



# A Cloud for Sri Lanka

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# Do we use clouds in Sri Lanka?

- Yes, of course

# What Clouds do we use?

- Gmail
- Google Docs/Drive, etc.
- Microsoft Azure
- *What else?*

# Who uses a local cloud service?

- Who provides one?

# What issues do we encounter when using foreign clouds?

- Latency
- Bandwidth cost
- Less control and customer service
- Data location
- Privacy

# So why do people use Foreign Clouds?

- Cost
- Services available
- Convenience
- Performance
- Reliability
- Security

# Should we have Clouds in Sri Lanka?

- Yes and No
- Latency and bandwidth cost will improve
- Price?
- We can't match all services
  - Especially platform as a service
- Economies of Scale

# What do we need?

(in my opinion)

- A good IaaS cloud
  - Cost competitive
  - Easy to use
- Basic SaaS services
  - For SMEs and small corporates
  - Who need good customer service
  - But not fancy features
- Development of a local ecosystem



# Should we / Can we Achieve this?

- I don't know
- What do you think?

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