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# **SITUATION REPORT**

From

# TRO HEAD OFFICE KILINOCHCHI

Time period covered: 16 August 2007 – 31 August 2007

Districts: Amparai, Batticaloa, Trincomalee, Mullaitivu, Kilinochchi, Jaffna, Mannar, Vavuniya,

# Over all Situation

- On 22, 23 August 2007 Sri Lankan Air Force (SLAF) Kfir fast attack air craft bombed Mullivaikkal, Mullaitivu and Kranchy in Kilinochchi. Houses and economically beneficial trees were damaged and destroyed Alaimakal Preschool at Kiranchy.
- A9 Omanthai check point opened five days in a week
- Many schools have been destroyed by SL Army shelling from the Forward Defence Lines (FDL) in Mannar.
- Funds have been allocated to build residential quarters for Doctors and Nurses in the Vanni but currently the funds have not been dispersed by Government of Sri Lanka (GoSL).
- The National Leader Fund provided one hundred thousand rupees (Rs. 100,000 = US\$ 880) for a 7 year old student, J. Antony, who lost his right leg due to the SLAF Kfir attack on 02 January 2007 in Padakuthurai, Mannar.
- All Years 5 students sat for the Scholarship Exam on 19 August 2007.
- Family man Mr. Sellappa Thankarasa was wounded due to SL army shelling in Poonagary.
- 1,480 families are suffering due to a lack of food rations or any other support from the GoSL. The details are given below:

Kudarappu - 350 families Sempiyanpattu - 275 families Thalaiyady - 125 families Maruthankeny - 280 families Vathirajan - 450 families

- IDPs in Navatkuda, Batticaloa who were displaced from Trincomalee have been suffering due to a lack of rations for the past two weeks.
- Patients in Nedunkeny hospital have been suffering due to an acute of shortage of medicine and doctors
- 668 IDP families in Manthai East have not received any dry ration
- Two persons in Vavuniya were killed by suspected GoSL security forces.
- Anpusolai elder's happiness was visited by Caritas volunteers.
- 18 Civilians were killed and 12 civilians abducted (still missing) by SL Army and its Paramilitaries in Jaffna, Batticaloa, Vavuniya, Amparai and Trincomalee districts.



- There has been heavy artillery shelling in the border areas of Mannar, Muhamalai, Manalaru, and Palamooddai in Vavuniya.
- Socio Economic Development Bank (SED Bank) gifted Rs. 5,500 (US\$ 50) to a child born on 24 August, the tenth year anniversary of the Bank.
- Food and fuel prices are increasing in the Vanni Region making it very difficult for most who cannot afford to meet their basic needs. Prices of essential food items and fuel:

Item	Qty	Colombo Price (Rs.)	Vanni Price (Rs.)	% difference
Petrol	01 litre	117	850	626%
Diesel	01 litre	76	250	229%
Kerosene	01 litre	69	120	74%
Anchor	01 Kg	460	695	51%
Lactogen	01 box	210	210	0%
SMA	01 tin	-	580	
Lakspray	01 packet	180	190	6%
Nestomalt	01 tin	184	225	22%
Bread	01 350g	28	28	0%
<b>Coconut oil</b>	01 litre	110	180	64%
Cement	01 packet	650	5000	669%
Baby clone	10 ml	90	195	117%

#### **MULLAITIVU DISTRICT**

This District includes Thunukkai, Puthukudiyiruppu, Oddusuddan, Maratinpatt Project divisions. These divisions consist of Coastal and Agricultural villages which have been negatively affected by the prolonged war and Tsunami in 2004. The most affected village in the District is Kallapadu, on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> August 2007 civilians were once again displaced from Kallapadu due an attack by the Sri Lanka Navy (SLN).

The majority of the people of Mullaitivu District are engaged in fishing, cultivation, animal husbandry and small business as their means of livelihood. These livelihoods have been severely impacted by SLAF air strikes, SLN attacks and the closure of the A9 road at Omanthai. The population has also increased due to the arrival of IDPs from the East, Mannar, Vavuniya and the Jaffna Peninsula as shown in table below.

Currently, attacks by the SL Armed Forces have been increasing and students' education has suffered. Attacks on schools or in the vicinity of schools have caused interruptions to examinations. Children in the NorthEast must sit for the same examinations as those in the rest of the country despite the lack of resources, teachers, and the interruptions cause by the return to war and the ensuing displacement of the civilian populations.

