

"Incidentally, advocates of a separate Muslim party often cite the case of Tamils and Tamils of Indian origin. Their situation is different. The Tamils have territory; the Tamils of Indian origin are concentrated in the plantations and have trade union clout..."

A. A. Latiff writing in  
The Island - October 8, 1992 under heading  
'Mahmud and SLMC.'

# Sabotage of— Civilian Targets

## ARMY PLAN EXPOSED

The Sri Lankan Army at Vavunia has attempted to procure the services of Tamils who go to Vavuniya for trade purposes to carry out sabotage activities in Tamil Eelam territory aimed at civilian targets.

A Press Release issued by the Political Wing of the LTTE reveals the unsuccessful attempt made by the Sri Lankan Army at Vavunia to cause explosions in Tamil Eelam territory, by procuring the help of traders who frequent Vavunia to buy goods.

The Press Release states: The Sri Lankan Government, which is experiencing a crisis by its own attempts to defeat our liberation struggle by military means, is now planning to put in motion a scheme of sabotage activities to cause destruction to our people.

"The steps taken by the Sri Lankan Army at Vavunia, as part of this scheme to cause explosions targeting our people, has been exposed.

Sivanu Kanthasamy of omanthai and M/s. Navarat-

nam Rasamany are ordinary civilians who frequent Vavunia for purposes of trade.

Sri Lankan soldiers stationed at Vavunia had contacted these two persons with a view to procuring their assistance for their sabotage plan. The two Tamils who had understood the motives of the Sinhala soldiers had carefully moved with them and exposed their plan.

Explosives and other materials had been given to these two Tamils to mine the Omanthai-Semamadu Road used by the public. The high explosives and other material were kept hidden in flour bags and biscuit parcels and sent over to the north on October 21, through these two Tamils.

We congratulate these two Tamils who handed over to us these explosives and other material which had been given

to them by the Sri Lankan Army and thus exposed the enemy's plan.

We also warn all our people to be careful against such sabotage plans".

## AT MANNAR

### Ten Sri Lankan Sentry Posts Destroyed

#### Large Haul of Arms Recovered

The LTTE carried out an attack on Sri Lankan Army Sentry posts in Mannar District and destroyed 10 posts and captured a house occupied by the army and recovered a large haul of arms.

The news in this connection states that at 2.15 am on Monday, October 26, LTTE launched an attack on Sri Lankan Army sentry posts between Uyilankulam and Karambaikulam in the Mannar District. The attack lasted for thirty minutes.

While the attack was in progress Sri Lankan troops from the Uyilankulam and Adampan Sri Lankan Army camps moved forward with Buffel armoured vehicles for

the rescue of the Sinhala soldiers under attack but other LTTE contingents opened fire on them, and compelled them to retreat with losses. The Sri Lankan Army losses in these fronts have not been verified, but it is believed, the retreating soldiers suffered losses.

In the meantime, the LTTE group that attacked the sentry posts referred to by the Sinhala Army as Forward (Continued on Page 4)

## LTTE Releases 3 Sinhala Fishermen from Custody

The LTTE released and custody earlier. They too handed over three Sinhala fishermen, who had been in humanitarian grounds. But the its custody for the last ten Sinhala government was daily

Chandradasa (28), Samithapala Prins Piyanda (24) and Sumith (18).

The released Sinhala fishermen said that during their ten month period of captivity they were looked after well by the Tigers. The LTTE provided all their requirements. They were happy at being released - as would be their relatives.

They also said that they have now come to know the atrocities committed on the Tamils by the government. They would relate the sufferings of the Tamils to their people. It was no wonder that the government was committing all sorts of atrocities on the Tamils because the government has a record of killing and burning even Sinhalese people under pretext of eradicating the J.V.P.

The released Sinhala fishermen were taken by ship to Palaly from the Point Pedro harbour on Tuesday itself by the ICRC. They were expected to be flown to their homes from Palaly Air Port,

### Release of Sinhala Fishermen



Top: ICRC Team head signing the Document of Release of the three Sinhala Fishermen who were in LTTE custody.

Below: A picture of the three Sinhala Fishermen who were released,

## Lightening Attack at Vavunia Ten Sentry Posts-Buffel Armoured Vehicle Destroyed

In a lightening attack carried out by the LTTE against Sri Lankan Army positions in Vavunia, the LTTE destroyed 10 Sri Lankan Army sentry posts, killing eight Sri Lankan soldiers. The LTTE also recovered a haul of arms and ammunitions.

