

Management of Heritage Sites in Sri Lanka

A Case Study: Sigiriya



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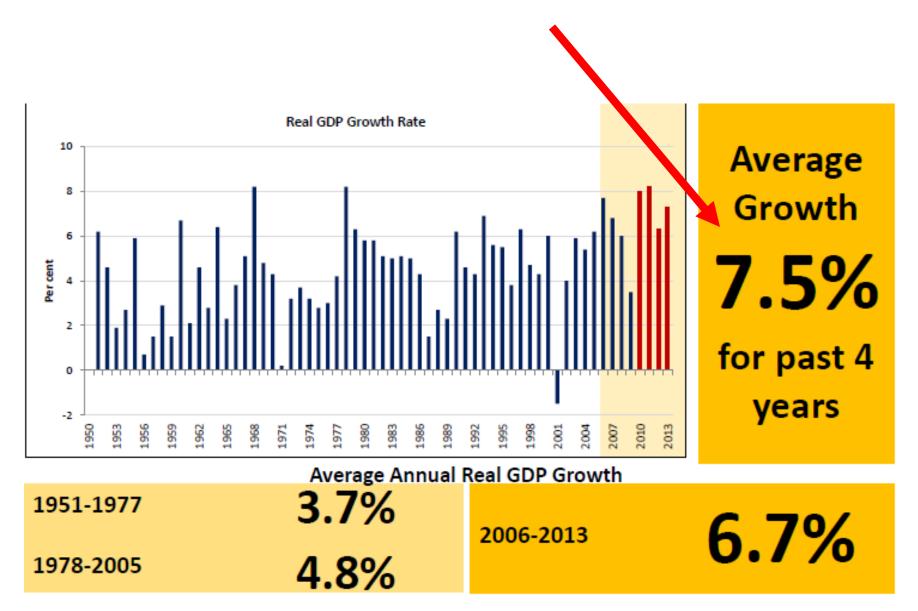
Agenda

- Sri Lanka – *snap shot*

- Management of Heritage Sites – pick ups



Sri Lanka....



(Source: Central Bank, April 2014)

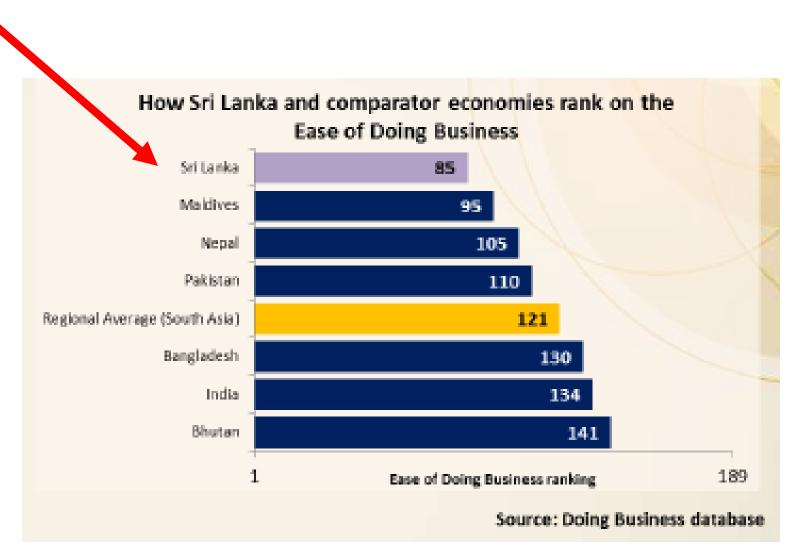
Sri Lanka.... Brand value beat GDP value in 2015....

Values in \$ billion

Year	Brand Value		% growth	GDP Value
2011	23		31%	59.1
2012	31		34%	59.3
2013	45		45%	67.1
2014	61		35%	73.4
2015(Est)	79		30%	78
2016(Est)	102		30%	83

(Source: Brand Value-UK and Central Bank- 2015)

Sri Lanka best in Asia....



