



# DRIVING DISPOSSESSION

THE GLOBAL PUSH TO "UNLOCK THE ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF LAND"



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Many governments around the world have been prompted to adopt the Western capitalist notion of private land ownership.



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"Unfettered capitalism has brought us to this disaster. We must halt and reverse the privatization of the commons to protect and nurture these natural resources for future generations."

by Julia Conley, staff writer



MCC could potentially shift millions of hectares of land into private control, says US-based think tank

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- Oakland Institute report is based on six case studies including SL on global push to 'unlock the economic potential of land'
- Says MCC project will extensively map and digitise land records of up to 67% of SL
- Says land project focuses on mapping and digitising State lands for explicit purpose of stimulating investment and increasing its use as an economic asset



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Bid to make land "marketable"



Stop U.S. efforts to privatize land and create land markets around the world

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by John C. Cannon on 22 July 2020



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