

Atrocities by LTTE terrorists

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■ It is still fresh in people's minds how LTTE terrorists carried out some of the most brutal bomb attacks and massacred Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim civilians during their three decades of terror.

■ **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.



■ **Nov. 25, 1996:** A suicide bomber died in an attack on a police vehicle, which critically wounded a police driver in Trincomalee town.

■ **Nov. 26, 2006:** As many international and local organisations in Batticaloa were taking measures to carry food items in a large convoy of over seventy five vehicles to the uncleared Vakara area, it had been revealed that the LTTE laid heavy mines and 1,000 kg bombs at nodal points and bottle necks on the road to prevent them being carried to uncleared areas.



■ **Nov. 26, 2007:** LTTE mortar fire injured five students and two teachers of Irakkam school in Pulleadi, Mannar. The school located between the Madhu and Murunkan road came under LTTE artillery attack. Four shells hit the Irakkam school.

■ **Nov. 27, 2001:** The LTTE killed two civilians and injured two others in the Eastern Province. LTTE terrorists fired 81 mm mortars towards the Army detachment in Kattaparichchan, south of Trincomalee, killing one woman and injuring another.



■ **Nov. 28, 2007:** Nineteen civilians were killed and 39 were injured when the LTTE exploded a parcel bomb near a popular fashion store at Nugegoda junction. The parcel bomb had been placed in one of the parcel counters at the clothing store by an LTTE cadre who had left the scene. Several buildings were also damaged.



■ **Nov. 28, 2007:** A disabled female LTTE suicide bomber targeting Minister Douglas Devananda blew herself up when her attempt to assassinate the Minister was foiled. The woman blew herself near the Ministry's Public Relations Office at Narahenpita killing the Public Relations Officer and injuring two Ministerial security guards. Several others too sustained injuries.

■ **Nov. 30, 1984:** Barely 19 days after the attack on the Dollar Farm village that killed 33 people, a second night raid was launched by LTTE cadres which targeted the Kent Farm village. 29 civilians including women and children at Kent farm were massacred by Tiger terrorists who also looted and set fire to the victims' houses.



■ **Nov. 30, 2006:** LTTE terrorists killed a fisherman and severely injured another in the seas North of Baththalangamuwa off Kalpitiya. The LTTE was forcing them to engage in unlawful activities such as transporting drugs, arms and ammunition and harassing them at sea. Navy boats rushed to the area and found a number of abandoned fishing boats. Among them was a body of a fisherman and another with serious injuries.

The freedom enjoyed by one and all today was achieved due to the supreme sacrifices by the Security Forces, the political sagacity of President Mahinda Rajapaksa and the military strategies of Defence Secretary Gotabaya Rajapaksa.



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