(((Source: World Bank -2015)

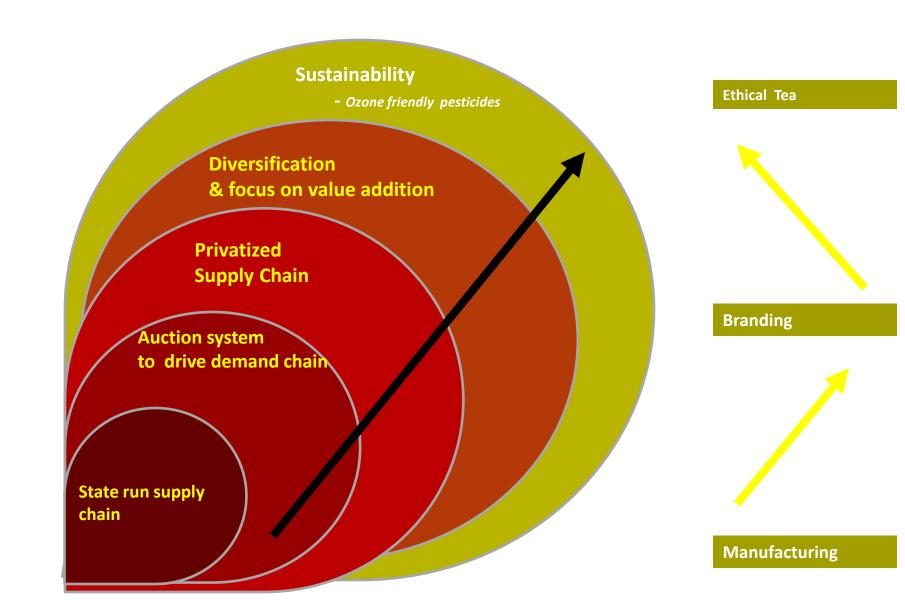


SL's Tea Industry

\$0.65 b in 1990 is \$1.6bn in 2015...



Ceylon Tea....leadership



The World's First Ethical Tea Producer





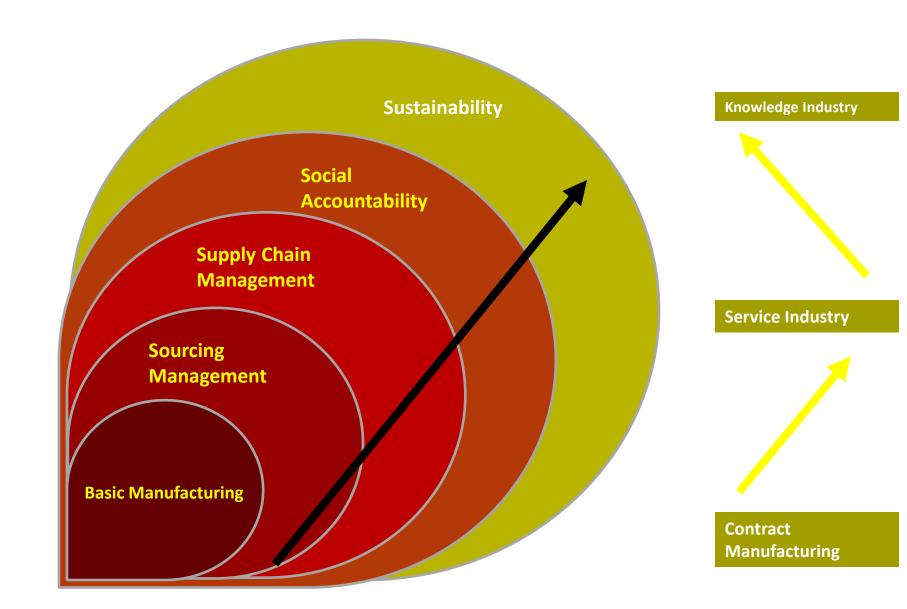


SL's Apparel Industry

\$0.2b in 1990 is \$4.5bn in 2015...



