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# **National Plan of Action**

**To Implement the Recommendations of the  
Lessons Learnt & Reconciliation Commission**

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<b>INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW ISSUES</b>						
1.	<b>9.9, 9.37a.</b> - Ascertain more fully the circumstances under which specific instances of death or injury to civilians could have occurred, and if such investigations disclose wrongful conduct, prosecute and punish the wrongdoers.	1. Complete ongoing disciplinary process being conducted in terms of Armed Forces statutes. 2. Upon conclusion, take follow up action to prosecute, where relevant. 3. Use the existing system as provided for in the Criminal Procedure Code to originate a complaint and give such mechanism sufficient publicity.	o M/Defence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disciplinary inquiries concluded</li> <li>Offenders prosecuted</li> <li>Cases filed in Court</li> </ul>	June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Allegations of summary executions of captured persons are being investigated by an Army Court of Inquiry, through a comprehensive procedure involving interviewing all relevant Field Commanders and potential witnesses. Potential witnesses, once identified, will be formally called as witnesses to the Inquiry.</b></li> <li><b>First Part of the Col, i.e allegation with regard to civilian casualties, concluded in Feb 2013. Inquiry concluded that instances of shelling referred to in the LLRC Report were not caused by the Sri Lanka Army and civilian casualties might have occurred due to unlawful acts by LTTE. These acts include targeting civilians fleeing to the safety of Army held areas and likely routes of escape, dropping of artillery rounds fired by ill-trained LTTE gunners on to civilian concentrations etc.</b></li> </ul>
2.	<b>9.14*</b> - Consider expeditious grant of appropriate redress to those affected by shells falling on hospitals after due inquiry as a humanitarian gesture.	1. No further action required as recommendation has been given effect to.	o M/Rehabilitation & Prison Reforms o REPPIA		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Any person affected by shells and had applied to the REPPIA for compensation has been granted redress. Whoever injured or disabled due to war is entitled to apply for compensation on submission of a medical report issued by a Government Doctor.</b></li> </ul>
3.	<b>9.22*</b> - Examine the issue of medical supplies to civilians in the conflict areas during the final days of the conflict taking into consideration all relevant factors such as the number of civilians injured, the types of injuries, the number of LTTE cadres injured and treated, and the capacity to treat the injured in the makeshift hospitals, against which the actual supplies could be assessed.	1. Submit a report	o M/Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Report submitted</li> </ul>	January 2014	
4.	<b>9.23</b> - Launch a full investigation into allegations of disappearances after surrender/arrest and where such investigations produce evidence of any unlawful act on the part of individual members	1. Please see Recommendation 9.51				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Please see Recommendation 9.51</b></li> </ul>

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	of the Army, prosecute and punish the wrongdoers.					
5.	<b>9.26*</b> – Take due account of the violation of core Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law Principles in framing charges against LTTE cadres against whom investigations reveal prima facie material for prosecution so that appropriate punishment, commensurate with the grave nature of such crimes could be meted out.		o AG's Dept		On going	
6.	<b>9.37b</b> - Conduct a professionally designed household survey covering all affected families in all parts of the island to ascertain firsthand the scale and circumstances of death and injury to civilians, as well as damage to property during the period of the conflict.	1. Conduct survey.	o Dept of Census & Statistics.	• Survey conducted	On going	• <b>The islandwide Census to gather data on deaths/injuries to persons and property damages that have occurred from 1982 to date as a direct or indirect result of the internal conflicts in the country concluded its enumeration in December 2013. Processing of data is now in progress.</b>
7.	<b>9.39</b> - Initiate an independent investigation into the Channel 4 Video to establish the truth or otherwise of the allegations arising from the video footage.	1. Please see Recommendations 9.9, 9.37a.				• <b>Please see Recommendations 9.9, 9.37a.</b>

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8.	<b>9.46</b> - Direct law enforcement authorities to take immediate steps to ensure that allegations [of abductions, enforced or involuntary disappearances, and arbitrary detention] are properly investigated into, and perpetrators brought to justice.	1. Identify impediments, if any, to the effective enforcement of the law. 2. Strengthen investigation skills of Police 3. Enhance capacity of the Police to put in place a more effective surveillance mechanism of the locality in cooperation with the local community and establish community policing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o M/Law &amp; Order</li> <li>o Police Dept</li> <li>o Legal Aid Commission</li> <li>o M/Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impediments identified and remedial action taken</li> <li>• Programmes to strengthen skills integrated into Police training modules</li> <li>• Access to justice programmes identified and implemented by establishing community policing units</li> </ul>	March 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant measures have been taken by the Police Dept to enhance capacity in law enforcement. Community Policing is conducted continuously through 422 units set up in every main Police Station throughout the country. More than 3,600 Police Officers have been trained under an ongoing project initiated by the Scottish Police College. In addition, in the North and East, 16 new Police Stations have been set up, while around 1,450 Tamil speaking Police Officers serve the public in these areas.</li> <li>• Of the complaints of disappearances received by the Police to date, 2,547 out of 2,932 have been inquired into. Balance 385 cases are being investigated by the Terrorist Investigation Division.</li> <li>• In order to assist people in need of financial aid to litigate cases or defend themselves in Court, more than 70 Legal Aid Centres function island-wide implementing Access to Justice programmes. More Centres are to be introduced gradually.</li> </ul>
9.	<b>9.48*, 9.50*</b> – Seek a comprehensive approach to address the issue of missing persons as a matter of urgency, including the implementation of recommendations of past Commissions.  Make efforts by the law enforcement authorities, in cooperation with relevant agencies, especially the ICRC, to trace the whereabouts of missing persons and ensure reunification with their families.	1. Establish a Committee to strengthen current initiatives and identify new strategies to address the issue of missing persons, including issues of families of missing persons.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Presidential Secretariat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee convened</li> <li>• New strategies identified</li> <li>• Implementation of new initiatives commenced</li> </ul>	Jan 2014  March 2014  June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On going. Ministry of Defence and ICRC continue to collaborate on the issue of disappearances. This includes studying practical methodologies adopted by other countries in dealing with cases of alleged disappearances. Issues pertaining to families of persons identified as “Missing” or “Disappeared” will be addressed via a mechanism to implement the findings of a “Family Needs Assessment” conducted by the ICRC in 2013.</li> <li>• A Presidential Commission of Inquiry to investigate alleged disappearances was appointed in August 2013. <i>Please see Recommendation 9.51</i></li> <li>• With regard to tracing of missing persons, Terrorist Investigation Division (TID) has so far traced 14 persons and they have been reunited with their families following a rehabilitation process.</li> </ul>
10.	<b>9.51</b> - Appoint a Special Commissioner of Investigation to investigate alleged disappearances and provide	1. Appoint the Commission.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Presidential Secretariat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COI Appointed</li> <li>• Follow up action</li> </ul>	Completed  December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Commission to investigate alleged abductions or disappearances of persons resident in the Northern and Eastern Provinces during the period 1990-2009 was established on 12.08.13 <i>(for Mandate, please visit</i></li> </ul>

