

TAMIL CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS - TCHR/CTDH
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SALIENT KILLINGS OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS
BY THE SECURITY FORCES AND PARAMILITARY SINCE 2000

(ACADEMICS, LAWYERS, PARLIAMENTARIANS, JOURNALISTS, MEDIA WORKERS, HUMANITARIAN WORKERS, SOCIAL WORKERS,
RELIGIOUS DIGNITARIES, LAY PERSONS AND OTHERS)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of incident</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Killers</u>
Mr Kumar Ponnambalam <i>Leading Lawyer – President Council</i>	Colombo	05/01/2000	SL Military Intelligence
Mr. Kumaravel Thambaiyah Senior lecturer in the Eastern University	Batticaloa	24/05/2004	Karuna group
Aiyathurai Nadesan - Journalist	Batticaloa	31/05/2004	Karuna group
Varatharaja Kurukkal Harihara Sarma - Priest	Jaffna	14/11/2004	EPDP
Mr. Ariyanayagam Chandra Nehru- <i>ex-Parliamentarian</i>	Welikanda, Polanaruwa	07/02/2005	Karuna group
Dharmaratnam Sivaram - Journalist	Colombo	28/04/2005	Paramilitary
Sabanatha Sarma - Priest	Jaffna	14/09/2005	SL Military
K Navarathnam - Media workers	Jaffna	22/12/2005	EPDP
Mr Joseph Pararajasingham – Parliamentarian	St Mary's Cathedral Batticaloa	25/12/2005	Karuna group
Mr. Thambiah Tharmasiri (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	11/01/2006	EPDP
Mr. Narayanamoorthy Kandeepan -do-	Jaffna	11/01/2006	EPDP
Mr. Charles Huston Ravindran (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	15/11/2006	EPDP
Subramaniam Sugirdharajan (SSR) - Journalist	Trincomalee	24/01/2006	EPDP
Mr. Kasinathar Ganeshalingam (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	29/01/2006	Karuna group
Mr. Thangarasa Karthirkamar (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	29/01/2006	-do
Ms Thanushkodi Premini (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	30/01/2006	-do
Mr. Thamiraja Vasantharajan (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	30/01/2006	-do
Mr. Shanmuganathan Sujendran (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	30/01/2006	-do
Mr. Kailypillai Ravinthiran (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	30/01/2006	-do
Mr. Arunesara Satheeskaran (Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	30/01/2006	-do
Mr. Gunaratnam Logithas (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	04/02/2006	EPDP
Mr Vanniasingham Vigneswaran <i>(intended to replace the late Mr Pararajasingham,MP)</i>	Trincomalee	07/04/2006	EPDP
Mr. P Shanmugaratnam (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	10/04/2006	EPDP
Mr. S Pradeepkumar (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	10/04/2006	EPDP
Suresh Kumar) Media workers Ranitha Kumar)	Jaffna	02/05/2006	EPDP
Ven. Nanda Rathan - Buddhist monk	Trincomalee	13/05/2006	EPDP
Jeyaruban Gnanapragasam (Humanitarian worker)	Vavuniya	15/05/2006	SL Military Intelligence

