



**GTF News Update**  
**27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

--NEWS--

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

**Myanmar monk backs hard-line Buddhist group**

<<http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/south-asia/myanmar-monk-backs-hardline-buddhist-group/article6455218.ece>>

THE REPUBLIC SQUARE

**BBS says Sri Lanka not multi-religious and calls for a leader to push a Sinhala-Buddhist agenda**

<<http://www.therepublicsquare.com/politics/2014/09/29/why-is-yesterdays-bbs-rally-worrying/>>

AL-JAZEERA \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**Buddhist monk to fight 'jihad threat'**

<<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/southasia/2014/09/buddhist-monk-fight-jihad-threat-asia-2014928153512953861.html>>

THE SUNDAY LEADER \*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\*

**TNA To Meet Parties To Discuss Coalition**

<<http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2014/09/28/tna-to-meet-parties-to-discuss-coalition/>>

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

**Sampanthan to lead ITAK political group**

<<http://colombogazette.com/2014/09/29/sampanthan-to-lead-itak-political-group/>>

ASIA MIRROR

**Relatives Oppose The Issuing Of Death Certificates For Missing Persons**

<<http://www.asianmirror.lk/news/item/3799-relatives-oppose-the-issuing-of-death-certificates-for-missing-persons>>

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

**A Record Increase In Sri Lanka's Defence Expenses For 2015**

<<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/a-record-increase-in-sri-lankas-defence-expenses-for-2015/>>

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

**UN experts will review Lanka next week**

<<http://colombogazette.com/2014/09/29/un-experts-will-review-lanka-next-week/>>

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

**President Rajapaksa invites UN Sec-Gen to visit Sri Lanka**

<<http://www.ft.lk/2014/09/29/president-rajapaksa-invites-un-sec-gen-to-visit-sri-lanka/>>



ARAB NEWS

**OIC chief to visit Sri Lanka**

<<http://www.arabnews.com/featured/news/637241>>

SUNDAY TIMES SRI LANKA **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**President to meet the Pope next week**

<<http://www.sundaytimes.lk/140928/news/president-to-meet-the-pope-next-week-120234.html>>

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

**Jayalithaa sentenced to four years in jail, fined Rs. 100 crore**

<<http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/tamil-nadu/jayalithaa-sentenced-to-four-years-in-jail-fined-rs-100-crore/article6452659.ece>>

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

**Panneerselvam to take oaths as TN Chief Minister today**

<<http://www.nation.lk/edition/breaking-news/item/33765-panneerselvam-to-take-oaths-chief-minister-today.html>>

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

**New Constitution needed to defuse 'political time bomb'-Govt MP tells SLFP**

<[http://www.island.lk/index.php?page\\_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code\\_title=111007](http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=111007)>

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

**Special team to probe firing at UNP MP's hotel- Police**

<<http://www.nation.lk/edition/latest-top-stories/item/33762-special-team-to-probe-firing-at-unp-mps-hotel-police.html>>

--OP-EDS/OPINION/INTERVIEWS--

SUNDAY TIMES SRI LANKA **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**Major parties prepare for presidential poll, January date likely**

<http://www.sundaytimes.lk/140928/columns/major-parties-prepare-for-presidential-poll-january-date-likely-120088.html>

SUNDAY TIMES SRI LANKA **\*\*COMMENTS CAN BE POSTED\*\***

**Verdict delivers crippling blow; can Jayalithaa fight back?**

<<http://www.sundaytimes.lk/140928/sunday-times-2/verdict-delivers-crippling-blow-can-jayalithaa-fight-back-120078.html>>

--EVENTS--

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

**Panel Discussion: Sri Lanka and the Office of the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights Investigation**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 6:30-8:30pm

<<http://www.r2pasiapacific.org/docs/Events%202014/sri-lanka-panel-flyer.pdf>>