

EXHIBIT B

COLLECTION OF DOSSIERS: ALLEGED PERPETRATORS OF TORTURE AND OTHER VIOLATIONS

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PREFACE

This collection of dossiers seeks to identify and track the career history of alleged perpetrators of torture and extrajudicial killings in Sri Lanka. Note that this compilation does not purport to be comprehensive, given that the dossiers are based on information that is publicly available in conjunction with witness statements provided to ITJP by victims of torture.¹ Therefore, to the extent that ranks, titles, positions and locations of alleged perpetrators were not available in the public domain, such individuals would not be included in this compilation.

Dossiers for alleged war criminals Shavendra Silva and Jagath Dias can be accessed using the following links respectively: http://www.itjpsl.com/assets/shavendra-Silva_-final-dossier.pdf and http://www.itjpsl.com/assets/ITJP_Jagath_Dias_dossier-final.pdf

¹ To protect their identities, this document refers to ITJP witnesses using their witness reference numbers (e.g., W123).

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Roy Samathanam: From Sep 2007 in TID custody until put in jail.
Nimal Jayasuriya: 2008
Ramesh Thevarajan: 2009
Vasanthi Ratnasingham: mid 2009 Pulmoddai
Suresh Jeyabalan: winter of 2011
Saman Perera: 2011
Shanthi Padmanathan: 2012

Plaintiff tortured by SIS

Ramesh Thevarajan: 2009

Note: The names in the dossiers below are in addition to 34 other names of TID officers that have come up in the testimony of TID torture victims and names of an addition 5 Tamil informers working with TID.

24 Dossiers attached on the following TID officers and one SIS officer:

Abdeen, M. A. Inspector (retired): cited in open source reports in connection with torture since 1998 and in a 2007 UN document as well as 8 ITJP witnesses.

Anurajith Samarawickrama, Subinspector: currently Pettah Crime Division OIC. Cited by two ITJP witnesses.

Bandara, Vijitha, Inspector: 6 ITJP witnesses cite him and a police report on disciplinary issues.

De Alwis, Prasanna, SSP, ex Director of TID : Currently in Colombo Crimes Division (CCD). Allegations of involvement in torture dating back to 1998, named in multiple fundamental rights (FR) applications and by 12 ITJP witnesses.

Ganganatha, Sujith : Allegations of involvement in torture date back to 2003. Named by 3 ITJP witnesses.

Hemachandra, Subinspector: cited in open source reports and by 3 ITJP witnesses.

Janakantha, H, Inspector: gave evidence against Journalists, cited in FR applications; named by 4 ITJP witnesses.

Karawita, Asanga: Director TID from at least 2013-15, corroborated by 1 ITJP witness who was tortured by TID.

Karunaratne, Saman, Inspector: Allegations first raised against him of torture in 2000. An ITJP witness places him in TID in 2009.

Gamage Lal. Now OIC Jaffna, was OIC Boossa detention camp. 11 ITJP witnesses cite him as involved in torture at Boossa.

Manawadu, Sub Inspector: Allegation of torture naming an individual by this name in 2001; 2 ITJP witnesses cite him post-war.

Munasinghe, Nandana: ex TID Director, currently Senior DIG North Central and North Western Province. Named in a UN report as allegedly involved in torture, nevertheless appointed to Sri Lanka's witness protection authority and promoted.

Muthubanda, MGWM, DIG: (retired and in private security) - previously CID in charge of TID.

Nazir: cited by 3 ITJP witness one of whom alleges he was involved in torture.

Nishantha: alleged by UN report to be involved in torture and same name cited by ITJP witnesses.

Razik, Mohammed, Inspector: cited since 1998 as allegedly involved in torture; alleged to have threatened Journalists. 4 ITJP witnesses cite him, 2 say he knew about torture and 1 says he participated.

Samarakoon, Indika: 2 ITJP witnesses cite him as allegedly involved in torture.

Seelan: LTTE informer working with TID.

Sisira Mendis: in charge of CID (including TID) in 2009. Named in a UN report.

Wakishta, C N (retired): 2009-10 TID director, named in UN report as such. 2010 in State Intelligence Service (SIS). 5 ITJP witnesses also cite him as being in charge when they were detained and tortured.

Ex IGP Wickremaratne, HA Jayantha S K: retired Inspector General of Police 2008-9, alleged to have threatened journalists in 2009, questioned in Sri Lanka in the killing of journalist Lasantha Wickremetunge (**Plaintiff accused also in this case**) and abduction and torture of another journalist. Ex Member of Bribery Commission.

Zubair: named as allegedly involved in torture in 2007 by UN rapporteur, allegedly threatened to hurt detained journalist. 3 ITJP witnesses allege he tortured them.

Special Intelligence Service:

Mahil Dole (retired): alleged to be involved in 4 cases of torture (2 ITJP witnesses) including in secret sites, 2015-19 says he served in the Prime Minister's Anti-Corruption Bureau and

Financial Crimes Investigation Division; currently a director in a high tech military supply business, run with retired Major General Fadyl Meedin (his brother in law) who was previously in charge of the MOD technological research department that certifies suppliers.

5 Dossiers attached on the following army officers:

K K G P Koddithuwakku: Commander of Military Intelligence Corp. (MIC) in Joseph Camp after the war. ITJP witness identified him of allegedly raping her on multiple occasions.

Ramitha Horadagoda: Captain in Military Intelligence Corp. who was identified by ITJP witness as an alleged rapist.

Suneth: Commanding officer of the Sri Lankan Army who was identified by multiple ITJP witnesses as allegedly condoning torture and other violence. One female witness alleged he beat her.

MHS Boniface Perera: Major General of Sri Lankan Army. 16 ITJP witnesses alleged torture, including sexual violence, between 2012-2017 when he was the commanding officer in Joseph Camp.

Sumedha Perera: Major General of Sri Lankan Army. 4 ITJP witnesses alleged torture, including sexual violence, between 2010-2012 when he was the commanding officer in Joseph Camp.

Summary Chart

Name	Unit	Approximate Dates
Zubair (unknown status)	TID	2007-11
Wahishta, CN (retired)	SIS and TID	TID Director 2009-10;
Dole, Mahil (retired)	SIS	2009-at least 2012; then Anti-Corruption Bureau
Wickremaratne ,HAJSK (retired)	Inspector General of Police	2008-9
Mendis, Sisira (retired, reappointed, currently resigned)	DIG CID in charge of TID	2008-9 2015-19 intelligence
Seelan	Tamil informer for TID, Ex Sea Tiger	Post-war
Samarakoon, Indika	TID	2009-11 at least
Razik , Mohammed	TID Sub Inspector	1998- post war
Nishantha	TID	Post-war
Nazir	TID	Post-war
Nandasiri, DDS (appears to be still serving in the police)	TID Boossa	Post-war

Muthubanda, MGWM (retired)	CID Director	2009 Present at IIGEP hearings
Munasinghe, Nandana (Currently SDIG police North Central & North Western Province)	Director TID 2007 and then promoted	2007 named by UN Special Rapporteur on Torture as someone to be investigated.
Maanawadu	TID Sub Inspector	2001- post-war
Gamage, Lal	OIC Boossa Now OIC Jaffna.	2007 - 15 at least.
Karunaratne, Saman, Inspector (2017 still in police)	TID Inspector	2001-10 at least
Karawita, Asanga (Promoted in 2019; still in police.)	TID Director 2013-15; 2009 Assistant Director of a special police unit.	Then PM's Security Division.
Janakantha, H. (still serving in police in 2019)		2007-9 at least
Hemachandra (2015 appears to be still in police)	TID Sub Inspector	2002-11 at least
Ganganatha	TID Anti-Corruption Unit ,2011	2003-post-war
De Alwis, Prasanna (currently Colombo Crimes Division)	TID 1998-2015	TID Director 2007 – till post-war
Bandara, Vijitha	TID	2008-2015 at least
Anurajith Samarawickrama (2019 OIC Crimes Division Pettah police)	TID	Post-war at least.
Abdeen, M. A. (retired)	TID Inspector	2002-7 and again post-war
K K G P Koddithuwakku	Commander of Military Intelligence Corp.	2009
Horadagoda, Ramitha	Captain/Major of Military Intelligence Corp.	2007-2013
Suneth	Commanding Officer of Sri Lankan Army	2009-2010
Perera, MHS Boniface	Commanding Officer at Joseph Camp	2012-2017
Perera, Sumedha	Commanding Officer at Joseph Camp	2010-2012

RAMITHA HORADAGODA (ARMY) JOSEPH CAMP

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MAJOR RAMITHA HORADAGODA



Major Ramitha Horadagoda – Military Intelligence

Career History

2004: Gazette Notification: 23. C/56456 Cadet Officer DON RAMITHA deal with humanitarian issues. We met in his large office. This is the only time I have seen him. He was a high-ranking officer. He said that he was the commander”.

2004: Gazette Notification: 23. C/56456 Cadet Officer DON RAMITHA HARSHADEWA HORADAGODA.

2006 General Sir John Kotelawala Defence Academy, Ratmalana. Final Result of the Master of Science (Defence Studies) in Management Degree Examination. Pass - DRH Horadagoda –Army¹.

Oct 2007 transferred to MIC.

“HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT has approved the transfer of the under-mentioned officer from the Gajaba Regiment to the Regiment stated against his name with effect from 20th September, 2007. Second Lieutenant DON RAMITHA HARSHDEWA HORADAGODA GR Military Intelligence Corps”.

June 2009 made a captain says Gazette: bk. O/65798 Lieutenant DON RAMITHA HARSHADEVA HORADAGODA MI.

2012: SRI LANKA FOREIGN SERVICE TRAINING INSTITUTE - DIPLOMA COURSE IN WORLD AFFAIRS & PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMACY (VIII) - 2012 Captain D Ramitha Harshadeva Horadagoda.

¹ Maj DRH Horadagoda of the Syndicate 4 Team was adjudged the best player of the tournament.

2013: Captain DON RAMITHA HARSHADEVA HORADAGODA, MI (O/65798) - 01.03.2013 made a MAJOR – gazette notification.

2015 (Feb) at Staff College as seen in the basketball team photo.²



Maj DRH Horadagoda of the Syndicate 4 Team was adjudged the best player of the tournament.

2018 awarded a degree in Bangladesh.³

Testimony

Witness: knows him as Capt. Koradakoda (Ramesh) of MIC who worked in Zone 2 meaning Ananthakumarasany Refugee camp but was based Joseph Camp.

Witness: corroborates he is military intelligence and was stationed at Joseph Camp at end of war.

Witness: alleges he raped her in Manik Farm:

A female witness described being raped in Manik Farm IDP camp in 2009 by four uniformed Sri Lankan soldiers in one of several interrogation rooms. Initially the interrogators started feeling her up, touching her breasts through her clothes and insulting her. When she complained they threatened to send her to a rehabilitation camp for many years if she didn't cooperate. The female witness describes being raped by the four interrogators on that occasion, though she was later raped again and tortured by other men:

"I was totally naked. I felt pain in my body. I did not know what I should do so I screamed. The man standing beside me reached down and placed his hand over my mouth. I was helpless. I was crying and I could not even cry for help. He told me to shut up. He used bad words and said that "if you scream again we will kill you". He said that I was not to tell anyone of my interrogation and if I did they would "kill me in the night". He said that they won the war and they wanted Tamil women to bear Sinhala children. They gave me my clothes. They watched me dress. They were still in a happy mood. I do not know the names of the four army officers who raped me. I never saw them again after the day they raped me." The witness subsequently identified one of the four rapists as the man in this photo.

² <http://www.dscsc.lk/index.php/news/443-inter-syndicate-basketball-tournament-dscsc9>

³ <https://bup.edu.bd/assets/pdf/results/1529820892.pdf>

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LT. COL. K K G P KODDITHUWAKKU



Lt. Col. K K G P Koddithuwakku RWP RSP
Military Intelligence and UN Peacekeeping (2015).
Staff Number: O/61868
Nickname: Kamal

Positions Held:

2015-16 SLFPU – Sri Lanka Force Protection Unit – 9th contingent commander, UNIFIL headquarters in Naqoura, Lebanon¹.

2014: 6th Bn. Sri Lanka Vijayabahu Infantry Regiment located at Thiriyaya under 221 Brigade of 22 Division in the AOR of Security Force (East).²

15 July 2011 to 23 April 2013 Vijayabahu Infantry Regiment 8th³. Vijayabahu Regiment among those sent to Haiti in 2006 and 2009.

2009 (exact dates unknown) Commander of Military Intelligence Corp. (MIC) in Joseph Camp after the war.

¹ 9th Army Contingent Leaves for Lebanon on UN Peace Keeping, News.lk, <http://www.news.lk/news/sri-lanka/item/6123-9th-army-contingent-leaves-for-lebanon-on-un-peace-keeping>; Sri Lankan peacekeeping troops of UN mission in Lebanon praised, 12 September 2015, Financial Times Lanka, <http://www.ft.lk/article/469461/Sri-Lankan-peacekeeping-troops-of-UN-mission-in-Lebanon-praised>; NIFIL Head of Mission praises Lankan peacekeeping troops in Lebanon, 11 September 2015, Sunday Times Lanka, <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/83540/www.sundaytimes.lk/151129>.

² http://220.247.214.182/sfhqeast/more_details.php

³ http://222.165.180.163/vir/8_2vir.php

July 2008- April 2010: 6th Vijayabahu Infantry Regiment Commanding Officer⁴.

Witness Testimony

Witness: “In photograph X, he is the man who was brought into the room I shared with the other four girls. He was asked to take his pick, like we were meat in a meat market. He looked around and chose me. And took me to another room and raped me. He raped me in the same manner or three different occasions. He not only vaginally raped me but he forced me to have oral sex and anal sex. He ejaculated in my vagina... He was not stationed in that camp. He was a visitor. He had a nice room with a regular bed. He was a man of authority. I know he had a tattoo but I do not now know where it was except on his upper body. I seem to recall the tattoo had a flag with a lion inside....The others listened to his directions. He wore civilian clothes when he came to get me to rape me. But in his room his uniforms were on hangers on the doors. His uniform was the same as the one in photo. It had all kinds of medals and cords and stars very similar to those in this photograph.”

Witness: “His nickname was Kamal...Some of the girls who were searched were separated and put on a bus and taken away. I never saw them again. The ones they took were all beautiful girls. These were not just the acts of low-level soldiers. There were officers around as well. There was a captain right there and there were high-ranking officers in the immediate area. The receiving area was the responsibility of MIC. The MIC person ... on that date at that place was Col. Kodithuwakku (Kamal), X and Y.... None of them did anything to intervene and stop this humiliation of the women.”

⁴ http://222.165.180.163/vir/6vir_1.php https://alt.army.lk/vir/6vir_2

BONIFACE PERERA (ARMY)

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M.H.S. BONIFACE PERERA



Major General MHSB Perera

RWP RSP USP ndc psc

2012 August 25 - 2017 November

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Career

- 1981 Joined Army
- 1982 Commissioned to the Sinha Regiment.
- 1994- 1997 Commanding Officer - Sinha Regiment²
- 2004 Officiating commander of the 534 Brigade³
- Date Unknown Colonel, General Staff 52 Div, 22 Div, Brigade Commander 212 Brigade (Mannar) and 534 Brigade (Jaffna) and Commandant Infantry Training Centre in Minneriya.
- July 2009 Present in Joseph Camp – “Major General Boniface Perera, Security Force Commander-Wanni welcomed the visiting Commander to the SFHQ-Wanni which was the forte of the incumbent Commander before he took over as the Army Chief in July 2009”⁴.
- 2010 Divisional Commander of the 23 Division ⁵ - promoted to Major General⁶.
- 1 Jan–22Aug2011 SFHQ-E commander⁷
- 2012 Competent Authority for Displaced in the North⁸
- Sep 2012 Appointed as the Colonel of the Regiment of Sri Lanka Sinha Regiment⁹
- Aug2012–Nov2017 **Commander - Security Force Headquarters (Wanni)¹⁰/Joseph Camp.**
As Vanni Commander, accelerated the Sinhala colonisation process by establishing at least 10 new villages and settling 3154 families in the South of Vanni¹¹. The Move was supported by All Ceylon Buddhist Congress, which provided assistance to settlers¹².
- 2015 Speaker at Colombo defence seminar¹³
- Feb 2015 Appointed as the Director General Staff at the Office of the Chief of Defence Staff¹⁴
- 2017 Alleged to have threatened deputy editor of Divaina newspaper - Janiytha Seneviratne¹⁵
- Nov 2016 - 2017 Volunteer Force¹⁶

2 Dec 2017 Chairman of Army Volleyball Committee
Retired¹⁷

Trained and courses in India, China, Singapore, Pakistan, Thailand¹⁸.

Post 2018

Since retirement, actively involved with the group called 'Professionals for a Better Future' (Viyath Maga), founded by Gotabaya Rajapaksa to promote his presidential candidacy. In July 2019, Major General Perera addressed a special press conference organised by the group to criticise the 'degenerated state of national security'¹⁹ and continue to participate in public meetings.²⁰

Testimony from Victims Alleging Torture in Joseph Camp 2012-17 when he was the commander:

2012	1 case in his time period
2013	3 cases
2014	1 case
2015	3 cases
2016	4 cases
2017	4 cases but some are TID

Selected Testimony Extracts

W189 in 2012: "I was told to stand on two chairs far apart so my legs were widespread and my hands were tied together and to the ceiling. They beat me. I could not see with what but likely the wooden poles. They took a hot iron rod and repeatedly burned the back of both of my legs between my ankle and my knee on multiple occasions. These scars are accurately shown in Exhibit 2 (c). On the same occasion they burned my back on my upper and lower back (Exhibit 2 (d))...In addition to what I have said above....I was sexually abused numerous times. This abuse included the same man rubbing his penis on my face and ejaculating. He did this many times. I was sexually abused on other occasions of seriousness but I do not feel strong enough mentally today to disclose those details. Perhaps someday, I will be strong enough to do so."

W32 in 2013: "During my two/three weeks in detention I was subjected to 6 or 7 gang rape sessions I was naked almost all the time... The day that the senior officer came everyone wore a military uniform. He had special badges on the shoulder of his uniform. They call him 'mattaya' in Sinhala. He was tall with broad shoulders, and he looked scary. He spoke in Sinhala. That day he interrogated me himself..."

W126 in 2015: "In the room was various torture equipment such as ropes, wires, pulley system, a wooden bench. They tied my hands behind my back and they squeezed my testicles. One of the men wearing gloves put his hand inside my underwear and held my testicles. Whenever I hesitated a bit with my answer, he would pull and squeeze and I screamed in pain. This went on for a long time. On this day they asked me who were involved in organizing the 18 May events, when I hesitated to answer, they placed a polythene bag over my head and I passed out from the petrol fumes. I woke up in my cell. I was shivering and feeling really scared when I woke up. Every night they threw water into the cell and banged on the door, they also did it this night. I had pain in my whole body, also in and around my anus so I don't know what had happened to me while I was unconscious."

W221 in 2016: "I later found out that we were at Joseph Camp from the first agent.. One of the officers wore SLA army trousers and a civilian t-shirt and had short hair. The other man wore civilian clothes. They swore and used bad language in Sinhala which I could understand. Two came together and sexually assaulted me. They raped me anally by inserting a metal pipe in my anus on 3 to 4 occasions. "

W241 in 2017: "There were three people in the room who introduced themselves as CID / Intelligence. One was in army uniform with three stars on his shoulder, another wearing an army T Shirt. I was made to kneel in front of them.One of the men from the first room came with me, but there were different people in this room; these were the torturers. There were three new men, some of them wearing army Tshirts..... On the third day, this routine happened again, with one slight difference; in the intelligence officers room there was a man who was of a higher rank, as the others was referring to him as "mahattaya". I could not see him, as I had been

made to kneel facing the wall this time. He would talk in Sinhala and then I would be asked something in broken Tamil by one of the others.”