The news in this connection states that on Friday, October 23, about 11.40 p.m the LTTE carried out a lightening attack, on a chain of Sri Lankan Army sentry posts between Mamadu and Madukande, in the Vavunia District. The attack lasted for ten minutes.

The news further states that the LTTE captured ten Sri Lankan sentry posts in the chain and destroyed them. Eight Sri Lankan soldiers were killed. The LTTE also

recovered a haul of arms and ammunitions from the Sri Lankan forces.

A buffel armoured vehicle from the Madukande Sri Lankan Army camp, which was rushed to relieve the Sri Lankan soldiers under attack was damaged by the LTTE exploding a mine. A number of Sri Lankan soldiers are believed to have escaped to other sentry posts or camps with injuries.

The LTTE suffered the loss of two of its cadres.

months to the ICRC on Tuesday, October 27.

The Head of the Political Wing of the Jaffna District Sea Tigers, Mr. Maravan, who released the Sinhala fishermen said that they were being released on humanitarian grounds. He reminded those present that on August 3, this year the LTTE released three Sinhalese fishermen, whom it had taken into

arresting Tamil fishermen who are unable to venture out into the sea, even for a distance of one mile because of the Sri Lankan Navy attacks and arrests.

The released Sinhala fishermen were handed over to the Head of the ICRC Team in Jaffna on Tuesday, October 27 at 12.00 noon at the office of the Sea Tigers. The released Sinhala fishermen are

## No Uniform Cloths for School Children in North

The Ministry of Education has informed that children living in areas outside army occupation in the North, would not be granted the issue of free school uniform cloths

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# Why I went to Buttala-By Motilal Nehru

This is with reference to an article under the above caption which appeared in the Sunday Times of June 28, 1992.

Motilal Nehru going all the way to Buttala and wishing the President on his birthday is not at all surprising. Perhaps he did this expecting some (more?) favours from the President. Two or three years back Motilal Nehru attended the UNP annual sessions at Natundiva and spoke praising the President.

In the article referred to Motilal Mehru states:

1. The situation in the North and East which is commonly known as the 'ethnic question' finds too priority with the President.
2. Since Mr. Premadasa became President a sense of security has dawned on the minorities?
3. His commitment to find a peaceful solution to the ethnic question is total.
4. As a politician I firmly hold the view that an amicable political solution is possible only during his stewardship.

I would like to know from Motilal Nehru what meaningful steps in the real sense of these words has the President taken to settle the ethnic question although he has now been in office for three and a half years. The President has only been passing the baby to others. He, not long ago, stated at some public meeting that he was prepared to give 'Elaam' but not Eelam. Has he done anything to convert these words into deeds?

Who will accept Motilal Nehru's words that a sense of security has dawned on the 'minorities?' Perhaps Motilal Nehru is referring to the Tamils living in Colombo like himself and who have made Colombo their permanent homes forgetting their roots in the North and East. Is he not aware that Valvettiturai, his home town, was bombed for four consecutive days from 20.1.91 to 23.1.91 causing a lot of destruction to property and killing and injuring a number of people? The Tamil people living in the North and East have no sense of security. This will be borne out by the fact that even now many are going to Colombo and settling down

there for the time being. Has Motilal Nehru gone to the North and East during the past 3 or 4 years and talked to the Tamils there and specially to those in the Jaffna district. Had he done this, he would not blurt out that there is a sense of security among the Tamils, living in the North and East and specially those in Jaffna.

Is Motilal Nehru not aware of the conditions prevailing in the Jaffna district for the last two years or more? There is no need to elaborate on this matter as it is well known to everyone unless of course one is living like a frog in the well.

As the head of the Government, the President has still not put forward his proposals for settling the ethnic question. He

seems to be lacking the guts to do so for fear of being voted out of office at the next Presidential elections. The same can be said of the other Sinhalese political leaders specially the leader of the SLFP.

If I remember right, the President was reported to have said sometime ago that he would solve the ethnic question even at the sacrifice of his office. We will have to wait and see whether this is just glib utterance meant to lull the people into a sense of complacency.