#### **IDPs Details in Mullaitivu**

No	Details	Families	Individuals
01	Permanent population	26638	104912
02	Displaced population		
	IDPs 1990	14599	66694
	January 2006 to July 2006	4144	18528
	11.08.2006 to 31.12.2006	1974	6709

	3300		
	01.01.2007 to 16.03.2007	5041	18116
	17.03.2007 to 27.03.2007	221	686
	29.03.2007 to 12.04.2007	467	1847
	16.04.2007 to 02.05.2007	414	1694
	03.05.2007 to 10.05.2007	353	1355
	28.05.2007 to 13.06.2007	89	353
	25.06.2007 to 30.06.2007	128	382
	Total	27665	117104
03	Internal IDPs	1835	7144
	Out side District IDPs	25830	109960
		27665	117104
	Total population		
	Permanent	26638	104912
	IDPs	27665	117104
	Total	54303	222016

# **Projects for IDPs - Mullaitivu**

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No	Title	Numbers	Location	Funding NGO	Implementing partner
01	Temporary house	120	Pokkanai	CARE	NEDRO
02	Temporary house	100	Manthuvil, Valagnarmadam	CARE	NEDRO
03	Re-thatching of roofs	36	Valagnarmadam	JRS	NEDRO
04	Temporary house	43	Yokapuram centre,	FORUT	PTDO
	•		Anichiyankulam, Parathynagar		
05	Temporary house	60	Semmalai	JRS	MPWS
06	Temporary house	44	Palinagar, Sivapuram	OXFAM	SDO
07	Temporary house	74	Mulliyavalai North, Ponnagar	ECHO-OXFAM	MRRO
08	Temporary house	38	Olumadhu,	ECHO-OXFAM	MKDO
			Pulamachinathakulam,		
			Panikkankulam, Thirumurykandy		
09	Temporary house	25	Udaiyarkaddu South, North,	UNHCR /	SEDO
			Vallipunam, Visuvamadhu	FORUT	
10	Temporary house	69	Parathypuram, Manikkapuram	OXFAM	SEDO
11	Temporary house	250	Udaiyarkaddu Vallipunam,	ICRC	SEDO
			Visuvamadhu, Theravil		
12	Temporary house	70	Udaiyarkaddu	UNHCR /	SEDO
				FORUT	
13	Providing Jungle timbers	300	Puthukkudiyiruppu	ICRC	TRRO
14	Temporary house and		Mannakandal	OXFAM	TRRO
	Providing loan				
15	Temporary house	54	Mannakandal	OXFAM	TRRO
16	Temporary house	40	Iranaipalai	JRS	TRRO
17	Temporary house	49	Kooddaikaddy, Alarypuram,	FORUT	PTRO
			Kalvilan, Thirunagar, Mallavi		
18	Temporary house	38	Kooddaikaddy,	OXFAM	PTRO
			Palaiyamurikandy		
19	Well Renovation	04	Viddiyapuram, Puliyankulam	OXFAM	MRRO
20	Well construction	04	Visuvamadhu East	OXFAM	SEDO
21	Wells repairing	06	Parathypuram, Manikkapuram	OXFAM	SEDO
22	Wells repairing	02	Puthuvedduvan	OXFAM	PTRO
23	Water tank construction	01	Iyankulam	OXFAM	PTRO
24	Wells construction	02	Iyankulam	OXFAM	PTRO



#### Non Food Relief Items (NFRI)

• TRO provided NFRI for 15 families who were displaced from Trincomalee, Batticaloa, and Nagarkovil in Jaffna.

# Social Welfare project

- MKDO provided payment to a girl for travelling expenses to hospital.
- TRO provided cloth and NFRI for two families whose homes burned down in Mulliyavalai and Puthukudiyiruppu.

### KILINOCHCHI DISTRICT

The district consists of Poonagary, Karachchi and Kandavalai project divisions. Livelihoods in the Kilinochchi District include farming, fishing, small business and Government sector employment. However there have been fears of SLAF air strikes and the situation is tense.