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	<p>material to the Attorney General to initiate criminal proceedings as appropriate. Provide the Office of the Commissioner with experienced investigators to collect and process information.</p> <p>Devise a centralized system of data collection at the national level, integrating all information with regard to missing persons</p>	2. Establish an integrated data base to collate information regarding missing persons.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dept of census &amp; Statistics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>identified</li> <li>Relevant material forwarded to AG</li> <li>Centralised system of data collection in place</li> </ul>	<p>2014</p> <p>March 2014</p>	<p><a href="http://www.llrcaction.gov.lk">www.llrcaction.gov.lk</a> ). This Commission will conduct its first Public Sitings from 18 – 21 January 2014 in the Karachchi DS Division in the Kilinochchi District. All persons from this area who have submitted complaints to the Commission will be notified to appear for an independent investigation into their complaints. Public Sitings will be continued in all Granma Niladhari Divisions in the Northern and Eastern Provinces thereafter. Meanwhile, the ICRC and the UNDP have expressed satisfaction over the manner in which the Commission is proceeding in terms of implementing its mandate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Commission has received to date 13,700 complaints from all parts of the country and from all ethnic groups. Of these, approximately 9,300 are from civilians and 4,300 are from security personnel. Every complaint is acknowledged by letter and the data on complaints are computerized with a reference number provided to the complainant if he/she wishes to inquire into the status of the complaint subsequently.</li> <li>Public will be enabled to access information directly with the launch of the Commission's website anticipated in January 2014.</li> </ul>
11.	<p><b>9.52</b> - Take all necessary measures for implementation of the [Registration of Deaths Act] at the administrative level.</p> <p>Give adequate publicity to the relevant provisions of the Act through media, Grama Niladharis etc., especially in the conflict affected areas.</p>	<p>1. Review of progress of implementation of the Registration of Deaths Act in terms of instructions already issued.</p> <p>2. Give adequate publicity of the availability of information through the Governments 1919 IT facility, to people in conflict affected areas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M/ Public Administration &amp; Home Affairs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructions issued to implement the provisions of new legislation.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issuance of a "Certificate of Absence" is under consideration by the Ministry of Public Administration.</li> </ul>
12.	<p><b>9.53*, 9.67*</b> – Adhere to applicable legal provisions by the law enforcement authorities when taking persons into their custody, such as issuing of a formal receipt regarding the arrest and providing details of the</p>	<p>1. Introduce appropriate legislation to provide for the issue of a receipt regarding arrest.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M/Justice</li> <li>M/Law &amp; Order</li> </ul>	<p>1. Legislation introduced in Parliament</p>	March 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No further action required. Families of arrested persons were informed of their arrest and detention when Emergency Regulations were in force and in the period before and after. Persons were and are being detained in places which are declared as places of detention.</li> </ul>



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	place of detention etc. Such persons should be detained only at formal places of detention declared under the law. Adequate publicity should be given to such authorized places of detention, with access to next of kin.					
13.	<b>9.54*</b> - Ensure adherence to following measures: a) An arrested person should be promptly produced before a Magistrate to be dealt with in accordance with the law. b) Any change of the place of detention should be promptly notified to the family of the arrested person and the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka. c) Magistrates should visit the places of detention every month. d) Release from detention should be done through courts.	1. Issue necessary instructions to ensure compliance with recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o M/Law &amp; Order</li> <li>o M/Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instructions issued to ensure compliance. Compliance monitored.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. No further action required. Please see also Recommendation 9.53*, 9.67*</b></li> </ul>
14.	<b>9.55*</b> - Take steps to prosecute police officers in instances of failure or refusal to record an arrest, detention and transfer, or to record complaints of abductions and failure to investigate same.	1. Examine the adequacy of new strategies implemented to ensure prompt action on complaints received by police. 2. Ensure that appropriate disciplinary action is initiated with regard to officers against whom complaints are made.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o M/Law &amp; Order</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination completed and gaps, if any, identified.</li> <li>• New strategies introduced to respond to gaps, if any.</li> <li>• Disciplinary action taken as a percent</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Complaints by the public against Police Officers regarding misconduct or similar deeds are rigorously monitored. Such complaints can now be directly lodged at the specially designated Public Day of Inspector General of Police at the Police Headquarters. Action will be taken against errant Police Officers following existing procedure.</b></li> </ul>