Motilal Nehru, a man from Valvettiturai should be ashamed of himself for going all the way to Buttala to wish the President on his birthday. He should know that for all the miseries and sufferings of the Tamils in

North and East and specially those living in the Jaffna district and particularly those in Valvettiturai, the President, as head of the Government, is directly

responsible. For the last two years or more, Valvettiturai has been the target of attack by the security forces.

K. C. Adiathan

## Eric Honecker's Example says The Morning Star

The Christian Weekly 'The Morning Star' established in 1841 in Jaffna, carried the following story in its issue of October 16:

Seven civilians crossing on a boat through Kilaly were shot dead by a Navy patrol boat on Wednesday night, 7th October. These included three women, an old gentleman and a small boy. Even with a single shot those in the Gun-Boat would have realised innocent civilians were travelling by that boat. However, they contin-

ued with the volley of shots, killing seven.

We read that the present German government is hell-bent on bringing to justice Erici Honecker, the former ruler of East Germany, for ordering the killing of East German civilians, who tried to cross over the Berlin wall. Those in power are usually blind to the forces of justice and the Sri Lanka government seems to take delight in killing civilians for the simple reason that they are Tamils.

Courtesy: The Morning Star.

## OUR READERS SAYS!

### Congrats! Hot Spring Carry on

As a reader of your esteemed journal, I felicitate your third year entry on 13.10.92. I have been an unfailing patron of your Paper and therefore wish that 'Hot Spring' should continue to 'Blow Hot' to keep the Tamils hotter than ever along the path of freedom. 'Hot Spring' could play a major role to ensure that its news reach the rest of the island. It should give the desired publicity to the shaking events and experiences that are taking place regularly in the North East. Your Paper should not only enlighten this island but also the World at large.

May this Torch of Truth and Freedom burn brightly

always, is my sincere wish and prayer to you this Third year.

S. Jayaratnam

Chavakachcheri.

## IPSE DIXIT

The 'Ipse Dixit' of Mrs. Rasamany Mariadas of Illavalei - how the Sri Lankan soldiers perpetrated the daylight robbery of her thalikody and two gold bangles, focussed in your issue of 18.10.92, has raised a furore and it is well for us to ponder what a shameful act it is for the 'watch dogs of the nation' to have betrayed their masters. Fed, clothed and maintained at the expense of the tax-payers' blood drawn in sweat, what an inhuman act

was it to have pounced on a hapless woman and stripped her of her valuables.

To the Tamil married woman, a thalikody has its significance. It is a symbol of wedlock between a man and a woman. It is only the legal husband who has access to his wife's thalikody and anybody else tampering with it, tantamounts to depriving that woman of her legal husband.

Considering the alarming trend which the Tamils in this country are facing, the grave risk is the negation of protection from the 'watch dogs of the nation' against violence, robbery and death.

It has become imperative for the Tamil women in this country to dispense with gold ornaments, eschewing century-old customs and traditions.

Mrs. Rasamany's experience is one of several incidents encountered by the Tamils in the North-East and more such incidents can be expected from the Security Forces whose brazenness is fortified by the State Fiat under the pretext of combating terrorism. They thus have immunity from the State for their sins of omissions and commissions!

D. Jeevananthan

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## Flames seen at Mathagal

Big burning flames were seen in Mathagal West area which is now under Sri Lankan Army occupation.

Residents of Pannakam-Chulipuram area said that the flames were clearly visible

from the vicinity of Paralal Murugan temple.

The flames were seen on Saturday, October 24, night about 8.00 p.m. and the residents said that they believed the fire to have been caused by the burning of houses and fences in the area occupied by the Sri Lankan Army.

## TEEDOR BATTLES AGAINST ECONOMIC REPRESSION

The efforts of TEEDOR - Tamil Eelam Economic Development Organisation - in training bulls to pull bullock carts and to be used in ploughing paddy fields have begun to show good results. When the current war started, TEEDOR, with considerable foresight and determination embarked on a programme of training thousands of bulls in the Vanni area investing large sums of money on this programme. They also encouraged and assisted private farmers to do the same.

Trained bulls were distributed all over Tamil Eelam territory.