Sri Lanka's apparel Industry



The World's First Ethical Sourcing Destination

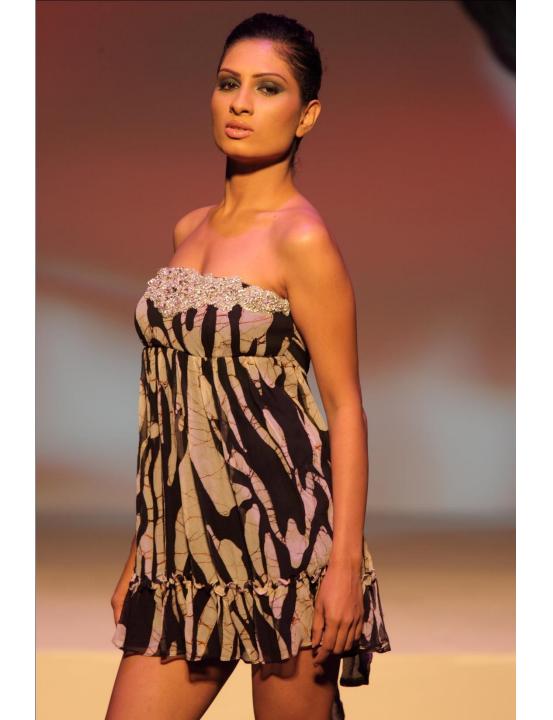




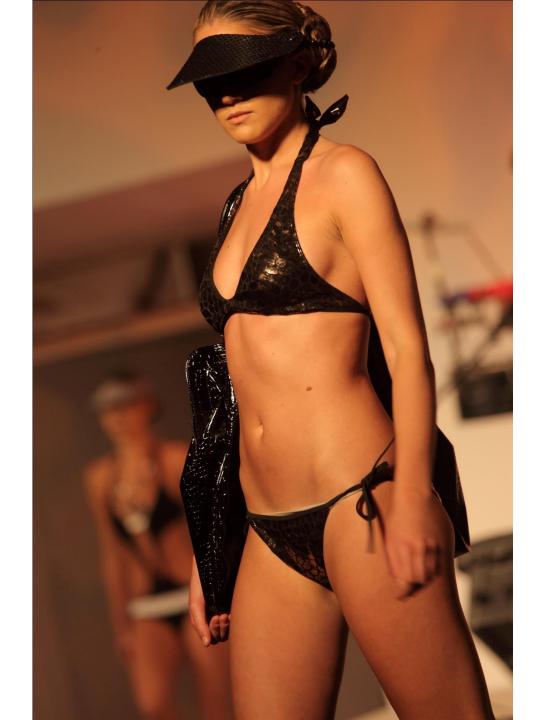




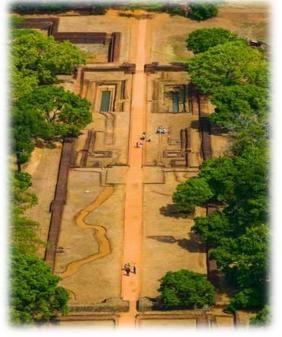








Sriblanka wonder of Asia



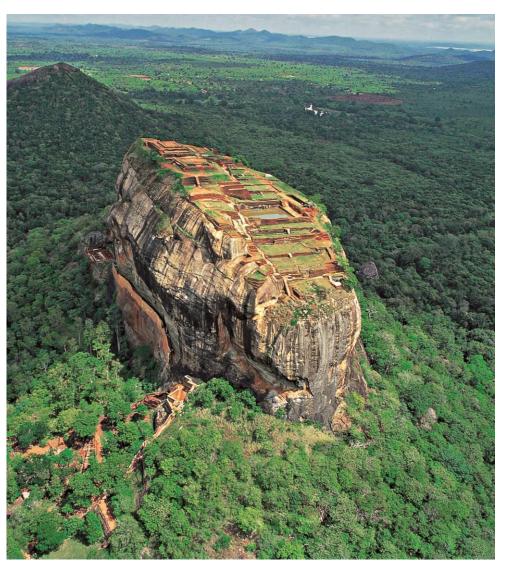
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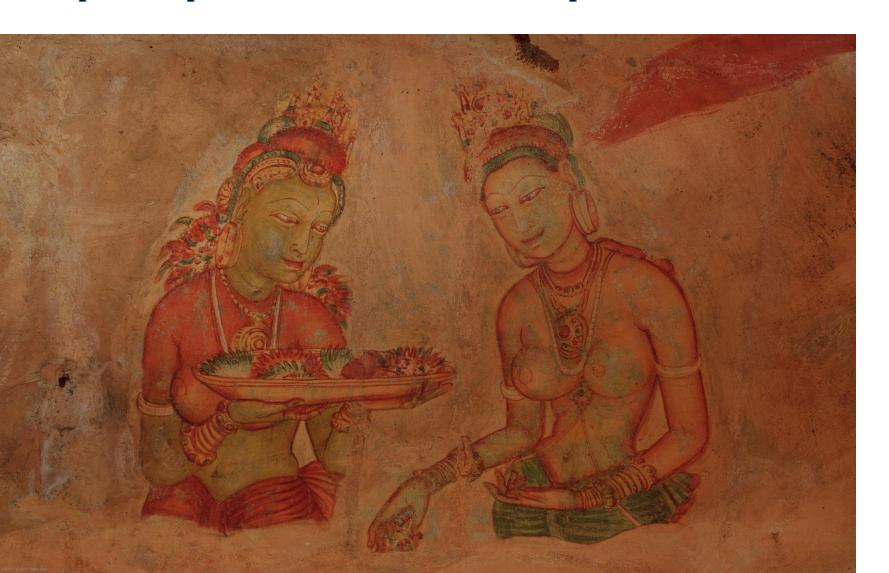
Sigiriya: World Heritage Site



Expose to the world about the site with new findings

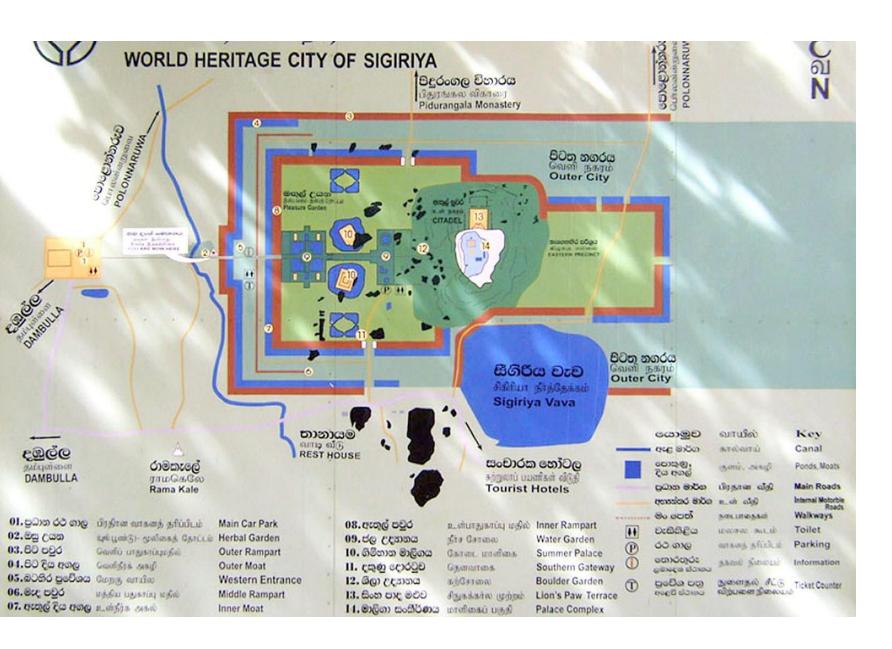
- The name of this place is derived from this structure —Sīhāgiri, the Lion Rock
- Sigiriya today is a UNESCO listed World Heritage Site. It is one of the best preserved examples of ancient urban planning. It is the most visited historic site in Sri Lanka.
- Name refers to a site of historical and archaeological significance that is dominated by a massive column of rock nearly 200 metres (660 ft) high.
- Ancient Sri Lankan chronicle the Culavamsa, this site was selected by King Kasyapa (477 – 495 CE) for his new capital. He built his palace on the top of this rock and decorated its sides with colourful frescoes.
- On a small plateau about halfway up the side of this rock he built a gateway in the form of an enormous lion.
- The capital and the royal palace was abandoned after the king's death.
 It was used as a Buddhist monastery until the 14th century.