¹ <https://alt.army.lk/sfhqwanni/past-commanders>

² <https://www.army.lk/news/training-slots-sl-army-officers-pakistan-increased-confirms-pakistanâ€™s-chief-army-staff-0>

³ <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/041024/columns/sitrep.html>

⁴ <https://www.army.lk/news/training-slots-sl-army-officers-pakistan-increased-confirms-pakistanâ€™s-chief-army-staff-0>

⁵ http://www.sundaytimes.lk/100801/News/nws_15.html

⁶ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/5412/tech>

⁷ <https://alt.army.lk/sfhqeast/past-commanders>

⁸ <https://www.army.lk/news/competent-authority-displaced-review-progress-keppapilaw-re-settlers>

<https://reliefweb.int/report/sri-lanka/last-batch-idps-be-resettled-today>

⁹ <https://www.army.lk/news/training-slots-sl-army-officers-pakistan-increased-confirms-pakistanâ€™s-chief-army-staff-0>

¹⁰ Tri-service War Heroes Receive New Houses in Welioya

<https://alt.army.lk/sfhqwanni/past-commanders>

¹¹ <https://bit.ly/2Zbp4qv>

¹² <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2013/02/12/news54.asp>

¹³ <https://www.defseminar.lk/Seminar/speakerlist2015.php>

¹⁴ <http://www.ft.lk/article/391545/SL-Army-announces-several-key-appointments--relinquishments>

¹⁵ <https://srilankamirror.com/news/1735-maj-gen-boniface-perera-threatens-divaina-dy-editor>

¹⁶ <http://www.slavf.lk/en/major-general-boniface-perera-bids-farewell-to-volunteer-force-of-sri-lanka-army/>

Started: <http://www.slavf.lk/en/major-general-mhsb-perera-rwp-rsp-usp-ndu-psc-takes-over-command-of-the-sri-lanka-army-volunteer-force/>

<https://www.army.lk/news/newly-appointed-volunteer-force-commandant-assumes-duties>

¹⁷ <https://alt.army.lk/slsr/content/retiring-major-general-mhsb-perera-rwp-rsp-usp-ndu-psc-accorded-military-salute-0>

¹⁸ <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/171126/columns/axe-falls-on-historic-banyan-tree-at-presidents-house-270223.html>

¹⁹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x7OvcnOB438>

²⁰ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7qhEA5F0Mnc>

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MAJOR GENERAL A K SUMEDHA PERERA

Career

1980 Joined the Army when 18 years old.¹

1980-81 Completed basic officer cadet training at the Officer Training School, Madras - India and Sri Lanka Military Academy before being posted to Rajarata Rifle Regiment in 1981²

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1984 Decorated with “Deshaputhra Medal” (Son of the land) after wounded in the battlefield.⁴

1987 Took part in Operation Vadamarachchi

1989 May Served as a Company Commander under **Gotabaya Rajapaksa** in Matale District attached to the 1st Battalion of the Gajaba regiment, during the youth insurrection in the South.⁵

1994 May-1996 Sep 1GR commanding officer⁶.

2002 Feb–2003 Sep Centre Commandant, Gajaba Regiment⁷

2004 Military Spokesman

2004 Oct Suspended from the army after named as the third accused in a case before the Colombo High Court, for aiding and abetting forgery in a fraudulent land transaction.⁸

2009 Nov. Acquitted by Colombo High Court⁹ & subsequently decorated with Eminent Service Medal (USP) for unblemished character by a Tri Service board subsequently¹⁰

2010 Dec. Promoted to the rank of Major General¹¹

2010 Dec–2012 Aug Commander, Security Force Headquarters - Wannii¹² (Joseph Camp)

2011 Jul–2011 Nov Colonel of Gajaba regiment¹³

2012 Jan Appointed to Army’s five member Court of Inquiry to probe into Channel 4 execution video footage.¹⁴ The inquiry was concluded by clearing troops over allegations.¹⁵

2012 May–2012 Aug Colonel of Gajaba regiment¹⁶

2012 Aug–2013 Aug National Defence University, China¹⁷

2013 August Appointed as the Security Forces Commander West & Overall Operations Commander, Colombo¹⁸

2015 Jan–Feb Director General – General Staff, SL Army HQ¹⁹

2015 Jan Appointed as the Army’s representative, 48 hours prior to the election, to head the operations in Colombo²⁰. The operation was seen as a coup attempt by defeated President Mahinda Rajapaksa.

2015 Feb. Commander, Security Force Headquarters – Central²¹

2016 Jan. Became the Colonel of Gajaba Regiment for the third time.²²

2016 Feb. Appointed as new Deputy Chief of Staff, Sri Lanka Army²³

2016 Oct. Retired.

Dec 2010-Aug 2012: Joseph Camp/ SFHQ-W

W129 Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") in Joseph Camp

He was kept in underground cells, and sometimes heard sounds of other people screaming and being beaten.

"They then kept me in a dark room for 20-25 days. I heard male and female voices crying. I was physically tortured with plastic pipes that were heavy, sticks and batons, wires to tie my hands and legs, they did not use petrol bags but put my head in water. They made me take my clothes off. I was raped. More than once, by more than one man. ... They made me masturbate them. ... One of the rapists was named "Ramesh". He had a beard. Another rapist was very short, fat, bald and very dark skinned. I concluded he was a commander as he guided them and the others seem to obey and follow him. Some of them that were in the room when I was being raped and tortured were Muslim from their accent I came to know."

W219 in Joseph Camp

"I was kept in Joseph Camp. I didn't know any of the other detainees but they were mostly former LTTE members I could tell just by looking at them, they all spoke Tamil and all wore civilian clothing, all ages but all male. We were not allowed to speak. I was taken blindfolded for interrogation in a building, which was above ground. Inside it was partitioned into three separate rooms, I was taken to two of them on various occasions. Each room had a table and two chairs. I had to stand up during the interrogation. There were batons, metal rods, S-Lon pipes, metal bars they used to hit us on the knuckles with. The walls were plywood and external walls were made from cement. The walls were painted grey, they were dirty and chipped. I wore a sarong and t-shirt. Sometimes there were two men in the room and sometimes three men, the same men asked questions and tortured me, they didn't use a translator and asked questions in broken Tamil and tortured me. One of them took notes on white sheets of paper. The men mostly wore civilian clothing, sometimes one of them wore solid green military trousers and a civilian t-shirt. On most occasions a man called Gamage¹ was in the room asking questions and torturing. He introduced himself as Gamage. He was a bit fat, short and dark complexion with short hair. He was around 30-35 years old. He was involved in most of my interrogations. They sometimes spoke about a commander called Ratnayake and said that if he would come I would be in big trouble. He never came. I heard sometimes others being interrogated and tortured. I could hear sounds of beatings, crying and screaming. I got lots of beatings with S-Lon pipes and other things. While I was kneeling they slapped my both ears at the same time. I had to put my hands on the table and they hit my knuckles with a metal bar. On one occasion they accused me of having killed many army soldiers and they made me put my forearms on the table where they held them and pulled my thumbnails with a pliers. As a result my thumb became infected. On occasions they put a petrol soaked polythene bag over my head and beat me with S-Lon pipes while it was tied around my head. I struggled to breathe and I felt I was suffocating. On that occasion they also wanted to know a location of buried weapons. On other occasions they burned me with cigarettes on my back. They also used filthy words in Sinhalese about Tamils and the LTTE; I knew these words from the past when I had heard Sinhalese people use them. They used words like 'motherfucker'; this is the word they quite often used. On one occasion they told me to remove all my clothing and they touched my private parts with sticks and laughed among themselves, and they hit my penis with the sticks as well."

Witness (M31)

Court documents say: "She was detained at Joseph Camp, questioned and tortured. During this time she claims she was sexually assaulted, beaten with a rod and stamped on. Her head was banged against the wall. She was handcuffed and hung upside down and beaten. She was hit with a 2 inch rod and a belt which caused scarring to her body."

Medico legal document says her scars consistent with this account.

1. ¹ Major Gamage was in military intelligence in Joseph Camp according to witnesses. W91, W67, W85.

Witness V

Tortured at Joseph Camp with the result he has visible scars. His tooth and upper lip were broken. He has PTSD and suffers nightmares and flashbacks.

¹¹ <https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/taniya-got-it-all-wrong-i-never-participated-in-an-election-night-coup/>

² <https://www.army.lk/news/major-general-sumedha-perera-appointed-new-deputy-chief-staff>

³ <https://www.army.lk/news/gajaba-regiment%C3%A2%E2%82%AC%E2%84%A2s-heroic-sacrifices-remembered-anniversary-event>

Lt Col N G Rajapaksa psc 08.07.1989 26.01.1991 Commanding officer 1Gajaba Regiment.

⁴ <https://www.army.lk/news/major-general-sumedha-perera-new-dcos-assumes-office>

⁵ Chandrapema, C.A. 'Gota's war' (2012), pg. 173

<http://slwaronterror.blogspot.com/2013/06/> also.

⁶ <https://alt.army.lk/gajabaregiment/1-gajaba-regiment>

⁷ <https://alt.army.lk/gajabaregiment/fomer-centre-cmmandants>

⁸ <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/041017/columns/sitrep.html>

⁹ http://www.sundaytimes.lk/091129/News/nws_08.html

¹⁰ <https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/taniya-got-it-all-wrong-i-never-participated-in-an-election-night-coup/>

¹¹ <https://www.nation.lk/2010/12/19/news29.htm>

¹² <https://alt.army.lk/sfhqwanni/past-commanders>

¹³ <https://alt.army.lk/gajabaregiment/former-colonels-of-the-regiment>

¹⁴ <https://www.army.lk/news/army-commander-appointed-court-inquiry-probing-llrc-report-observations-progress-0>

¹⁵ <http://colombogazette.com/2013/04/10/army-court-clears-troops/>

¹⁶ <https://alt.army.lk/gajabaregiment/former-colonels-of-the-regiment>

¹⁷ <https://slwaronterror.blogspot.com/2013/06/>

¹⁸ <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20130808/281535108623513>

¹⁹ <https://www.parliament.lk/uploads/documents/paperspresented/performance-report-srilanka-army-2015.pdf>

²⁰ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/65303/the-army-was-never-politicised-gen-daya-rathnayake-spells-it-out>

²¹ <http://www.ft.lk/article/391545/SL-Army-announces-several-key-appointments--relinquishments>

²² <https://alt.army.lk/gajabaregiment/former-colonels-of-the-regiment>

²³ [http://www.defence.lk/new.asp?fname=Maj Gen Milinda Peiris new Army Chief of Staff 20160214 01](http://www.defence.lk/new.asp?fname=Maj%20Gen%20Milinda%20Peiris%20new%20Army%20Chief%20of%20Staff%2020160214%2001)

SUNETH (ARMY) JOSEPH CAMP

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“SUNETH”



“Suneth” - SLA - (in glasses in photo)

This is a commanding officer depicted in the many photographs being chosen to light the ceremonial lamp probably on Battalion Day. His name badge is visible on his uniform.

A male witness described seeing this officer in Joseph Camp on several occasions in 2010 while he was being tortured. The witness described Suneth cocking his pistol and putting it to his head a number of times.

A female witness testified that Suneth was one of her team of interrogators in Joseph Camp in 2010 and was present while she had a bag soaked in petrol tied around her head. She was subjected to rape while in the camp but Suneth was not present at the time of the rape.

Another female rape survivor testified that she saw Suneth inside Joseph Camp issuing orders to a female guard, while she was detained there.

Another female witness saw Suneth when she surrendered to the army in April 2009 and says he did nothing to stop people being beaten in his presence.

Another male witness says Suneth used to come to Rambaikulam Camp and Poonthoddam “Rehabilitation” camp in army uniform. He says he saw take people away from the camps.

A female witness says he is the senior officer who “kicked me and hit me when I was on the floor and took my details on 19 May 2009”.

Present in War Zone:

A witness says “he was often at the Omanthai Checkpoint in a uniform like the one in the photos. Sometimes he would be in a civilian t-shirt and dark brown non-army pants. He would appear to be most interested if some Sri Lankan produced a foreign passport. He spoke English and Sinhalese. On

one occasion my relatives came to visit and I translated for him and my sisters to English. He had a special room at the Checkpoint. I believe he was a Major”.

A further male witness reports seeing Suneth at the Wadduvakkal Bridge on 17 May 2009 as thousands of war survivors poured out of the war zone.

Another witness saw him at a checkpoint in Vavuniya Town while a further witness reported seeing Suneth outside Oddusuddan Camp and in Mullaitivu speaking with Tamil informers in the area.

MAHIL DOLE EX SIS

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MAHIL DOLE, RETIRED SSP¹.



Photo from his LinkedIn page.

Summary: Retired Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") of police in Sri Lanka who was in Intelligence (NIB) at the end of the war and is reported to have answered directly to Gotabaya Rajapaksa. He's alleged to have ordered the assassination of a Tamil MP, to have run off-books detention/torture sites in Colombo and suburbs and in the jungle, and to have participated in torture. Despite being charged with corruption (charges dropped by the Sri Lankan AG in 2011) for allegedly accepting bribes from LTTE suspects to obtain police clearance certificates to leave the country, he was appointed by the Prime Minister, Ranil Wickremesinghe, as an investigator in his Anti Corruption Secretariat in 2015. He then appeared to be in Perth, Australia, as a security consultant for a bank there. He is a Sri Lankan Muslim of Malay origin.

Career

2015-19: Investigation Consultant at the Anti Corruption Secretariat of the PM's office and ex SSP². Accused of corruption himself but charges dropped in 2011.

¹ http://archives.dailynews.lk/2008/07/04/main_Obituaries.asp has family details and http://www.genlookups.com/sri_lanka/webbbs_config.pl/noframes/read/133 shows Maj Gen Fadyl Meedin of the SLA (who endorsed him on Linked IN) is his brother in law. Meedin runs a company called Neo-Tech Lanka. <https://citta2cetana.jimdo.com/home/team/fadyl-meedin/> Related in so far as Meedin's maternal great great grand father was a Dole. <https://fadylmeedin.jimdo.com/memoirs-1/short-journey-in-life/>

Also note multiple spellings of his name.

² Bathutha House Champs, 15 May 2016, Sunday Times Lanka, <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/sunday-times-sri-lanka/20160515/283699773729023>

- 2018:** Photo from his LinkedIn page³. Said he's in Risk Management and Analysis.
- 2018:** Superintendent ("SI"), Police & Nurses Credit Society in Australia, in Perth.
- 2012 Feb:** Described as Superintendent of Police ("SP"), Mahil Dole of the Directorate of Internal Intelligence (DII)⁴.
Note: he was Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") before.
- 2012 April** Appointed as the director of Police Medical Service.⁵
- 2012 May** Transferred to Technology Development Project at the Colombo Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") office.⁶
- 2011** Jan 25, Arrested by the Criminal Investigation Department ("CID") for issuing police clearance certificates for money. Released on bail the following day.⁷
- 2011 Apr** Despite being suspended from duty pending the outcome of legal proceedings, he was called in for an interview for a promotion as a DIG.⁸
- 2011 Aug** Colombo Magistrate discharge on the instructions of the Attorney General who told Court he was not taking any legal action.
- 2003 Jan-2004 March** First Secretary, Embassy of Sri Lanka in Thailand¹⁰
- 2002** Graduated from Asia Pacific Centre for Security Studies, Hawaii, USA.¹¹
- 2000** Obtained a Diploma in Managing Human Relations from Indian Institute of Public Administration¹²
- 1997** Followed a Senior Intelligence Officers Course at School of National Intelligence, UK.¹³
- 1979 May:** Joined the police force

Studied in Russia (LinkedIn page).

2006

GNEI MUHARA DOLE - Beloved wife of Retd. Chief Inspector Muhajireen Dole, mother of Mahil Dole, Snr. Suptd. of Police (MoD), Maureen and Mumtaz, mother-in-law of Mahinda (HNB), late Meehiraj and Rineera, loving grandma of Toby (HNB), Amal (HNB), Kishan (Sri Lankan Airlines), Dilshan (E-Wis), Ramona (Dialog), Yohan (St. Peters College), Rehana (Sirimavo Bandaranayake Vidyalaya), Riyani and Mafil. Janaza leaves residence at **126, Tangalle Road, Hambantota** at 0800 hrs. on 01.12.2006 to Muslim Burial Ground, Hambantota¹⁴.

From Funeral Notice:

"DOLE - BABA HAMLIN (Ex AGM BOC), loving husband of Ruhize (Ex Gateway International), Father of Shezan (St. Peter's College, Colombo 4), son of the late Baba Thasim Dole, son of the late Yuhan Dole (nee Meedin), brother of the late Haroon, Hafeez (Lebanon), the late Hashim (Ex Navy), son-in-law of Rameena, brother-in-law of Nafeesa, Amal, Muneera, Mahil Dole (SSP, Police), Mahinda, Maureen, the late Bandu, Mumtaz, Fadyl, Akram, the late Rizly, Sureka, Nishfa,

³ <https://www.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole-46429628/detail/photo/>

Also <https://companycontacts.org/information/police-nurses-limited>

⁴ Subtle tussle over SLFP, Sunday Times Lanka, no date

<http://www.sundaytimes.lk/060212/columns/political.html>

⁵ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2012/04/28/sec02.asp>

⁶ <http://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=18106>

⁷ <http://www.divaina.com/2011/01/26/news05.html>

⁸ <http://www.divaina.com/2011/04/19/news08.html>

⁹ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/13294/ssp-and-four-others-disharged>

¹⁰ <https://lk.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole>

¹¹ <https://lk.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole>

¹² <https://lk.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole>

¹³ <https://lk.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole>

¹⁴ http://archives.dailynews.lk/2001/pix/PrintPage.asp?REF=/2006/12/01/main_Obituaries.asp

*Shamina, nephew of the late Sanoon, the late Banahar, the late Batoon, the late Sanoon, the late Baba Falin, the late Daneen, the late Falick, the late Ruby, Pearly, the late Hydro, the late Mohara, the late Johar, the late Kando, the late Doreen, Zareena, the late Zion, the late Boolan, the late Muhajireen, the late Bagus, the late Susila, the late Girly, the late Nihar and Jumma, uncle of Tina, Rina, Tobby, Kishan, Amal, Fady, Dilan, Ramona, Yohan, Rehana, Navid, Nawal, Naushad, Afridi, Shelly, Cindy, Risha, Shara, the late Hervin, Riyani and Mafil, expired.*¹⁵

Dole's Alleged Corruption – charges dropped

Media reports say Dole was among those charged with involvement in an extortion racket targeting Tamils.

Media Reports in 2011: *“An SSP and four others who were arrested on charges of having issued police clearance certificates to suspected terrorists were discharged by a Colombo Court yesterday. Colombo Fort Magistrate Lanka Jayaratne released SSP Baba Mahil Dole, M.S.M. Aslam, Jainudeen Kamaldeen, A. Wickremasinghe, and M. F. Pushpakaran on the instructions of the Attorney General who told Court he was not taking any legal action against the five suspects*¹⁶”.

Charities

2015: he is Secretary of something called the Advocacy and Reconciliation Center (ARC)¹⁷.

2015 August: *“Today's street child is tomorrow's criminal,”* said retired SSP and Senior Security Consultant Mahil Dole¹⁸.

Mahil Dole, the Secretary of Board of Consultation and Reconciliation – trying to stop pornography¹⁹.

Also: Mr. Baba Mahil Dole – Vice President of Colombo Grand Mosque administration²⁰.

Ravi Raj MP's Killing

Various Sri Lankan Media reports allege Dole was involved in (Tamil lawyer and politician) MP Nadarajah Raviraj's assassination in 2006²¹ – note the 5 suspects were later acquitted by the all Sinhalese jury²².

Aug 2015: *“In a confession, Navy Sampath said that Raviraj was murdered on the orders of the then state intelligence service's deputy director SSP Maheel Doole, who had told him, “This is an order by the boss (Gotabhaya)”*²³.”

2015: 3 naval officers arrested in the Raviraj case: Lt. Commander Munasinghe Aarachchige Don Nishantha Sampath Munasinghe, Lt. Commander Hettiarachchi Mudiyansele Prasad Chandana

¹⁵ <http://www.worldgenweb.org/lkawgw/obitmuslim-d.html>

¹⁶ SSP and four others discharged on AG's advice, Daily Mirror, 31 Aug 2011,

SSP and four others discharged, Daily Mirror, 30 Aug 2011.

