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ILANKAI TAMIL SANGAM, USA, INC.
ASSOCIATION OF TAMILS OF SRI LANKA IN THE USA

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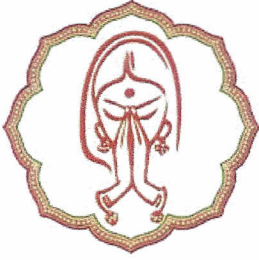
Dear Sangam members, attendees and well wishers

Re: Thamilar Sangamam 2011 and Ilankai Tamil Sangam AGM

Ilankai Tamil Sangam USA successfully hosted its 34th AGM and 2nd annual Thamilar Sangamam event in Monroe township, NJ. The event achieved its purpose of providing a public forum for discussing the issues faced by the Tamil people of the North and East of Sri Lanka. Sangam believes the entire community and Tamil organizations need to address the welfare and human right issues faced by the Tamils in Sri Lanka, hence panel discussion were organized to address these issues. Sangam is proud of the outcome of the panel discussions and hope the attendees will benefit from the information and educate friends and families to find ways to help the Tamil people in Sri Lanka.

Sangam would like to thank all the participating organizations for their well prepared presentations. Special thanks to those who came from other countries and from outside of New Jersey. We hope all will continue to attend our annual event. Sangam would like to thank the two Tamil National Alliance MPs for taking time to travel to USA, and for educating the attendees on ground realities and on the critical issues faced by the Tamils in the North and East of Sri Lanka. We would like to thank all the volunteers, we greatly appreciate their help and we hope they will continue to help to make future events very successful. We sincerely thank all the attendees for the participation in all the events, including the morning and afternoon sessions. We sincerely hope we met your expectations. We apologize for any inconvenience or unpleasant experiences, if any, were encountered by the attendees. Please send your feedback, pleasant or unpleasant, to president@sangam.org or secretary@sangam.org. Please share your thoughts and ideas of future events/activities to be organized by the Sangam.

Sangam would like to thank the outgoing President and Vice President for their leadership and commitment to the Sangam. Under their leadership Sangam has hosted several successful events, including the last two AGMs, 1st Sangamam and the 2010 Kalai Vila, and taken initiatives to preserve Tamil history. It should be duly noted that the current president reinstated the kalai Vila and initiated the 1st sangamam event. Both of them have agreed to stay in the general committee and support future Sangam activities. We welcome the newly-elected President, Vice President, and the new Executive Committee and wish them well in their new Endeavour. We ask for your support for this new team.



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Sangam's primary concern is the welfare of Tamils in the North and East. They are in dire need of help on all fronts. We will lose them if do not help them NOW. We must extend our hands to orphans, war widows and the devastated families to rebuild their lives and protect their basic human rights. The Sangamam event showed how you can help them in various ways through various organizations. Please join Sangam to educate our children of Tamil History and Culture, and to help Tamil people in the North and East to rebuild their livelihood.

Sincerely
Ilankai Tamil Sangam