



## **Empowering Men to Engage in and Redefine Gender Equality**

A project adopted by CARE International Sri Lanka, in 2011

Empowering Men to Engage and Redefine Gender Equality' (EMERGE) project is a pioneering effort that addresses persistent issues of gender inequality and GBV through the engagement of men. The emphasis of the EMERGE project is on transforming attitudes, perceptions and practices of gender inequality in various forms, working with men and boys to this end.

Act4, Theatre for Change, facilitated the formation of one Tamil and one Sinhala speaking forum theatre groups comprising of village youth and young adults. The project is being implemented in two districts of Sri Lanka Polonnaruwa and Nawalapitiya, across 30 villages and 5 estates.

The groups created by Act4 have successfully launched more than 150 performances in the Central and North Central provinces to fulfill the objectives of EMERGE project.

These Successors both at a local level (community, divisional and district) and in its advocacy efforts at a broader national level.