

# TRANSMISSION LINE DESIGN COST CALCULATOR

VER 1.0.0

## USER GUIDE

### 1. Requirements

- Microsoft Excel 2013 or later (2016, 365 etc.)
- Macros must be enabled
- Internet connection is required to update exchange rates during the starting-up of the program, and must be allowed if prompted by a Windows notification.

**NOTE:** If internet connection is not established, the exchange rates will be the last updated figures.

### 2. Program Outlook

This program contains 6 excel worksheets

Introduction	Input	Standard Costs	Standard Data	Externalities	Result
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<b>Introduction</b>	Landing Page of the program
<b>Input</b>	Route Data should be entered here
<b>Standard Costs</b>	Contains cost values of the necessary items
<b>Standard Data</b>	Contains other necessary data including regulations
<b>Externalities</b>	<a href="#">Under Construction</a>
<b>Result</b>	Gives the cost comparison after the Route Data has been entered

### 3. Using the Program

#### a. Adding a new Route Data

Start by going to the Input page.

Company Name (Company Name Here)	Project Name (Project Name Here)	Line Voltage 132 kV	OPTION 1 <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	OPTION 2 <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	OPTION 3 <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	OPTION 4 <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>
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Add your company name and project name in the respective cell (OPTIONAL)

Select a Line Voltage from the 3 options: 132, 220 and 400

**NOTE:** This value can be changed later. But whatever the value selected will be applied for all line routes in the same project. The program does not allow comparison between 2 lines of different voltage levels

Click the **EDIT** Button under OPTION 1 to start adding the Route Data of your first line option. This will open the form corresponding to Option 1

Add/Edit Route Data

**Option 1**

Conductor Type	Circuit Type	IMPORT	SAVE & EXIT					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> ACSR Lynx	<input type="radio"/> Single							
<input type="radio"/> ACSR Zebra	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Double							
<input type="radio"/> ACCC Silvassa	<input type="radio"/> Quad							
Tower Type	Suspension	Gantry	Crop	None	Over	0	Max	0 m
Distance from Previous	0	m	Body Extension	0	Count	0	Estimated Avg Value of Land + Property	0 LKR
Foundation	Shallow	Leg Extension	0	Crossing	Choose Best	0	Crossing	Choose Best
0	Terminal	0	Shallow	0	Over	0	0	0
<b>ADD</b>								
<b>UPDATE</b>								
<b>DELETE</b>								
<b>DELETE ALL</b>								

Conductor Type and Circuit Type is common for the Route. All other parameters have to be defined for each tower in the Route.

First tower of the line (Starting Terminal) will be added by default. (You will not need to change its values except maybe for Foundation)

For all other towers, consider the line segment between itself and the previous tower while adding the parameters. Once all parameters for a tower is set, click **ADD** button to add it to the route

**NOTE:** Body Extension cannot be added manually by the user. Program will study the other parameters and assign a body extension where necessary

**NOTE:** Distance (span) is limited to values between 10m and the max span for the selected voltage

**For Obstacles found in the line segment,**

**Trees**      Select Type of Crop

Give a manual count / select Average (program will calculate an average value)

Select how you want to cross (Over / Fell). By selecting 'Choose Best', you can allow the program to decide on the least cost incurring method

**Houses** Mention the total number of houses in the line segment and the number of houses above the limit (figure is displayed) separately.

Select how you want to cross (Over / Raze). Selecting 'Raze All' will demolish all houses, whereas 'Raze' will demolish only the ones above the limit. By selecting 'Choose Best', you can allow the program to decide on the least cost incurring method

If you select 'Raze' or 'Choose Best', enter the average land+property value of the houses above the limit. If you select 'Raze All', enter the average land+property value of all the houses.

Add/Edit Route Data X

**Option 1**

Conductor Type	<input checked="" type="radio"/> ACSR Lynx <input type="radio"/> ACSR Zebra <input type="radio"/> ACCC Helsinki	Circuit Type	<input type="radio"/> Single <input checked="" type="radio"/> Double <input type="radio"/> Quad
Tower Type		IMPORT	SAVE & EXIT
Distance from Previous		EXPORT	
Foundation			
Suspension		Houses	Over
200 m		9.95m	0 m
Body Extension		Crop	Max Height
0		None	0 m
Count		Estimated Avg Value of Land + Property	LKR
Shallow		Leg Extension	3500000
0		Over	Raze All
Crossing		Crossing	Over
ADD			
UPDATE			

**Route Data Table:**

Index	Type	Distance	Foundation	Body Extension	Leg Extension	Conductor	Coat	Crossing	Over	Count	Estimated Avg Value of Land + Property	Action
0	Terminal	0	Shallow	0	0	None	0	Over	0	0	0	Over
1	Suspension	200	Shallow	0	0	Coconut	Average	Choose Best	0	0	0	Over
2	Suspension	200	Shallow	1	0	0	None	Over	2	0	0	Raze All
3	Terminal	200	Shallow	0	0	None	0	Over	0	0	0	Over

After All towers have been added click **SAVE & EXIT** button. This will save the Line Route as Option 1. Cell corresponding to Option 1 will be highlighted in yellow colour.

**NOTE:** The last tower of the Route Data should always be of terminal type. The program doesn't allow you to save the Route otherwise.

## b. Editing an existing Route Data

When you save one option, the next option will become available for editing, which you can use to add another Route Data in the same way described above.