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				of complaints received.		
15.	<b>9.57</b> - Appoint an Independent Advisory Committee to monitor and examine detention and arrest of persons taken into custody under any regulations made under the Public Security Ordinance or the Prevention of Terrorism Act.	See activities under recommendations 9.9, 9.37 (a) (b), 9.23, 9.39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/ Public Administration &amp; Home Affairs</li> </ul>			
16.	<b>9.58*</b> - Assist families to deal with the trauma of not knowing the whereabouts of their family members. Where possible, assist them financially in situations where the missing persons had been the breadwinners. Legal aid should also be provided as and when necessary.	1. Establish a social care centre in each Division in North & East and provide necessary legal support to victims of war	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Social Services</li> <li>○ M/Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social care centres established.</li> <li>• Availability of legal aid to this category announced.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>54 Social Care Centres in the North and 49 Centres in the East are now in operation. These Centres provide an integrated social care package as a safety net to vulnerable persons. Ministry of Social Services, in collaboration with UNICEF, has assisted a considerable number of single parent families in the North and East, through these Centres, by providing financial support for self employment and other empowerment measures.</b></li> <li>• <b>Single women households, families where one or more members are missing and war widows are especially catered to by legal aid and mediation mechanisms in the North and East. These mechanisms have undergone continuous improvement since 2010 providing awareness and mobile public services in collaboration with NGOs. Also, more than 70 Legal Aid Centres function island-wide to assist people in need of financial aid to litigate cases or defend themselves in Court.</b></li> </ul>
17.	<b>IR(1a).</b> Create a special mechanism to examine cases of persons being held in detention for long periods without charges] on a case by case basis and recommend a course of action in regard to disposal of each case.  Establish a focal point in the Attorney General's Dept to support the process of examining detention cases.	1. Identify and establish procedures in the existing system to address the issue 2. Complete decision making regarding detainees through a dedicated Unit in the Attorney General's Dept. mandated to examine detention cases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Attorney-General's Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processes identified and established</li> <li>• Reduction in the number of detainees.</li> <li>• Unit established</li> </ul>	Dec 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. A team of Attorneys-at-Law acting under direct supervision of an Additional Solicitor General and a Deputy Solicitor General is taking action to recommend charges, discharge or any other course of action ie: rehabilitation having considered evidence available against each detainee.</b></li> <li>• <b>Of a total 977 files relating to detainees opened between 2009 and 2013, there are only 160 matters to be concluded. The same Additional Solicitor-General functions as the focal point relating to detainees.</b></li> </ul>
18.	<b>9.59</b> - Frame domestic legislation to specifically	1. Examine the need for legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/ Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of laws</li> </ul>	Dec 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Draft Amendments to the existing legislation have been finalized and sent to the Attorney General's for observation.</b></li> </ul>

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	criminalize enforced or involuntary disappearances.	2. Formulate and present law to Parliament if law reform is found to be necessary with emphasis on the need to impose heavy terms of imprisonment as a deterrent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attorney-General's Dept.</li> <li>Police Dept</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>completed</li> <li>Legislation drafted and presented to Parliament, if found necessary</li> </ul>		Thereafter, they will be submitted to the Cabinet Ministers for approval.
19.	<b>9.60</b> - Provide comprehensive, island-wide human rights education programmes targeting the school children, youth, members of the Security Forces, and the Police etc.	1. Implement activities identified in the NHRAP 2. Formulate a module for inclusion in secondary school curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NHRC</li> <li>M/ Education</li> <li>NIE</li> <li>M/Law &amp; Order</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation of NHRAP monitored</li> <li>Module formulated and included in curriculum</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed. Human Rights Education training is routinely provided to Police Officers, while the Sri Lanka Army conducts a comprehensive HR law/ IHL training programme for all ranks throughout the year. Further, more than 1000 Police Officers received ICRC training on "Use of Force" between June to December 2013.</li> <li>Secondary school curriculum has now incorporated Human Rights Education. Supplementary curriculum material on Human Rights are also being developed.</li> </ul>
20.	<b>9.63</b> - Create a centralized comprehensive database containing a list of detainees, which should be made available to the next of kin with names, place as detention as well as record of transfers.	1. The present database to be enhanced with easy access to information being available to NOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M/Defence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced database</li> </ul>	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed. A centralized, comprehensive database of detainees and those released from detention is available for access by next of kin at Terrorist Investigation Units in Colombo, Vavuniya and Boosa. Access to database information is restricted to NoK based on requests by detainees not to publicly disclose such information owing to privacy concerns. Over 3,000 NoKs have benefitted thus far.</li> </ul>
21.	<b>9.65*</b> - Enhance current facilities for transportation of next of kin to visit family members in detention with the cooperation of ICRC and voluntary organizations.	1. Considering current circumstances of improved transport infrastructure, special facilities are not required.			Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed. In all instances where next of kin had faced transport difficulties to meet their relatives in detention, the Terrorist Investigation Unit has made necessary transport arrangements.</li> </ul>
22.	<b>IR (1b)</b> (1) Publish a list of names of those in detention.  (2) Issue a certificate when a person is discharged so that that the same person is not taken into custody again, unless new evidence is discovered against him.	1. Continue current practice of informing next of kin regarding location of detainee. (NB: NHRC is also informed).  2. Examine and report on the practical application of such a procedure and its feasibility.  3.(a) Formulate a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Police Dept</li> <li>Attorney-General's Dept.</li> <li>Police Dept.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The availability of a comprehensive list of names and relevant data to the NOK.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Completed. <i>Please see Recommendation 9.63.</i></li> <li>(2) Completed. <i>Please see Recommendation 9.53*, 9.67*</i></li> <li>(3) Government has established several courts in areas where the judicial system had been at a standstill. Courts are now fully functional in many parts of the Northern Province with the exclusive use of Tamil Language. Ministry of Justice has also initiated a study to identify recommendations made by a number of committees in the recent past to look into issues of law's delays. Ministry has also taken steps to propose amendment legislation including amendment to the Civil Procedure Code to introduce Pre-Trial Procedure. Also</li> </ul>