<http://www.dailymirror.lk/13294/ssp-and-four-others-disharged>

¹⁷ **Public petition at Fort to urge porn ban in Sri Lanka, 1 Nov 2015, Adaderana,**

<http://www.adaderana.lk/news/32892/public-petition-at-fort-to-urge-porn-ban-in-sri-lanka>

¹⁸ <http://sandbox.ceylontoday.lk/51-104112-news-detail-reaching-out-to-street-children-save-the-pearls-sri-lanka.html>

¹⁹ Public to place signature to ban Pornographic websites, 1 Nov 2015,

<http://athavaneng.com/?p=229853>

²⁰ <http://colombograndmosque.com/mosque/committee-members/> and Mahil Dole's first name is Baba - https://ipfs.io/ipfs/QmXoypijW3WknFiJnKLwHCnL72vedxjQkDDP1mXWo6uco/wiki/List_of_Sri_Lankan_Malays.html

²¹ See IPU - SRI LANKA

CASE No. SRI/53 - NADARAJAH RAVIRAJ

<http://archive.ipu.org/hr-e/181/sri53.htm>

²² On 24 December 2016 the all Sinhala jury unanimously acquitted all five defendants who were subsequently released. n an unusual move, the verdict came shortly after midnight. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-38426020>

²³ <https://lankanewsweb.net/news/special-news/item/750-sri-lankan-way-of-diplomacy-protocol-coup-by-indian-diplomats>

Kumara Hettiarachchi alias Sampath and Petty Officer Deliwala Gedara Gamini Seneviratne alias Senevi²⁴.

2016 – trial began: *“The suspects Prasad Hettiarachchi, Gamini Seneviratne and Pradeep Chaminda are in the remand custody while three others Palana Sami Suresh, Sivakanth Vivekanandan and Fabian Royston Toussaint are missing.”*²⁵

Inspector Fabian Royston Toussaint: Sri Lanka had an arrest warrant out for him in connection with this murder but he fled to Australia where he was last seen running an Eco Consultancy Group²⁶.

2015: Dole is implicated in Ravi Raj’s murder says: *“According to the statements by these suspects, the murder contract was given them by the then director of the State Intelligence Service (“SIS”), SSP Mahil Dole, who functioned directly under the ex-defence secretary”*²⁷. Then Secretary of Defence Gotabaya Rajapaksa is alleged to have paid the Karuna faction to kill the MP according to an ex SIS man who implicated DIG Keerthi Gajanayake²⁸ and SIS SSP Mahil Dole.

DAILY NEWS (State run paper)²⁹ *“The state witness for the prosecution in the trial in connection with the murder of former TNA Jaffna district MP Nadaraja Raviraj yesterday affirmed Court that the members of ex-LTTE cadres affiliated to the Karuna faction and officers attached to the Naval intelligence camp in Laundry Watta in Gangaramaya involved in committing the murder of Raviraj.... He further affirmed that he met several other accused including Charan [Vivekananthan alias Charan; Vivekanandan is believed to be in Switzerland³⁰], Palana Sami Suresh and Fabian Royston Tusen when he was at the Naval intelligence camp in Laundry Watta Matha Road in Narahenpita. The Colombo Chief Magistrate has issued an arrest warrant on Sivakanth Vivekanandan alias Charan, who had migrated to Switzerland, and plans are underway to have him urgently extradited on the basis of his serious involvement in the killing of TNA Parliamentarian, Nadarajah Raviraj³¹. The CID investigations were assisted in the first instance by a team of Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) from UK’s New Scotland Yard.”*

Sinhala media report³² says (TRANSLATION) Constable Police intelligence PC Liyanarachchige Abhayaratne in 2016 gave a statement to court saying “I went to Batticaloa Kallady camp in 200X (date confused). I was recruited to the state intelligence information unit. In 2006 I found a number for Rudra Master in Batticaloa so I got the information from him and handed it over to the unit OIC in Batticaloa IP Dhammika or SI Edirisinghe. They were handed over to deputy director national Information unit H Division, **SP Dole**. In 2005 May I was transferred to Colombo National Information Unit. Dep. Dir. SP Jayawardena told me to get info from the Karuna group. So I contacted Waran alias Vivekanandan, Sami alias Suresh Rudra Master, Iniyabharathi alias Koomeraswamy, Marikan Jayaseelan and got info from them. I met people in Colombo and in addition to that the State Information section had a safe house in Gangarama Perehera Mahwatha - the expenses were born by the Information Intelligence Unit. In 2006, 2 Nov I went to Colombo

²⁴ Raviraj Murder: Court acquitted five accused - Sumanthiran faults all-Sinhala jury, 25 Dec 2016, Asian Tribune, <http://www.asiantribune.com/node/89905>

²⁵ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/115204/-Raviraj-killing-Trial-to-begin-in-absence-of-suspects> AND <http://www.dinamina.lk/2017/04/01/ලුමිණි/32068>

²⁶ <https://www.smh.com.au/national/former-sri-lankan-cop-wanted-over-assassination-linked-to-aussie-ecoconsultancy-business-20151222-qlta8n.html>

<http://www.jdslanka.org/index.php/news-features/politics-a-current-affairs/654-sri-lanka-delivers-shocking-verdict-on-assassination-of-tamil-mp>

²⁷ <http://archive.lankanewsweb.net/exclusive/10457-the-top-policeman-who-harbours-murders> and <https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/gota-paid-karuna-faction-5-million-to-kill-raviraj/>

²⁸ Senior DIG CID in 2010 http://www.sundaytimes.lk/100418/News/nws_06.html

CID questions Director of the State Intelligence Service Keerthi Gajanayake over Lasantha murder says:

<https://www.newsfirst.lk/2018/06/19/further-investigations-into-lasantha-wicremetunge-murder/>

²⁹ <http://www.dailynews.lk/2016/11/25/law-order/100232>

³⁰ <http://austms.blogspot.com/2017/03/gajalakshmpiparamasivam-29-march-2017.html>

³¹ <http://archives.sundayobserver.lk/2015/11/01/pol01.asp>

³² - <http://lankaenews.com/news/3598/si> - full but not great translation at <http://www.uktamilnews.com/?p=23681>

fort and I met Waran aka Shivakanthan Vivekananthan³³. Waran has said Suresh and others are around there and the story had names of 3 people who came when he was with Waren – Suresh, Navy Vajira, Senevi and they said we are going to shoot Raviraj (MP) - at that time I saw Prasad, Vajira, Senevi and Ajith all have been recruited to the SIS from Navy Intelligence. Then I came to SIS and met SP Jayawardena and I told him Waren is going to kill Ravi Raj. Then the boss said put Waran on speaker phone and I spoke to him and said – how is it going to happen and he said not today and we will do it another day. And Jayawardena said cut the line. Jayawardena spoke to Keerthi Gajanayake [DG SIS] and said not to investigate it any more – two weeks later RaviRaj was shot.

Dole's Alleged Involvement in at least 4 Cases of Torture

1. Lieutenant Ranjith Chandrasiri Perera

In 2009 a Sinhalese army officer, Lieutenant Ranjith Chandrasiri Perera, was arrested and then in 2011 charged with having provided information to Mr Kanagaratnam (*aka Giritharan –an undercover LTTE operative in Colombo, and the son of an ex TNA MP*) and Kandavanam Gogulnath (also known as Sandanam Gokulan alias Kanna), described respectively as LTTE intelligence officer and suicide cadre.

At least one ITJP witness reported seeing Lt Col Ranjith Perera repeatedly tortured in the 4th Floor.

Narrative of Justice AHRC Report [pdf] on Lt Col Ranjith Perera

2009 – para 348. “Wickramasinghe Arachchige Ranjith Chandrasiri Perera: Senior military officer arbitrarily arrested, tortured and now faces fabricated charges”. The report gives the following details:

“Lieutenant Colonel Wickramasinghe Arachchige Ranjith Chandrasiri Perera (47) of No. 5B/27, Army Quarters, Kendalanda, Homagama is a permanent resident of Diayatalawa in Badulla District. He is a commissioned Officer attached to the Sri Lanka Army. In 2009 Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe was serving as the Commander of the Transit Army Camp at Ratmalana. Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe was arrested by a group of officers attached to the CID of the Sri Lanka Police on the 14 May 2009 at around 11.30am with the vague accusation that he had committed a crime against the state. He vehemently denied the accusation at that time and continues to do so. Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe questioned the arresting officers for further reasons for arresting him. The officers were not able to answer. Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe was then taken to an unknown location close to Bambalapitiya and a few hours later transferred to the Colombo Crime Division (CCD) in Dematagoda. Then several officers blindfolded him and severely assaulted him on separate occasions during the course of the day. According to Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe he was brought to the Harbour Police Fort Colombo and detained there until the 23 June 2009. On that day at around 10.30am officers again blindfolded him and forcibly took him to an unknown location by a vehicle. At this new location he was severely assaulted until he fell unconscious. When he regained consciousness he could not stand up. The torture caused grievous injuries to him and he was then taken to the CCD at around 10.30pm that evening. On the morning of 24 June at 10:30 he was produced before a doctor who advised the police officers immediately to admit him to a hospital. He was then taken to the National Hospital of Colombo at 3:30pm. The doctors who examined Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe considered the severity of his injuries and referred him to be admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). But the police officers working against the doctor's advice brought him to the Military Hospital, Galle Face Colombo at 5.30pm on the same day and admitted him. The doctors at the Military Hospital admitted him to the ICU and started treatment for his injuries. He remained there until July 14 and was thereafter brought back to the CCD. Lt. Col.

³³ “The CID recently issued details of a Batticaloa Tamil who had allegedly masterminded the killing of two Red-Cross workers on 1st June 2007. Vivekananthan alias Charan is a former LTTE Intelligence Wing Cadre who disbanded the organization in 2004. While in the LTTE, Vivekananthan had engaged in intelligence gathering under Pottu Amman in Colombo for five years, without being detected by the police or the security forces. Vivekananthan's brother had been abducted, tortured and subsequently murdered by the LTTE at the beginning of this year. He has since disappeared and is thought to be hiding in a Southeast Asian country.” <https://www.sguardian.org/karunas-shame/>

Wickramasinghe was detained at the CCD until 19 September. Following that, after almost one year of detention without charge or being produced before a court he was transferred to the CID in police headquarters and detained there until 14 August 2010.

It was on that day (14 August) that he was produced before the Magistrate's Court of Colombo, remanded and sent to the Magazine Prison in Colombo. At no time did the magistrate question the length of his illegal detention.

Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe clearly indentified the police officers who tortured him at the CCD and CID as Anura Senanayake, DIG, **SSP Doole**, SSP Vaas Gunawardena the director of the CCD, Chief Inspector (CI) Jayathilaka the OIC of the CCD³⁴, IP Wijeratne of CCD, SI Jayakody of the State Intelligence Service (SIS), PC Chathuranga of CCD, PC Ranathunga of CCD, PC Rahuman of SIS, PC Rohan of SIS, PC Madushanka and Major Bulathwela attached to Military Intelligence [Major Bulathwela was a suspect in the abduction and beating of journalist Keith Noyahar case as well³⁵].

Lt. Col. Wickramasinghe has filed a fundamental rights application in the Supreme Court registered as SCFR/879/2009."

2. Businessman Ramasamy Prabakaran {spellings vary}, Tortured and then later abducted and disappeared as he was about to file a UN Human Rights Committee complaint.

"Prabakaran had said that on May 21, 2009, he was interrogated by one of the Respondents, **SP Mahin Dole** together with other officers, of how well he knew Col. Ranjith Chandrasiri Perera of the Sri Lanka Army and what connections he had with him. The petitioner, while denying all allegations made against him, had stated that he was a friend of the Colonel for the past 20 years and that he was a neighbour of one of his relatives in Bandarawela. The petitioner was then taken by SSP Vaas Gunawardena to the CCD and was allegedly assaulted with an iron rod in the most inhuman and degrading manner, where he was injured over most parts of his body, including his private parts.... He had said that cruel torture was carried out on him almost every day while he was in police custody³⁶".

Lanka FT: "The Attorney General, CID Director, Colombo Crimes Division (CCD) Director, Former SSP of CCD Vass Gunawardena, DIG Anura Senanayake, ASPs Wedasinghe, Ariyaratne, Ravindra and Nayayakkara as well as OIC of the CCD IP Jayatilake, CCD Sergeant, Chief Inspector Percy Perera and SP Mahin Dole of State Intelligence Service (SIS), Wellawatte Police OIC and the IGP are cited as Respondents³⁷".

This story gives a detailed account of the torture methods, which are similar to those of TID:

"On 21 May, SP Mahin Dole and Chief Inspector Percy Perera had interrogated him in connection with Col. Ranjith Perera. The Petitioner had denied any wrong doing and stated that he had known him over 20 years as a neighbour of a relative in Bandarawela. On 23 May, he had been taken to a room on the third floor of the CCD by SSP Vaas Gunawardana. There had been about 15 policemen in the room and SSP Vaas Gunawardana had taken an iron rod and started hitting him and another policeman from behind had hit him on his right ear with some object, petitioner states.

³⁴ remanded in custody also in connection with the abduction and torture of journalist Keith Noyahar. Startling Details Emerge In Keith Noyahr Abduction Probe, 26 Feb 2016,

<http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2017/02/26/startling-details-emerge-in-keith-noyahr-abduction-probe/>

³⁵ Startling Details Emerge In Keith Noyahr Abduction Probe, 26 Feb 2016,

<http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2017/02/26/startling-details-emerge-in-keith-noyahr-abduction-probe/>

³⁶ <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2016/06/12/ghost-from-the-past-to-haunt-anura/> and http://www.sundaytimes.lk/110925/News/nws_10.html also <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20120215/297740019508075>

³⁷ President's Counsel Romesh de Silva with K.S. Ratnavale appeared for the Petitioner. Senior State Counsel Shanaka Wijesinghe appeared for the Attorney General. President's Counsel Faisz Musthapha appeared for the other Respondents.

On the same day, his head had been covered by a cellophane bag filled with petrol added with chillie powder. The Petitioner detainee had collapsed”³⁸.

3. ITJP W294:

A Tamil man was subjected to multiple detentions post-war, among which were two periods in SIS custody in secret locations during which he was interrogated by Dole and tortured.

4. ITJP W313

This Tamil former LTTE cadre says from the end of June 2009 for 2 weeks he was taken to an unknown jungle camp where he was interrogated by Dole [*“He was around 50-55 years old, medium skin complexion, and balding... He told me he worked next to Gotabaya Rajapaksa and he was sent to interview me.”*].

W313 says Dole asked to work for him as an informer and when he refused he was badly beaten and threats were made against his family.

Business links with ret Major General Fadyl Meedin:

Ex Military intelligence, Meedin set up the Centre for Research and Development (CRD) (“to establish a world-class science and technology base providing the military a decisive edge, by equipping them with internationally competitive systems and solutions³⁹”) in the MOD, retired, set up a private company called Virtual Garage, and 3 other entities using the same address (RPMAT, STS and Neo-Tech), secures Sri Lankan government approval for sale and import of the tracking systems produced by inter alia a US company (GTX) – to be used for the Disaster Management Centre – thus bypassing Leahy Law. His only other co-director is a relative Mahil Dole who is ex police intelligence who ironically worked for the PM’s anti-corruption bureau and financial corruption investigation division until 2019⁴⁰, despite himself being alleged to have taken bribes.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Mahil Dole</u>	<u>Major General (Retired) Tuan Fadyl Meedin</u>	<u>Source</u>
	<p>They are brothers in law.</p> <p>Police for 36 years, alleged to be involved in torture when NIB/SIS.</p>	<p>Born 17th August 1959 in Hambantota, believed to be Military Intelligence.</p>	<p>Family obituary</p> <p>LinkedIn</p>
16 Aug 2014 retired		<p>Before retirement: “pioneered establishing the Centre for Research and Development (CRD) at the Ministry of Defense and functioned as the Chief Coordinator.”</p>	His own bio
Oct 2014 - now		<p>Co-founder/Director Space Technology & Solutions PVT ltd.</p> <p><u>Local partner of :</u></p>	<p>LinkedIn.</p> <p>Address given is Virtual Garage’s office.</p>

³⁸ Businessman files FR case against arbitrary arrest and detention, 17 Jan 2012, FT Lanka, <http://www.ft.lk/business/businessman-files-fr-case-against-arbitrary-arrest-and-detention/34-66534>

³⁹ <https://crd.lk>

⁴⁰ <https://www.linkedin.com/in/mahil-dole/?originalSubdomain=lk>

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		<p>Australian company DroneShield - selling drone guns.</p> <p>GTX Corp USA - wearable GPS, people and asset tracking <u>Location-Based Services (LBS) and Real-Time Location Systems (RTLS)</u>,</p> <p>and <u>Crypto international AG Switzerland</u> ⁴¹</p>	<p>Press release GTX “We have been diligently working with Major General (retd) Fadyl Meedin RSP Ldmc, from the Space Technology & Solutions (Pvt) Ltd to provide all the necessary requirements in order for GTX to become an approved Sri Lanka military supplier”. ⁴²</p>
June 2015 – Apr 2019	PM’s anti-corruption secretariat & Financial Crimes Investigation Division (FCID)		LinkedIn
Jan 2018 - now		Naushad Meedin (<u>Son</u>) is one other employee with Maj Gen Meedin of The Virtual Garage . ⁴³ This is the only company registered in SL.	Company LinkedIn page
2018	Superintendent, Police & Nurses Credit Society in Australia, in Perth .		Old linkedin and another source.
Dec 2018- now		CO-Founder/Director company called RPMAT . ⁴⁴	<p>LinkedIn</p> <p>Address given is Virtual Garage’s office.</p>
Jan 2019 - now	Senior Advisory Consultant, The Virtual Garage		<p>LinkedIn</p> <p>This is a registered company in SL. ⁴⁵</p>
April 2019- now	Space Technology & Solutions PVT Ltd.		LinkedIn
?		His company: Neo-Tech Lanka (Pvt) Ltd.	<u>source</u>

⁴¹ <https://spacetechnologysolutionsssl.jimdo.com/breaking-news/crypto-international-ag-switzerland/>

⁴² “Over the past six months, GTX has been working with the Sri Lanka government to get its line of military-grade GPS tracking solutions approved for sale and import into the country as part of a large scale requirement from the Sri Lanka Army, **Disaster Management Centre**, and **Centre for Research and Development** under the Ministry of Defense to tag, track and locate (TTL) their personnel and equipment.”

⁴³ Listed as an affiliate of STS <https://spacetechnologysolutionsssl.jimdo.com/affiliates/>

⁴⁴ Listed as an affiliated of STS - <https://spacetechnologysolutionsssl.jimdo.com/affiliates/>

⁴⁵ <https://www.linkedin.com/search/results/people/?facetCurrentCompany=%5B%2214437577%22%5D>

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OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

Published 2019 pertaining to 2000

This is about confessions obtained from 2 LTTE members suspected of shooting down an Antonov aircraft in 30 March 2000. The accused in the case are Rasathurai Jegan alias Pulawan and Neerweli Swamilingam alias Sinnathilakan.

TRANSLATION: Published Lankadeepa.lk 2 February 2019ⁱ

“Assistant Superintendent of Police ("SP") Mr. Jagath Fonseka now serves as a Superintendent of Police in Vavuniya. Then Officer in Charge ("OIC") of the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") who has now been promoted to SP, Prasanna de Alwis, Inspector of Police ("IP") N A (sic) Abdeen and Sergeant Nishantha (48857) were in this team. **IP Abdeen** who is now retired from the police service, is an officer who has shown capabilities in investigations. The two terrorists were arrested about after 12 years since the attack. ..In the final stages of the Vanni Humanitarian Operation, displacement camps were established for people coming from the No Fire Zone ("NFZ") to the government-controlled areas. Intelligence officers in disguise were deployed in those camps to identify and arrest Tiger terrorists who came in hiding with the ordinary people. When we were in disguise in Maradamadu, one person was bragging with some others. He was saying that he was the one who attacked the flight from a hiding place in the Wilpattu jungle. He said that another also helped. That is how we caught the two Tiger terrorists who attacked the Antonov, said retired IP NA Abdeen.”

Rasathurayi Jegan (35) has said this in his confession to Mr. Jagath Fonseka.

His Tamil statement has been translated to Sinhala by sergeant of police Shiabdeen (53251).

Published 2018, unclear what date pertaining to

This is a post from an unnamed “Sinhala Tiger” suspect. This facebook account “Akuna (Lightning)” has been administered by that group after their release. They would obviously stay anonymous as most of them live in Sri Lanka. The post also mentions an ICRC officer identified as Lynn who came to visit them. “She was the only person the TID officers complied with”.

TRANSLATION: Published 8 May 2018ⁱⁱ

“It was the Colombo TID that arrested us. The same day I was detained on a 90 day detention order by the defence secretary. We were detained and interrogated in the old passport office in Chaitya road. The same day I was arrested, **Abdeen**, Saman Karunaratne and other officers beat me up and took me to my home in Galle for a search.”

Published 2014 pertaining to post war

About end of war screening teams. The facebook post is a report from Lankaenews. Original article could not be found.