The Poonagary division has been affected by war numerous times over the past 25 years. Civilians have been displaced to other divisions in Kilinochchi district due to recent shelling and bombing attacks by the SLA and SLAF. These attacks and the closure of the A9 highway have hampered the transportation of farm products / outputs via the A9 highway to the South and East. There have been a number of local organizations that TRO has partnered with to provide relief work for IDPs and vulnerable groups/persons in the villages.

#### IDPs Details of Kilinochchi District

No	AGA Division	Families	Individuals
01	Karachchi	3273	11851
02	Kandavalai	2989	10802
03	Poonakary	2790	10596
04	Maruthankerny	1753	6923
	Total	10805	40172

Projects for IDPs - Kilinochchi

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No	Title	Numbers	Location	Funding NGO	Implementing Partner
01	Temporary house	15	Maruthanagar	ZOA	NEDRO
02	Temporary house	45	Selvanagar, Ampalkulam	OXFAM/ECHO	NEDRO
03	Temporary house	248	Uthayanagar East West, Anathapuram, Ganeshpuram	ICRC	NEDRO
04	Temporary house	57	Maruthanagar, Uthayanagar, Kanagapuram, Selvanagar, Ampalkulam	FORUT	NEDRO
05	Temporary house	54	Pallavarajankaddu	OXFAM	PMDO
06	Temporary house	94	Thikkuvil	DRC	PMDO
07	Supplying timbers		Karumpulliyan	ICRC	TRO
08	Supplying timbers	300	Mallavi, Puthukudiyiruppu, Kilinochchi	ICRC	TRO
09	Temporary house	33	Vinayagar kudiyiruppu	OXFAM/ECHO	ADO



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			Mudkompan		
10	Temporary house	20	Anaivilunthan, Vannery	FORUT NFM	ADO
11	Temporary house	115	Kumarapuram, Umaiyalpuram	Solidar	RRDO
12	Temporary house	34	Puthumurippu, Uruthirapuram	OXFAM	TRRO
13	Temporary house	53	Periyaparanthan	DRC	TRRO
14	Temporary house	81	Ramanathapuram, Santhapuram	OXFAM	KERO
15	Temporary house	64	Pannankandy	CARE	KERO
16	Mudkompan	81	Mudkompan	OXFAM	PDRO
17	Temporary house		Nagapaduvan	FORUT	KPDO
18	Temporary house	52	08 Villages	Solidar	WWDF
19	Temporary toilets	20	Ganesh kudiyiruppu	ZOA	KPDO

#### **Education Activities**

• TRO through KDRRO provided funds to two (02) children in Vivekanadanagar, Kilinochchi to assist in their education.

# **Social Welfare project**

- TRO through KDRRO provided a cash grant for two (02) vulnerable families in Paravipanchan and Parathympuram, Kilinochchi.
- PMDO distributed cadjans for Primary Health Care Centre in Semankunru, Kilinochchi.
- TRO through ADO paid the funeral costs for two families in Kilinochchi.
- TRO through KDRRO provided payments for medical care for two (02) families in Parathypuram, Kilinochchi.
- TRRO provided cloth, NFRI, and education items for a family who lost their home to a fire in Periyaparanthan, Kilinochchi.
- TRO through NEDRO provided food & payment for mother and child at Ganeshapuram and food items for one family in Selvanagar, Kilinochchi.
- RRDO in partnership with SCF provided NFRI for one family in Kilinochchi who lost their house in a fire.

# **Drinking water supply**

- TRO through PMDO distributed drinking water to Elavur, Valaippadu, Palavi and Periyadipadu in Kilinochchi District.
- TRO through KDRRO supplied drinking water for Parathypuram people in Kilinochchi.

#### **Preschool activities**

• PSEDC conducted training in nutrition and hygiene for preschool teachers in Vanni

#### **JAFFNA DISTRICT**

Jaffna peninsula consists of the islands and the four divisions of Valikaamam, Thenmaradchchi, Vadamarachchi and Vadamarachchi East. The islands and the first three divisions have been administered by the Sri Lanka Armed Forces for the past 12 years. These areas face numerous difficulties due to the curfews imposed by the Defence Ministry and the acute shortage of food which has led to sharp increases in the prices for most essential goods.



