Tap into increased shipping from Sethusamudram Project.

- Port- KKS
- Railhead- KKS
- Airport- Palali

Build an inter-nodal centre for freight transhipment. Local, Indian, Regional & International.
KKS Cement Works Re-established. Sea & Rail Linkages. Pre-cast concrete yard for Reconstruction
• Housing
• Bridges
• Drains
• Fencing
• Power/Telco and Light poles

Pre-cast/pre-fabricated construction enables projects to be completed speedily.
Palali airport to be developed into international airport for international and regional flights.
- Regional air cargo centre.
- Jaffna as India’s gateway to Sri Lanka.
- Balloon and light aircraft flying club.
PALALI BUSINESS & IT PARK

To be developed along the lines similar to Changi Business Park, Singapore and ITPL, Whitefield, Bangalore.

- Integrated It services and business park to tap into Jaffna citizens’ natural capacity for education.
- To encourage investment and involvement of Jaffna expatriates.
- Proximity to airport allows for easy linkages.
Pt. Pedro port to be development with new Breakwater construction.

- Boat-building industries
- Manthikai Hospital redevelopment
- Commercial Hub for Vadamarachchi
- Shopping Mall
- Fisherman’s GPS station and Lighthouse
Maritime College.

- Training of merchant seamen
- Draw on experience of VVT seamen who have served internationally
- Fisherman’s GPS station
Engineering Faculty, University of Jaffna, Vallipuram Campus.

- Ample land for building workshops and hostels
- Specialise in Naval Architecture & Maritime Engineering
- Proximity to Bay of Bengal and Lagoon
- Development of water supply, sewerage and electricity infrastructure
- Will generate employment and economic opportunities for local villages.
Also supported by Polytechnical level institution.

- Marine Engineering Vocational College
- Boat Building and Naval Architecture.
- Producing Technicians and Maintenance Personnel.
Reconstruct and rehabilitate salt production.

• Construct on site packing plant
• Generate employment and business opportunities for people in Pallai and Paranthan.
Reconstruction and redevelopment of Important zonal town in Thenmarachchi.

• District Hospital redevelopment with OT facilities
• Commercial Hub for Thenmarachchi
• Shopping Mall to rejuvenate local businesses
TRANSPORTATION

Widening and improving all major roads
• Jaffna to KKS
• Jaffna to Point Pedro
• Jaffna to Palali
• Raja Veethy
• Jaffna to Kandy (A9) highway

Sub urban rail-link and zonal rail service.
• KKS to Pallai
• Jaffna to Vavuniya
• DMU trains running at half hour intervals to encourage commuting.
CITY OF JAFFNA REDEVELOPMENT

Reconstruction and redevelopment of most culturally and commercially important city in the North.
• Town to be redeveloped for increased commercial activity.
• Bus stand to be relocated behind Railway Station to create integrated transport interchange (European model.
• Land freed up by bus-stand relocation frees up land for General Hospital expansion.
• Modern shopping malls to cater for returning Jaffna expatriates will generate local business and employment.
• Development of 3, 4 and 5 star Hotels for business and family stay.
Reconstruction and redevelopment of General Hospital to International Standards.
• Facilities and housing provision to encourage returning Jaffna expatriate doctors.
• Psychology and rehabilitation facilities to expand to cater to war trauma victims.
• This could be de-centralised by redeveloping premises at Kaithady.
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• Target 100% tap water supply to all homes within JMC area.
• Target 100% sewer system to all homes within JMC area.
• Electricity supply/production to be boosted to cater.
• Long term target to implement above schemes to all towns and villages across Jaffna Penninsula.
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Jaffna Teaching Hospital and University Sports Complex.
• Teaching Hospital to be built to International Standards on land allocated.
• Facilities and housing should encourage Jaffna expatriate doctors to return and serve.
• University Sports Complex to be built on land allocated.
• To encourage youth to participate and produce athletes & sportsmen of local, regional and international standards.
To build on Jaffna’s historical heritage as the City of the Yarl (harp/lyre) and tap into Jaffna peoples love of art, music and culture.

- To develop existing institutions and create new music and dance studios.
- Recording studios/ TV studios.
- International standards for collaboration between Jaffna artistes and others from Sri Lanka, the Region and Jaffna expatriate artistes.
- To encourage private sector initiative and investment.
• To encourage and develop existing cottage industry to international marketing levels.
• To value-add similar to Cuban cigars
• “Jaffna Cigar” target as internationally recognised brand similar to Cuban cigars and French wine.
Traditionally people from here have moved to Jaffna and elsewhere due to lack of opportunities. To encourage development and local initiatives, implement piped drinking water supply and distribution schemes. Kayts as zonal commercial zone. International standard shopping mall to generate employment and local business opportunities.
• Karainagar Casuarina Beach to be developed into Beach Resort complete with Hotels and helicopter linkage to Palali Airport.
• Target international tourists, Sri Lankans and Jaffna Expatriates..
• Improve existing causeway linkages to Jaffna by expanding.
• Possible light rail linking islands to Jaffna town.
• Jaffna Fort/Muttha Velli redeveloped into Esplanade like Galle Face Green in Colombo.
• Hydrofoil boat service linking Jaffna to Mannar and Colombo along west coast. Also along east coast to Mullaitivu and Trincomallee.
• Cruise boat for Jaffna expatriate and Sri Lankan honeymooners linking KKS to Colombo. Fly into Colombo on your honeymoon, cruise up to KKS and Jaffna.
• Manalkaadu Extreme Sports Zone at the sand dunes and coast of Vadamaraachchi East.
• Mountain Biking, 4WD rally safari.
• Will encourage development and employment amongst local villages.
• Students and graduates from nearby Jaffna University Engineering Faculty and Polytechnic will find outlets for work and relaxation.
• Recreation outlets for Jaffna expats and other Sri Lankans.
• Power boat racing, paragliding along coast of Ariyalai and Vadamaaraachchi East.
• Marina development at Kayts.
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• Transport across Jaffna Lagoon, Kopai Kadal, Vallai Velli and to Jaffna Islands by-
  • Hovercraft
  • Amphibious vehicle
  • Airboats
• Various sizes and designs for private and public transport of persons and goods.
OTHER INITIATIVES

• International Cricket and Soccer Stadium at Tellipallai.
• These are just some ideas forming a vision for Jaffna.
• Both State and Private Sector investment and involvement will be needed for successful execution and sustenance.
• Serious feasibility studies and plans will have to be drawn up by Professional Consultants.
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