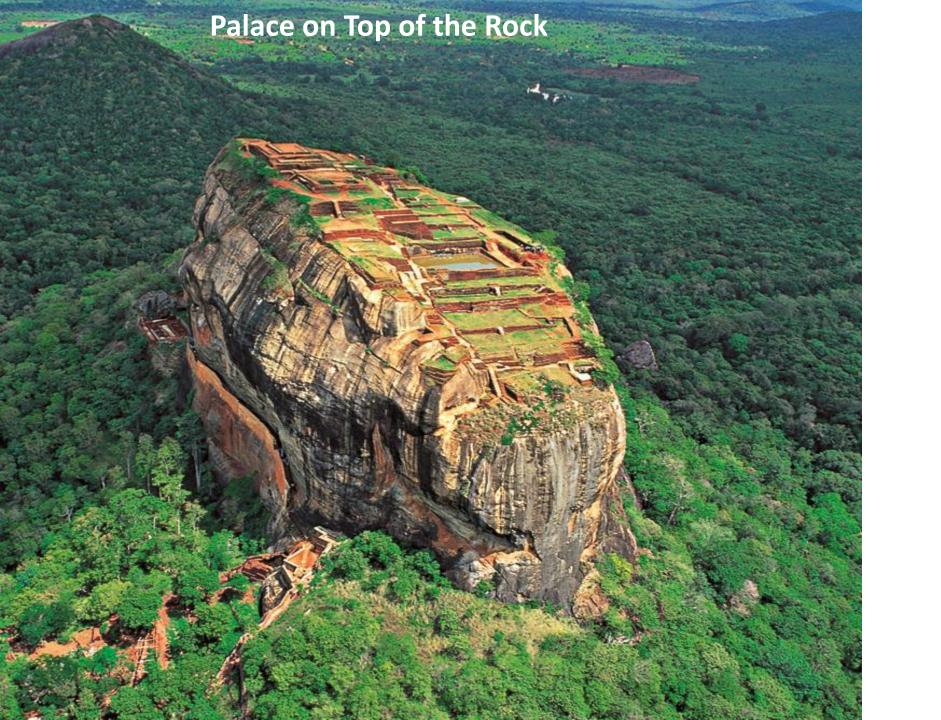
Review of Secondary information, previous excavations done and previous reports published on the respective site



