OECD-DAC Secretariat Foot Note to JV Pilot Country Progress Reports (June and August 2007)

1. Name of the Pilot Country

Sri Lanka

2. Which organizations or groups participated in the planning and implementation of the assessment exercise?
   a) Self assessment which involved prior discussions of the TORs and the assessment exercise methodology with the World Bank
   b) Stakeholder workshop with the public and private sectors was held to validate indicators, scope and the planned methodology (June 18 – 22, 2007).
   c) Seven ministries which procured in excess of USD 90M in 2005/2006 participated

3. The validation of the assessment exercise and of the results of the assessment is a useful measurement of the transparency and credibility of the assessment exercise. Stakeholders of the procurement process, such as civil society organizations, the private sector, the development partner community, the media and political and administrative authorities of the government, are consulted at the stages of planning and reviewing the results of the assessment.

   a) Did this assessment exercise include a validation process?
      Yes – a second workshop was held on Aug. 15 with a broader range of stakeholders to validate results and devise strategies for improving weak areas through partnerships with public and private sector institutions and with civil society.

   b) If so, which stakeholders or groups were involved?
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