TRANSLATED: Published 8 April 2014ⁱⁱⁱ

“The TID had 4 investigation teams to investigate hundreds of LTTE suspects identified after screening. They were under; Investigation 1 IP Harendra Jayakantha, Investigation 2 **IP Abdeen**, Investigation 3 IP Saman Karunaratne, Investigation 4 IP Bandara. The overall supervision was under TID OIC Prasanna Alwis who is the brother of judge Jayaki Alwis.

IP Saman Karunaratne responsible for investigation 3 has helped Prasanna Alwis and Chandra Wakishta to take money and release LTTE suspects. Once the amount is agreed upon, the relevant sum is deposited in their secret accounts through a relative who visits the suspect and is released claiming that they have no charges. The sum of SLR 1 million – 15 million have been obtained from an LTTE cadre and the money has been shared among Wakishta, Prasanna and Saman. Although Harendra Janakantha, Abdeen and Bandara was not involved in this dirty job, they were aware of it.”

2012-2017

Media articles¹ say Inspector Abdeen is named along with Subair [Zubair] and the IGP as the respondents for TID for a claim by Tamils in Switzerland to reclaim their seized property in Welawatte in Colombo.² The plaintiffs eventually won compensation.

2011

(i) Abdeen is mentioned in a submission to the UN’s Working Group on Arbitrary Detention:

“Even though Mr. Ganesharatnam had denied all the allegations, **Sub-Inspector Abdeen** tried to force him to sign a 28-page written statement in Sinhala, a language Mr. Ganesharatnam cannot read. He refused to sign the aforementioned statement, even though Sub-Inspector Abdeen threatened to detain Mr. Ganesharatnam’s wife and children. On or around 1 March 2011, Sub-Inspector Abdeen and other officers allegedly handed Mr. Ganesharatnam several blank sheets of paper and reportedly threatened and coerced him to sign these. When Mr. Ganesharatnam refused to do so, officers reportedly grabbed him by his throat and beat him with their fists. Mr. Ganesharatnam ultimately signed the blank sheets due to the threats of continued beatings and the threats against his family. On or around 3 March 2011, Sub-Inspector Abdeen dictated a statement to Mr. Ganesharatnam which he was forced to write down verbatim in Tamil and sign. Mr. Ganesharatnam remembers being forced to write that a man called Murugiah Komakan (an acquaintance who had followed an information technology course with Mr. Ganesharatnam) had shown him the residence of Karuna Amman. Mr. Ganesharatnam cannot recall all the details of the statement that he was forced to write”.³

(ii) Also in 2011, Abdeen is named by jailed policeman Lakshman Cooray in a petition for allegedly threatening him to force him to plead guilty to the charges.⁴ “The detainee impugned that the TID OIC and **SI Abdeen** threatened him and pressurize to plead guilty to the charge against him.”⁵

¹ *Petitioners Shanmugam Sivarajah Nagarajah and Sivarajah Sarojini Devi cited OIC of the TID, its Director, DIG of the TID, Inspector Abdeen and Subair of the TID, IGP, Secretary and Additional Secretary to the Defence Ministry, Lalith Weeratunge who was the Secretary to the former President and the Attorney General as Respondents*, <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20170728/282480003866012> <http://www.ft.lk/article/66357/Swiss-expatriates-lament-to-SC-house-being-occupied-by-TID> <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20121211/281848640914227>, Daily Mirror, 11 Dec 2012, *Unlawful Occupation of Expatriates’ Property*

28 Jul 2017, *SC Awards 500,000 to Expat Tamils*, Daily Mirror, <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20170728/282480003866012>

Swiss expatriates lament to SC house being occupied by TID, 16 Jan 2012, FT Lanka, <http://www.ft.lk/article/66357/Swiss-expatriates-lament-to-SC-house-being-occupied-by-TID>

and: SC FR Application No.15/2010

http://www.supremecourt.lk/images/documents/sc_fr_15_2010.pdf

² *SC awards Rs. 500,000 to expat Tamils*, Daily Mirror, 2017-07-28, <http://www.dailymirror.lk/article/SC-awards-Rs-to-expat-Tamils-133663.html>

³ *Santhathevan Ganesharatnam v. Sri Lanka, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, Opinion No. 9/2013, U.N. Doc. A/HRC/WGAD/2013/9 (2013).*

<http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/wgad/9-2013.html>

⁴<http://www.globaltamilnews.net/GTMNEditorial/tabid/71/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/64430/language/en-US/SC-allows-SPs-rights-violation-petition.aspx>

⁵ *SC allows SP’s rights violation petition*, 21 Jul 2011, Daily Mirror at

<http://old.globaltamilnews.net/GTMNEditorial/tabid/71/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/64430/language/en-US/SC-allows-SPs-rights-violation-petition.aspx>

2010

A media article says: "It is alleged that **Abdeen**, a Muslim officer of the Division Four of the TID extorts money from the relatives who come to see the detainees and that another Muslim officer Mohamed tortures the Tamil detainees with racial hatred".⁶

2008

The politician Mano Ganesan said he had given a statement to TID's OIC Chief Insepctor of Police Prasanna de Alwis and **SI Abdeen** of TID/Unit II.⁷

2007

Detainee to UN Special Rapporteur, Manfred Nowak, in 2007:

"For the first four days after he had been brought to TID, he was severely ill-treated by three officers named **Abdeen**, Suber⁸ and Kankha. After he was forced to completely undress, two of the officers placed a stick under his knees and handcuffed him in front of his shackled legs ("parrot's perch" or "dharma chakara"). In this position, he was hung upside-down between two tables in the office of Branch No. 3 on the first floor of the TID premises. For 10 minutes, the officers beat him with an iron bar on the soles of his feet and on his back. They also kicked him in the face. This treatment continued for four days in which the officers tried without success to get him to confess his involvement with the LTTE. About one month ago, the same officers tortured him again by the same method. It was common that detainees were held overnight in the interrogation rooms on the first floor. After the ill-treatment his feet were swollen and numb, as was one of his fingers to which he received a blow. He reported that another detainee named Stephen had been taken out of the cells and brought to an unknown location earlier the same day. Stephen had been massively tortured, including beatings on his testicles".⁹

2002

The nine suspects were arrested by a police party led by **Sub Inspector M. A. Abdeen** assisted by SIs Hemachandra, Lalith Shantha, Sergeants Kumarasinghe, Dinesh, Constables Gnanaratne, Ananda RPC Chandrapala and PCDs Pathirana and SI Jayalath and a party attached to the Aluthgama Police station.¹⁰

2001

This is about suspects of a failed attack on the Trinco naval base in 2001^{iv}. The report doesn't say when the arrests were made. The Suspects are Kanapathipillai Sivakaran, Ponnaraja Ramanarajah and Chief Petty Officer Charles Thambiraja Satkunarajah.

TRANSLATION: Published lankadeepa.lk 17 August 2019^v

"When Chief Police Inspector (CI) Nilupul Peiris interrogated the suspect in detention at the TID, much important information could be revealed. The suspect has spoken in fear.....The leading Sea Tiger Kanapathipillai Sivakaran was brought from Trincomalee to Minneriya under tight security in a helicopter. Sivakaran who was brought to Minneriya in a helicopter was taken to the Colombo TID under heavy security. He was brought by air on orders from top security officials due to the risk of a Tiger ambush to rescue him.....One of the two arrested by the police team led by CI Nilupul Peiris is Ponnadura Ramanarajan, a civil engineer. The other is Thambirajah Charles who served as a Chief Petty Officer in the navy.....The investigations were carried out under the supervision of then Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") HG

⁶ <http://www.tamilnewsnetwork.com/2010/09/19/tid-torture-tamil-detainees-held-under-pta/>

⁷ <https://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=26762>

⁸ Likely Zubair and Ganga.

⁹ http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/7session/A.HRC.7.3.Add.6_ch.pdf

¹⁰ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2002/05/31/new06.html>, 31 May 2002,

Kaduwela Wasantha murder: Police nab Karate Dhammika's gang, Daily News.

Wickremesinghe and DIG Lionel Karunasena. **SI Abdeen**, Police Sergeant Ganganatha (300), Police Constables Shiabdeen (473), Indika (74422) and Jayasuriya (8693) assisted in the investigations.”

1998

Forum for Human Dignity (FHD) says:

“A 24-year old-trained mechanic from Kalawanchikudi, Batticaloa was arrested by the officers attached to the Terrorism Investigation Division and the Special Task Force of Ampara, at Kalmunai on the 14th of October, 1998. He was working at the Palugamam Pradeshiya Sabha as a mechanic (to dig wells & advising the mechanics) for about 1½ years. They took him to a camp of the Special Task Force and hand cuffed him behind and beat him with their hands, legs and poles. Later he was taken to the 6th floor of the Terrorism Investigation Division and tortured there severely by officers namely Abdeen, Alwis and Wijeratne for a consecutive of 8 days.

In about 1½ months they took him down stairs and made him to sign some statement before Mr. Gamini Dissanayake, an Assistant Superintendent of Police. This mechanic was remanded on the 12th of December, 1998, at the Kalutara Remand Prison and was later taken back to the Terrorism Investigation Division quite arbitrarily and tortured there again severely in the following manner. They had him handcuffed behind and hit him, then made him to sleep under a chair and hit him. On the 5th of March, 1999 one Razik and Ananda took him and hit him severally, Alwis (OIC), Wijeratne, threatened and made him to sign on some papers”¹¹

1998

Mentioned by a a Special Presidential Commission inquiry into the assassination of Lalith Athulathmudali¹²

¹¹ <http://www.fhd.8m.net/TR2000/Torture%20Report%202000.htm>

¹² <https://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=4316>

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W294

"Unit 2: In charge of investigating Air Defense, LTTE foreign supporters, Sea Tigers. OIC was IP Abdeen. His wife passed away from cancer. He was very loyal to de Alwis, Sub-Inspector Bandara, SI Wickremasinghe, Nilabtheen who was a Muslim translator, Nishantha, Nandasiri a very horrible investigator in Boosa, he was torturing people and beating with no reason, putting the penis in the drawer and slamming it".

"..I met XXX in XXX and he told me he was investigated by Abdeen in Unit 2. In 2007 after he was arrested Abdeen had tortured him with a petrol bag and hung him in the 'parrot's perch' and beaten on his testicles."

W282

Abdeen: "He was about 60 years old. He looks like a decent person but in fact he is a very hard and bad man. He had short hair, a large and wide forehead, He was around 5'6 or 5'7, medium build in good shape, no belly. I think he was an Inspector. I only saw him wearing civilian clothing. He is the only TID official I saw in in all four TID places of detention: Theikkawatte, Omanthai school, Boosa and Colombo. He was a heavy smoker. As I mentioned previously he interrogated me in Theikkawatte. He was in charge of unit 2 but he interrogated everyone. I saw him interrogate detainees in Boosa and I saw him beat them as well. I saw him on the 4th Floor in Colombo".

W281

"I was taken to Abdeen's office for interrogation and when they wanted to torture me they took me to another larger room. If Abdeen didn't believe what I told him, he would send me to the torture room with Wickremasinghe and some other officers to be tortured. ...Abdeen told me that I was lucky that I was registered by the ICRC and that if I hadn't I would have been disappeared. I think if it wasn't for the ICRC a lot more of us would have been killed."

W137

In 2012 he was interrogated by Abdeen and Subair [Zubair] regarding LTTE assets.

2009: "The man who questioned me was called Abdeen. He is a tall man, a little older, with a moustache and greying combed-back hair. He wore civilian clothes. I found out his name later after he had spent time with other detainees on the 6th Floor a few days later. Abdeen had also been with us on the pointing out the previous day. He is a Muslim guy, asking questions in Tamil and writing answers down. He said I must give him all the details of my life, from where I grew up, where I was educated through to detailed history of my relationship with the LTTE. I was aware from the types of questions being asked that they had a considerable amount of information about me from some other sources. They told me that if I didn't give the "correct answer" I would get beaten. Abdeen would go away to smoke, and the guard who was stationed in that adjacent area, guarding those in these holding areas came, intimidated and assaulted me on more than one occasion. Abdeen would go away and type up my answers; sometimes I was called into the office for clarifications whilst he was doing this. I was taken back into the holding area in the evenings. ...This process of questioning by Abdeen went on for the next three days. I was also fingerprinted and photographed during this period. I was then asked to sign a ten to fifteen page document that was written in Sinhalese. I didn't know what was contained in it and refused to sign. Abdeen said that this was my information and that I must sign. He was intimidating and I had the impression I would have more trouble if I didn't sign this; I did so."

W18:

"Abdeen was a Muslim TID investigator who came to receive me when the bus arrived. He told me they had come to know that I had more information on the locations where arms were hidden. He took me and some

other guys to a lift. Some people got out on the 4 floor – there was a sign in the elevator in English, Sinhalese and Tamil saying CID. Abdeen pushed the button for the 6 floor where it said TID. It was the last floor. ...Abdeen was a senior TID officer. He had been to the US until 2009 because the LTTE had been trying to kill him. He had been with the TID for a long time and was apparently really good at investigating LTTE cadres so that is why he was targeted.

“The next day we washed in the bathroom. One TID officer a Muslim man named Abdeen who spoke fluent Tamil, came and got me and took me to an interrogation room and told me to kneel down. ...He started punching me in the neck and head and face area hard about ten times with his fist. I said, "even if you kill me I cannot tell you more as that is all I know". He wrote things down on a paper in Sinhalese and told me to sign it. I did. Abdeen told me that NIB [National Intelligence Bureau] from the Defense Ministry would come and interrogate me. I did not know at the time what NIB was. Later I found out from inmates who had been on the 6th floor for some time that NIB people were Gotabaya Rajapaksa's people. Abdeen took me back to the cells and I never saw him again. I know his name from inmates who had been there a long time.”

Later after being tortured by being submerged in water and having one of his toenails pulled out, W18 describes hearing women screaming during torture:

“When we left the room into the hallway I could hardly walk. The door to where the females were was slightly open. I saw a female cadre laying on her back on the floor. She was totally naked. I clearly saw a soda bottle shoved inside her vagina. Her arms were spread wide as were her legs. The door was not open enough to see the other two girls. I could not tell if the girl or the others were alive. None of them were making any sounds and the girl I saw was not moving - her eyes were closed.”

W306:

“Abdeen had authority to investigate other units, very experienced and knew a lot about the LTTE.”

W305:

“I heard that Abdeen based in Colombo on the 4 floor was responsible for two units”.

W288:

“When I first came to Rambaikulam, I was asked to come outside. Some people came in a white vehicle, six men wearing civilian clothing and carrying rifles. I know one of them because I saw him again in Theikkawatte, Boosa and on the 6 Floor. He is a Muslim and his name I later learned is Abdeen. ...Inside the room was a round table. Abdeen started beating me, then left the room while the others beat me up. After they finished beating me, they sat me on the floor. Abdeen came back into the room and told me to take a seat at the table. One translator and two other TID officers were also sitting at the table. Abdeen seemed to be in charge and asked most of the questions. I found out later that Abdeen was in charge of Unit 2 on the 6 Floor. ... The man standing next to me was going to hit me but Abdeen stopped him. I had understood by then that because I had registered with the ICRC, they could beat and torture me but they would not kill me. It made me a bit more bold in my answers. ...Abdeen had been in the TID for many years and he could go into any unit and investigate and interrogate whomever he wanted. He was more experienced than Alwis but he was lower ranking. I was interrogated by all the OICs.”

ⁱ <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/thaksalawa/%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B1%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BD-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%90%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A--%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%8B%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%BA/55-544968>

ii <https://www.facebook.com/544975379228914/posts/587531341639984/>

iii <https://www.facebook.com/lankaenews/photos/a.219828384749001/697054010359767/?type=3&theater>

iv Case details _____

v <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/rasawitha/%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%BD%E0%B6%BA--%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%84%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%86--%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%9A--%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A0%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%A0%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AB%E0%B6%BA/57-555361>

VIJITHA BANDARA

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VIJITHA BANDARA

Bandara Inspector of Police ("IP") of Unit 4

2015

Published AHRC 12 March 2015

The following is information received by the Asian Human Rights Commission ("AHRC") about the case of Ms. JeyaGanesh Pakeerathy, a legal resident of France and her 14 year-old daughter JeyaGanesh Pakalvi a French citizen. Both have been illegally arrested by police officers attached to the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") of the Sri Lankan Police Department. They were later produced before the Magistrate of Colombo and detained under the detention orders issued under the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act No. 48 of 1979....Then, on February 12, 2015, two police officers from the TID visited their house in Kilinochchi. One officer identified himself as '**Vijitha Bandara**'.

Published on The Island 02 August 2004¹

"B. The following 06 officers, referred to by the media, had been promoted by the NPC on the faith of the reports made available to it by the Inspector General of Police ("IGP"). Those records were the Seniority List and the updated list of officers with "blemish records, pending court cases and disciplinary inquiries". These records did not set out any reason for not promoting the officers who appeared to be otherwise qualified. The National Police Commission summoned the Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG")/Personnel and the officials of the Personnel Division in order to re-check the correctness of the information submitted to the Commission by the Police Department.

1. Vijitha Bandara Herath IP

Promoted by the NPC as no blemishes were reported by the IGP. Subsequently IGP brought to the notice of the Commission that he had vacated post from 1996 - 2001. Therefore this matter is being further reviewed by the Commission."

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W226: "Unit 4: Bandara was the Officer in Charge ("OIC")."

W294 names Sub-Inspector Bandara; Superintendent ("SI") Wickremasinghe; Nilabtheen, who was a Muslim translator.

W288: Bandara: "He was an SI. He was about 5'6" with fair skin, thin, and I think he was around 35 years old. He was among the worst in terms of beating detainees. I saw him in Boosa, Colombo and Omanthai school."

¹ <http://www.island.lk/2004/08/02/news08.html>

W218: "Bandara was wearing civilian clothing, he was tall and rough. Bandara and the interpreter also beat me. ...I was pushed on the floor on my stomach and they started beating me with wires on my back. They told me that if I gave them the correct answers I would not be in trouble."

W112 met him in Colombo TID.

W294: "Unit 2: In charge of investigating Air Defense, LTTE foreign supporters, Sea Tigers. OIC was IP Abtheen. His wife passed away from cancer. He was very loyal to de Alwis, ...**Sub-Inspector Bandara**, SI Wickremasinghe, Nilabtheen who was a Muslim translator, Nishanthe, Nandasri a very horrible investigator in Boosa, he was torturing people and beating with no reason, putting the penis in the drawer and slamming it."

W315 mentioned a SI Bandara who was notorious for torture in the 6th Floor.

PRASANNA DE ALWIS

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A. R. PRASANNA J. DE ALWIS¹

Full Name: Adambarage Ruwan Prassanna Jayak De Alwis².
18 May 1998 – 30 June 2015 – served in the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID").
Now in Colombo Crimes Division ("CCD").

CAREER

1 Dec 1988 Joined police force as a junior Superintendent ("SI").³
2 Sep 1996 Promoted to Inspector of Police ("IP") after 8 years of service as SI (Crime Officer in Charge ("OIC") in Mutwal, Dematagoda, Wellawatta and Pettah police stations. Police station Chettikulam in Vavunia)⁴.

1998⁵:
"They took him to a camp of the Special Task Force and handcuffed him behind and beat him with their hands, legs and poles. Later he was taken to the 6th floor of the Terrorist Investigation Department and tortured there severely by officers namely Abdeen, Alwis and Wijeratne for a consecutive of 8 days."⁶

2003 UN peacekeeper in East Timor.
1 Jan 2006: Promoted to IP (OIC Metropolitan homicide division and anti-terror unit - TID HQ, OIC TID Unit 1 and 2)⁷.
May 2007 Referred to as Chief Inspector TI⁸.
Aug 2008 Referred to as OIC-Chief Inspector Prasanna de Alwis⁹

¹ *SL police officers awarded UN Peace Keeping medals*, Sarath Malalasekera, 14 Mar 2003, Daily News, <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2003/03/14/new27.html>

² According to letter by DIG transport 21 11 2014:

<http://www.ethalayanews.com/%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B7%85%E0%B6%B9-%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B0-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%A8%E0%B7%8F%E0%B7%83%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%9A-asp-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D/>

http://www.psc.gov.lk/web/images/pdf/english/5_Orders_Decisions/4_2_Appointment_Promotions/asp_pro_e.pdf

³ Quoting complaint to National Police Commission against DIG Nalaka Silva:

<http://www.lankadeepa.lk/kaaleena/%E0%B6%9D%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AB%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9C-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%9A-%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AF--/25-538878>

⁴ *Ibid.*

⁵ "For 17 long years, from 1998 May 18th until 2015 June 30th Prasanna Alwis was serving attached to the TID.." <https://www.lankaenews.com/news/3023/en>
Also confirmed in complaint to National Police Commission against DIG Nalaka Silva.

