

**CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY DISCLOSURE LEVEL
IN SRI LANKAN FIRMS**



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Abstract

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) has become great importance in recent years. Most of entities perform CSR activities for its stakeholders than shareholders. This has led to the emergence of new dimension in financial reporting known as social responsibility reporting. It is not mandatory in Sri Lanka as in many other countries. Hence CSR disclosures are provided in the voluntary disclosures.

Today, every stake holders show a keen interest on enhanced disclosure by companies. The concept of corporate social responsibility (CSR) is a growing concept in the world and CSR reporting has become position in the bundle of general-purpose financial statements. The purpose of the study is to identify corporate responsibility disclosure level in Sri Lankan firms. This study was based on secondary data gathered through the annual reports of 50 listed companies in Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) over the last two years (2011, 2012). The selected sample represents the all the firms and CSR disclosure is measured by using Global Reporting Initiatives (GRI guidelines). Here 24 GRI indicators are used to measure CSR disclosure level.

Findings of the study revealed that the Corporate Social Responsibility disclosure level in Sri Lankan firms is at a Low level As well as CSR subcategories (economic activities related CSR, environmental activities related CSR, and Social activities related CSR) also become in a low disclosure level as individually. Then there is a need of much improvement in governance economical, social & environmental disclosures which are the major component of sustainability. It is resulted a significant positive relationship between disclosure of CSR with the company financial performance.

Key Words: Corporate Social Responsibility, Disclosure level

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