True to their anticipation the evil intention of the racist Sinhala regime started manifesting in many ways to oppress the Tamils. Under the economic embargo of the illegitimate and racist Sinhala regime imposed on Tamil Eelam, the farmers are the worst affected. There is no electricity, no fuel, no spare parts, tyres or batteries for the Tractors. The Sinhala Government has

not only stopped the free flow of goods and materials to Tamil Eelam but are hellbent on preventing the cultivation efforts of the Tamil farmers.

With the onset of rains, it is a common sight to see the indomitable Tamil farmers ploughing their fields using such trained bulls. On more than four occasions in one week the savage Sri Lankan bombers were indulging in Terror bombing of the Jaffna Peninsula bombing at

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## SPORTS

### Soccer

In the First Eleven match, St. John's and St. Patrick's figured in a scoreless draw. Both teams gave a good display of soccer. The referee at this match was Mr. Pilendran.

The Second Eleven too figured in a goalless draw, while St. John's Third Eleven Beat St. Patrick's by a solitary goal. These matches were played at St. John's grounds.

In another match Central College beat Skanda Varadoya 3-2.

- Vijayakumar



# Ramblings of Sivasithamparam

## and Ram's Villainy

It is normal for one who has committed an offence or mistake to tender an apology or express remorse for such an act. But there are some who are exceptions to such human conduct. Mr. Sivasithamparam of the TULF is one such exception. Having taken a decision to fight for the re-establishment of Tamil Eelam, as prevailing before the time of its capture by the Portuguese, he is now talking in terms of a unitary Sri Lanka. He seems to be very happy in taking such a position. He says, "Actually we have already taken an oath, when we filed our nominations in 1989". He indirectly admits that this atrocious piece of legislation, viz. the 6th Amendment to the Constitution of Sri Lanka which debarred the representatives of the Tamils, is a step in the right direction. *This is nothing but open treachery to the Tamil cause.* In spite of this treachery, he believes 'there is certainly a very good section of the Tamil people who still have faith in the TULF'. Mr. Sivasithamparam should understand, as Mr. Kumar Ponnampalam has correctly expressed that his very existence (Mr. Sivasithamparam's) and the TULF representatives in Colombo is due to the muscles given by the Tigers. Otherwise no amount of direct or indirect support both financial and political by the Government of India will help them to be tolerated by the Sri Lankan Government.

### Free and Fair Elections

It is a mere joke for Mr. Sivasithamparam, after the TULF has been completely rejected by the Tamils of the North and East to think 'after a solution is found and if there is free and fair elections, I am personally confident that the TULF will do very well'. Is Mr. Sivasithamparam not accepting the fact that in spite of rigging in favour of the TULF, his party was rejected by the people and that Mr. Amirthalingam entered Parliament by the back door? He is expecting a solution. Does he think Mr. Premadasa or the SLFP will proffer a solution to the ethnic problem? It is an accepted fact that both are already opposed to a merger of the Tamil homeland. What does Mr.

Sivasithamparam mean by free and fair election? Does he infer the Elections held for the District Councils under the supervision of Messrs. Cyril Mathew and Gamini Dissanayake? Or the Elections held for the Provincial Councils under the aegis of the Indian Peace Keeping Force? Do these 'wise' men learn anything from past history? Or do they believe that Tamils are fools and scapegoats?

### Meanderings

In his meandering, Mr. Sivasithamparam (appearing in the Sunday Island of 18.10.92) goes on to say that his Party and he have no objections to the Tigers contesting the Elections, once a reasonable settlement has been reached but before so doing, they must lay down their arms. What an absurd presumption! He seems to infer that the crux of the Tamil problem rests on his

### S. Thiagarajah

shoulders and assumes that he is the fit and proper person to decide who should participate at election when a suitable solution is found. One should not be a mere tool in the hands of others or an 'advocate' for lost causes. He should know better that once you put your foot in the mire, you get further deeper into it.

### Weird Thinking

In the same Sunday Island there is an article of N. Ram reproduced from the Frontline wherein he attempts to draw a parallel in the struggle of the Tigers and Peru's 'Shining Path' but fails miserably in his objective. The 'Shining Path' is a movement headed by Abimael Gusman Reynoso alias Gonzalo. This leader was recently captured by the Government of Peru and is in jail. In his weird imagination, Mr. Ram seems to visualise Velupillai Pirabakaran, captured and placed in jail. If Mr. Ram is a realist, he will know that Pirabakaran's *vade-me-cum* is a cyanide capsule and prospects of his live capture is a figment of his wild imagination. His very thought savours of a naked hatred for Pirabakaran who has out

witted and out-manoeuvred many a Brahminical conspiracy hatched by the wily Indians and persons of his ilk.