⁶ <http://www.fhd.8m.net/TR2000/Torture%20Report%202000.htm>

⁷ Quoting complaint to National Police Commission against DIG Nalaka Silva as above.

⁸ http://www.humanrights.de/doc_de/countries/sri-lanka/tiran_lawyer_letter.pdf

⁹ http://transcurrents.com/tc/2008/08/mano_ganesan_carried_message_f.html

Oct 2008 Referred to as OIC TID.¹⁰
2007-2012 OIC TID Colombo, rank IP.
13 Jan 2014 Promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP").¹¹
01 Jul 2015 Transferred to Tangalle following complaint by Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") Nalaka de Silva of TID (Alwis says this was on false allegations. Nalaka de Silva is Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") TID accused by Namal Kumara of plotting the assassination of President Sirisena, Gota and Alwis)¹².
Jul 2015 Transferred from TID to Tangalle¹³.
2016 Hambantota ASP¹⁴
Jun⁸ 2017 ASP A. R. P. J. de Alwis – transferred from Tangalle Division to Colombo Crime Division⁹. One story says he was CID in Tangalle and also in Colombo when transferred¹⁵.
2018-19 Colombo Crimes Division (CCD)¹⁶.

FAMILY

Sep 2007 Father was in police; sister is magistrate/or judge Jayaki De Alwis,¹⁷ Kasthuriarachchi (Magistrate /Kandy), Chief Inspector Prasanna De Alwis (O.I.C./TID); brother was Chief Inspector Jagath De Alwis (Police H/Q)¹¹ and now in transport hire business...¹⁸

¹⁰ <http://www.supremecourt.lk/images/documents/scfr97of2008.pdf>

¹¹ <http://srilankaoneislandtwonations.tumblr.com/post/82428493795/how-true-ltte-cadres-are-released-on-bribes-by-tid>
http://www.psc.gov.lk/web/images/pdf/english/5_Orders_Decisions/4_2_Appointment_Promotions/asp_pro_e.pdf
<http://english.fastnews.lk/3590>

¹² Ibid.

¹³ *Four SSPs, three ASPs transferred*, Daily Mirror, 1 Jul 2015. <http://www.dailymirror.lk/78165/four-ssps-three-asps-transferred>

¹⁴ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/article/Court-order-on-protesting-employees-at-H-tota-port-120631.html>

"CID last week summoned former head of the TID ASP Prasanna Alwis in relation to Wickrematunge's murder probe". <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2016/03/27/cid-turns-to-the-tid/>

¹⁵ *Several Police Superintendents transferred*, 19 Jun 2017, Daily News, <http://www.dailynews.lk/2017/06/19/local/119354/several-police-superintendents-transferred?page=52>

¹⁶ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/article/Curtains-for-thief-Gang--149753.html>

And <https://www.lankaenews.com/news/3023/en>

¹⁷ "...the Chief Justice had summoned Magistrate Jayaki de Alwis and questioned her regarding the reason why she had made certain adverse orders against Inspector of Police, Umagiliya, the bodyguard of People's Alliance Chief Minister of North Central Province, Berty Premalal Dissanayake. He called upon her to resign. Upon her declining to do so, she was dismissed from service without an inquiry. She was re-instated after two days and thereafter compelled and pressurised to tender her resignation". http://www.srilankaguardian.org/2011_08_21_archive.html

¹⁸ http://archives.dailynews.lk/2007/09/03/main_Obituaries.asp

He has been involved in several emblematic investigations: Presidential assassination attempt, Army commander assassination attempt, Jeyaraj Fernandopulle assassination and attempt to assassinate Maithripala Sirisena when he was a minister¹⁹.

OPEN SOURCE

1998

Forum for Human Dignity (FHD) says:

“A 24-year old-trained mechanic from Kalawanchikudi, Batticaloa was arrested by the officers attached to the Terrorist Investigation Department and the Special Task Force of Ampara, at Kalmunai on the 14th of October, 1998. He was working at the Palugamam Pradeshiya Sabha as a mechanic (to dig wells & advising the mechanics) for about 1½ years. They took him to a camp of the Special Task Force and hand cuffed him behind and beat him with their hands, legs and poles. Later he was taken to the 6th floor of the Terrorism Investigation Division and tortured there severely by officers namely Abdeen, **Alwis** and Wijeratne for a consecutive of 8 days.

“In about 1½ months they took him down stairs and made him to sign some statement before Mr. Gamini Dissanayake, an Assistant Superintendent of Police. This mechanic was remanded on the 12th of December, 1998, at the Kalutara Remand Prison and was later taken back to the Terrorism Investigation Division quite arbitrarily and tortured there again severely in the following manner. They had him handcuffed behind and hit him, then made him to sleep under a chair and hit him. On the 5th of March, 1999 one Razik and Ananda took him and hit him severally, **Alwis (OIC)**, Wijeratne, threatened and made him to sign on some papers.”²⁰

2007

Alwis is cited as Respondent in 2007 Fundamental Rights Case:

“The petitioner-suspect, Thiyagarajah Mohanaruban, was arrested by the Terrorism Investigation Division (TID) on 14.09.2007, and was being detained in the TID branch in Colombo. The Officer-in-Charge of TID did not allow the suspect to sign an affidavit to file a FR violation petition through Counsel Gowrisankari Thavarajah despite the approval by the TID Superintendent. Hence the FR petition was filed by the Counsel Gowrisankari Thavarajah on behalf of the suspect, the court was told. The petitioner has cited OIC, TID unit, Prasanna de Alwis as the first respondent. TID Superintendent, Inspector General of Police and Attorney

¹⁹ <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/kaaleena/%E0%B6%9D%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AB%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9C-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%9A-%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AF--/25-538878>

²⁰ <http://www.fhd.8m.net/TR2000/Torture%20Report%202000.htm>

General have been cited as other respondents in the petition, legal sources said.²¹

2008

One media report says Alwis is named in a Fundamental Rights Case by journalist Jaseeharan and his partner Valarmathi²². However, another witness says Jaseeharan was told he would never win his case if he named Alwis.

Respondent in Fundamental Rights Case brought by journalist Tissainayagam in the Supreme Court²³:

“On Wednesday the Supreme Court granted leave to proceed when it took up a fundamental rights petition filed by Mr. Tissainayagam. The Bench comprised Justices Asoka de Silva, N.E. Dissanayake and Saleem Marsoof. The respondents are Prasanna De Alwis, OIC Terrorism Investigation Unit, Nandana Munasinghe, Director TID, Inspector General of Police ("IGP") Victor Perera, Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapaksa and the Attorney General.²⁴ Mr. Tissainayagam said that after his wife made several attempts to contact him, she was informed by the TID that she could visit him around 9.30 p.m. the same day. She met him in the presence of TID OIC Prasanna de Alwis. She was permitted to meet him on two subsequent occasions that too in the presence of the OIC. On March 9, around 8.45 p.m, Mr. Tissainayagam was allowed a short telephone call to his wife. He told his wife that no detention order had been issued. On the same day, a lawyer retained by Mr. Tissainayagam’s wife sought permission via a fax addressed to the OIC to visit Mr. Tissainayagam. However, till the filing of this petition, access to an attorney to visit Mr. Tissainayagam had not been granted.

“Mr Tissainayagam said in his petition that he continued to be detained without being informed why he was being detained and therefore his detention had no valid legal basis. He said that his fundamental rights have been violated and that the said conduct/actions and /or inactions of the respondents constitute administrative and executive action and entitles him to invoke the jurisdiction of the Court under Article 17 read with Article 126 of the Constitution.”

“He also said he has a medical condition known as a “detached retina” and that he is easily disoriented by sudden movements and excessive stress. Under these circumstances, he said

²¹ <https://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=26509>

²² “Petitioner Jaseeharan and his fiancée Valarmathi who had been the former programme producer of the Sakthi TV and former temporary lecturer in Drama and Theatre at the Jaffna University cited OIC Prasanna de Alwis, SSP Nandana Munasinghe of the TID, Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapakse, IGP Victor Perera, Inspector H. M. Janakantha of TID and the Attorney General as respondents”.

<http://www.tamilnewsnetwork.com/2009/09/04/2-tamil-journalists-file-fr-petition/>

²³ <http://www.supremecourt.lk/images/documents/scfr97of2008.pdf>

²⁴ <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/080323/Columns/telescope.html>

that the conduct/actions and/or inaction of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd respondents constitute torture and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment to him and a violation of his rights guaranteed and protected under the Constitution. Mr. Tissainayagam also said the conduct of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd respondents amounted to discrimination on the basis of his ethnicity. He said that his arrest without reasonable ground for suspicion and against the due process of law and the manner in which the investigation was being conducted were violation of his rights guaranteed under Article 13 (1) of the Constitution.”

Another article:

“Tissainayagam had at this point requested for a lawyer at which Janakantha had laughed. Afterwards OIC Prasanna De Alwis questioned him. Once again, he (Tissainayagam) had requested to have a lawyer to be present to which the OIC had replied ‘we are showing you respect by offering you a chair to sit on. Don’t take advantage of this treatment’.

“Director TID Nandana Munasinghe, while talking to Tissainayagam, referred to his friendship with the journalist Sivaram. Mr. Munasinghe specifically reminded of the way that Sivaram met his death – his body was later discovered in some bushes in close proximity to the Parliament premises. He had been alarmed at this line of questioning, as he did not understand what was meant by it.”

“Further questioning was carried out by OIC Prasanna De Alwis and Zubair of the TID. At one point, Tissainayagam said Zubair had walked in while the questioning was going on and had stated that if he (Tissainayagam) continues to lie in this manner he would slap him across the face so that one ear would come out of the other side.”

“Tissainayagam said on May 9th he was threatened by Sergeant Razik, telling him that what happened to Jasiharan that morning would happen to him. He said that he had seen Jasiharan crying in the OIC’s room that morning and later seen him with a swollen face and bloodshot eyes. Razik then dictated a statement that Tissainayagam wrote in his own handwriting.”

“He said he was examined by several JMOs in their offices and he never mentioned to them about the assaults or the mental stress he underwent because during the medical examinations by the JMOs the TID officers used to wait outside the JMO’s office and the office had swing doors”.²⁵

Fundamental Rights Case in March 2010 by journalist Ruwan Weerakoon:

²⁵ <https://freemediasrilanka.wordpress.com/2008/11/10/“i-was-harrassed-by-tid”-http://www.tamilnewsnetwork.com/2009/09/04/2-tamil-journalists-file-fr-petition/tissainayagam/>

Ruwan Weerakoon accused the police of trying to force him to make a false statement²⁶.

[This is assuming “director of all TID” means Prasanna Alwis]

“Inspector Saman Karunaratne, DIG C. N. Wakishta and **Director all of TID**, DIG Nandana Goonetilleka, Inspector Tissa Pilapitiya all of CID, IGP and the Attorney General are cited as Respondents.”²⁷

Alwis Questioning TNA MPs:

Tamil National Alliance (TNA) Kilinochchi District Parliamentarian, S. Sritharan, was questioned for the fifth time by the Terrorist Investigation Division (TID) in Kilinochchi yesterday. Sritharan told Ceylon Today that he was questioned by Officer-In-Charge of TID, Prasanna de Alwis, along with two other TID officials, Thilakaratne and Uthayakuma .. about his recent visit to Canada.²⁸

Questionable Role in Lasantha Wickrematunge’s Murder Investigation:

During the Rajapaksa period the TID investigated this case. Under the Sirisena government the investigation was handed to CID²⁹ and Prasanna de Alwis in 2012 was involved in the case.³⁰In 2016, Prasanna Alwis was questioned³¹ in connection with arrest in 2010 of 17 Military Intelligence officers also close to General Fonseka. Also a former army intelligence officer Kandegedara Piyawansa who was arrested in connection with the murder, made a statement in open court alleging that OIC Prasanna de Alwis of the TID had tried to influence him into making a statement implicating a senior military officer in Wickrematunge’s assassination, with the promise of being made a state witness and given overseas employment. Fonseka said: “It is clear that the allegations against me have been framed by the Government. Recently it was disclosed in Courts by a former intelligence officer of the

²⁶ https://www.bbc.com/sinhala/news/story/2010/03/100322_ruwan_johnston.shtml

²⁷ <http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:kiEHW3xKHCQJ:https://sunandadeshapriya.wordpress.com/2010/03/29/sc-grants-journalist-leave-to-proceed/%2B%22Saman+Karunaratne+%22+TID&safe=off&client=safari&rls=en&gbv=1&hl=en&ct=clnk>
<https://sunandadeshapriya.wordpress.com/2010/03/29/sc-grants-journalist-leave-to-proceed/>

²⁸ <http://ourlanka.com/srilankanews/sritharan-questioned-for-fifth-time.htm>

²⁹ <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2016/03/27/cid-turns-to-the-tid/>

³⁰ “Mt. Lavinia Chief Magistrate Nirosha Fernando yesterday allowed an application, by the Terrorist Investigations Division (TID), to obtain the signature of a suspect arrested in connection with the killing of Sunday Leader Editor Lasantha Wickrematunge, but later enlarged on bail. OIC Prasanna Alwis made the applicant. One suspect died while the case was proceeding.” From: http://island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=45956

³¹ <http://www.frontpage.lk/page/CID-Turns-To-The-TID/10154>

Army that he had been promised money, a foreign job and benefits to his family by TID OIC Prasanna Alwis if he makes a statement in Courts to the effect that a senior Army officer had ordered him to assassinate The Sunday Leader Editor Lasantha Wickrematunga. I suspect that it was reference to me.”³²

Published Adaderana.lk 12 September 2016³³ IN SINHALA

National Police Commission calls for report from Hambantota ASP Prasanna de Alwis on disappearance of a youth in custody.

Published 21 July 2019 LeN³⁴

Allegations of association with underworld drug kingpin Mohamed Najim Mohamed Imran, alias Kanjipani Imran:

“Kanjipani Imran who is now under the custody of CCD [Colombo Crimes Division] was given a party on his birthday held on the 13th of July. According to reports, Kanjipani Imran was brought to the CCD by Police **SP Prasanna De Alwis**. Along with him eight of senior police officers too have joined for the party. All those eight officers were pro Gotabaya associates who are now loyal to Gamarala. (*Gamarala, meaning peasant, is a nickname for Sirisena*)”

Director TID Nalaka de Silva’s complaint against Alwis to the DIG CID IN SINHALA:

1. June 2009 Using for personal use, Nissan FB 15 car registration JZ8816, arrested for LTTE activities³⁵.

However, DIG Transport and communications PB Nikahetiya in his letter to the IGP recommends the use of the car as it is “confiscated and handed over to TID”.

[THIS APPEARS TO CONFIRM THAT SENIOR OFFICERS GET THE LUXURY OF USING VEHICLES TAKEN OVER BY SECURITY FORCES, WITHOUT THE ASSETS BEING PRODUCED IN COURT. LATER NALAKA DE SILVA WAS ARRESTED FOR AN ALLEGED PLOT TO KILL GOTABAYA, SIRISENA AND ALWIS³⁶.]

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY - TEN VICTIM TESTIMONIES NAMING ALWIS IN TID

³² http://www.sundaytimes.lk/110529/News/nws_17.html

³³ <http://sinhala.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=64025>

³⁴ <http://lankaenews.com/news/3023/en>

³⁵ <http://www.ethalayanews.com/%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B7%85%E0%B6%B9-%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B0-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%A8%E0%B7%8F%E0%B7%83%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%9A-asp-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D/>

³⁶ <https://uk.reuters.com/article/uk-sri-lanka-politics-plot-insight/the-politics-of-a-plot-to-kill-sri-lankas-president-idUKKBN1OD0DA>

W306: “Alwis didn’t participate in abuse but I’m sure he was aware and he knew everything. Everything had to be signed by him before going to court. He did investigate himself with a translator in high profile cases such as Morris, who allegedly tried to kill Mahinda, SP Lakhsman Cooray from Gampaha (he could speak Tamil fluently). They are both in Magazine prison now. Cooray was subjected to very intense torture...”

W137: “I was taken to an office; Prasanna de Alwis was also present. I was asked to sit and the Director asked me to talk to the media and explain thatcivilians did not die [in the war] and so forth. I said that this was not true and that I would not to talk to the media like that, but if you force me to talk to the media, I told them I will tell the truth. Prasanna was angry, but didn't do anything.”

W294: “The TID Chief of Investigation was a Chief Inspector of Police called Prasanna de Alwis. I saw his name on a plate on his desk. His wife was also a police officer but higher ranking, she was an ASP not in the TID. He was supposed to be promoted to an ASP but because of allegations of corruption and mistreatment of detainees against him, the police could not promote him at the time. He was directly under control of Gotabaya Rajapaksa and had a lot of power. He could do things at his own initiative and even circumvent Wakishta³⁷ because of his connection to Gotabaya. He was a very clever guy. He was very strict and was disliked by his own staff and colleagues as well as hated by the detainees. He played with people’s lives and actually used to say that he could change a person’s life with a stroke of his pen. There was a big table in one corner. There are photos on the wall, of his son and of him receiving medals from Gotabaya. There was also a bookshelf. He had a moustache, light skin, maybe 5’6” tall, he had his hair in a side parting, normal build with a small belly. The moment I saw Prasanna de Alwis I knew I shouldn’t try to fight him, I just kept a low profile and tried not to anger him.”

W293: “The TID Director was Prasanna de Alwis whose office is marked as A on Exhibit 1. Under him were three investigation units. I was investigated by the OIC of unit X (redacted). His name was Janakantha. I don’t know any of the officers in unit 1 and unit 2. Prasanna de Alwis: He was not very tall, didn’t look fit, more like an office type. I’m not sure about his age but maybe 45-50 years of age. The other TID officers referred to him as ‘Alwis Sir’.”

W288: “Alwis never came to Boossa, I only saw him on the 6 Floor. Alwis was about 5’6”, good looking, fair skinned, moustache, and he always wore civilian clothing. He got other people to beat and torture, he didn’t do it himself to me. Another detainee told me that he was beaten by Alwis. He spoke softly to me. I was in his office on the 4 Floor. He had a desk and chairs and shelves with papers. On the table I saw a pistol and some files. I saw also a baton on top of his desk. I saw a couple of photos of himself receiving an award. There were other people

³⁷ C N Wakishta.

in the photos but I didn't recognize them. I also saw a photo of a child. Alwis and all the unit OICs came and stood around me the first time I was brought down for questioning..."

W237: "Prasanna De Alwis, the OIC of the detention facility, personally interrogated X and Y (redacted for witness protection). In addition, we were also interrogated from time to time by numerous other elements of Sri Lanka's security apparatus who paid visits, including the Presidential Security Department, the Ministerial Security Department, military intelligence and naval intelligence, who were on the floor above us. The National Intelligence Bureau also came as did the SIS (State Intelligence Service). These agencies would also take detainees from the TID detention facility to their own premises. For example, they took X to Military Intelligence Headquarters in Galle where he was badly tortured, including by being given electric shocks. When he came back he couldn't walk. He was injured on his left and right thighs. We gave him water and Y had some Panadol that he gave him."

W226: "I later learned that this man was Prasanna de Alwis. I later came to his own office where he had a nameplate on his desk and certificates with his name on the wall, so I'm sure his name is Prasanna de Alwis. ... He told me in reasonably good English that I better tell the truth and I asked, what truth? He told me that he knew what people like me do and why we came to Sri Lanka. So I said, then why are you asking me? He said, don't try to be smart with me. We can have this conversation in six months or in six years it is up to you to tell the truth and get out today or in six years, you are going to tell the truth anyway. My mind was racing and I kept telling myself, this is not happening. I was trying to understand what it was all about..."

"...I heard that Prasanna's subordinate Samarakoon did the torture for Prasanna in his office I didn't see this because I was in my room but we could hear people scream. There is no way Prasanna did not know about the torture, his office was two doors down the corridor and he was a workaholic and stayed until 10 or 11 o'clock in the evening most of the days."

Prasanna de Alwis: "He was put in this position directly by Gotabaya Rajapaksa. This is my conclusion based on the statements by investigation unit OICs who sometimes referred to him as Gota's man. He was very powerful, even more so than the DIG. He was shrewd and clever and cracked a lot of cases. He worked long hours in his office. He was not himself taking statements but left that to junior officers. He did not himself participate in inflicting physical pain and torture. Prasanna de Alwis was early forties when I met him maybe even younger. At that time as a station OIC you don't have a case to your name, it is assigned to the unit. My case was never assigned to a unit, it was with Prasanna all the time. ... Prasanna controlled everything it seemed, even those above him."

