

Resolution of the OGP Steering Committee Regarding the Participation Status of Sri Lanka in the Open Government Partnership

10 May 2024

The Steering Committee welcomes the Government of Sri Lanka's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP) since its accession in 2015.

The Government of Sri Lanka has been under Procedural Review since February 2023 due to acting contrary to the OGP process for over three consecutive cycles¹ (failing to meet minimum standards in its 2019-2021 action plan, and not delivering an action plan in 2021 or 2022). Furthermore, it has not delivered a new action plan by the deadline of 31 December 2023, thereby acting contrary to the OGP process again.

In light of not delivering an action plan for three consecutive years, the Steering Committee resolves to designate the Government of Sri Lanka as inactive in the OGP for one year from the date of this resolution.

The inactivity status will be lifted upon the delivery of an OGP action plan, developed in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation Standards.

Should the Government of Sri Lanka fail to submit an action plan within the next year or work with the Steering Committee to establish a clear roadmap for its delivery, the Government of Sri Lanka will be automatically withdrawn from the list of OGP members as of 10 May 2025.

The Steering Committee remains fully committed to providing necessary assistance to facilitate the Government of Sri Lanka's continued engagement in the Partnership.

Inactive countries are ineligible to participate in Steering Committee elections, and may only attend OGP events as observers for learning purposes. The inactive status of a country will be publicly indicated on the OGP website and other relevant platforms, such as OGP social media channels or membership lists. Any country, whether active or inactive, retains the option to withdraw from the OGP at any time.

¹ Letter for reference:

https://www.opengovpartnership.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Sri-Lanka_Resolution-by-CS-Subcommittee_20230414.pdf