



**GTF News Update**  
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--NEWS--

COLOMBO PAGE

**Sri Lanka Tamil party warns of serious consequences if parliament bars UN investigation team**  
<[http://www.colombopage.com/archive\\_14A/Jun11\\_1402500649CH.php](http://www.colombopage.com/archive_14A/Jun11_1402500649CH.php)>

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**MPs throw down gauntlet against UNHRC probe**  
<<http://www.ft.lk/2014/06/12/mps-throw-down-gauntlet-against-unhrc-probe/>>

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**Govt. has no option but to face UN probe – UNP**  
<[http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\\_title=104944](http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=104944)>

TAMIL GUARDIAN

**M.I.A calls for justice for Tamils raped by Sri Lankan military**  
<<http://www.tamilguardian.com/article.asp?articleid=11211>>

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**Clear lack of commitment to address gender equality in SL: UNFPA Rep.**  
<<http://www.dailymirror.lk/news/48334-clear-lack-of-commitment-to-address-gender-equality-in-sl-unfpa-rep-.html>>

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**Invest in Mullaitivu, help war affected people – Maj. Gen. Dias**  
<[http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\\_title=104957](http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=104957)>

COLOMBO GAZETTE \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Indians claim SL navy attacked boats**  
<<http://colombogazette.com/2014/06/12/indians-claim-sl-navy-attacked-boats/>>

NEWS FIRST

**President Rajapaksa to leave for South America to attend summit**  
<<http://newsfirst.lk/english/2014/06/president-rajapaksa-leave-south-american-country/39527>>

--STATEMENTS/LETTERS/REPORTS--

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**Buddhism: The foundation of our culture and way of living: MR**



<http://www.dailymirror.lk/news/48340-buddhism-the-foundation-of-our-culture-and-way-of-living-mr.html>>

TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL SRI LANKA

**Arbitrary Disruption of TISL's Investigative Journalism Workshop**

<http://www.tisirilanka.org/?p=11979>>

--OP-EDS/OPINION/INTERVIEWS--

GUARDIAN

**One Sri Lankan Tamil's testimony: beaten, branded, suffocated and raped**

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/jun/10/sri-lankan-tamil-beaten-raped-deportation-uk>>

ASIA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

**What is the future of a country with zero respect for law enforcement?**

<http://www.humanrights.asia/news/ahrc-news/AHRC-ART-044-2014>>

--PARLIAMENT--

UK PARLIAMENT – HOUSE OF LORDS

**Question on Sri Lanka asked by Lord Tyler**

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201415/ldhansrd/text/140611w0001.htm#1406115500038>>

--KEY CAMPAIGNS (FOR YOUR ACTION)--

Sri Lanka Campaign

**FREE JEYAKUMARI**

<http://www.srilankacampaign.org/takeaction.htm>>

Minority Rights International

**CAMPAIGN FOR THE RIGHTS OF UP-COUNTRY TAMIL TEA PLANTATION WORKERS THE PRICE OF TEA**

<http://www.priceoftea.com/>>

Amnesty International

**SRI LANKA: ENSURE TAMIL DETAINEES ARE CHARGED OR RELEASED**

<http://takeaction.amnestyusa.org/siteapps/advocacy/ActionItem.aspx?c=6oJCLQPAJiJUG&b=6645049&aid=15438>>

Avaaz petition

**SRI LANKA: PUT WAR CRIMINALS BEHIND BARS - PETITION TO UNHRC TO INVESTIGATE MURDER OF 17 ACF (ACTION CONTRE FAIM) AID WORKERS IN 2006**

[http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Sri\\_Lanka\\_Mettez\\_les\\_criminels\\_de\\_guerre\\_derriere\\_les\\_barre\\_aux/?wPqnBdb](http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Sri_Lanka_Mettez_les_criminels_de_guerre_derriere_les_barre_aux/?wPqnBdb)>