



**GTF News Update**  
**20<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

--HIGHLIGHTS--

- Further coverage of aftermath of inter-communal violence in Sri Lanka

--NEWS--

THE NATION \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**ACJU requests Imams to preach peace and harmony during Friday prayers**

<<http://www.nation.lk/edition/latest-top-stories/item/30405-acju-requests-imams-to-preach-peace-and-harmony-during-friday-prayers.html#sthash.ZKkzbEoR.dpuf>>

THE ISLAND \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Hakeem won't quit UPFA over Alutgama mayhem**

<[http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\\_title=105378](http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=105378)>

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**Update: Police say Watareka Vijitha Thera's condition not critical**

<<http://www.nation.lk/edition/breaking-news/item/30397-update-police-say-watareka-vijitha-theras-condition-not-critical.html#sthash.tbPqrYdy.dpuf>>

COLOMBO PAGE

**All religious groups in Sri Lanka free to follow their faith - President**

<[http://www.colombopage.com/archive\\_14A/Jun19\\_1403191461CH.php](http://www.colombopage.com/archive_14A/Jun19_1403191461CH.php)>

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Cyber War Against Govt Websites; In Protest Of Govt. Inaction To Anti-Muslim Violence**

<<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/cyber-war-against-govt-websites-in-protest-of-govt-inaction-to-anti-muslim-violence/>>

DAILY FT \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Facebook removes BBS pages for hate speech**

<<http://www.ft.lk/2014/06/20/facebook-removes-bbs-pages-for-hate-speech/>>

DAILY MIRROR SRI LANKA \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**UK remains concerned over sexual violence in SL**

<<http://www.dailymirror.lk/news/48684-uk-remains-concerned-over-sexual-violence-in-sl.html>>

BBC NEWS

**Khuram Shaikh: Crime scene blood 'matches three accused'**

<<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-manchester-27926363>>



REUTERS **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**RPT-Sri Lanka imports Iran crude via 3rd parties, avoids sanctions**

<<http://in.reuters.com/article/2014/06/20/sri-lanka-usa-sanctions-idINL6NOP05CV20140620>>

**--STATEMENTS/LETTERS/REPORTS--**

HUMAN RIGHT WATCH

**Sri Lanka: Justice Key to End Anti-Muslim Violence**

<<http://www.hrw.org/news/2014/06/19/sri-lanka-justice-key-end-anti-muslim-violence>>

COLOMBO TELEGRAPH **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**Gota Has Direct Involvement With The BBS – Nimalka Tells UNHRC**

<<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/gota-has-direct-involvement-with-the-bbs-nimalka-tells-unhrc/>>

NEW ZEALAND LABOUR PARTY

**Cartwright appointment to war crimes panel welcomed**

<<http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/PA1406/S00315/cartwright-appointment-to-war-crimes-panel-welcomed.htm>>

**--OP-EDS/OPINION/INTERVIEWS--**

THE HINDU **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**A dangerous road in Sri Lanka**

<<http://www.thehindu.com/opinion/editorial/a-dangerous-road-in-sri-lanka/article6130772.ece>>

THE INDEPENDENT **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**Violence in Sri Lanka won't just kill tourism – it will sink the economy**

<<http://www.independent.co.uk/voices/comment/violence-in-sri-lanka-wont-just-kill-tourism--it-will-sink-the-economy-9549863.html>>

**--KEY CAMPAIGNS (FOR YOUR ACTION)--**

Sri Lanka Campaign

**FREE JEYAKUMARI**

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

Minority Rights International

**CAMPAIGN FOR THE RIGHTS OF UPCOUNTRY 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 barreaux/?wPqnBdb](http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Sri_Lanka_Mettez_les_criminels_de_guerre_derriere_les_barreaux/?wPqnBdb)