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NESOHR report on civilian deaths and disappearances from March until 18 April 2006

The reporting period for the following statistics is for the seven weeks from March until 18 April 2006. The statistics given is for civilian deaths and disappearances that occurred in Northeast during this period. As can be seen the deaths and disappearances are caused almost entirely by Sri Lankan Armed Forces (SLAFs) and its paramilitaries. The data is collated from what is reported in the local print media. Some have been reported as separate NESOHR reports. Others have been confirmed through preliminary investigation by NESOHR staff by telephone. The threat to life of NESOHR staff to work in the GoSL areas remains. We wish to emphasize that all of our members, except those working in LTTE areas, are keeping away from NESOHR work due to threat to their lives.

The violence in large scale in Trincomalee town on 12 April 2006 while SLAFs stood by has created fear among civilians that past history of large scale violence by SLAFs may repeat. In addition to the killing of 20 civilians another 50 were injured in the Trincomalee violence. Many have displaced due to fear and are living in schools as refugees. Shops and residents owned by civilians were set alight.

Small business owners have been targets of killings in Vavuniya and Jaffna. Due to their high visibility in the community, business owners turn into easy targets.

Killings by district	
Batticaloa	12
Jaffna	17
Mannar	4
Trincomalee	21
Vavuniya	8
TOTAL	62

Civilian killings from March to 18 April 2006 in Northeast

Name of victim	Date	Violation type	Offender	Location of incident	District	Age	Gender	Occupation
Mohamed Navas	5-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Oddumavadi, Valaichenai	Batticaloa	22	M	
M Jawfar	6-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Women's Market Road, Eravur-1	Batticaloa	45	M	Small business owner
Kovinthan Vijayarasa	9-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Vellaikutty junction	Batticaloa	21	M	Mason
Vairamutthu Arulpragasam	20-Mar-06	Dead body found	Paramilitary	Pillaiyarady	Batticaloa	32	M	Laborer
1 civilian	20-Mar-06	Dead body found	Paramilitary	Manresa Training Centre	Batticaloa		M	
Siththiravel Selvam	20-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Iyankerny in Eravur	Batticaloa	36	M	
Jude	22-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Kurumankadu	Vavuniya		M	Bus conductor
M. Gunaratnam	22-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Kurumankadu	Vavuniya		M	Small business owner
Ponniah Murugesu	24-Mar-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Sasthrikulankulam	Vavuniya	40	M	Small business owner
Kulathunga Regikanth	25-Mar-06	Stabbed	Paramilitary	Valaichenai	Batticaloa		M	Builder of tsunami homes
Thambirajah Thankarajah	28-Mar-06	Stabbed; dead body found	Paramilitary	Onthachchimadam	Batticaloa	55	M	
Vanniasingham Vigneswaran	7-Apr-06	Shot when entering bank in HSZ	Paramilitary	Trincomalee Harbour	Trincomalee		M	To be elected TNA MP to replace JPara murdered Dec 2005 in church
Pathmanathan Shanmugaratnam	10-Apr-06	Shrapnel	Unidentified	Mirusuvil	Jaffna	55	M	Aid worker
Selvendra Pradeepkumar	10-Apr-06					29	M	

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Thambu Gopalasingham	12-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Paruthiyaddaippu	Jaffna	26	M	Driver of minibus
D.M.Kasun Samantha	12-Apr-06	Violence by rioters as Sri Lankan Armed Forces stood by: 20 civilians killed; 50 civilians injured; 55 homes burnt in Sivayagapuram and Mihinthapuram; 3,550 people displaced, taking refuge in schools; 32 businesses affected				23	M	
Thavarajah Mahaluxmy	12-Apr-06					42	F	
Antonyraj Geethanadani	12-Apr-06					33	F	
Thavarajah Selvakumari	12-Apr-06					18	F	
Kandasamy Thiraviam	12-Apr-06					56	F	
A.M.Sudubanda	12-Apr-06					39	M	
T.H.Rashmi Dilrangi	12-Apr-06					8	F	
Myoora Pedige Sivamani	12-Apr-06					30	F	
Velu Nantheswaran	12-Apr-06					28	M	
M.S.M.Rilvan	12-Apr-06					36	M	
S.M.Farook	12-Apr-06					55	M	
L.H.Ashanka Milan	12-Apr-06					21	M	
L.H.Susantha	12-Apr-06					20	M	
Chandra Mathiwus	12-Apr-06					50	M	
M.Selvarajah	12-Apr-06					44	M	
1 civilian	12-Apr-06							
Nissanka	12-Apr-06						M	
V. Venkatraman	12-Apr-06					30	M	
T. Namasivarajah	12-Apr-06					28	M	
S. Maheswary	12-Apr-06					60	F	