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	(3) Look into the general issue of law delays to expedite prosecution or discharge detainees.	programme to divert suspects from the criminal process to voluntary rehabilitation in appropriate cases; (b) Enable indictments to be filed in an additional number of courts to ease the backlog	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o M/ Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report published</li> </ul>		proposed are to introduce Children (Judicial) Protection Bill, amendments to the Criminal Procedure Code and Protection of Victims and Witnesses Bill. Some of them will be presented to parliament in 02 months..
23.	<b>9.68, 69</b> - Screen detainees and give special attention to young detainees and special cases [those with young children, physically disabled, recovering from injury and medical interventions, requiring counselling].	1. Review the status of the remainder of the detainees with a view to assessing whether special attention to certain groups or individuals is needed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Commissioner General of Rehabilitation</li> <li>o M/Social Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status required to be submitted</li> </ul>	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed.</b> Detainee status has been reviewed. They are facilitated according to their special requirements. Details are as follows:</li> <li>• <b>(a) Child Combatants:</b> All 594 ex-child combatants, which included 364 males and 230 females, have been rehabilitated and reintegrated into society by May 2010. All those who had missed out on their schooling during the conflict period were facilitated to gain formal education and those qualified for G.C.E (O/L) and (A/L) sat these examinations undergoing special education programmes and tuition classes under the "Catch up Education Scheme". 169 qualified to enter university. Further, 322 ex-child combatants have received vocational training in order to be gainfully employed.</li> <li>• <b>(b) Rehabilitates with disabilities/minor injuries:</b> 3,344 rehabilitates comprising 1,600 with permanent disabilities and 1,744 with minor injuries have been rehabilitated and re-integrated. A further 82 remain in Rehabilitation Centres.  <b><u>Provision of artificial limbs:</u></b> Artificial limbs have been provided for 118 re-integrated rehabilitates. This will be extended to those in Rehabilitation Centers as well.  <b><u>Livelihood assistance:</u></b> All rehabilitates with permanent disabilities (1,619) have been made entitled to receive a monthly allowance of Rs 3,000/-. To date, 228 beneficiaries have submitted applications. Awareness programmes have been conducted at village level to educate other disabled beneficiaries requiring this assistance, and consequently a further 100 disabled ex-combatants have submitted applications. Disabled ex-combatants are also granted a loan of Rs 25,000/- to start</li> </ul>



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						<p>livelihood projects.</p> <p><u>Counselling</u>: Several Counselling programmes have been conducted for rehabilitees who suffer from PTSD. Counselling is extended to family members as well.</p> <p><u>Medical care</u>: Special health clinics and screening programmes are carried out for the benefit of ex-combatants by Government medical teams. At least 48 ex-combatants have been facilitated to undergo surgeries at Government Hospitals in Colombo and Vavuniya.</p>
24.	<b>9.70*</b> - Take conclusive action to dispose of cases of detainees incarcerated over a long period of time without charges being preferred, by bringing charges or releasing them where there is no evidence of any criminal offence being committed.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Justice</li> <li>○ Attorney General's Dept</li> </ul>			
25.	<b>9.71*</b> - Actively encourage a greater role for civil society organizations that could provide financial and human resource assistance to implement programmes targeting detainees who have been rehabilitated to integrate into the mainstream civilian life.	1.No further activity required as recommendation has been given effect to.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Justice</li> <li>○ M/Rehabilitation</li> </ul>		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. Ministry of Rehabilitation has collaborated with several private sector organizations to implement programmes, including job training programmes, for detainees and rehabilitees. This is an on-going exercise.</b></li> </ul>
26.	<b>9.73</b> - Conduct proper investigations in respect to allegations against the illegal armed groups. Institute criminal proceedings against offenders.	1. During the time of the conflict, illegal armed groups were known to operate in the theatre of conflict. Steps have been taken to completely eliminate this activity. These measures will be continued to be implemented to ensure that these groups do not re-emerge.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Defence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The effective maintenance of law and order</li> </ul>	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. Action has been taken by Government to disarm all illegally armed persons in the North &amp; East. These measures will be observed regularly to ensure that illegally armed groups do not re-emerge.</b></li> </ul>
27.	<b>9.77*</b> - Adopt the community based correctional programme	1. Rehabilitation of ex-child combatants completed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Rehabilitation &amp; Prison</li> </ul>		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No further action required. All child combatants have been rehabilitated and reintegrated into society by 2010. Any further support will be provided by the Child Rights &amp;</b></li> </ul>

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	of the Commissioner General of Childcare and Probation for the rehabilitation of former child combatants in cooperation with NGOs and civil society organizations.		Affairs ○ M/Child Devt & Women's Affairs			Protection Officers (CRPO) at the community level.
28.	<b>IR 3.</b> Introduce specific measures to ensure the maintenance of law and order, particularly the disarming of any illegal armed groups.	1. Examine crime statistics and trends to identify critical issues; 2. Take necessary measures to improve law enforcement.	○ M/Defence  ○ Police Dept	• Effective Vigilance • Decrease in incidents of crime	Completed	• <b>Completed as Recommendation 9.73 above.</b>
29.	<b>9.78, 9.82</b> - Examine on a case-by-case basis the cases relating to young LTTE suspects with a view to instituting legal action without delay or rehabilitating and/or releasing them. Ensure that no sooner than they complete the rehabilitation program, children be allowed to live with their families and assisted to continue their studies or earn a living.	1. This concern has been fully addressed with large numbers pursuing academic activities followed by reunification with their families. This process to be continued by CG/R.	○ Commissioner General of Rehabilitation	• Programme for re-integration designed and implemented	Completed	<p>• <b>Completed. With regard to rehabilitation and re-integration of ex-combatants, a total of 11,872 have been rehabilitated and reintegrated into society (9598 men; 2274 women). Only 171 remain under legal proceedings. Significantly, all 594 child combatants were rehabilitated and reunited with their families within a 01 year period. Those who had missed out on their schooling were all provided formal education and those qualified for G.C.E (O/L) and (A/L) sat these examinations undergoing special education programmes and tuition classes under the "Catch up Education Scheme". 169 qualified to enter university. In addition, 322 ex-child combatants have undergone vocational training.</b></p> <p>• <b><u>Facilitation of Job and Livelihood Opportunities:</u></b> 665 Rehabilitated LTTE members gained employment with the Department of Civil Security (Males – 536 Females – 129). Several leading private sector companies were engaged by the government to create job opportunities for all rehabilitees at Poonthottam PARC.</p> <p>More than 1,800 rehabilitated LTTE members have received loans amounting to Rs 238 M to conduct livelihood projects. Government has allocated a further Rs 520M to cater to 3,742 pending loan applications. 42 rehabilitated LTTE members have also been eligible to receive a grant of Rs 50,000 under the ICRC livelihood assistance programme.</p>
30.	<b>9.79</b> - Investigate any instances where there is prima facie evidence of conscription of children as combatants and			• Investigations completed.		



