

# Terrorism in the guise of liberation - 34

▶ Delegates for the recent Commonwealth Parliamentary Association conference got a good opportunity of gaining first hand experience on the progress Sri Lanka has made after terrorism was eradicated.

▶ They were surprised to see the advance Sri Lanka has made in developing the Northern Province and the efforts made in the reconciliation process. This was a good eye-opener to certain countries in the West, which now try to pontificate on human rights and frame war crime charges against Sri Lanka.



▶ When the Tiger terrorists mercilessly killed hundreds of thousands of innocent people, hardly any of these godfathers of human rights were there even to speak a word on behalf of Sri Lankans.

▶ These 'Godfathers' of human rights seem to have forgotten how the LTTE carried out these massive bomb attacks and threatened the legitimate Government and its leaders voted in by the masses.

▶ The LTTE rump, Tiger sympathisers or Tamil diaspora now make wild allegations to bring the Government into disrepute and get sympathy from the international community.

▶ It is still fresh in people's memories how the LTTE terrorists carried out some of the most brutal bomb attacks during this period of time in previous months. This is the 34th in a series of graphic stories by the **Sunday Observer** on the anniversaries of those indiscriminate and inhuman attacks.



▶ **Sept 16, 2008:** A major disaster was averted due to swift action of a bus driver and a conductor. A massive bomb exploded inside a SLTB bus near Horton Place, minutes after its 60 passengers were off loaded. Hence no casualties were reported though several passengers were admitted to the Colombo General Hospital due to shock.

▶ **Sept 17, 1986:** LTTE cadres entered Block No.4 of the Sugar Corporation, Kantalai and shot dead ten civilians.

▶ **Sept 17, 1986:** The same LTTE group which attacked Kantale, the very same day, attacked Wadigawewa village and killed 12 villagers including women and children.

▶ **Sept 17, 2006:** Eleven Muslim civilians, who had gone to repair an irrigation system, were murdered by LTTE terrorists, armed with guns, knives and axes, in Pottuvil. The Tigers had taken the civilians to the forest and blindfolded them before killing them indiscriminately.

▶ **Sept 18, 1983:** UNP candidate S. Gopallapillai who was contesting the local government elections in Jaffna, was killed by LTTE terrorists in Jaffna.

▶ **Sept 18, 1999:** LTTE women cadres attacked the 31 Colony in Ampara and hacked to death 50 Sinhalese civilians, most of them in their sleep.

▶ **Sept 18, 1999:** LTTE cadres attacked Punchi Sigiriya, Kalpengala, Bedirekka villages and killed 58 civilians including 17 women, 2 pregnant mothers and 14 children, hacking them with machetes and knives. The victims were dragged from their sleep and butchered.

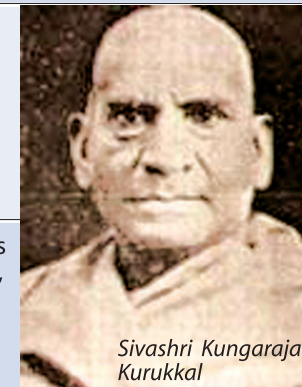


▶ **Sept 18, 2006:** Ten Muslim youth who were returning home after constructing a sluice gate were hacked to death by the LTTE near Irathal Kulam, Paanama.

▶ **Sept 19, 1990:** LTTE massacred 23 Sinhalese villages and burnt 11 houses at Vellamundal, Puttalam.

▶ **Sept 19, 1990:** Terrorists attacked passengers travelling in a tractor, killing 5 and injuring 2 others at Kotmale Colony, Uhana, Ampara.

▶ **Sept 19, 1991:** Terrorists attacked a Muslim village, killing 13 Muslims and injuring six others in Palliyagodella, PLN.



Sivashri Kungaraja Kurukkal



▶ **Sept 21, 1990:** LTTE cadres attacked a village killing 15 Muslims and injuring eleven at Pudukudiyirippu in Ampara.

▶ **Sept 21, 2008:** The chief priest of Koneswaran temple in Trincomalee, Sivashri Kungaraja Kurukkal was shot dead by Tiger terrorists.

▶ **Sept 22, 1999:** An explosion occurred in a private bus parked at the Negombo private bus stand injuring two civilians.

▶ **Sept 22, 1999:** A bomb exploded in a SLCTB bus plying from Negombo to Kuliyaipitiya, injuring nine passengers.

▶ We salute Sri Lanka's Security Forces for providing a safer today for all communities to live in peace and harmony.



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