<b>OPTION 1</b>  <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	<b>OPTION 2</b>  <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	<b>OPTION 3</b>  <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>	<b>OPTION 4</b>  <input type="button" value="EDIT"/>
<input type="button" value="CALCULATE"/>	<input type="button" value="CLEAR ALL"/>		

Clicking the **EDIT** button under a previously added option will load up its Route Data. You can modify individual towers by selecting them from the list, changing their values and clicking the **UPDATE** button.

**DELETE** button deletes the selected tower. If no tower is selected, it deletes the last tower from the list.

**DELETE ALL** button deletes all the towers from the list (Including the starting terminal)

## c. Importing / Exporting a Route Data

If you need your Route Data to be used in a different project or if you wish to store it for later use, you can export it as a txt file. Click the **EDIT** button corresponding to the Route Data and click **EXPORT** to save it as txt file.

Such files can later be imported into the program using the **IMPORT** button.

## d. Calculating Cost

After the Route options have been entered press the **CALCULATE** button to calculate and compare the financial costs incurred by each line. Pressing the button will automatically redirect to the 'Result' sheet.

COST ESTIMATION REPORT								SAVE AS PDF		
		Unit Price (LKR)	Qty	OPTION 1 Item Cost (LKR)	Qty	OPTION 2 Item Cost (LKR)	Qty	OPTION 3 Item Cost (LKR)	Qty	OPTION 4 Item Cost (LKR)
<b>Construction Costs</b>										
Towers	Suspension	1,449,327.94	2	2,898,655.87	1	1,449,327.94				
	Angle	2,699,373.28			1	2,699,373.28				
	Terminal	2,898,655.87	2	5,797,311.74	2	5,797,311.74				
Foundations	Pile	3,500,000.00		-		-				
	Shallow	1,500,000.00	4	6,000,000.00	4	6,000,000.00				
	Rock Anchored	2,800,000.00		-		-				
Conductor	ACSR Lynx	634,080.97	3.6	2,282,691.50		-				
	ACSR Zebra	960,179.76		-	5.4	5,184,970.69				
	ACCC Helsinki	543,497.98		-		-				
Insulator Strings		108,699.60	132	14,348,346.57	165	17,935,433.21				
Gantries		31,341,716.62		-		-				
Erection & Stringing		540,000.00	3.6	1,944,000.00	5.4	2,916,000.00				

Press **SAVE AS PDF** button to export the comparison as a PDF document.

## 4. Configuring Built in Data

### Standard Costs

CONSTRUCTION				Exchange Rates (x-rates.com)			
Towers	132	220	400	Sri Lankan Rupee	1.00 LKR	inv. 1.00 LKR	LKR
Suspension Tower	8000 USD	10000 USD	12000 USD	US Dollar	0.00552	181.165992	USD
Angle Tower	14900 USD	16000 USD	17500 USD	Euro	0.004985	200.587884	EUR
Terminal Tower	16000 USD	17000 USD	18000 USD	British Pound	0.004199	238.144047	BPD
Foundations	132	220	400	Indian Rupee	0.390932	2.557989	INR
Pile Foundation	3500000 LKR	4000000 LKR	4500000 LKR	Australian Dollar	0.008071	123.898599	
Shallow Foundation	1500000 LKR	1750000 LKR	1900000 LKR	Canadian Dollar	0.007306	136.874984	
Rock Anchoring	2800000 LKR	3000000 LKR	3400000 LKR	Singapore Dollar	0.007508	133.197984	
Conductors (per km)				Swiss Franc	0.005442	183.764402	
ACSR Lynx	3500 USD	132kV options		Malaysian Ringgit	0.022988	43.501712	
ACSR Zebra	5300 USD			Japanese Yen	0.600146	1.66626	JPY
ACCC Helsinki	3000 USD						
ACSR Zebra	5300 USD	220kV options					
ACSR Goat	4100 USD						
ACCC Casablanca	4000 USD						
ACSR Moose	7200 USD	400kV options					
ACSR Camel	6600 USD						
ACCC Oslo	5500 USD						

Change the cost value of any item and the currency type (from the list of given currencies)

**NOTE:** Do not change the names of Conductors and Trees in this sheet. Those data are automatically updated from 'Standard Data' sheet

## Standard Data

				REGULATIONS			
Crop	Avg/Sq.km	Height		Rated Voltage	132 kV	220 kV	400 kV
Coconut	16000	25		Right of Way (m)	27	35	52
Rubber	54000	30		Height to lowest conductor(m)	17	20	20
Palm	13500	20		Tower Span (m)	300	350	400
				Insulator Disks	11	16	25
				Ground Clearance (m)	6.7	7	8.5
				Tree Clearance (m)	1.4	2.4	3.8
				House Clearance (m)	3.6	4.6	3.8
Conductor	w (kg/km)	RTS (N)	T <sub>H</sub> % at 75°C				
ACSR Lynx	842	79800	0.15	132kV options			
ACSR Zebra	1621	131900	0.15				
ACCC Helsinki	481	69090	0.15				
ACSR Zebra	1621	131900	0.15				
ACSR Goat	1489	135800	0.15				
ACCC Casablanca	823	100990	0.15				
ACSR Moose	1999	161000	0.15				
ACSR Camel	1747	145900	0.15				
ACCC Oslo	972	147560	0.15				

Change the Conductor names and Crops (trees) in their appropriate slots

Change any standard data wherever necessary