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	ensure that offenders are brought to justice.					
31.	<b>9.80*</b> – Create employment opportunities in the former conflict affected areas in consultation with the private sector.  Former child combatants who had missed school should be encouraged and facilitated to complete their formal education requirements while engaging in gainful employment.	1. Recommendation has been given effect to.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Youth &amp; Skills Devt</li> <li>○ M/Rehabilitation &amp; Prison Affairs</li> </ul>		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. Please see Recommendation 9.78, 9.82 above.</b></li> </ul>
32.	<b>9.81</b> – Consider establishing a national, government-led, multidisciplinary task force to develop and implement a comprehensive child tracing programme.	1. As 9.51				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Please see Recommendation 9.51 above.</b></li> </ul>
33.	<b>9.87*</b> – Address the immediate needs of women, especially widows who most often have become heads of their households, by provision of livelihood and other income generating means to reduce immense economic hardships.	1. Implement livelihood / self employment projects 2. Strengthen women entrepreneurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Social Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Target groups engage in livelihood and income generating activities.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A number of income generating projects are implemented by Government targeting women in North and East in particular. Some are as follows:</b>  <b>Livelihood programmes for widows are underway in Maritimpattu, Kalmunai Tamil, Erawurpattu, Thenmarachchi, Kantale, Kuchchaweli, Vengalasettikulam, Koraleipattu and Uduwil. Revolving credits have been issued for 189 women.</b>  <b>Under the "Single Parent Families Development Programme", M/Social Services has provided self-employment assistance and Micro Enterprise Assistance to approximately 400 Single Parents in the Northern and Eastern Provinces spending Rs 4.3 M. In addition, 767 applications for financial assistance from the North and East have been received to date which are now being processed.</b>  <b>A number of vocational training programmes are conducted by several ministries for women-headed households. This includes vocational training programmes conducted for 27,000 women headed families in the North by the Ministry of Technology &amp; Research. In addition, more than 7,000</b></li> </ul>



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						<p>women in the Estate Sector have attended awareness programmes on livelihood development. A “Diploma in Women Empowerment” in Tamil medium has also been introduced by M/ Child Devt &amp; Women’s Affairs to build skills and capacities of women.</p> <p>Information on women-headed households in Northern Province is now being used for provision of livelihood assistance under <i>Divi Neguma</i> programme under the Ministry of Economic Development.</p>
34.	<b>9.88*</b> - Facilitate cooperation of and engage the services of relevant international organizations and civil society groups, community level associations and support groups to assist single mothers, those recently resettled, and those who are disabled to address the issues they confront and also to address emotional and spiritual needs of those who have been under trauma.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establish Inter-Ministerial Committee comprising M/Rehabilitation &amp; Prison Affairs, M/Child Devt &amp; Women’s Affairs and M/Education, M/Health, M/Social Services to assess and respond to needs.</li> <li>2. Status of women in target groups to be monitored.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Social Services</li> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women’s Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Rehabilitation &amp; Prison Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish Inter-Ministerial Committee set up and programme to assist formulated</li> <li>• Progress monitored.</li> </ul>	Dec 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Activity (1) Completed.</b> Inter-Ministerial Committee is now coordinating the work carried out separately by stakeholder line Ministries to ensure that the needs of the target groups are met in a comprehensive manner, without duplication, and that gaps are filled through timely interventions. The status of women in the target groups is monitored by each stakeholder agency according to their mandate.</li> <li>• Preventive Counselling, Treatment Counselling and Capacity Building Counselling are regularly meted out to single parents and others in Northern Province by National Counselling Center with the aim to improve mental health and promote social integration, reduce school drop-out rates and reduce domestic violence and crime rate. Significantly, this initiative has led to more than 70,000 persons in Northern Province (both in the IDP Welfare Centres during displacement phase and in resettlement areas) and more than 32,000 persons in Eastern Province receiving benefits.</li> <li>• Assistance to vulnerable groups is also provided by 54 Social Care Centres operational in the Northern province and 49 Centres in the Eastern province. These Centres provide an integrated social care package as a safety net to vulnerable persons. Ministry of Social Services, in collaboration with UNICEF, assisted a considerable number of single parent families in the North and East through these Centres.</li> </ul>
35.	<b>9.89*</b> – Provide opportunities and options to women who have not been able to continue with their formal education due to the protracted conflict, to continue with their formal education or pursue other forms of informal education and/or vocational training that	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Analyze already collected information to identify those still requiring formal/informal/ vocational education, in addition to those currently following educational courses.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women’s Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Youth Affairs &amp; Skills Devt</li> <li>○ M/Rehabilitation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis completed</li> <li>• Strategies to provide education to those in need identified and implemented.</li> </ul>	<p>Dec 2013</p> <p>May 2014</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Special Vocational and Non-formal training programmes</b> have been launched targeting women who have not been able to continue with their formal education due to the protracted conflict. ALP (Accelerated Learning Programme) and “Catch up education programme” targeting adults including women who have lost formal education was successfully carried out.</li> <li>• <b>Female ex-child combatants and former LTTE members</b> whose education was disrupted due to conflict have sat the</li> </ul>

