



President Mahinda Rajapaksa meets His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in Rome



The President attends a function to mark the 2600th Sambuddhathwa Jayanthi Vesak celebration at the FAO Headquarters, Rome.



President Mahinda Rajapaksa who was in London for the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of Queen Elizabeth II being welcomed by the Queen.

President's visit to Europe

President Mahinda Rajapaksa met His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in Rome. Earlier during his visit to Britain to take part in the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of Queen Elizabeth II the President had a series of meetings with British officials.



President Rajapaksa with British officials after attending a lunch hosted by the Commonwealth Secretary General Kamalesh Sharma in honour of the Queen at the Commonwealth Secretariat in London.



The President meets His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI during his official visit



President Rajapaksa and First Lady Shiranthy Rajapaksa with Pope Benedict XVI.



The President in conversation with Queen Elizabeth II. First Lady Shiranthy Rajapaksa looks on



The President being welcomed by Director General of FAO, Jose Graziano Da Silva



The President being welcomed at the Vesak celebrations