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Mr. Ratnam Ratnarajah (Humanitarian worker)	Batticaloa	26/05/2006	Karuna group
Venkata Krishna Sharma - Priest	Jaffna	26/05/2006	EPDP
Mr. Krishnapillai Kamalanathan(Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	02/07/2006	Karuna Group
Mr. Rasiah Muraleeswaran(Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	08/07/2006	EPDP
Mariathas Manojanraj - Media worker	Jaffna	24/07/2006	EPDP
Pon. Ganeshamoorthy <i>General Manager of Peoples Bank</i>	Kankasanturai, Jaffna	04/08/2006	EPDP
Mr. Primus Anandarajah (Humanitarian workers)	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	SL Military Intelligence
Mr. Matahavarasa Ketheeswaran –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. G. Sreetharan –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. Narmathan –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. R. Arulraj –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. P.Pratheeban –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. M. Rishikeshan –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. Y Kodeeswaran –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Ms. K.Kovarthani –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Ms. S.Romila –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Ms. V.Kokilavathani –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Ms. G. Kavitha –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. S. Ganesh –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. Abdul Latif Mohamed Jauffer –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. A. Jaseelan –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. K. Koneshwaran –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Mr. Muraleetharan –do-	Muttur, Trincomalee	04/08/2006	-do-
Sathasivam Baskaran- Media worker	Jaffna	15/08/2006	EPDP
Mr S Sivamaharajah – ex-Parliamentarian & Media worker	Jaffna	20/08/2006	EPDP
Nagarasa Thavaranjitham (Humanitarian worker)	Vavuniya	20/08/2006	SL Military Intelligence
Rev Fr. T. Nihal Jimbrown	Allapiddy-Jaffna	20/08/2006	EPDP
W Winsan Vimalathas <i>Fr Nihal Jimbrown's helper</i>	Allapiddy-Jaffna	20/08/2006	EPDP
Mr. P. Jestly Julian (Humanitarian worker)	Amparai	24/08/2006	Karuna Group
Mr Ragunathan Ramalingam (Humanitarian worker)	Trincomalee	11/09/2006	EPDP
Dr. Bala Sugamar Dean, Arts Faculty– Eastern University	Batticaloa	30/09/2006	Karuna group
Mr Nadarajah Raviraj – Parliamentarian	Colombo	10/11/2006	EPDP
Prof. S Raveendranath <i>Vice-Chancellor, Eastern University, Batticaloa</i>	Colombo	15/12/2006	Karuna group
Mr. Subramaniam Parameswaran (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	04/01/2007	EPDP
Mr. C. Rajendran (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	09/01/2007	EPDP
Selliah Parameshwaram – Priest	Batticaloa	07/02/2007	SL Military Intelligence
Mr. Nagarasa Narenthiran (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	09/02/2007	EPDP

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Pastor Victor Emmanuel Yogarajan <i>along with his two sons and a friend</i>	Negombo	01/03/2007	SL Military Intelligence
Subramaniam Ramachandran – Journalist	Jaffna	22/03/2007	EPDP
Mr. Muthuraja Aruleswaran(Humanitarian worker)	Welikanda	24/03/2007	Karuna Group
Selvarajah Rajivarman – Journalist	Jaffna	29/04/2007	EPDP
Ratnasabapathy Aiyar Somaskantha – Priest	Velanai, Jaffna	30/04/2007	EPDP
Mr. Sinnarajah Shanmuganathan(Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	01/06/2007	EPDP
Mr. Karthigesu Chandramohan (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	01/06/2007	EPDP
Mr. Sivarasa Vimalarasa (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	19/06/2007	EPDP
Mr. Arumainayagam Alloysius (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	23/07/2007	EPDP
Sahathevan Nilakshan– Trainee Journalist	Jaffna	02/08/2007	EPDP
Mohamed Z. Mohamed Rizvi (Humanitarian worker)	Trincomalee	06/08/2007	EPDP
Mawlawi Rafeek <i>Muslim religious leader</i>	Amparai	11/08/2007	Karuna group
S. Thiyagachandra (Social worker)	Batticaloa	20/08/2007	Karuna Group
Sivasamy Sritharan (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	20/08/2007	EPDP
Thilaiampalam Paramalingam(Social worker)	Batticaloa	02/09/2007	Karuna Group
Rev.Fr. Nicholaspillai Packiyaranjit	Mannar	26/09/2007	SL Military Intelligence
Sivaguru Panchalingam (Social worker)	Jaffna	21/10/2007	EPDP
Sebamalai Kristi Jeyanthan(Social worker)	Jaffna	23/10/2007	SL Military Intelligence
Kanagarajah Pratheepan(Social worker)	Jaffna	26/10/2007	EPDP
Shanmuganathan Pakeerathanathan (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	28/10/2007	EPDP
Vadivelu Nirmalaraj Media worker	Jaffna	16/11/2007	EPDP
Thangarajah Sujeevan (Humanitarian worker)	Jaffna	17/11/2007	EPDP
Subramaniasharma Ketheswara Kurukkal – Priest	Jaffna	17/11/2007	EPDP
Mr. Thiyagarajah Maheswaran Parliamentarian	Colombo	01/01/2008	EPDP
Parasuraman Nanthakumar – Trade Unionist	Batticaloa	07/01/2008	Karuna group

(MANY MORE TO BE INCLUDED)