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Selvaratnam Vijeyakumar	12-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Mirusivil Ussan	Jaffna		M	Small business owner
1 civilian	13-Apr-06	Three civilians killed by a claymore placed by SLAF	SLAFs	LTTE controlled region - Mullikulam	Mannar		M	
1 civilian	13-Apr-06						M	
Lakshmi	13-Apr-06					52	F	
S Nishanthan	13-Apr-06	Claymore	SLAFs	LTTE controlled region - Semamadu	Vavuniya	17	M	Driver
Panchadcharam Kirupakaran	13-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Chavakachcheri	Jaffna	36	M	Small business owner
Thambiraja Thayaparan	13-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Sarasalai, Chavakachcheri	Jaffna	31	M	Small business owner
Thamabaiya Ratnasabapathy	13-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Allarai in Meesalai North	Jaffna	64	M	Retired police inspector
Kuhaneswaran	13-Apr-06	Three shot; dead body found	SLAFs	LTTE controlled region - Puliyankulam	Vavuniya	38	M	
Nagulendrarasa	13-Apr-06					46	M	
Thiraviyan	13-Apr-06					33	M	

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Junai Mohammed Aziz	14-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Munneswaran Rd Thenmaradchi	Jaffna	25	M	Small business owner
Naguleswaran	15-Apr-06	Claymore	SLAFs	LTTE controlled area- Thadchanamaru thamadu	Mannar		M	Small business owner
Thevarajah Mariyathas	15-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Manal Olungai, Munai, Vadamaradchy	Jaffna	26	M	Small business owner
Ramalingam Sakilan	17-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Thenmaradchchi	Jaffna	30	M	Small business owner
Atputharasa Sureshkumar	17-Apr-06	Claymore	SLAFs	Chavakachcheri, Post Office Road	Jaffna	16	M	Student
Kanapathipillai Koneswaran	17-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Karuvakerni, Valaichenai	Batticaloa	24	M	
Kunapal Suresh	17-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Karuvakerni, Valaichenai	Batticaloa	24	M	
Easan	17-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Santhiveli	Batticaloa	24	M	
Thiyagarasa Thaskumar	17-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Mavadivembu	Batticaloa	23	M	Mason
1 civilian	18-Apr-06	Stabbed; dead body found	Paramilitary	Mathavuvaitakulam	Vavuniya		M	

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Balachandran Reginald Rosan	18-Apr-06	Shot	Paramilitary	Puthu Veethi, Koyathottam	Jaffna	27	M	
Kandasamy Gowribalan	18-Apr-06	Five shot near SLA camp by paramilitaries	SLAFs	Vatharavathai	Jaffna	32	M	Municipal Council official
Balasubramaniam Kannathasan	18-Apr-06					27	M	
Sellappu Kamalathasan	18-Apr-06					25	M	Electrical mechanic
Mahadevan Kishokumar	18-Apr-06					20	M	Farmer
Thangarajah Raveendran	18-Apr-06					27	M	Auto-rickshaw driver

Civilian abductions and disappearances from March to 18 April in Northeast

Name of victim	Date	Disappearance/Abduction	Offender	Location of incident	District	Gender	Age	Occupation
Poologanathan Thushyanthan	4-Mar-06	Disappearance	Unidentified		Jaffna	M	17	student
Sellathamby Kangeswaran	12-Mar-06	Abduction	Paramilitary	Akkuranai	Batti	M	14	Paddy field labourer
Sivalingam Vaneswaran						M	17	
Sellathurai Rameswaran						M	21	
Sinniah Rameswaran						M	18	
Kumariyan Illaiyarajah						M	22	
Sellathamby Thangarajah						M	16	
Reginald Sutharshan	7-Apr-06	Disappearance	Paramilitary		Jaffna	M		
Sivasothy Thivyathas	10-Apr-06	Abduction	Paramilitary	Uduvil	Jaffna	M	26	Laborer
Nallaiya Sorooban	12-Apr-06	Disappearance	Paramilitary	Neervely	Jaffna	M		
Reginald Enselas Melvin	12-Apr-06	Disappearance	Paramilitary	Neervely	Jaffna	M	25	