

## **Spatial inequality of Development in Sri Lanka:**

### **The Case of Gamapaha District**

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The widening regional disparity of development within the developing countries has been identified as a major issue by policy makers as well as scholars since the Second World War. Persistent poor living conditions and stagnations economic have left some regions of these countries in more backwardness. This has led to crisis situations at global as well as local levels throughout the second half of 20<sup>th</sup> century. The former Secretary General of UN, Koffi Annan (2005) implies that even the basic issues have not been solved in these countries at this moment of time.

*"...today, as we celebrate sixty years of our United Nations, we must recognize that the world today is very different from that of our founders. The United Nations must reflect this new age, and respond to its challenges including first and foremost, the knowledge that hundred of millions of people are left defenseless against hunger, disease and environmental degradation, even though the world has the means to rescue them. Leaders of both rich and poor countries committed themselves detailed policies which, if fully implemented, could rescue hunger and poverty by 50 per cent in the next ten years."*