W224: "When going to the interrogation room I saw other detainees pass by, they were naked and blindfolded as I also was each time I went for interrogation. The interrogation room was

down the hall from me. It was a big room with torture equipment and an iron beam in the ceiling used to slung the rope over when they suspended us upside down. There were no windows but we could all hear the torture going on in there. They normally tortured during the night time after the staff in the office section of the 6th floor had left. The interrogation officers came after 5pm. Sometimes Prasanna de Alwis came into the interrogation room. He basically came to blame the interrogation officers to get more information from us. He knew everything and was fully aware of the torture that took place under his direct command. Sometimes we were taken to the office on another floor below the 6th floor for interrogation. I could hear they were interrogating the people in Tamil. I saw once a constable walking out of the office in anger with a stick. I heard people yelling in pain. They made us kneel on metal cups during interrogation - this was painful and made the knees numb. Once I left that office to go to the toilet, I saw a Tamil guy come out with blood on him and he was taken away to be washed I think, because they were walking towards the toilet... On some occasions I was taken to Prasanna de Alwis' office for interrogation. Prasanna's office was on another floor. It was bigger than that of the ASP and SSP even though he was lower ranking. When the unit OIC brought me to his office he didn't allow me to sit, he always told me to kneel down in front of his desk. On the wall was a photo of him receiving some prize. Prasanna was at this time a Chief Inspector of the Police, he had 3 stars on his shoulders. I know he was later promoted to ASP. His sister is a judge, Jayani de Alwis. I think he also has another brother who was ASP. Prasanna behaved as the most powerful person in the TID. He didn't care about the orders of high ranking officers, he did his own thing and arrested those he wanted. If he needed to keep someone longer he just did it, even telling the court what he wanted. He's a dangerous person. He's tall, slim and has a moustache."

W313: "Director in charge of TID. His name was Prasanna de Alwis. I was interrogated directly by him. He blackmailed and threatened me that if I didn't tell him about LTTE's secret operations, he would place me under section 15/1 of the PTA, which meant the TID could keep us in Boosa for five years. He interrogated me in his office on the 2nd Floor. Once I was in the interrogation room with SI Wickremasinghe and Abdeen someone came in and said Prasanna de Alwis wanted to see me. Abdeen seemed taken aback and stopped the interrogation and told Wickremasinghe to bring me to Alwis' office immediately. I met him in his office, he slapped me and told me I should tell the truth. He was tall and smart looking, quite a handsome man around 45 years old. He was an educated man and people said he worked directly under Gotabaya. ... Prasanna de Alwis appeared to have more power and he could do whatever he wanted. Even the other TID senior officers feared him."

W315: "**Prasanna De Alwis** was a high-ranking officer and Zubair worked under him. Zubair was a Muslim and knew Tamil and Sinhala. I did not know their names at that time, but I found them out as I was subsequently detained in TID custody for X months divided between the Fourth Floor and Camp Boossa....When we arrived at the Fourth Floor, Prasanna De Alwis and Zubair took me to Prasanna De Alwis's office. Sub-inspector Zubair removed my handcuffs

and translated a series of questions asked by Prasanna De Alwis to get my personal details. He asked my name, parents' names and where I had studied etc. Sub-inspector Zubair then took me to the Intelligence Unit's office and an officer took my fingerprints in an ink pad and also took my photograph. There were about 15 male and female TID officers working in this office. They were all wearing civilian clothes. There were TID officers standing outside the door wearing police uniforms. I sat on the floor in the office and remained there all day. Just before the people working in that office left for the day, Zubair took me to Prasanna De Alwis's office and then he took me to the office of C.N Wakishta who was the Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of TID's office, which was on the same floor. He was the boss for the whole division and therefore senior to Prasanna De Alwis... I think that Prasanna De Alwis knew that violence had been used on me whenever I was in the Fourth Floor as he was the officer in charge –and nothing could happen without him knowing. When we were in our cells on the Sixth Floor the other inmates would say that they were scared to go to Prasanna De Alwis – they did not say why.”

2013-17 “Prasanna de Alwis would show me photographs of Tamils who were protesting abroad – in Europe, Canada and Australia. He asked me to identify the Tamils in the photographs. As he cannot speak Tamil – Zubair or later Nazir, translated his questions. Although I recognized some of the people in the photos, I did not identify them.”

W112: “Prasanna de Alwis: was the OIC for the whole 6th Floor. I think he [was] about my height, I'm 5'9. He came very early to the office and he worked until late, about 10 pm. He was serious, didn't work for the money was my impression, he was very loyal to the government and seemed to have a special relationship with Gotabaya. He didn't respect Wakishta. He told me he would speak to Gotabaya for my release if I gave him the correct information. When I met him the first time in xxx 2010 he was an IP and one year later he was promoted to SP. His office was on the 2nd Floor. He normally didn't talk to the detainees, only if they had very important information, only if they had information about international activities of the diaspora. He had photos in his office from demonstrations in the UK and he asked me if I knew any of them. He spoke nicely to me. He asked questions about funding to the LTTE and where they bought weapons. Sunsea was an LTTE ship registered in X's name. He and a former Sea Tiger put about 200 people who were all in some way connected to the LTTE and sailed it to Canada. He had photos of the ship Sunsea and he asked me if I recognized people on the photo. He was very polite with me, asked me to take a seat and if I wanted tea or coffee and things like that. I think he was mostly concerned with very senior members of the LTTE, tracing the activities of the most senior members including those abroad... It was clearly my impression that the TID and the CID did not share information and that there was a lot of rivalry between them. The TID Director and Prasanna de Alwis were under direct control of Gotabaya and they didn't share any information with the CID as far I could see”.

W315: “Prasanna De Alwis was a high-ranking officer and Zubair worked under him. Zubair was a Muslim and knew Tamil and Sinhala...”

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SL police officers awarded UN Peace Keeping medals

by Sarath Malalasekera

Thirty eight Sri Lankan Police Officers who contributed their services to build up East Timor, the first nation to declare independence in the new millennium, received United Nations Medal at a ceremony held recently in East Timor.

United Nations Special Representative to the Secretary General Kamallesh Sharma, East Timor Foreign Minister Jose Ramos Horta, United Nations Poice Commissioner in East Timor Peter J. Miller and several other distinguished guests were present at the ceremony.

Sri Lankan Police Officers who received UN Peace Keeping Medals are: ASP Asela Samarasekera, Chief Inspectors Wijetissa Divilgama, Jayalal Aponso, W. Rajapaksa, M. Gunthilaka and Bandara Herath. Inspectors Asoka Peiris, A. Seneviratne, Noel Abeyratne, Nandana Ranaweera, Lalith Kiriella, J. Poddalgoda, A. Sooriyabandara, Udaya de Silva, Prasanna de Alwis, A. Gunaratne, Kumara Mutunayake, S. Vithanage, Janaka Seneviratne, Nipuna Dehigama, Hemantha Lakshmiwewa, L.H. Wimalasena, W. Nissanka, Hemantha de Silva, D. Gurusinghe, Percy Perera, Indunil Sibera, Pradeep Ratnayake, Dayal Illangakoon, Sena de Alwis, Mangala Tennakoon, Dunstan Dassanayake, T.A.Z. Alibah, Athula de Silva and K.A. Wilson, Sub Inspectors Parakrama de Silva, P. Jayatissa and M. Dharmasena.



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¹¹ Went into transport business after retirement: <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2012/09/18/bus03.asp> “We are the preferred transport supplier when it comes to ‘mega’ events,” he said.

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2003

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C. P. S. Anthony & C. J. Lafaber: Victims of Dispute

“On 5 September 2003, 29-year-old technician Conganige Pradeep Surendra Anthony and 23-year-old hairdresser Christopher Junius Lafaber were helping a friend, Anthony Jurie, manage his stall at a church fete. At about 10 pm two drunken officers from the Mutwal Police station came to the stall to get two plastic cups. When a dispute broke out over the cups, the police abused and slapped Jurie, and asked him, ‘Are you selling these cups to the police?’ Jurie then went to Mutwal Police station with his son, but the officer there refused to record a complaint. After that, he went at about midnight to Police Headquarters in Colombo Fort to lodge a complaint. Meanwhile, Anthony and Lafaber stayed at the stall. After Jurie had gone Superintendent (“SI”) Sujith Ganganath and three other officers drove up to the stall and arrested the two men without charging them or explaining anything. They took them back to the police station and began to beat them with hands and feet. The two men asked why they were being beaten, but the blows just continued until they couldn’t stand any longer. **SI Sujith Ganganatha** then hit Pradeep’s nose with the handle of his pistol, causing bleeding from both nostrils, after which he was told to go and wash away the blood. The two men were then put in a cell².”

2007

Could be the ‘Kankha’³ referenced by Manfred Nowak (para 28) – “During this time, he was beaten by three officers, one of them named Kankha”.

Detainee to UN Special Rapporteur, Manfred Nowak, in 2007:

“For the first four days after he had been brought to Terrorism Investigation Division (TID), he was severely ill-treated by three officers named Abdeen, Suber and **Kankha**. After he was forced to completely undress, two of the officers placed a stick under his knees and handcuffed him in front of his shackled legs (“parrot’s perch” or “dharma chakara”). In this position, he was hung upside-down between two tables in the office of Branch No. 3 on the first floor of the TID premises. For 10 minutes, the officers beat him with an iron bar on the soles of his feet and on his back. They also kicked him in the face. This treatment continued for four days in which the officers tried without success to get him to confess his involvement with the LTTE. About one month ago, the same officers tortured him again by the same method. It was common that detainees were held overnight in the interrogation rooms on the first floor. After the ill-treatment his feet were swollen and numb, as was one of his fingers to which he received a blow. He reported that another detainee named

¹ <http://www.humanrights.asia/news/urgent-appeals/UA-58-2003/>

² http://sangam.org/2011/08/AHRC_Torture.pdf?uid=4419 also <http://alrc.asia/article2/2004/02/recent-cases-of-torture-and-killing-committed-by-the-police-in-sri-lanka/>

³ In Tamil K is interchangeably used with G.

Stephen had been taken out of the cells and brought to an unknown location earlier the same day. Stephen had been massively tortured, including beatings on his testicles".⁴

2009

Published Gazette 22 May 2009

Mr. BAMUNU ARACHCHIGE SUJITH GANGANATHA to be a Justice of the Peace for the Judicial Zone of Gampaha⁵.

2011

An Inspector Sujith Ganganath is in the Slave Island police⁶.

In Feb. 2011 an Inspector B A Sujith Ganganath of the Slave Island police is also assisting in investigations into the attack on Sirasa TV⁷.

Published Dinamina 21 October 2011⁸

SI Ganganatha in Colombo anti-corruption unit

This is a report about an arrest of an Indian money exchanger who is accused of money laundering and financing LTTE. No name of the suspect.

"Under instructions from Colombo Fraud Investigation Bureau Director Senior Deputy Inspector of Police ("SDIG") JAK Mark and the supervision of Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Duncan Paul and ASP Sanjaya Irasinghe, IP Wijenayake, Intelligence operations unit Officer in Charge ("OIC") Janaka Chaminda, Anti-corruption unit OIC Superintendent ("SI") Wijeratne, **SI Ganganatha**, PS's Gunathilaka, Vishwapala, Chanaka, Indika, Ratnayake, Sumedha and Chathuranga carried out the raid."

Published Divaina 28 December 2011⁹

Two Muslims arrested for embezzling money from over 300 for UK student visas. Here almost the same team as above has conducted the raid. But here Ganganatha's rank is referred to as Sergeant.

Published Dinamina 25 November 2011

Three including a Tamil priest accused of visa and passport forgery arrested by Colombo Fraud investigation Bureau. Here also almost the same team as above has conducted the raid. But here again Ganganatha's rank is referred to as Sergeant¹⁰.

⁴ http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/7session/A.HRC.7.3.Add.6_ch.pdf

⁵ [http://documents.gov.lk/files/gz/2009/5/2009-05-22\(I-I\)E.pdf](http://documents.gov.lk/files/gz/2009/5/2009-05-22(I-I)E.pdf)

⁶ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2011/02/15/news34.asp>

Also alumni of Ananda college <https://www.yumpu.com/it/document/view/19265490/ananda-college-old-boys-association-executive-/7>

⁷ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2011/02/15/news34.asp>

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2017

Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera presented a petition dated 14.08.2017 from Mr. B. A. Sujith Ganganatha of Police Inspector, Police Station, Dematagoda.¹¹

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W237: "This interrogation and torture was done by Unit 1 led by IP Janakantha near the end of 2007. ...He was badly tortured, including sexually, and I was a witness to this. At one point the officers inserted a pipe into his anus. The pipe had barbed wire inside it and they pushed it in and twisted it causing terrible pain and injuries. The next day he was taken for medical treatment. The officers who carried out this torture were Janakanth, **Ganganath** and Hamza. Raseek was there but he didn't participate physically. He just yelled at them. ...I witnessed YYY being beaten while handcuffed behind his back. He was made to kneel with his head under a table and was beaten from behind with a pole.

"I witnessed (another ITJP WITNESS) being tortured. He was tortured continuously for 3 or 4 days in late 2007. One officer Ganganath did much of the torture ...He was stripped naked and handcuffed with his hands behind his back and beaten all over his body with an S-lon pipe and a wooden pole. I am also aware of four other women detainees....They made her kneel down and they beat her by kicking her on the face, chest and stomach. Constables Hamza and Ranjith (first names) were responsible for the beating. ...I heard her scream and shout and she asked them if they had finished with the beating. As in all cases, they were being forced to confess. In another case a woman called XXX was sexually abused by Unit 1 of the TID in late 2007. She was kept in solitary confinement. She was sexually assaulted by Constable Ganganath. I know this because she told (others) who spoke to me."

W293: "Ganganatha: The worst of them was Police Constable Ganganatha in Unit 3, who had been seconded from the Special Task Force ("STF") to the TID. He introduced himself and told me all this. He also told me he had worked in Vavuniya. He was short, broad shoulders, round face and side-parted hair. He had a goatee. He had special power in the sense that he could treat the Unit 3 OIC with some disrespect throwing files on his desk. He behaved as if he was higher in rank. One late evening around 23:30 I was sleeping on the floor in the office area when Ganganatha brought a handcuffed detainee into the room. Ganganatha beat him very severely in front of me, he punched him in the ribs and the stomach, beat him with a cement-filled pipe on his thighs and lower legs and slapped him with the other hand in his face. It went on for about half an hour maybe. The detainee was crying, screaming and shouting. I heard Ganganatha threaten to kill him, and the guy was pleading with him in broken Sinhalese....Ganganatha would imitate the detainees and mockingly describe how they had been screaming and pleading to stop the torture. It was clear to me that for Ganganatha and the other TID officers it was fun to torture and they enjoyed the power they had. I think Ganganatha was actually mentally ill. His behaviour was so erratic. I was thinking that he was not a normal person as he described in detail how he

¹¹<http://www.parliament.lk/uploads/documents/minutesofparliament/1520309243086819.pdf>, MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT Friday, December 08, 2017 at 9.30 a. m
Also <https://www.yumpu.com/it/document/view/19265490/ananda-college-old-boys-association-executive-/7>

tortured people, he seemed to be on duty 24 hours and he was always there. Gunaratne and others were not there at night-time so Ganganatha described to the others in the morning how he had tortured detainees during the night. Ganganatha tortured (another ITJP witness) with a cricket wicket in his anus. Afterwards he was bragging to everyone about it describing how he had screamed and exactly how he did it... Ganganatha was always using filthy words. He said in front of a female detainee's grandmother that he could have sex harder with her than her fiancée and that she should come with him. He told her he had a big cock and to come with her. The male Tamil translator was really playing along and giving the same lewd emphasis on the words as Ganganatha."

W226: "One of the worst torturers was called Ganga. He told me proudly that they torture them in our room or another room for a week in the beginning because it otherwise upsets the other detainees in the cell. He told me that he stays in the quarters behind and he goes back to have a drink in the evening and then comes back to torture. He told me he believed the right way to do it was to beat and torture and then ask questions..."

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OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

2002

"The nine suspects were arrested by a police party led by Sub Inspector M. A. Abdeen assisted by Superintendents ("SI") **Hemachandra**, Lalith Shantha, Sergeants Kumarasinghe, Dinesh, Constables Gnanaratne, Ananda RPC Chandrapala and PCDs Pathirana and SI Jayalath and a party attached to the Aluthgama Police station".¹

8 Sep 2009 - Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") questions *Irida Lanka* editors

"The officers of Terrorist Investigation Unit who visited the office of the 'Lanka Irida' newspaper questioned the members of its Editorial Board. Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Oshan, Inspectors of Police ("IP") Janakamthe and Saman and Sub Inspectors **Hemachandra** and Razeek have been in the team that questioned the Editorial Board of *Lanka Irida*." ²

Published lankadeepa.lk, 18 Oct 2013

Reference to an **SI Thushara Hemachandra** in Galewela police traffic Officer In Charge ("OIC"). He has been assaulted.³

2015

Referred to as traffic branch OIC.

Published Mawbima, 15 March 2019

Reference to an **SI Hemachandra** in Wennappuwa police crime investigation unit⁴.

¹ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2002/05/31/new06.html> 31 May 2002

Kaduwela Wasantha murder: Police nab Karate Dhammika's gang, Daily News.

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And http://island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=90403

⁴ <https://mawbima.lk/news-more/5454>

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W306:

TID arrest in Tharmapuram by: “SI Hemachandra, Sergeant Sri Abdeen – Muslim translator, Constable Charminda”.

TID detention: TID 2 Floor Colombo: SI Hemachandra, Sergeant Sri Abdeen – Muslim translator, Constable Charminda.

Structure: Hemachandra belonged to Unit 4. They handled LTTE Intelligence under Pottu Amman, Military Intelligence and Political Wing. “Hemachandra’s brother was killed in a suicide incident in Colombo and ...he was so angry about this. Hemachandra was in his 50’s when I was in his custody and he was still an SI.”

W112 met him in Colombo detention.

W315:

“6th floor - I later found out that their names were: Sub Inspector Hemachandra, Sergeant Miragala, and TID ordinary officers Nissanka and Bandara. I was given about 6-7 pages of something typed in Sinhala and was asked to sign them. I refused to sign and so I was beaten up for half a day. It was a Sunday and not a lot of Sinhalese officers were around. I remember the names of some of the officers present and they included: Sub Inspector Hemachandra; Sergeant Miragala⁵; and Sergeant Nazir who had replaced Zubair. Nazir worked under Prassana de Alwis, who was his boss.”

⁵ Could be Meeragala.

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Hettiarachchige Harendra Janakantha.¹
Officer number: O463

Note: Also, media references to an HM Janakantha which appear to be a typing mistake.²

PHOTO: W293 and another witness believe this is a correct photo of Inspector Janakantha on this facebook page.³

2008

Inspector Harendra Janakantha gave evidence against journalist Tissainayagam in court:

"Police Inspector Harendra Janakantha said in evidence that on receipt of information on 06.03.2008 he had visited the house of the accused and others and thereafter on the 7th he had visited the residence of the accused at 3.30 p.m., but arrested the accused on the same day at 6.50 p.m. at the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") as he was functioning as the Director of Renaissance Publications Ltd. an Outreach media."⁵

Janakantha is cited as a Respondent to journalist Jaseekaran's Fundamental Rights Petition:

TID Officer in Charge ("OIC") Prasanna de Alwis, TID Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") Nandana Munasinghe, Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapaksa, Inspector General of Police ("IGP") Victor Perera, TID IP Janakantha and the Attorney General were cited as respondent by Jaseekaran's petition.⁶

"Tissainayagam had at this point requested for a lawyer at which Janakantha had laughed. Afterwards OIC Prasanna De Alwis questioned him. Once again, he (Tissainayagam) had requested to have a lawyer to be present to which the OIC had replied 'we are showing you respect by offering you a chair to sit on. Don't take advantage of this treatment'.

"Director TID Nandana Munasinghe, while talking to Tissainayagam, referred to his friendship with the journalist Sivaram. Mr. Munasinghe specifically reminded of the way

¹ https://www.facebook.com/janakantha.hettiarachchi.5?fref=pb&hc_location=friends_tab

² Warakapola OIC is referenced as both HM and HH Janakantha. There cannot be two men in the same job with different names at the same time. <https://www.police.lk/index.php/community-policing/3485-2018-07-05-10-51-http://www.dailynews.lk/2017/02/13/local/107451/mystery-dumped-body-kaludiyawala-solved?page=1>

³ https://www.facebook.com/janakantha.hettiarachchi.5?fref=pb&hc_location=friends_tab

⁴ Sunday Leader - <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/20090906/convicted.HTM>
This may be Harendra Hettiarachchi.