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	may facilitate in finding employment and/or engaging in other livelihood activities.					GCE (O/L) and (A/L) exams or are being prepared for these examinations. Those who underwent rehabilitation have been provided vocational training suited to initiate self employment ventures or gain formal employment. Economic Empowerment Awareness Programmes have been conducted for nearly 2,000 beneficiary women by the Sri Lanka Women's Bureau. Women's Development Officers (WDOs) have been actively mobilized to facilitate educational support for the target beneficiaries.
36.	<b>9.90*</b> - Create a conducive environment in all areas of the country, especially the conflict affected areas, for women to feel that they live in a secure environment and their basic human dignity is safeguarded and protected.	1. Conduct awareness on prevention of violence against women, women's rights and gender equality for police officers, community leaders and general public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Law &amp; Order</li> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Awareness programmes conducted</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Completed. Sensitization programmes on prevention of violence against women and protection of women's rights are conducted for Police and Security Officers, Community Leaders and members of the public as a regular feature of the programmes of the National Committee on Women and Sri Lanka Women's Bureau. These activities are continued.</li> <li>● In addition, "Prevention of sexual and gender based violence fora" have been established in Jaffna and Vavuniya District Base Hospitals. Health, security and legal assistance is provided for women hospitalized as a result of gender-based violence.</li> </ul>
37.	<b>9.92</b> - Establish an Inter-Agency Task Force mandated to address in a comprehensive manner the needs of women, children, elderly and other vulnerable groups such as disabled affected by conflict, and provide necessary relief.	1. Implement activities identified in the NHRAP to achieve this objective.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ As contained in the NHRAP</li> </ul>	1. NHRAP implementation monitored	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ongoing. An Inter-Ministerial Committee has been set up for this purpose which is proceeding on its mandate. <i>Please See Recommendation 9.88* above.</i></li> </ul>
38.	<b>9.93*</b> – Prioritize action to provide education for children by providing schools, teachers, school supplies, financial and other forms of support such as scholarships. Maintain continued support for children's homes and orphanages.	1. Identify gaps if any in the equitable provision of education services.  2. Provide scholarships for the children of low income families.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Education</li> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Social Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Gaps identified</li> <li>● Remedial action taken</li> <li>● Scholarships provided.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Inter-Ministerial Committee (<i>See 9.88*</i>) monitors this recommendation to ensure its proper implementation. Long term measures in place include: Provision of midday meal, free uniforms, monthly stipend, supply of free books in order to maintain continuous support for entire school going student population including children in Children's Homes and Orphanages; and the existing free education policy</li> <li>● Scholarships have been granted to 2,016 Children under Educational Support Programme while 432 Children have benefitted from scholarships under the Foster Parent Scheme. Children's Homes and Orphanages are receiving continuous support, including financial support to the Northern Provincial Probation Dept to upgrade Children's Homes under its purview.</li> </ul>

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39.	<b>9.94*</b> – Identify and provide special care, including professional counselling, to children suffering from trauma and other psychological disorders resulting from the effects of the conflict and the loss of their loved ones. Such children may be identified through the formal education system as well as other community, civil society groups who work in such areas and the identification of children who live in women headed households.	1. Identify special programmes for children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> <li>○ M/Social Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special programmes identified and implemented.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Counselling programmes are conducted for children suffering from trauma to improve their mental health, promote social integration and reduce school drop-out rates.</b></li> <li>• <b>In the Northern Province, "Children's and Women's Development Units" have been established and Care International supports the units in Kilinochchi and Mullaitivu. Meanwhile, Government has enhanced the capacities of relevant staff such as Women Development Officers, Counselling Assistants, and Psychosocial and Child Protection Assistants to ensure that they effectively reach out to target groups, including those in remote areas.</b></li> </ul>
40.	<b>9.95*</b> – Encourage creation of child-friendly environments in areas affected by the conflict, including easy access to schools, better healthcare facilities, recreation facilities such as playgrounds, and children's parks.	1. Inter-Ministerial Committee comprising M/Rehabilitation & Prison Affairs, M/Child Devt & Women's Affairs and M/Education, M/Health, M/Social Services will continue to assess and respond to needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special programmes identified and implemented.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Child- friendly and joyful learning environment created in 5,000 schools, including 984 schools in the Northern and Eastern provinces, to ensure easy access to better healthcare facilities recreation facilities such as playgrounds and children's parks (Total investment SLR 2058 M)</b></li> <li>• <b>Water and sanitation facilities upgraded in 6,000 primary schools to bring up to UNICEF/ CFS standards including 1,105 schools in the Northern and Eastern Provinces</b></li> <li>• <b>Also, 05 Early Childhood Care (ECCD) Model Villages have been initiated in Vavuniya South, Nallur, Vadamarachchi North, Mannar and Karainagar. One village was completed successfully in Mullaitivu. There is also the first government sponsored Model Day Care Centre operating in Ampara.</b></li> <li>• <b>Other beneficiary measures include extension Free mid day meal programme and the fresh milk distribution programme to all primary schools in Northern and Eastern Provinces and and setting up of 05 Children's Libraries in the estate sector.</b></li> </ul>
41.	<b>9.96*</b> - Provide assistance to the elderly population in the conflict affected areas who are encountering physical difficulties, psychological trauma and economic hardships in the following	1. Improve access to elders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Social Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elderly people in conflict affected areas are provided care and facilities.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Several measures are implemented by Ministry of Social Services to empower and assist the elderly population in conflict affected areas. Government Mobile Services have issued Elder's Identity Cards to more than 13,000 senior citizens in North and East so that they may enjoy priority treatment at public and private institutions and be entitled to certain financial benefits. In addition, more than 34,000 elders from Northern and Eastern Provinces receive cash</b></li> </ul>