Vadamarachchi East is the part of the Jaffna district that is under the LTTE's administration, and consists of coastal villages such as Maruthankeny, Uduthurai, Thalaiyady, Aliyavalai, Vettilaikeny, Kaddaikkadu, Pookkaruppu, Kevil and Chundikulam. Many civilians from these villages died in the tsunami and lost a large amount of property, such as houses, fishing boats & engines were destroyed. Civilians were affected once again with the recent return to war and the ensuing artillery, multi barrel and Kfir aircraft attacks by the Sri Lanka Armed Forces. The population has been displaced and lacks the basic amenities such as shelter, food, water and medicine. There are currently 1753 families living in Chundikulan Village, Vadamaradchchi East.

**Projects for IDPs - Mannar** 

No	Title	Numbers	Location	Funding NGO	Implementing Partner
01	Temporary cottage		Chundikulam	Solidar	VEDRO
02	School cottage	02	Pookaruppu, Chundikulam	Solidar	VEDRO
03	Road renovation		Chumdikulam	TRO	VEDRO

#### Medical service

• There has been no government hospital service to the area, only Thileepan Medical Mobile service. As a result pregnant mothers, babies, the ill and the injured have suffered due to lack of accessible medical service.

#### **Nutrition**

• TRO is doing constructing a temporary Nutrition Centre in Poonaithuduvai area in Vadamaradchchi East.

# Needs of IDPs who are in Chundikulam Village

- Temporary shelter
- Temporary toilets
- Wells for drinking water
- Temporary school building/ structures.
- Temporary toilet & water facilities for Schools.

#### MANNAR DISTRICT

Mannar District is divided into two parts: the government controlled areas and LTTE controlled areas. People of Manthai West & Madhu are in LTTE administrated divisions. These people were affected during previous military operations such as "Edipala Operation" and "Ranagosa Operation". The civilians in the area have been engaged in fishing & farming for their livelihood. Civilians fled after the recent attempted advances by the SLA and SLAF air strikes. The 02 July 2007 bombardment of a civilian cottage in the Padakuthurai – Iluppaikadavai village in Mannar district triggered the displacement of a large number of IDPs to safer areas.

#### **IDP Details in Mannar divisions**

No	Place	Families	Male	Female	Individual
01	Periyamadhu	1060	1998	2028	4026
02	Adampan	1971	3626	3535	7161
03	Iluppaikadavai	410	780	773	1553
	Total	3441	6404	6336	12740



**Projects for IDPs - Mannar** 

No	Title	Numbers	Location	Funding NGO	Implementing Partner
01	Temporary Preschool	01	Periyamadhu	TRO	NEDRO
02	Temporary Preschool	01	Periyamadhu	World Vision	IDRO
03	Temporary school cottage	03	Periyamadhu	World Vision	TRO
04	Temporary house	252	Pallamadhu, Kovilkulam	World Vision	NEDRO
05	Temporary cottage	50	Periyamadhu	TRO	IDRO
06	Temporary cottage	50	Periyamadhu	ZOA	IDRO
07	Temporary cottage	127	Periyamadhu	World Vision	IDRO
08	Temporary cottage	50	Periyamadhu	TRO	IDRO
09	Reparing Toilets	50	Periyamadhu	TRO	IDRO
10	Well cleaning	50	Periyamadhu	World Vision	IDRO

#### Food

• MWDO in partnership with DRC provided dry food items for 445 families who are living in border areas of Veddayanmurippu, Pappamooddai, Malikaithidal, Palaikuli, Parappankandal in Manthai West, Mannar.

#### **NFRI**

• IDRO in partnership with SCF provided NFRI for 250 families in Periyapandivirichan, Sinnapandivirichan, Madhu, & Jaffna.

# **Drinking water supply**

• TRO through NEDRO distributed drinking water to the Iluppaikadavai, Anthoniyarpuram, Thevapitty areas.

# Social welfare projects

- TRO through NEDRO distributed cadjans for 07 vulnerable families in Moonrapitty, Vellankulam, and SevaKiramam, Mannar.
- NEDRO paid the funeral costs for a family in Athimooddai, Mannar.
- TRO through NEDRO paid funeral payment for a child killed in an accident at Anthoniyarpuram Village.
- TRO through IDRO provided dry food for 03 vulnerable families in Periyamadhu Mannar.

#### **Hospital Activities**

• People in Adampan are without emergency medical service due to the Adampan hospital not functioning at night.