PREPARATION OF MASTER PLAN FOR SITE MANAGEMENT

SITE MAP

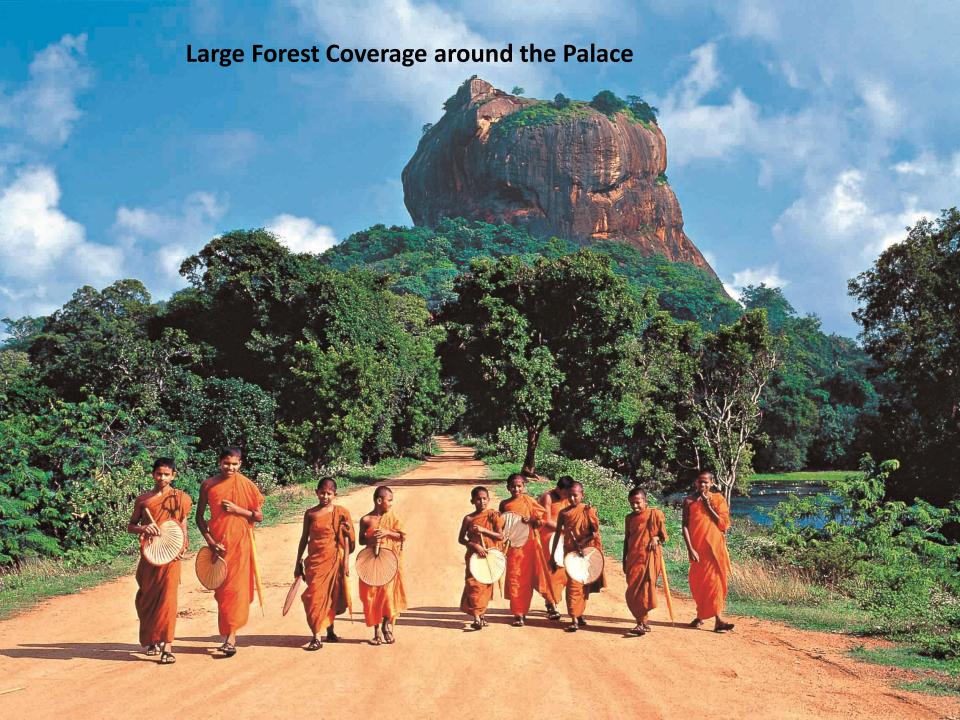






ROCK PAINTINGS...