### Tamil Nation

'Shining Path' with its leader - chairman, Gonzalo of Peru is a liberation movement fighting on its own right and in its own way. Mr. Ram says that it is anti-imperialist, non-chauvinist, revolutionary and ultra naxalite in character. Well, why should not it be so? If Ram does not want to fight imperialism, he has no right to criticise others who are imperialists in what ever form. His grievance is that the Tigers do not have even a semblance of anti-imperialistic claim in their ideals. Every student of political thought knows that Imperialism is the highest form of Capitalism in politics, however, imperialism has another connotation. If a nation wants to have overlordship of another nation, it is said to possess imperialistic overtones. Does not Mr. Ram know that the Tamils of Eelam are a nation? They possess many of the characteristics that contribute towards modern nationhood. They have a common historical experience, a continuous

linguistic and cultural tradition, a common way of life - the result of traditional system of beliefs and values and most of all, they have a defined territory as homeland. When the Sinhalese majority refuses to recognise this tradition and wants to ride rough shod over the Tamils, it is but natural that the Tamils resist this imperialism. The Tigers are the representatives of the Tamils who are engaged in fighting the imperialist hegemony of the Sinhalese. Why should Mr. Ram condemn this role? Is it for fighting against Sinhalese domination that Ram wants Pirabakaran placed behind bars?

### Not anti-imperialistic

Mr. Ram says that the ideological stand of the Tigers is committed to 'Tamils' right to self-determination' and the establishment of Eelam over one third of Sri Lanka. He also states that the recent propaganda of the Tigers suggests that at most 'depending on the political situation in the Island', they will be willing for a settlement for 'an association of independent states comprising of Tamil and Sinhalese nations'. He does not see any anti-imperialistic claims in such sentiments. Has Mr. Ram forgotten that LTTE fought against the Indian Army sent to this Island with an imperialistic motive? Well, if he fails to see such a claim, does it prevent the Tigers to fight at least what

Ram says that the Tigers are claiming? If the homeland of the Tamils consists of over roughly one third of Sri Lanka, is it wrong for the LTTE to wrest it out from the imperialistic Sinhalese overlordship?

### Indian way

Liberation struggles take different forms in different countries. Mr. Ram says that the Shining Path in Peru disrupted voters in several areas in its country by enforced election boycott through armed intimidation. A liberation organisation has every right to devise its own ways to fight its enemy. Has Mr. Ram forgotten his so-called democratic country's Peace Keeping Force conducting elections in the North and East of Sri Lanka to ensure that their nominees were elected to the Provincial Council? We are fully aware that entire areas surrounding Nomination Centres were segregated and ordinary citizens were not permitted to enter. People were checked and carefully scrutinised and persons having money in big denominations were turned away from the Kachcheri premises fearing they would effect election deposits for nominations.

Mr. Ram should not evince personal hatred towards a most sincere freedom fighter merely because he was one of the architects of the Indo-Sri Lanka Accord which was a fiasco. As a journalist he should not be biased towards a genuinely great leader of a great people. Please allow us to think, fight and build our own nation in the way we want.

## Dilly Dallying to Avoid Responsibility

The Rural Development Society Building of Mallakam was damaged extensively by aerial bombardment by Sri Lankan Air Force planes on May 31 this year.

The Society had the damage caused to its buildings estimated by an engineer, who assessed the damages at Rupees One million twenty thousand (Rs:1,020,000/-)

The Mallakam RDS had the estimates forwarded to President R. Premadasa and asked for the amount to be paid to the RDS in view of the damage caused to its buildings by the Sri Lankan Air Force.

A reply to the Society's letter to the President has been received from the Secretary, Ministry of Reconstruction, Rehabilitation and social welfare stating that he wished to inform the society that appropriate

consideration will be given to your (society's) request in due course,

'The routine letter sent by the Secretary to the Ministry

of Rehabilitation shows the real intentions of the Ministry not to repair the damages caused by the Government's own volition' say the RDS officials.

## Shot and thrown into the sea

Kanapathypillai Navaratnam, boatman operating cargo boats in the Kilaly sea was shot and thrown into the sea with hands bound by the Sri Lankan Navy.