⁵ <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/20090906/convicted.HTM>

⁶ <http://nation.lk/2008/06/29/news23.htm>

that Sivaram met his death – his body was later discovered in some bushes in close proximity to the Parliament premises. He had been alarmed at this line of questioning, as he did not understand what was meant by it. Further questioning was carried out by OIC Prasanna De Alwis and Zubair of the TID. At one point, Tissainayagam said Zubair had walked in while the questioning was going on and had stated that if he (Tissainayagam) continues to lie in this manner he would slap him across the face so that one ear would come out of the other side.

“Tissainayagam said on May 9th he was threatened by Sergeant Razik, telling him that what happened to Jasiharan that morning would happen to him. He said that he had seen Jasiharan crying in the OIC’s room that morning and later seen him with a swollen face and bloodshot eyes. Razik then dictated a statement that Tissainayagam wrote in his own handwriting.”⁷

Named in Fundamental Rights Case by Journalist Jaseeharan and his partner Valarmathi:

“Petitioner Jaseeharan and his fiancée Valarmathi who had been the former programme producer of the Sakthi TV and former temporary lecturer in Drama and Theatre at the Jaffna University cited OIC Prasanna de Alwis, SSP Nandana Munasinghe of the TID, Defence Secretary Gothabaya Rajapakse, IGP Victor Perera, **Inspector H. M. Janakantha of TID** and the Attorney General as respondents”.⁸

8 Sep 2009 - TID questions *Irida Lanka* editors:

The officers of Terrorist Investigation Unit who visited the office of the *Lanka Irida* newspaper questioned the members of its Editorial Board. ASP Oshan, Inspectors of Police **Janakantha** and Saman and Sub Inspectors Hemachandra and Razeek have been in the team that questioned the Editorial Board of Lanka Irida.⁹

TRANSLATED: Published 8 April 2014¹⁰

“The TID had 4 investigation teams to investigate hundreds of LTTE suspects identified after screening. They were under; Investigation 1 Inspector of Police ("IP") Harendra Jayakantha [editor: believe this is meant to be Janakantha], Investigation 2 IP Abdeen, Investigation 3 IP Saman Karunaratne, Investigation 4 IP Bandara. The overall supervision was under TID OIC Prasanna Alwis who is the brother of judge Jayaki Alwis.

IP Saman Karunaratne responsible for investigation 3 has helped Prasanna Alwis and Chandra Wakishta to take money and release LTTE suspects. Once the amount is agreed upon, the relevant sum is deposited in their secret accounts through a relative who visits

⁷<https://freemediasrilanka.wordpress.com/tag/tid/>

Also <https://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=30160>

⁸ <http://www.tamilnewsnetwork.com/2009/09/04/2-tamil-journalists-file-fr-petition/>

⁹ https://docuri.com/download/jds-september-summary-report_59a7cbf5f58171db1d42aab4_pdf

¹⁰<https://www.facebook.com/lankaenews/photos/a.219828384749001/697054010359767/?type=3&theater>

the suspect and is released claiming that they have no charges. The sum of SLR 1 million – 15 million have been obtained from an LTTE cadre and the money has been shared among Wakishta, Prasaanna and Saman. Although Harendra Jayanath [editor: believe this is meant to be Janakantha], Abdeen and Bandara was not involved in this dirty job, they were aware of it.”

Chief Inspector ("CI") H H **Janakantha** was recently named in the media as OIC Warakapola¹¹

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Police data shows his officer number is 0463 and he is in Warakapola as of 2018 but his home address is given as Piliyandala. A witness has confirmed he was from Piliyandala.

In 2017 he failed his re-sit exam in organisational management¹³.

Published lankatruth.com¹⁴ 1 October 2018

This is about an investigation into the alleged Maithripala Sirisena, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, Prasanna de Alwis 'assassination attempt' allegedly hatched by Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") Nalaka Silva. The story is reproduced from Lankadeepa.

“Police officers questioned: Kalutara DIG Ranmal Kodithuwakku, SIS DIG Nilantha Jayawardena, Special Task Force ("STF") Senior Deputy Inspector of Police ("SDIG") MR Latif, Western SDIG Nandana Munasinghe, Elpitiya Division SP Nihal Talduwa, Tangalle Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Prasanna Alwis, **Warakapola OIC CI Janakantha** and several other TID officers.”

Published Divaina¹⁵ 25 March 2019

¹¹ A Janakantha is in these photos in an official promotional piece on community service by Warakapola police . Named as Warakapola OIC HH Janakantha. <https://www.police.lk/index.php/community-policing/3485-2018-07-05-10-51->
<http://www.dailynews.lk/2017/02/13/local/107451/mystery-dumped-body-kaludiyawala-solved?page=1>
<http://www.sundayobserver.lk/2018/10/21/news-features/assassination-conspiracy-namal-kumara-police-informant-who-turned-his>

Also in 2017 <http://www.sundayobserver.lk/2017/02/12/news/mysterious-killing-warakapola-police-make-breakthrough>
http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=167319

¹² <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/.../281556586758269>

¹³http://124.43.130.94/images/police_academy/2018/results/may/organizational_management.pdf

¹⁴ <http://www.lankatruth.com/si/cid%E0%B6%BA-dig-%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%81%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B1%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%BA/>

¹⁵ <https://divaina.com/daily/index.php/pradeshya-puwath/25760-2019-03-22-14-29-65>

This story in Sinhala is about an investigation into the murder of Warakapola community police unit Superintendent ("SI") Upali Samarasekara's by stabbing when he was on duty on an anti-drug march.

Investigations are conducted by Warakapola Officer in Charge ("OIC") Chief Inspector ("CI") Janakantha.

Published lankdeepa.lk 30 March 2019¹⁶

The following report on the same investigation refers to him as HM Janakantha.

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W226: "Janakantha was OIC, a very racist and brutal man who I've seen beat up a lot of guys. He hated us..."

W313: "Janakantha: Belonged to Unit I He was the kind of officer who was not personally invested in the subjects and just wanted to get ahead and get a promotion."

W237: "IP Janakantha and Constable Hamza from Unit 1 undertook the interrogation and torture. SI Razeek was also there at some point but I didn't see him do anything. ...Another case ...interrogation and torture was done by Unit 1 led by IP Janakantha near the end of 2007. ..He was badly tortured, including sexually, and I was a witness to this. At one point the officers inserted a pipe into his anus. The pipe had barbed wire inside it and they pushed it in and twisted it causing terrible pain and injuries. The next day he was taken for medical treatment. The officers who carried out this torture were Janakanth, Ganganath and Hamza. Razeek was there but he didn't participate physically. He just yelled at them.

W112 says he was Unit 1.

¹⁶ <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/thaksalawa/%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%91%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%9A%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%93-%E2%80%98%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%B1%E0%B6%A0%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%9A%E2%80%99--%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%87%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BD%E0%B6%B0%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F/55-548044>

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ASANGA¹ KARAWITA

Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") Director 2013-16

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

2013



Asanga Karawita updated his cover photo.

August 21, 2013 · 🌐



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¹ Sometimes referred to as Asanka. Also surname spelt Karavita.

² Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/asanga.karawita?fref=pb&hc_location=friends_tab

2009

Published dinamina.lk 6 July 2009³

Finding explosives called "Bangalore Torpedo" from Verugal, Vakarai.

Instructed by Superintendent of Police ("SP") Sarath Beddewela, Director of police special unit, a special police team led by assistant director of that unit **Asanga Karawita** conducted the operation.

March 2013:

ASANGA KARAWITA is photographed in Fife at a training course run by the UK (see *The Island* newspaper cutting⁴). Two months later he is described in the Sri Lanka media as TID Director, Superintendent of Police Asanka Karawita⁵. If Karawita was not Director of the TID in March 2013, it's likely he was at least Deputy Director, given the hierarchical way promotions are done in the Sri Lankan police based on seniority.



Front row: SSP Sajeewa Dharmaratne, Marry Gauld (Trainer - Scottish Police College), John Geates (Director, Scottish Police College), Craig Diver (International Training Coordinator), Frank Robertson (Senior Academic Adviser , Asanga Karawita (Director, National Police Academy)

Second row: IP Edirisinghe, ASP Ranasinghe, IP Nisansala and CI Jayanethsiri

Later that month Karawita gives the vote of thanks at a special award ceremony at Police HQ attended by the British High Commissioner as Chief Guest and "members of the Scotland Yard police training squad". Mr. Nandana Munasinghe is also present (see *Daily News* story) and Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") Vass Gunawardena who is later convicted of murder of a businessman and also sentenced to 5 years RI for threatening another police officer.⁶

In April 2013 he is an Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP").⁷

By 11 Oct 2013, Mr. Karawita is being described as the Director of the Terrorism Investigation Division on the Sri Lankan police force's own website⁸. In Nov. 2014 he is also referred to as TID Director investigating ex LTTE cadres.⁹

³ <http://archives.dinamina.lk/2009/07/06/art.asp?fn=u0907061>

⁴ *Sri Lankan police officers complete training mission in Scotland*, *The Island*, 9 Mar 2013, http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=74377

⁵ *Woman's NIC, human bones among items recovered from shot down aircraft*, *The Island*, 5 May 2013, http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=7838

⁶ <http://www.dailynews.lk/2017/09/06/law-order/127393/appeal-filed-former-dig-vass-gunawardena-re-fixed-support>, *Appeal filed by former DIG Vass Gunawardena re-fixed for support*, 6 Sept 2017, *Daily News*.

Former DIG Vass Gunawardena sentenced to five years RI, 13 Feb 2018, *FT Onlinelk*, <http://www.ft.lk/front-page/Former-DIG-Vass-Gunawardena-sentenced-to-five-years-RI/44-649337>

⁷ <http://www.ft.lk/it-telecom-tech/amchams-2nd-ipr-awareness-campaign-gets-under-way/50-145548>

⁸ <https://www.police.lk/index.php/nortable-services/810-conducting-a-vocational-training-course-for-the-detainees-of-the-boossa-detention-camp>

⁹ <http://www.bazeerlanka.com/2014/11/naguleswaran-killing-not-by-army.html>

2013

Published Divaina 8 May 2013¹⁰

Refers to Superintendent of Police ("SP") **Karawita** as TID director conducting investigations on LTTE suspects who shot down Lion Air flight on 29 September 1998. Assisted by ASP Kalinga Jayasinghe.

2014

Published lankadeepa.lk 6 January 2014¹¹

TID Director **DIG Asanga Karawita** to attend exhibition of Antonov remnants shot down by the LTTE on 29 September 1998.

Published ceylontoday.lk 23 December 2014¹²

Inspector General of Police, N.K. Ilangakoon, directed the Deputy Inspector General Chandra Wakishta who is in charge of State Intelligence and the Terrorism Investigation Division to probe the incident. TID director **Asanka Karawita** deployed a team under ASP Jagath Fonseka to investigate the crime. Inspector of Police ("IP") Sarachchandra who was in charge of TID Unit in the Vavuniya Police was also in the team.

2015

By February of 2015, the Director of the Terrorist Investigation Division (TID) **SSP Asanka Karawita** has been appointed as Director of the PMSD - Prime Minister's Security Division¹³.

Published Sunday Times 12 February 2015¹⁴

TID Director SSP Asanga Karawita appointed as new director PM security.

2019

Promoted to DIG, **K.V.D.A.J. Karawita**¹⁵

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W294: "DIG Wakista was in charge of TID, CID and Narcotics. Under his command was an SP and his name was Karawita. He was the Director of the TID".

¹⁰ <http://www.divaina.com/2013/05/08/feature.html>

¹¹ http://www.lankadeepa.lk/latest_news/%E2%80%98%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%90%E0%B6%A9-%E0%B6%B6%E0%B6%BD%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%9A-%E0%B6%91%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B1%E2%80%98/1-200576

¹² <http://www.bazeerlanka.com/2014/11/naguleswaran-killing-not-by-army.html>

¹³ <https://www.news.lk/news/item/6155-new-dig-for-pm-s-security-division>; <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/70169/new-dig-pms-security-division>

¹⁴ http://www.ada.lk/breaking_news/%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%9C%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%90%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%86%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A%E0%B7%82/11-49516

¹⁵ <http://www.dailynews.lk/2019/07/20/local/191664/nine-sps-promoted-digs>

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K. SAMAN KARUNARATNE IP

2017 media reports place him as Police Special Unit Office in Charge in Peliyagoda.

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL



¹ The man who is sitting has been identified by a Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") detention survivor as Saman Karunaratne.

2000

IP of TID Unit 3.² **June 2000:** "While in detention at the TID she was mercilessly assaulted, subjected to degrading treatment by Sub Inspector **Saman Karunaratne** of the TID... On 21.07.2000, while the Petitioner was at the TID, she was taken to Vavuniya Pass Office by the said Sub Inspector **Saman Karunaratne** and Superintendent of Police ("SP") Gamini Dissanayake of the TID, and a bundle of applications made by Tamils for pass to travel to Colombo was put before her and was asked to pick out the applications of the Tigers and when the Petitioner failed in her efforts to identify the application of the Tigers she was mercilessly assaulted by the said **Saman Karunaratne** in the presence of the said SP³."

"On **26.6.2000** a Police Officer from the Terrorist Investigation Division had visited her at the Negombo Police Station and she had pleaded with him to remove her from the Negombo

¹ http://sparklyrocksmagazine.blogspot.com/2015/05/blog-post_7.html Image source

² ibid

³ <http://tamilnation.co/indictment/genocide95/010331torture.htm>- FR petition.

Police Station and thereupon she had been transferred to the Terrorism Investigation Division, Colombo where she was detained till 20.9.2000. She states that whilst in detention at the Terrorism Investigation Division too that she was mercilessly assaulted by Sub Inspector **Saman Karunaratne**, the 3rd respondent who had forced her to write in Tamil what was dictated to her which included several admissions that she was a member of the LTTE. Whilst in detention at the Terrorism Investigation Division she had started bleeding and had been taken to the National Hospital on 11 days and treated. On 21.7.2000 she had been produced before the Colombo Magistrate under the Emergency Regulations. In Court when she attempted to inform the Magistrate regarding the acts of torture meted out to her Sergeant Wijeratne of the Terrorism Investigation Division who was beside her had prevented her from complaining to the Magistrate and she had been taken back to the Terrorism Investigation Division.”

On 21.7.2000 she had been taken from the TID to the Vavuniya 'pass office' by the 3rd respondent and Superintendent of Police Gamini Dissanayake of the ITD and a bundle of applications made by Tamil persons for passes to travel to Colombo had been placed before her and she had been asked to identify the members of the LTTE. When she failed to identify anyone, she had been mercilessly assaulted by Superintendent ("**SI**") **Karunaratne** the 3rd respondent in the presence of S.P. Dissanayake who had advised her to pick some applications to avoid getting assaulted further.⁴

Keys case – compensation

Sexual torture victim gets Rs. 250,000 compensation

“The Supreme Court on Friday directed the Attorney General to consider taking steps under the Convention Against Torture Act of 1994 against police personnel and any others responsible for sexual torture of Y. Vijitha (27) of Kayts.

Justice D.P.S. Gunasekera in his judgment with Justices Mark Fernando and Ameer Ismail agreeing ordered Rs 250,000 as compensation and costs be paid to the victim who had complained that Negombo police personnel had tortured her by inserting a plantain flower sheath covered with chilli powder into her private parts.

2001: rewarded - Superintendent ("**SI**") Saman Karunaratne will get Rs. 75,000 and two increments.⁵

2001: named in a Fundamental Rights case Mr Saman Karunaratne; Sub Inspector of Police, Terrorism Investigation Division, 101, Chaitiya Road, Colombo.⁶

2002: 23 August – Justice D P S Gunasekera (Justices Mark Fernando and Ameer Ismail concurring) ordered Rs 250,000 compensation and costs to Y Vijitha in a sexual torture case. Of this, Rs 150,000 is to be paid by Reserve Inspector Wijesekera of Negombo police, **Sub Inspector Saman Karunaratne of the Terrorist Investigation Department** and

⁴ *Torture of a Tamil Girl from Kayts*, TamilNet, 31 Mar 2001, <http://tamilnation.co/indictment/genocide95/010331torture.htm> <https://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=5901> and <http://www.omct.org/files/2002/10/1314/article2sri2.pdf>

⁵ <http://www.island.lk/2001/05/13/news10.html>

⁶ <http://www.janasansadaya.org/page.php?id=176&lang=en>

Inspector Solanga Arachige Muditha of Negombo police in equal shares. The other Rs 100,000 is to be paid by the state. The Court also ordered the Attorney General to consider taking steps under Act No 22 of 1994 against police personnel and others responsible ('Sexual torture victim gets Rs 250,000 compensation', Sunday Times, 25 August 2002)⁷.

Published 2014 pertaining to post war

About end of war screening teams. The facebook post is a report from Lankaenews. Original article could not be found.

TRANSLATED: Published 8 April 2014⁸

"The TID had 4 investigation teams to investigate hundreds of LTTE suspects identified after screening. They were under; Investigation 1 IP Harendra Jayakantha, Investigation 2 IP Abdeen, Investigation 3 **IP Saman Karunaratne**, Investigation 4 IP Bandara. The overall supervision was under TID Officer in Charge ("OIC") Prasanna Alwis who is the brother of judge Jayaki Alwis. IP Saman Karunaratne responsible for investigation 3 has helped Prasanna Alwis and Chandra Wakishta to take money and release LTTE suspects. Once the amount is agreed upon, the relevant sum is deposited in their secret accounts through a relative who visits the suspect and is released claiming that they have no charges. The sum of SLR 1 million – 15 million have been obtained from an LTTE cadre and the money has been shared among Wakishta, Prasanna and Saman. Although Harendra Janakantha, Abdeen and Bandara was not involved in this dirty job, they were aware of it."

2010⁹:

Journalist Tissainayagam cites **Inspector Saman Karunaratne**, Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") C.N. Wakishta and TID Director DIG Nandana Goonetilleka, Inspector Tissa Pilapitiya, the Police Chief and the Attorney General were cited as respondents.¹⁰

Journalist Ruwan Weerakoon cited as respondents - Inspector **Saman Karunaratne**, DIG C.N. Wakishta and TID Director DIG Nandana Goonetilleka, Inspector Tissa Pilapitiya, the Police Chief and the Attorney General.¹¹

Published 21 January 2013 copied from Lankadeepa report by Tharindu Jayawardena¹²

"Investigations are led by Gampaha divisional Superintendent of Police ("SP") Vijitha D Komasaruru with the assistance of Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Sandasiri Bandara and **SI KS Karunaratne** of unresolved crimes division and (policemen)".

⁷ <http://www.sundaytimes.lk/020825/news/3.html>

⁸ <https://www.facebook.com/lankaenews/photos/a.219828384749001/697054010359767/?type=3&theater>

⁹ APPENDIX: PREVENTING TORTURE, IN PRINCIPLE AND IN SRI LANKA [1] – DWIGHT NEWMAN
<http://alrc.asia/article2/2002/08/appendix-preventing-torture-in-principle-and-in-sri-lanka-1-dwight-newman/>

¹⁰ <http://www.tisirilanka.org/journalist-gets-bail/>

¹¹ <http://www.test.tisirilanka.org/journalist-gets-bail/>

¹² http://sparklyrocksmagazine.blogspot.com/2015/05/blog-post_7.html

2014: Saman Karunaratne reported to have arrested disappearance activists Ruki Fernando and Fr Praveen.¹³

Published 21 August 2017 lankadeepa.lk¹⁴

A police team led by Peliyagoda division crime investigation unit OIC Chief Inspector ("CI") GWL Ravindra and Police Special Unit OIC **IP Karunaratne** raided a house in Kiribathgoda area last 8th and arrested a person named Randhir who is alleged to be connected to Makandure Madush (*Drug Kingpin later arrested after extradition from Dubai*).

Published 2018, unclear what date pertaining to

This is a post from an unnamed "Sinhala Tiger" suspect. This facebook account "Akuna (Lightning)" has been administered by that group after their release. They would obviously stay anonymous as most of them live in Sri Lanka. The post also mentions an ICRC officer identified as Lynn who came to visit them. "She was the only person the TID officers complied with".

