

# Terrorism in the guise of liberation – 43



■ It appears as if the United Nations has no other business than issuing report after report on Sri Lanka. Certain UN reports appear to be 'leaking' and people who were assigned to the task make comments on their own reports even before they submit those to the UN chief.

■ Such activities may prompt people to assume that this is a well-orchestrated move to coincide with the ongoing UN Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva.

■ There seems to be enough and more self-appointed arbitrators who are attempting to take Sri Lanka to task, framing baseless war crime allegations. But when Sri Lanka was at the receiving end and its people were subjected to untold misery due to LTTE terror, none of those 'godfathers' of human rights were there to speak against Tiger atrocities.

■ Now that the brave sons of our soil had liberated the country making immense sacrifices, those who were completely blind to the human rights violations by the LTTE, are now voicing strongly for the human rights of LTTE terrorists killed in action.



■ **Nov. 21, 2008:** The LTTE continues to be an extremely potent, most lethal and well-organised terrorist force in Sri Lanka and has strong connections in Tamil Nadu and certain pockets of southern India, an Indian tribunal said. The tribunal, set up under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, justified the ban imposed on the outfit by the Centre.

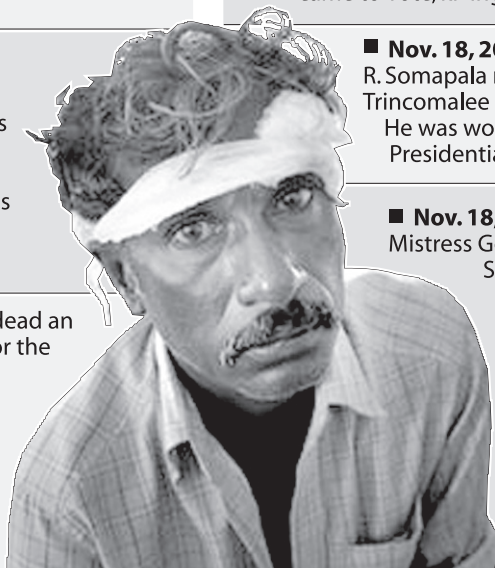
■ **Nov. 23, 1990:** Three soldiers died as two suicide bombers attacked the Manakulam Army Camp with an explosives laden car.



■ The LTTE rump, Tiger sympathisers or Tamil diaspora now make wild allegations to bring the Government into disrepute and woo sympathy of 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. This is the 43rd in a series of graphic stories by the **Sunday Observer** on the anniversaries of those indiscriminate and inhuman attacks.

■ **Nov. 18, 2001:** LTTE gunmen shot dead an opposition candidate campaigning for the parliamentary elections. Thambiraja Jeyakumar, a United National Party candidate, was shot dead while driving to a campaign event in the Batticaloa district by members of the LTTE terrorist gang.



■ **Nov 18, 2005:** In Jaffna, one UNP activist was shot and killed by the LTTE and the voters from the LTTE controlled area were not allowed to vote by the LTTE.

■ **Nov 18, 2005:** A hand grenade was hurled at the polling booth at Jaffna Stanley College, but it failed to explode. LTTE cadres who came in a motor bicycle had hurled the grenade. LTTE cadres were seen roaming in motor bicycles near most of the polling booths in Jaffna and threatening the voters.

■ **Nov. 18, 2005:** The LTTE exploded a hand grenade in the Puttalam area to threaten the people who came to vote, killing a number of Tamil voters.

■ **Nov. 18, 2005:** UNP member, R. Somapala residing on Kandy Road in Trincomalee was shot dead by the LTTE. He was working for the UNP at the Presidential Elections.

■ **Nov. 18, 2005:** The Kalwunkerni Post Mistress Gomathi Veerapathiran (35) of School Road, Kaluwunkerni was kidnapped and hacked to death by the LTTE. LTTE cadres went to her post office and demanded that she hand over the undelivered ballot papers to them. But Gomathi had refused to do so.



■ **Nov. 18, 2005:** LTTE election violence killed scores in the North and the East

■ **Nov. 18, 2008:** The Sri Lanka Navy and the Air Force prevented a major disaster as two LTTE suicide boats launched a pre-dawn sea attack in Nayaru lagoon.

■ **Nov. 21, 2006:** Thousands of Tamil civilians staged a protest in Batticaloa and Mankerni demanding the LTTE to allow more than 30,000 civilians forcibly kept by them in Vakara and Mankerni areas to cross into cleared areas in Batticaloa. More than 1,500 people in Batticaloa and over 1,000 people in Mankerni engaged in the protest demanding the LTTE to allow civilians to move to Government controlled areas.



■ **Nov. 23, 2007:** Navy foiled an attempt by a cluster of LTTE boats to target a police station in Pesalai. Six LTTE boats deployed from Vedithaltivu mingling with fishing boats launched an attack targeting the Pesalai police station.



■ **Nov. 24, 1995:** Two women suicide cadres targeted the headquarters of the Sri Lanka Army and exploded bombs concealed in their vests killing at least 16 people and wounding 52 others.

■ **Nov. 24, 2008:** Another batch of seven civilians crossed from the uncleared area seeking refuge.



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