Sri Lankan Navy fired on civilian boats transporting merchandise in the Kilaly sea on Friday, October 23.

One boatman Kanapathypillai Navaratnam, who is undergoing treatment at the Jaffna Hospital for serious gunshot injuries received by him told reporters that when on Friday, Oct. 23rd, he was transporting goods in his boat at the Kilaly sea, suddenly Naval boats appeared

firing at his boat. He raised his hands in fear. But a shot passed through his rib bone and he fell inside his boat. Sri Lankan Navy men, who entered his boat bound his hands and threw him into the sea. His boat was taken away by the Navy. He also saw another boat being taken away by Navy men, but did not know what had happened to the two boatmen in the other boat carrying goods.

He also said that he was rescued by some other boatmen and admitted to the Chavakachcheri hospital and later transferred to the Jaffna Hospital.



# HOT SPRING

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## Discrimination against Tamil children in education.

Ask a child in any lower class at school what are the essential basic requirements of man and promptly the child will answer "Food, clothing and shelter."

Ironically it is these fundamental basic needs of man that the Sinhala government tries to deny to the people in Tamil Eelam.

The latest government news is that the government's plan to issue free uniform cloth to school children will not be implemented in schools functioning outside the areas occupied by the Sri Lankan Army in the North. The overwhelming majority of school children in the North - almost all - are attending schools functioning outside army occupied areas in the North.

The government of Sri Lanka in its wisdom - we shall not say bounty - has decided to issue free uniform cloth to school going children throughout the island but not to children attending schools in areas not occupied by its army in the Tamil homeland. It is the Tamil homeland that has been laid waste by war and economic blockade and the needs of the children in this area are greater and ought to receive priority but unfortunately because of the Government's machinations prompted by ulterior motives Tamil children are deprived of all facilities to pursue their education.

Schools are bombed. Many schools are converted into Refugee camps off and on. Some children attend houses temporarily converted into schools with no facilities whatsoever for imparting education. Books are not given in time. Public examinations are not held along with examinations in other parts of the island. The cases of the G.C.E. (O/L) and (A/L) examinations are examples. When public examinations are held belatedly the examination candidates are scared by aerial bombardment and artillery shelling, which have adverse effects on the candidates.

The injustice does not end there. When special examinations are held in place of examinations not held along with others as in the case of the G.C.E. (A/L) examinations the Tamil candidates, who sit the special examination because the government has failed to conduct the normal examinations for them are required to score marks still higher than candidates from Sinhala areas to compete with them for selection to admission to universities. And when Tamils protest against this discrimination, Higher Education Minister A.C.S. Hamed announces that he would no more hold special examinations as if such examinations had to be conducted because of the fault of the Tamil students! Should Tamil students be penalized because the Ministries of Defence and Education of the Sri Lankan Government cannot co-ordinate their activities is a question that he has failed to ponder over.

But again these are not matters that should surprise anyone. The penalising of Tamil students started under one time Education Minister, Bad - ud - din - Mahmud in the SLFP government of Mrs. Srima Bandaranaike who required that a Tamil student must score more marks to get into a university than his Sinhala counterpart. This notorious 'standardisation' continues to date in other forms. The denial of school uniform cloth to Tamil children in the North is but a blatant instance of racial discrimination.

While the government practises discrimination in educational institutions directly under its control or supervision, during the last two decades a large number of institutions are providing higher education in such fields as textile technology, printing, engineering etc. most of which may not have been even heard of by the students of Tamil Eelam, leave alone their joining those institutions for higher education. The stark fact of the matter is both peoples - Tamils and Sinhalese - have gone their separate ways.

The government does not want to accept this openly but wants to oppress the Tamils by denying everything to them. Well if the Government leaves the Tamils alone, we shall have no need to ask this and that from a government which does not want to treat all peoples alike.

## Horror Killings in Batticaloa

### Tamils Shot and Hacked to Death and Chased out of Villages

At least 10 Tamils died and over 12 were injured and all the villagers were chased out from their villages by the Sinhala Army, when it surrounded the villages of Kakkachchiveddai and Palacholai in the Batticaloa District.

