

Name of the agency	Mandates of the agency
Ministry of Environment (MOE)	Overall management of the environment and natural resources of the country. Formulating key policies, strategies, and guidelines for the environmental management.
Central Environmental Authority	Overall responsibility for protecting water Environment
Environment pollution control and chemical management division	Policy formulation and implementation on water quality management
Water Resources Board	Scientific characterization, mapping, and preparation of comprehensive and integrated plans for the conservation, utilization, control, and development of groundwater resources.
National Water Supply & Drainage Board	Operational development and installation of public and private water supply schemes based on groundwater and coordinate sewerage systems.
Department of Irrigation	Regulation and control of inland waters
Mahaweli Authority	Maintenance of Mahaweli River and its reservoirs for development of lands for agriculture.
Coast Conservation & Coastal Resources Management Department	Conservation of the coastal zone and management of its resources.
Marine Environment Protection Authority (MEPA)	Protect the marine environment from ship based and shore based maritime related activity