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	<p>manner:</p> <p>a) Programmes aimed at improving the conditions of families who have been affected by the conflict to include provisions to reduce the burden on elderly in maintaining and taking care of their extended families.</p> <p>b) Pay attention to the special needs of the elderly due to disability and other long-neglected health issues, including conflict-related trauma.</p>				<p>On going</p> <p>Sept 2014</p>	<p>benefits under the “Monthly Livelihood Allowance Programme for under privileged elders”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Social Services has also established 1,079 Elder's Committees at Village, Regional and District Levels in North and East Provinces which carry out activities to create an elders-friendly environment.</li> </ul>
42.	<p><b>9.97*</b> – Facilitate community and civil society organizations, local religious bodies and the clergy to play a key role in providing easy and unhindered access to spiritual and cultural activities to the elderly to deal with trauma.</p>	<p>1. Establish Inter-Ministerial Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M/Social Services</li> <li>M/Buddha Sasana &amp; Religious Affairs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee established</li> </ul>	<p>March 2014</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elders-friendly environments have been created through the establishment of “Village-level Elders Committees” by Ministry of Social Services. Under this initiative, 1,079 Elders Committees at village, regional and district levels have been created in the North and East to date.</li> </ul>
43.	<p><b>9.98*, 9.99*</b> – Assist disabled people in conflict affected areas to fulfill their economic, social, cultural and spiritual needs. Obtain assistance from international organizations and civil society organizations that have experience and expertise in assisting people with disabilities.</p> <p>Encourage people with disabilities to organize themselves as community groups that will help facilitate mutual support and obtain necessary assistance for them through international</p>	<p>1. Implement special programmes to improve living conditions of people with disabilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M/Social Services</li> <li>M/Buddha Sasana &amp; Religious Affairs</li> <li>M/Youth Affairs &amp; Skills Devt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Programmes implemented.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Persons with disabilities in conflict affected areas receive benefits from government schemes providing housing and livelihood support. Under the “Housing Assistance Programme for persons with disabilities”, 152 families in the North and 502 families in the East have been provided Rs 250,000 each to construct houses with accessibility facilities. A sum of Rs 76M has been incurred for this purpose. With regard to livelihood support, nearly 4,000 families in North and East having a disabled member receive a monthly cash allowance of Rs 3000/- under the “Monthly Livelihood Assistance Programme”. About 750 families have also been assisted to set up self employment ventures under the “Self Employment Assistance Programme for persons with disabilities”.</li> <li>Other measures implemented for the benefit of disabled persons in these areas include training of community leaders and volunteers to create conducive disabled-friendly environments in affected areas; provision of assistive devices to 31,700 disabled persons in the 2 provinces; and</li> </ul>

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	organizations and civil society groups who have expertise and resources in this area.					financial assistance for urgent medical needs on priority basis.
44.	<b>9.100*</b> – Provide for national legislation to realize the rights of persons with disabilities in line with the UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Social Services</li> <li>• M/Construction</li> </ul>		Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. Disabled-friendly national legislation is already in force. For instance, Act No. 28 of 1996 “Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities” was amended to incorporate the provisions of all the rights of people with disabilities as embodied in the UN Convention. An Election Special Act of 2011 was enacted to make provision for a disabled voter to be accompanied by another person during voting. “Accessibility Regulations No. 1 of 2006” was amended incorporating additional facilities to persons with disabilities. A National Policy on Disability was approved by the Cabinet in 2003 and a directive was issued in August 2010 to recognize Sign Language as an accepted language to ensure the empowerment of PWDs (deaf and dumb),</b></li> </ul>
45.	<b>9.103*</b> - Provide assistance to returnees to repair or build permanent houses. Self-help and mutual assistance programmes such as “Shramadana” must be encouraged. Adequate provision should be made to provide infrastructure needs such as roads, schools and hospitals in the areas where people have been resettled.	Activities underway.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Resettlement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities completed</li> </ul>	Dec 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>As of 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013, 42,148 fully damaged houses have been reconstructed and 10,678 partly damaged houses have been renovated with the assistance of Government, UN agencies, INGOs, NGOs and other agencies. In addition, a further 15,190 fully damaged houses are being reconstructed and 812 houses renovated with the assistance of these agencies. A significant proportion of houses have been built on “owner-driven” basis. Government is also committed to reconstructing 21,820 fully damaged houses and 4,046 partly damaged houses during 2014.</b></li> </ul>
46.	<b>9.104</b> - Grant the legal ownership of land to those [IDPs] who have been resettled.	1. Continue implementation of circular which provides for grant of ownership.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ M/ Lands</li> <li>○ M/Justice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circular implemented.</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Land Commissioner General’s Circular No. 2013/01 is continuously monitored with Provincial Land Commissioners (North and East) and District Secretariats. Accordingly, 143,881 land requests have been received in the Northern Province under 03 categories in the Circular, i.e new land requests, regulating documents and other land problems. 22,068 have been resolved. In the Eastern province, 11,172 land requests have been received and 1,177 have been resolved. In the meantime, 339 Divisional Days have been held in the North and 137 in the East for the public to make representations relating to their lands. 445 Land Kachcheris have been conducted in North and east to distribute land. 411 Tsunami Deeds have been issued in Eastern Province.</b></li> <li>• <b>Steps are being taken to Gazette the necessary Orders under</b></li> </ul>

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						the Special Mediation Boards Act, to establish Special Mediation Boards in certain areas where armed conflicts prevailed, to address certain identified land disputes that has arisen in those areas.
47.	<b>9.105*</b> - Encourage civil society to engage in community development at the grass roots level to help IDP communities who are making a collective effort to reconstruct and rebuild their lives.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Resettle ment</li> <li>• M/Youth Affairs &amp; Skills Devt</li> <li>• M/Child Devt &amp; Women's Affairs</li> <li>• M/Construct ion</li> </ul>		On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Based Organizations' active participation in the execution of community infrastructure projects that are targeted for the benefit of resettled IDPs and returnee refugees is evident and they bid competitively for contracts.</li> </ul>
48.	<b>9.106</b> - Create awareness among IDPs about policies [with regard to the areas that are available for people to resettle] and the options available to them.	1. Conduct awareness programmes with relevant groups on the implementation of circular No. 2011/4 of 22.07.2011 issued by the Commissioner General of Lands.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Lands &amp; Land Devt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awareness programmes conducted</li> </ul>	March 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IDPs awareness on Land Circular No. 2011/4 have been enhanced through 20 Divisional Secretariat level awareness programmes completed in Northern Province and 18 Divisional Secretariat level awareness programmes completed in Eastern Province.</li> </ul>
49.	<b>9.108</b> - Initiate a formal bilateral consultation process between Sri Lanka and India to enable the displaced persons living in India to take considered decisions with regard to their return to Sri Lanka.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Formulate policy with regard to IDPs in India;</li> <li>2. Conduct bi-lateral discussions with India in terms of policy</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/ External Affairs</li> <li>• M/ Re-settlement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bi-lateral discussions held and decisions implemented</li> </ul>	Dec 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A policy with regard to refugees in India is included in the draft Resettlement Policy. (Please see <a href="http://www.resettlem.in.gov.lk">www.resettlem.in.gov.lk</a> for draft policy)</li> <li>• Discussions were held at the 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the India-Sri Lanka Joint Commission meeting in January 2013 and the two countries agreed to work together to facilitate voluntary repatriation to Sri Lanka. Government has been consistently encouraging voluntary return of Sri Lankan refugees presently in Tamil Nadu through its DHC in Chennai. Return is facilitated through UNHCR which provides a basic cash package to the refugees. In addition, booklets and documentary videos have been produced to provide information on the type of assistance available to returning refugees which would positively impact on refugees to return to Sri Lanka.</li> </ul>
50.	<b>9.111*</b> - Introduce a uniform State policy aimed at resettlement of Muslim IDPs	1. Resettlement of Muslim IDPs is underway in terms of accepted government policy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M/Resettle ment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy formulated</li> </ul>	March 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The integration of Muslim IDPs in the Puttalam District with the host community is taking place at a rapid pace. 3,000 such families have refused to return to their places of origin,</li> </ul>