The news from Batticaloa in this connection states that the Sinhala soldiers from the Army Camps at Palayadiveddai and Vellaveli in the Batticaloa District, surrounded the villages of Kakkachchiveddai and Palacholai on the morning of Saturday, October 24. They fired shells and bullets indiscriminately all over the two villages and then entered the villages and cut and stabbed villagers with knives. All villagers were driven out of the two villages.

Men, women and children came in for the attack by the Sinhala Army. Reports say that ten persons died and over 12 have been seriously injured, while still a large number escaped with injuries.

Some of the dead have been identified. They are Leduchmy (40) of Kakkachchiveddai, a mother of six children. Krishnapillai Panch-

adcharam (40), a father of seven children, Kathirkamathamby Annakesari (30), a father of 3 children, a married man Thamotheeran Bhaskaran and Kandumany (70) all of the 37th colony and Palipody Thillaimohan (17) of Vellaveli.

### Avarankal Bombed - Extensive Damage Caused 4th Day Bombing within One Week

Four Sri Lankan Air Force bombers bombed Avarankal on Saturday, October 24, injuring many persons and causing extensive damage to property.

The news in this connection states that four Sri Lankan bombers dropped seven bombs near Avarankal junction on Saturday, October 24 about 11.15 a.m.

Two bombs hit a shop building and a garage causing

damage to the value of several lakhs of rupees. Five bombs hit the gardens lands in the vicinity. Many people were injured.

This was the fourth day in the week ending October 24 when Jaffna peninsula was bombed. Bombings that took place on three other days were reported in the Hot Spring on October 25.

## BOMBING ON DEEPAVALI DAY TOO

Sri Lankan Air Force planes bombed Maruthankerni in the Vadamardchy East division of Jaffna district on the Holy Deepavali festival day too.

The news in this connection states that on Sunday October 25, four Sri Lankan Air Force bombers dropped six bombs at Maruthankerni in the Vadamardchy East division

October 25th happened to be the Deepavali festival day. Deepavali is the holy festival of light, celebrated by Hindus all over the world.

The bombing took place at 10 a.m. Ten houses were damaged.

The first two bombs hit the house of Velupillai Ramadas of Maruthankerni. The house was completely damaged with all the household belongings including a motor-cycle.

Two other bombs were dropped on the Thalaidy-Maruthankerni Road. Two other bombs hit fields but damaged adjoining houses and a bakery.

There was no report of injury to persons.

### LTTE Destroys Army Sentry Posts in Manal Aru

LTTE attacked several Sri Lankan Army sentry posts near the Mankindi Sri Lankan Army Camp in Manal Aru area and destroyed them.

The news in this connection states that on Saturday, October 24, about 5.30 a.m. LTTE attacked the Sri Lankan sentry posts near Mankindi Sri Lankan Army camp. The attack lasted for 30 minutes.

The LTTE captured several Sri Lankan sentry posts and destroyed them. They also

recovered some ammunitions and other military-ware.

While the attack was going on, shell attack was launched from the Sri Lankan Army Camps at Mankindi and the Sinhala colony by the Sri Lankan forces.

According to the news three LTTE fighters died in this attack.

### Ten Sri Lankan..

(Continuation from Page 1) Defence Lines (FDL) captured 10 sentry posts. The LTTE also captured a private house occupied by the Army.

The LTTE recovered a large haul of arms and ammunitions and other military-ware. The captured arms and ammunitions included a RPG, 3 RPG propellers, 3 RPG shells and an AK LMG.

Ten Sri Lankan soldiers were estimated killed apart from a number of other injured. Three LTTE fighters also died.

### TEEDOR...

(Continuation from Page 2) Kondavil, Vadamardchi North, Vadamardchi East and Valikamam. On the 24th October when the Sri Lankan planes bombed Avarankal some farmers working in their fields got badly injured. In spite of this constant danger to the life, one can see the farmers carrying on with their work.

It is in this context, that the people realise the invaluable assistance that is being rendered by Teedor in formulating programmes to assist the economic development of

Tamil Eelam that is being subjected to deliberate hardship by the racist Sinhala regime that is intent on destroying the Tamils and grabbing their land.

— Mayavan

### No Uniform...

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The government of Sri Lanka has decided to issue free uniform cloth to all school going children, from January next year. But such issues will not be made to children studying in schools outside Sri Lankan army-occupied areas in the North, according to a notification made by the Ministry of Education in Colombo.