

# Operational Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> November 2005

Sri Lanka Institute of International Relations

# Agenda

## 1. Updates from Recent meetings

- Disaster Relief Monitoring Unit Working Group
- Highlights from District Meetings – Ampara, Galle and Kaluthara
- Update on progress of Post-tsunami one year report

## 2. A presentation on People in Aid and the Code of conduct - People in Aid

## 3. AOB/ Announcements

# Disaster Relief Monitoring Unit Working Group

- 2nd Phase of People's consultations programme will start this week. The districts of Kalutara, Galle, Matara and Hambanthota will be covered during the course of this week.
- Field Investigations done in Balapitiya, Galle and Weligama DS Divisions in order to follow up and review complaints made by the people.
- Progress on permanent housing:
  - 141 letters were sent to donors
  - 53 replies were received
  - 83 reminders sent
- Once all the replies have been received DRMU will tally the total number with those of TAFREN and make the results available to anyone who wishes to have them.

# Highlights from District Meetings

<b>District</b>	<b>Issue</b>
Amparai	<p data-bbox="562 220 1211 268">Kalmunai DS Division Meeting</p> <p data-bbox="562 363 1966 596">_ I/NGOs engaged in Permanent Housing agreed to produce building plan to DS Office and get approval from UDA before proceeding with construction. Also, beneficiary lists will be collected from the DS to avoid duplication and manipulation.</p>
Kalutara	<p data-bbox="562 699 1966 874">_ Hungarian Inter-Church Aid needs details about Water and Sanitation needs in the Kalutara District. Any organization willing to provide information please contact them.</p> <p data-bbox="607 986 629 1010">-</p>
Galle	<p data-bbox="562 1050 1189 1098">General Coordination Meeting</p> <p data-bbox="562 1193 1966 1369">_ Care and maintenance is needed for the 5400 transitional shelters in the Galle District. Organizations willing to come forward must go through the TAP office</p>

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Galle	<p data-bbox="593 228 1243 279">Galle Town Divisional Meeting</p> <p data-bbox="593 375 1957 662">_At present DS pays the electricity bill of camps, but the consumption of the individual households should be restricted to 20 units. Each T/S does not have an electricity meter to measure their consumption. There is only one meter to read the consumption of all.</p> <p data-bbox="593 758 1957 869">_Action Point: LECO to organize an awareness program of electricity consumption in order to reduce waste among people.</p>

## Update on progress of Post-tsunami one year report

\_The draft report will be available by November 16th.

\_ This will be reviewed in Colombo and in the Districts, between 21-23 November with all sectors involved in the Humanitarian Sector to obtain feedback on its structure and content

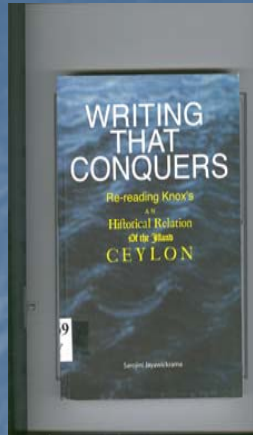
- These review meetings will be facilitated by CHA and IFRC in Colombo, and by CHA, OCHA and IFRC in the Districts

A presentation on People in Aid and the Code of conduct -  
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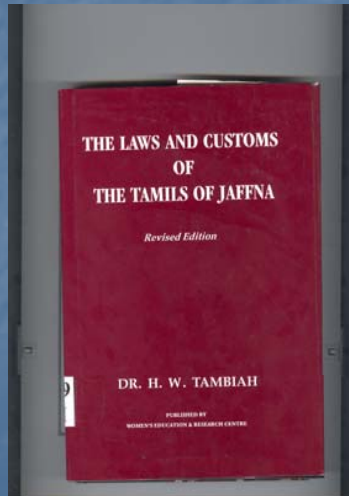
Operational meeting will not be held next  
Friday (18<sup>th</sup> November)

Next operational meeting (8.15 a.m) and  
the livelihood forum (9.45 a.m) will be  
held on Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>



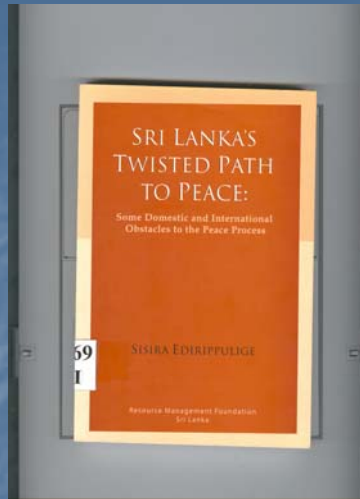
## The Laws and Customs of the Tamils of Jaffna

Thesawalamai consists of a body of laws or the customary laws of the Tamils of Jaffna that affects a very large number of inhabitants of the Northern Province.



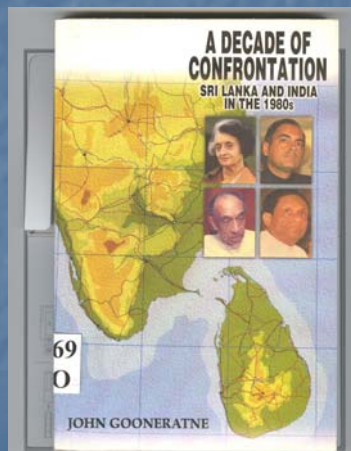
## Writing that conquers: Re-reading Knox's an historical relation of the Island Ceylon

This book is a study of Robert Knox's writings on Ceylon, putting them into relation with modern critical theory.



## Sri Lanka's Twisted path to peace: Some domestic and International obstacles to the peace process

This study argues that regardless of those nominal and selected features of democracy, Sri Lanka has not been able to establish a functioning liberal democratic system for the half century.



## A Decade of Confrontation: Sri Lanka and India in the 1980s

This book discusses on the decade of confrontation between Sri Lanka and India in the 1980s. It concentrates on the divisive diplomatic issues that kept the two countries at loggerheads during this tempestuous decade.