

# **Evangelical Alliance of Sri Lanka**

# BA Opportunity—Business Training & Coaching

# **Summary**

We are currently seeking a team of committed, experienced businesspeople to come alongside our local partner, National Christian Evangelical Alliance of Sri Lanka (NCEASL, or The Alliance for short.) as a Business Affiliate (BA) team.

NCEASL serves an average of 500 people annually who are involved in income-generating activities across the island. Assistance has been provided through grants and micro-finance loans to more than 5,000 clients over the last 15 years.

The Alliance has identified business training and mentoring as a critical need to help these beneficiaries grow their businesses and become sustainable. Together we are creating a national pool of 100 Business Facilitators who will conduct feasibility assessments and provide business training to these micro business owners – many of whom are church planters, persecuted believers, widows of war, and from other marginalized communities.

The BA team will equip these business facilitators to train, mentor, and coach these entrepreneurs across diverse sectors, and help identify business solutions to grow these businesses from subsistence to the next level. In the long term the BA team will also help NCEASL develop their organizational capacity and local sustainability and resilience.

## **Qualifications**

- Experience in Agriculture and Business growth
- A passion to equip micro entrepreneurs at the grassroots level
- Support the training and mentoring of a business facilitator
- Ability to transfer knowledge to local context and create innovative market solutions
- A heart of service and spirit of partnership

#### **LCI Overview**

NCEASL is an umbrella organization of all evangelical churches, denominations, seminaries and para-church organizations in Sri Lanka, representing over 200,000 Christians. The National Christian Evangelical Alliance of Sri Lanka has a national staff of 75.

#### The BA Role

- Have a monthly call with the LCI leaders and PW Partnership Manager
- · Visit the partnership in Sri Lanka at least once per year
- Help contribute financially to the partnership
- Recruit other BA team members and help grow the partnership

#### **Take Action**

Do you have skills that match up with the needs of NCEASL? Don't wait. We need your help in fighting poverty around the world. Send an email to **info@partnersworldwide.org** to inquire about this opportunity, and become a part of Ending Poverty for Good.



### Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka is a South Asian nation located just southeast of India.

Sri Lanka has a population of 21 million, with 45% of the people living on less than \$5 per day. The GDP per capita is \$4,065. There is a vast gap between rich and poor.

Sri Lanka is a largely agricultural economy, but ethnic tensions, political corruption, and heavy dependence on imports have hampered the country's economy.