#### **Needs of IDPs**

Toilets - 200
Temporary shelter - 300
Temporary preschool - 01

NFRI

• Assistance for home gardening



# **VAVUNIYA DISTRICT**

Vavuniya District is divided into two parts: the government controlled areas and the LTTE controlled areas. Vavuniya North, in the LTTE controlled areas, consists of Nedunkeny division and Puliyankulam areas.

The civilians of Vavuniya North have been affected by military activities such as Multi Barrel artillery attacks, air strikes and claymore mine attacks by SLA Deep Penetration Units (DPU). Currently the civilians have fled from their places to safer areas; as a result the schools are not functioning.

### **IDP Details in Vavuniya**

No	Place	Family	Individuals	0-01 age	02-05 age	06-16 age	Above 17
01	Mannakulam1	50	205	8	25	48	124
02	Periyakulam	51	200	12	21	53	114
03	Mannakulam 2	26	122	6	10	41	65
	Total	127	527	26	56	142	303

# Projects for IDPs - Vavuniya

No	Title	Numbers	Location	Funding NGO	Implementing Partner
01	Temporary house	59	Periyakulam	OXFAM	NDRO
02	Temporary house	50	Mannakulam	FORUT	VDRO
03	Well construction	02	Kanagarajankulam	OXFAM	NDRO
04	Constructing toilets	59	Periyakulam	OXFAM	NDRO

# **AMPARAI DISTRICT**

STROS Organization in Switzerland funded the construction of a permanent preschool building for preschool children in Akkaraipattu, Amparai.

Amman children's home is functioning in Amparai.

# **SPECIAL PROJECT**

#### Medical Support by International Coordinating Unit (ICU) of TRO

Medical services in the Vanni are inadequate due to GoSL restrictions and the lack of adequate medical equipment, medicines and medical personnel; as a result the International Coordinating Unit of TRO made arrangements to provide grants to those who can not access or afford medical assistance.

#### **Details of Patient by the ICU in the past 2 weeks:**

No	Patient Name	Address	Assistance
01	Sukumar Mukunthala	Pannankandy Kilinochchi	Payment for treatment
02	Chandrakumar Sajeevan	Jeyanthinagar kilinochchi	Payment to medicine
03	Pramathas Laxcika	Valagnarmadam Mullivaikkal	Medicine for heart treatment
04	Yokendran Kirusan	Sivanagar Uruthirapuram	Payment for travelling to Colombo



**05** Kanagalingam Vimalraj Paranthan Payment for clinic

# **Patient Welfare Society (PWS)**

The Patient Welfare Society's Centres are currently functioning in Kilinochchi, Mullaitivu, Puthukkudiyiruppu, Mallavi, and Mulangavil hospitals. These centres have funded ancillary services for the hospitals such as: coordinating volunteers for the hospitals, maintaining hospitals welfare, transporting the patients and supplying food for patients

#### **Nutrition Parks Activities**

There are 10 Day Care Centres and 02 Mother & Child Nutrition Parks for with 943 beneficiaries throughout the Vanni, which have been providing nutrition for children, pregnant women and lactating mothers who were in need of nutrition.

#### **Nutrition Parks**

No	Name of Nutrition Park	Location	Male	Female	Total
					Beneficiaries
01	Kalaimakal	Therankandal	34	36	70
02	Vaseekaran	Moonkilaru	54	50	104
03	Soozhar	Elankopuram	62	58	120
04	Mukilan	Kallappadu	23	19	42
05	Vaikarai	Mallavi	60	55	115
06	Kaseem	Anaivilunthan	33	36	69
07	Kuma	Ampalkulam	74	81	155
08	Sokkalingam	Iranaimathanagar	63	75	138
09	Pulendren	Koorakkankaddu	55	50	105

#### **Day Care Centres**

No	Name of Day care centre	Location	Male	Female	Total
01	Valarmathy	Tharmapuram	03	02	05

#### **Mother & Child Nutrition Centres**

No	Nutrition centre	Location	Male	Female	Mother	Total
01	Anpu	Akkaraiyan	03	11	02	16
02	Vanavil	Tharmapuram	02	07	-	09

### **Children Homes Activities**

- A ceremony was held to award prizes and honoured students from the Children's Homes who passed their exams at G.C.E "O" Level, and the G.C.E "A" Level students who qualified to enter University.
- Gandhi Seva Sangam Children's Home celebrated its 51st year anniversary by opening a Children's park supported by Unicef and TRO.