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		journalists. Promote responsible journalism and consider a code of conduct for journalists				
54.	<b>9.115d</b> - Ensure the freedom of movement of media personnel in the North and East.	1. Identify impediments to free movement, if any, of media personnel in the North and East 2. Take appropriate action to remove impediments, if any	○ M/ Mass Media and Information ○ Dept of Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impediments identified, if any</li> <li>• All impediments, if any, removed</li> </ul>	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. There are no restrictions on any person, including foreigners, travelling to North &amp; East.</b></li> <li>• <b>Completed. No restrictions experienced by media personnel.</b></li> </ul>
55.	<b>9.115e</b> - Enact legislation to ensure the right to information.	1. Cabinet to decide the suitable time frame for drafting legislation	○ M/ Mass Media and Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Cabinet Office will be the interface for the inter action with the Cabinet of Ministers on the acceptance of such legislation by the legislature.</li> </ul>		
56.	<b>9.117</b> - Remove any remaining restrictions on visiting places of worship.	1. Identify existing restrictions, if any 2. Remove restrictions, if any	○ M/ Religious Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrictions if any, removed</li> </ul>	June 2014	
57.	<b>9.118</b> - Ensure people, community leaders, and religious leaders have the freedom to organize peaceful events and meetings without restrictions.	1. Monitor monthly at GA's conference, whether there are constraints to enjoying this freedom.	○ M/ Public Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero complaints re inability to organize events</li> </ul>	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>District Secretaries are taking action to ensure that religious leaders and community leaders are assured of the freedom to organize as well as to hold meetings peacefully.</b></li> </ul>
58.	<b>9.119</b> - Allow visitors from overseas to visit their friends and relatives in recently resettled areas without any undue restrictions.	1. Identify whether there are undue restrictions to visits and remove such restrictions, if any.	○ M/Defence, ○ Dept of Police, ○ respective GA's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The formulation of a report which confirms that no such restriction exists</li> </ul>	Completed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed. There are facilities and unrestricted access for overseas visitors to visit their friends and relatives in recently resettled areas.</b></li> </ul>



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59.	<p><b>9.120</b>-Implement recommendations of past commissions of inquiry, particularly those relating to further investigation and prosecution of offenders involved in the death of –</p> <p>a) 5 students in Trincomalee in January 2006 ; and b) 17 aid workers of the ACF in August 2006</p>	<p>1.Examine recommendations of Committees</p> <p>2.Ensure follow up on recommendations are implemented</p>	<p>○ Attorney General</p> <p>○ M/Law &amp; Order</p>	<p>● Recommendations implemented.</p>	On going	<p>● <b>Trinco Five - 2006</b> Non Summary Inquiry commenced on September 9, 2013. As at present, the evidence of 14 witnesses are concluded. They include members of the Police, Army, Navy and a relative of one of the deceased. Also, affidavits of 07 official witnesses have been tendered as evidence. Summons have been issued on 14 witnesses to appear on the next date of inquiry, ie March 06, 2014. In addition, as 07 persons listed as witnesses for the prosecution are presently living overseas, steps are being taken to locate their present whereabouts to serve summons to appear.</p> <p>● <b>Muttur Incident</b> Following instructions by the Attorney-General, steps are being taken to identify and record statements of army commandos and civil society members. A further statement had been recorded from a Member of the Local Council and an employee of the said council. CID has obtained copies of photographs and a report prepared by the Additional Director CHA to clarify the issue on the number of bodies that were found at the crime scene. In addition, 12 employees of ACF have been interviewed and their statements also have been recorded by the CID. Further investigations are conducted by the Criminal Investigation Department on instructions given by the Attorney General.</p>
<b>LAND RETURN AND RESETTLEMENT</b>						
60.	<p><b>9.124</b> Ensure that -</p> <p>(1) Any citizen of Sri Lanka has the right to acquire land in any part of the country, in accordance with its laws and regulations, and reside in any area of his/her choice without any restrictions or limitations.</p> <p>(2) Land policy of the Government is not an instrument to effect unnatural changes in the demographic pattern of a given Province.</p>	<p>1. (a) Conduct study to ascertain whether practices infringe on legal rights to acquire land (b) Take appropriate steps to remove infringements, if any exist c) Effective implementation of the policy on land use with a view to identifying appropriate state land available for settlement.</p>	<p>○ M/Lands &amp; Land Devt</p> <p>○ Presidential Secretariat</p>	<p>● A completed study of the alienation of state land with specific reference to the N &amp; E</p> <p>● Appointment of the 4<sup>th</sup> Land Commission</p>	<p>Completed</p> <p>Jan 2014</p>	<p><b>9.124 (1), 9.124 (3)</b></p> <p>● <b>Completed</b></p> <p>● <b>TOR for 4<sup>th</sup> Land Commission is under discussion at the Presidential Secretariat.</b></p>