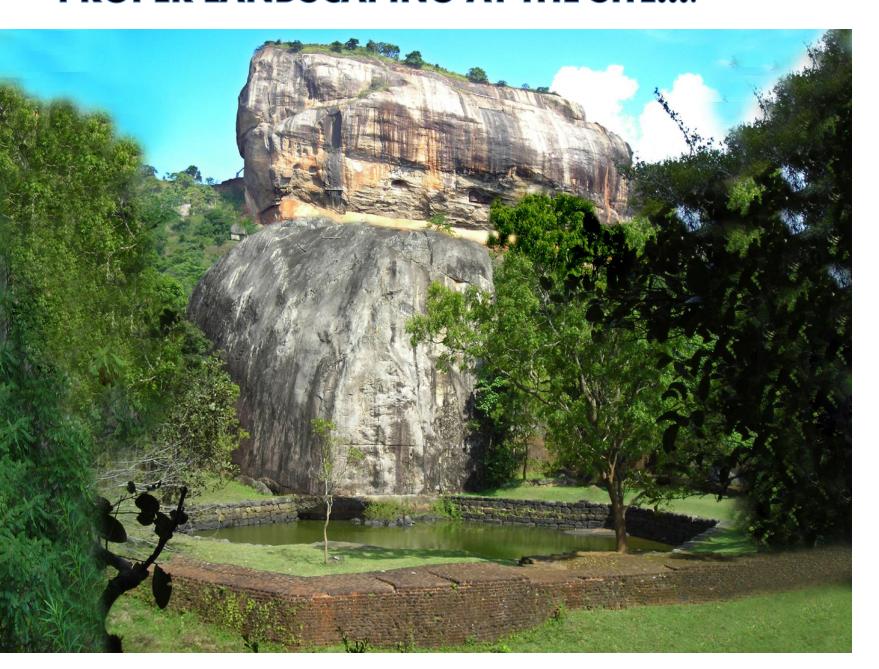




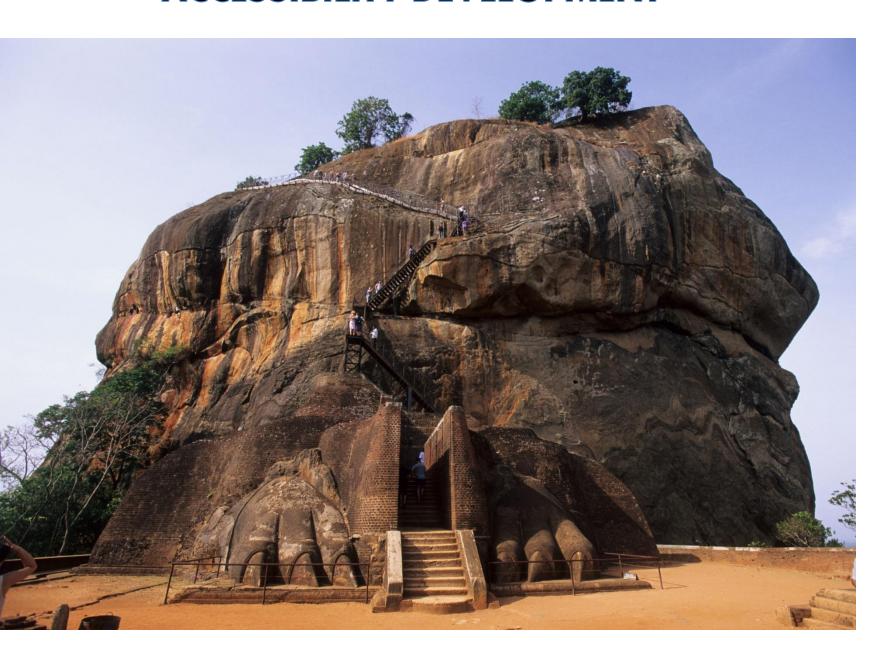
How to market.....

- Story of the site using latest technology
- Speedy ticket issuing & checking counters
- Water supply & sanitation
- Public Sanitation system in a proper place
- Installation of signages system
- High tech to provide the description of the site story to the visitors
- Brochures, DVD's and other information materials
- High quality souvenir shop
- Accessibility development
- Landscaping development
- Museum development to provide information to the visitors

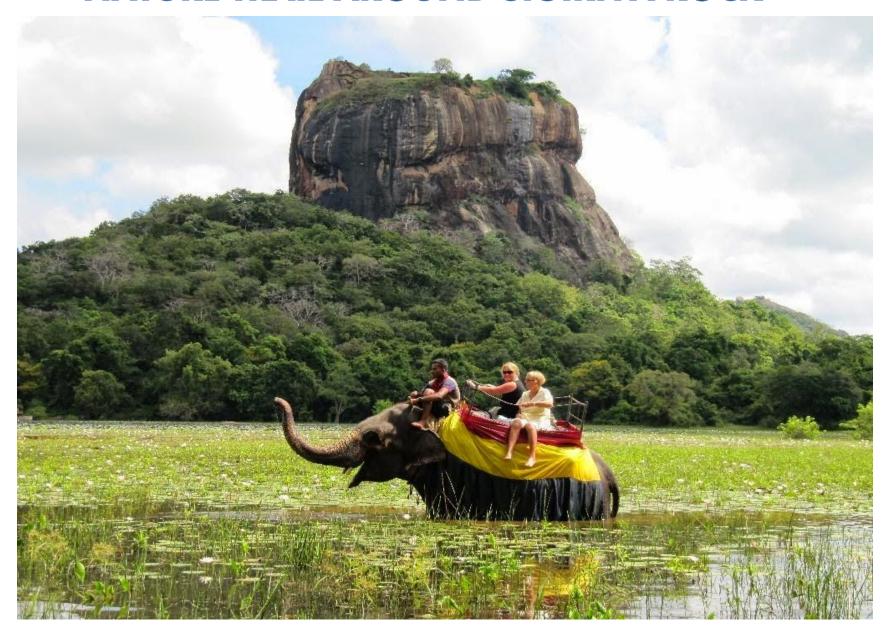
PROPER LANDSCAPING AT THE SITE....



ACCESSIBILITY DEVELOPMENT



NATURE TRAIL AROUND SIGIRIYA ROCK



Few more.....

- Community involvement for the site conservation & management providing incentive system
- Human resource management for the site (Training for site guides, technical staff, labours, administrative officials, site managers, security personnel's)
- Proper parking facilities for the vehicles
- Setting up a unit for emergency situation (first aids service, security)
- Value addition development (Eg: Hot air balloon, mobile site photographers, miniatures of the site as souvenirs
- Financial management