TRANSLATION: Published 8 May 2018¹⁵

"It was the Colombo TID that arrested us. The same day I was detained on a 90 day detention order by the defence secretary. We were detained and interrogated in the old passport office in Chaitya road. The same day I was arrested, Abdeen, **Saman Karunaratne** and other officers beat me up and took me to my home in Galle for a search."

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W112 was interrogated by him in TID Colombo but not tortured by him.

¹³ <http://archive.lankanewsweb.net/news/6997-sis-busy-at-work-in-order-for-wagista-to-attain-nibbana>

¹⁴ <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/nimthera/පාකාලයන්-දඩයම්-කළ-එස්-ටී-එල්--මෙහෙයුම/56-516725>

¹⁵ <https://www.facebook.com/544975379228914/posts/587531341639984/>

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LAL HIRAMBURA GAMAGE



CAREER

2007

Crime Officer in Charge ("OIC") Lal Gamage².

2009

He was at the frontline digging weapons up at the end of the war.

August 2009: "Inspector Lal Gamage leading a team from the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") was involved in digging up a haul of suicide kits and cannon type weapons in Vellamullaivaikkal."³ Also "the OIC Terrorists Investigation Unit at Boosa, Inspector Lal

¹ <https://www.facebook.com/lal.hirimburaGamage.9/map?lst=679208658%3A100028141934540%3A1566380469> Photo identified by W112.

² *Suspects in fake gold coin scam remanded*, 17 Jun 2007, The Nation <http://www.nation.lk/2007/06/17/news8.htm>

³ *Govt. takes steps to re-settle civilians in Wannu*, Fifteen thousand IDP's already earmarked for resettlement

Gamage, and a team had made the recoveries after combing Vellamullaivaikkal, Anandapuram and Dharmapuram areas with the troops of Task Force VIII".⁴

2013

Red cross hand over packages to OIC Lal Gamage at Boossa⁵. There is a photo.

2014

"...three TID officers from the Police accompanied the three arrested persons along with Malaysian officers from Kuala Lumpur to Colombo. The officers concerned were **Inspector Gamage** and Sub Inspectors Premathilaka and Pushpakumara. The three persons recently arrested by the Malaysian police are Sundaralingaraja Kushanthan, Mahadevan Kirubaharan and Selvathurai Kirubananthan. The three allegedly maintained a close relationship with the LTTE international financial network. The three Sri Lankan nationals were arrested on May 15 2014."⁶

Published 8 April 2014⁷

"The TID had 4 investigation teams to investigate hundreds of LTTE suspects identified after screening. They were under; Investigation 1 Inspector of Police ("IP") Harendra Jayakantha, Investigation 2 IP Abdeen, Investigation 3 IP Saman Karunaratne, Investigation 4 IP Bandara. The overall supervision was under TID Officer in Charge ("OIC") Prasanna Alwis who is the brother of judge Jayaki Alwis. IP Saman Karunaratne was responsible for investigation and has helped Prasanna Alwis and Chandra Wakishta to take money and release LTTE suspects. Once the amount is agreed upon, the relevant sum is deposited in their secret accounts through a relative who visits the suspect and is released claiming that they have no charges. The sum of SLR 1 million – 15 million has been obtained from an LTTE cadre and the money has been shared among Wakishta, Prasaanna and Saman. Although Harendra Jayanath, Abdeen and Bandara were not involved in this dirty job, they were aware of it. Chandra Wakishta has a massive dragon fruit cultivation farm using part of the millions he obtained. The caretaker of the farm is TID boss **Lal Gamage**. TID officers are deployed to work there."

2015

25 May 2015 Gamage is still reported to be a chief inspector of the TID⁸. A 2015 article says he's close to Nalaka de Silva and Wakishta⁹.

<http://www.nation.lk/2009/08/02/militarym.htm>

⁴ *State intelligence wins at hide and seek with KP*, 9 Aug 2009,

<https://lrrp.wordpress.com/2009/08/09/state-intelligence-wins-at-hide-and-see-with-kp/>.

⁵ <https://www.redcross.lk/news/red-cross-hands-over-hygiene-kits-to-refugees-stranded-in-sri-lanka/>

⁶ <http://telo.org/?p=44904>

"Reportedly, originally six officers, purportedly from the TID, had visited Malaysia with the objective of assisting the Malaysian authorities to apprehend those suspects and escort them back to Sri Lanka. Eventually, only three TID officers brought the suspects back to the island. They were IP Lal Gamage and Sub Inspectors Premathilaka and Pushpakumara". <https://defence.pk/pdf/threads/malaysian-police-arrest-three-ltte-suspects.315770/>

⁷ <https://www.facebook.com/lankaenews/photos/a.219828384749001/697054010359767/?type=3&theater> and in English https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=lal%20gamage&epa=SEARCH_BOX

⁸ 7 Nov 2015, <http://www.lankaenews.com/news/905/en>

⁹ <https://lankanewsweb.net/news/special-news/1455-80-policemen-protect-four-tamil-detainees>

2018

Published 9 July 2018 ravaya.lk¹⁰

Chief Inspector ("CI") Lal Gamage and female police Superintendent ("SI") Suranjika have taken legal action against TID's Nalaka de Silva for alleged mistreatment.

Posted 30 December 2018

Buddhist monk Suriyawewa

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Exam List

No. 2 on this Sinhala list is Lal Hirimbura Gamage: Results of Higher Diploma in police science (resit) 2013/ 2014/ 2015 He passed.¹² This says he lives in Jaffna as does facebook.

Photos of a Lal Hirimbura Gamage who was previously Special Task Force ("STF") (paramilitary police). A witness confirms Gamage was ex-STF. Available on two Facebook pages¹³.

¹⁰ <http://ravaya.lk/?p=172470>

¹¹ https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=549847645426795&id=100012046938372

¹² http://124.43.130.94/images/police_academy/2018/results/august/police_science_ree.pdf

¹³ <https://www.facebook.com/lal.hirimburagamage.9/map?st=679208658%3A100028141934540%3A1566380469>

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=549847218760171&set=pcb.549847645426795&type=3&theater>



ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY (2009-12 BOOSSA)

W315: “Sub inspector Gamage – he was a specialist torturer – the worst and tortured me.”

W289: Gamage “...took a chair and placed my toe under the leg and then he sat on it or he banged on the chair while my toe was under the leg.”

W297: He described Gamage torturing him by (a) handcuffing him for a long time to the top of a wall so that he could only stand on his toes, (b) putting the leg of a wooden table on to his toe during interrogation so that the weight pressured it and beating him if he moved, (c) slamming his fingers in a drawer and (d) 4-5 officers beating him at once, slapping, punching and kicking him. He said if he fell to the ground he was stamped on. The torturers also used a metre -long device with a rubber handle and attached to that was a long spring with a rubber piece at the end used to hit the victim.

W292: “I was questioned a first time by Mr. Gamage, the head of the TID unit Mr.Gamage was wearing a badge name and there was a Tamil interpreter present”.

W292 was hit and kicked while still handcuffed by more men all over his body until he collapsed on the floor in severe pain.

“The OIC's office was close to the entrance of the prison. There was a sign on the door saying "Officer in charge". The OIC's office was about 3m x 3m. There was a window overlooking a small courtyard on the same side as the door. The office contained a wooden desk, with the OIC's chair behind the desk and two "visitors" chairs. All chairs were wood. There was a name plate on the OIC's desk with his name on it. I cannot recall the OIC's name in full but it was ending in "gamage", which is a common Sinhalese surname.”

W306: “Gamage was involved in torture and he was in the room when his female typist sexually abused and humiliated me.”

W281: “Gamage also used the clapping of hands on my ears. Gamage also beat me several times in Boosa. On one occasion three navy officers were there and they all four beat me, then they went off to drink and came back again to beat me more until I couldn't stand. ... Around Christmas XXX (year redacted) all the TID officers were in a Christmas mood and were drinking heavily and Gamage came to beat me severely. ...He later became OIC in Boosa.”

W280: Gamage worked with an interpreter called Ahmad; Ahmad didn't torture – he was tall with curly hair, a bit chubby but smart looking and fair skinned. He was a police constable belonging to TID. He's from Puttalam. Both sometimes wore khaki police uniforms and sometimes plain clothes.

W280 was tortured and sexually violated by Gamage in Boosa and he believes also in the 6th floor. He described him as being a Sub-inspector.

“He was the interrogator, very tall, a scary unpleasant face. Everyone in Boosa was scared of

him. ..He was a notorious interrogator who was involved in assaults, beating and torture, including of a sexual nature as he did with me. Between 2009 and 2011 there was only one Gamage in charge...Gamage could go anywhere to assault anyone - he was the 'king of Boosa'. I heard his brother was killed by the LTTE.

“Gamage was standing in front of me, the translator next to him and two men were standing on either side of me. The two men next to me started beating me. They hung me upside down from my 'good leg' and they beat me on my back with long sticks, I couldn't see them but I felt they were sort of broomsticks. They came close to me and while asking questions they burned me on my arms, my back, my buttocks, underneath my armpits. At this point I was only in my underwear. The practice was to remove one item of clothing at a time as I failed to answer their questions satisfactorily. After sometime I fainted. This sort of thing happened to me 7-8 times over the course of my three detention periods at the 6th Floor. While in Boosa, Gamage cupped my ears, that means he clapped his hands very hard simultaneously against my ears with such force that I permanent damaged my left ear. There was a loud humming noise in my ears and they started bleeding. ..Gamage told me he wanted to test the feeling in my bad leg, so he hit my right leg and the two other men also hit me on that leg. I never gave them any answers...Gamage pushed me on the desk and put my penis in the drawer and then he slammed it shut. It was extremely painful and I fainted. I had a cyst on my penis as a result but it is now gone.”

W288: “Gamage: I saw him in Boosa and on the sixth Floor. He was tall, dark, a big person, his head always tilting to one side. He looked like he was a really bad person. He had two stars on his shoulders and was a sub-inspector. He beat everyone. He beat me and I saw him beat others. He was very rough, never smiled. I think he must have been in the TID for a long time because even the other TID officers were scared of him. He always wore civilian clothing. I think he was a Sub-Inspector. He was among the worst in terms of beating detainees.”

W294: witnessed several other detainees being tortured by Gamage. On one occasion he saw 4 detainees being so badly beaten by him that they couldn't walk. They were tortured continuously for four days. He also saw Gamage beat a man [name redacted] who was fasting and hadn't shaven and Gamage was pulling his beard and beating him. W294 says Gamage took a female detainee in B block one night to the investigation area opposite C block and all night he heard the woman scream.”

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MANAWADU

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

2001

AHRC: L. P. Maithreepala Senadira: Beaten with pipe and sticks

“At the Polonnaruwa Police station, Maithreepala Senadira was tied to a pillar, his clothes were removed and he was beaten with a pipe and sticks by Superintendent ("**SI**") **Manawadu**. As a result of this torture his sexual organs were severely injured and the bleeding was so serious he was taken to the Polonnaruwa hospital by the torturer himself. Maithreepala Senadira’s injuries to the sexual organs required six stitches, and his back and spine showed signs of severe beatings. The SI had threatened those who knew this not to reveal the information to anyone.”

Complaint against the Polonnaruwa Tourist Police:

“2) Mr. L. P. Maithreepala Senadira, a resident of no. 155, Pansalgodella, Galamuna, was taken into custody on 7th January 2001 at 3 am by the Polonnaruwa tourist police on suspicion of selling illicit arrack (a type of liquor). The police had gone to the house of the suspect and asked for arrack and when they were told that there is no arrack he was blindfolded and taken to the police jeep. When the wife objected to the husband being taken by the police, she was threatened with forceful removal by Sub-Inspector Manawadu of Polonnaruwa and was asked to remain inside. On this occasion the two brothers of Maithreepala Senadira were also taken into custody. At the Polonnaruwa police station, Maithreepala Senadira was tied to a pillar, his clothes were removed and he was beaten with a pipe and sticks by Superintendent ("**SI**") **Manawadu**. As a result of this torture his sexual organs were severely injured and the bleeding was so serious he was taken to the Polonnaruwa hospital by the torturer himself. Mr. Maithreepala Senadira's injuries to the sexual organs required six stitches, and his back and spine showed signs of severe beatings. The SI had threatened those who knew this not to reveal the information to anyone. For this reason, Mr. Maithreepala Senadira was also transferred from Polonnaruwa hospital to Peradeniya hospital.”

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

Year 2010

W254: “One of the interrogators was a Terrorism Investigation Division ("**TID**") police officer called Manawadu. I think he may have had the rank of Inspector or above, because of the way in which other officers were deferential towards him and how he would give other officers instructions. Manawadu was the main person to question me during the TID interrogations. Manawadu was involved in beating me, maybe five or six times, using his fists and by way of kicking. He would tell me to sit on my knees and then he would kick me. I heard

him telling other officers how to beat detainees. He was very violent. He gave the appearance of being a middle-aged man. He was tall and smart in appearance.”

Year 2011

W112: Police Sub Inspector Manawadu - TID Boosa Unit 3 is named in **W112** court documents as a witness for the prosecution.

ⁱ <https://thinkcentre.org/article.php?id=439>

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NANDANA MUNASINGHE

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL



Mr. Munasinghe is a former Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") director. He went on to become Director and then DIG of the Criminal Investigation Department ("CID") in 2009 and 2010. He is now promoted to Senior Deputy Inspector of Police ("SDIG") and one of the country's top police officials.

Career

2007: he received the UN Special Rapporteur Manfred Nowak as Director of TID, Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP").¹

mid-2009: he is in Vavuniya Division and promoted from SSP to Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG").²

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Apr 2010: According to the transfers, the DIG in charge of the CID Nandana Munasinghe has been appointed in charge of the Colombo Division⁴ crime investigations and operations.⁵ He becomes Additional DIG' of the Organized Crime and Crime Investigation Division⁶.

2014: he is Senior DIG East.⁷

¹ http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/7session/A.HRC.7.3.Add.6_ch.pdf

² <http://www.nation.lk/2009/06/07/news4.htm>

³ <http://www.island.lk/2010/05/02/news13.html>

⁴ <http://www.thesundayleader.lk/2010/04/20/several-high-ranking-cid-officers-transferred/>

⁵ <http://www.infolanka.com/news/2010/apr/index28.html>

⁶ <http://www.island.lk/2010/04/25/news8.html>

⁷ <https://mobile.twitter.com/UKinSriLanka/status/511372516192190464>

Jan 2015: transferred from senior DIG Eastern Province to Uva.⁸

Jul 2015: he is Traffic crime division senior DIG⁹ and is appointed to act as in charge of CID.

2015: Ex officio member of National Dangerous Drugs Control Board¹⁰ as DIG Crimes.

Apr 2016: he is senior DIG for Crimes.¹²

Oct 2016: he is Senior DIG in charge of the Western Province.¹³

Dec 2016: he is Senior DIG for Traffic, Administration and Road Safety DIG Crimes / Traffic / Legal and Narcotics.¹⁴

Apr 2017 – put in joint overall charge with the IGP of the Organised Crimes Prevention Division¹⁵. Western Province Crimes and Traffic DIG.¹⁶

24 Jul 2017 – he is Western Province Senior DIG¹⁷.

Jul 2017 – he is put in charge of investigating white vans¹⁸.

2019: Western Province Senior DIG when the Easter Sunday bombings happen. He is mentioned in testimony to the Presidential Commission as one of the 4 officials most important in terms of the attack which occurred mainly in his Province. He has been questioned over his role¹⁹ and his transfer was initially suspended²⁰.

Jun 2019: Transferred as SDIG in charge of North Central and North Western Provinces²¹.

UN Special Rapporteur visited TID in October 2007:

In 2007 in Colombo, Mr. Munasinghe was the officer who received the UN Special Rapporteur, Manfred Nowak, as Director of TID. Mr. Nowak said that detainees were transferred to avoid meeting him on the orders of Nandana Munasinghe (paragraph 25) and his report goes on to describe Mr. Munasinghe as one of the alleged perpetrators of torture who merited investigation (paragraph 13, page 30):

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DHC Laura Davies meeting Senior DIG East, Mr Nandana Munasinghe in Batticola East, during her official visit.



⁸ <http://telo.org/?p=73791>

⁹ <http://www.lankaenews.com/news/608/en>

¹⁰ <http://www.nddcb.gov.lk/Membersofboard.html>

¹¹ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/62065/six-top-senior-digs-transferred>

¹² <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/sunday-times-sri-lanka/.../281831462916581>

¹³ <http://www.sguardian.org/2016/10/sri-lanka-impeachment-motion-against-the-president/>

¹⁴ http://www.defence.lk/new.asp?fname=Amnesty_period_to_handover_illegal_weapons_20160420_05

¹⁵ <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20170406/282527248286602> and <https://www.highbeam.com/doc/1P4-1884543915.html>

¹⁶ <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20170515/282346859733873>

¹⁷ <https://dailynews.lk/2017/07/24/local/122953/minister-get-sdig-report-week?page=1>

¹⁸ <http://www.thecolombopost.net/en/police-appoint-sdig>

<http://www.dailynews.lk/2017/07/22/local/122871/sdig-investigate-civvies-arrest>

<https://twitter.com/kataclysmichaos/status/888406548560531456?lang=en-gb>

¹⁹ <https://www.asianmirror.lk/news/item/29829-senior-dig-nandana-munasinghe-questioned-by-special-investigations-unit-over-security-lapses-leading-to-easter-sunday-attacks>

²⁰ http://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Transfers-of-senior-police-officers-stayed/108-166060

²¹ http://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Police-top-brass-reshuffled-following-Easter-Sunday-report/108-169842

“The Special Rapporteur recommends that prompt and independent investigations of all allegations of torture and ill-treatment be carried out in order to bring those responsible to justice (i.e. the alleged perpetrators, Inspector of Police Saman, Police Constable Perera, and the management of TID, including the Director of TID, Senior Superintendent of Police, Nandana Munasinghe, as well as the CID officers allegedly responsible for the ill-treatment of Nicholas Stephen)”.

There is no information publicly available to suggest that the Government of Sri Lanka ever held Mr. Munasinghe accountable as was recommended by the UN Special Rapporteur. Instead he was promoted during the Rajapaksa government to the rank of DIG and functioned as such for 10 months in 2008 and 2009.

“Those who had been talking to the Special Rapporteur during his first visit were taken out of their cells and subjected to reprisals, including threats and ill-treatment by Inspector of Police Saman and Police Constable Perera shortly after the delegation departed. The Special Rapporteur recommended that prompt and independent investigations of all allegations of torture and ill-treatment be carried out in order to bring those responsible to justice (i.e. the alleged perpetrators, Inspector of Police Saman, Police Constable Perera, and the management of TID, including the Director of TID, Senior Superintendent of Police, **Nandana Munasinghe**, as well as the CID officers allegedly responsible for the ill-treatment of Nicholas Stephen). A third detainee recalled that one of the TID officers torturing him was called Sumith.”

Threatening Journalists:

Mr. Munasinghe is alleged to have threatened a prominent journalist, Sittampalam Tissainayagam while he was in detention in his custody:

“Director TID Nandana Munasinghe, while talking to Tissainayagam, referred to his friendship with the journalist Sivaram. Mr. Munasinghe specifically reminded of the way that Sivaram met his death – his body was later discovered in some bushes in close proximity to the Parliament premises. He had been alarmed at this line of questioning, as he did not understand what was meant by it.”

In 2009 US President Barack Obama singled out Mr. Tissainayagam's case in his World Press Freedom Day address as an emblematic example of journalists being imprisoned for doing their jobs.

Moreover, Mr. Tissainayagam and another journalist and his partner, Mr. Vettival Jasikaran and Ms. Valarmarathi Vadivelu, who were also detained in 2008 by TID filed a Fundamental Rights case in 2008 naming Mr. Munasinghe, among other respondents. This is a matter of public record.

Witness Protection National Authority:

In 2016 Munasinghe is appointed to this body - see **ITJP Report** on this²².

Nalaka de Silva Alleged Plot, Sep 2018

An alleged phone call between then TID Director Nalaka de Silva and activist Namal Kumara suggested there was a plot against senior police officers close to Gotabaya Rajapajsa including Nandana Munasinghe. This was given as one reason for the October 2018 attempted constitutional coup.

"DIG Nalaka de Silva: He must be removed from the Special Task Force ("STF") then all power accumulated by him will be demolished. He has power as long as he is with the STF. I must sit on his chair, so then I can exercise all my duties without hesitation. There is another man called Nandana Munasinghe.

Namal Kumara: Yes, DIG Nandana Munasinghe, he was DIG Colombo; but now, I guess, he is in the East.

DIG Nalaka de Silva: Yes, he is the main troublemaker. He is the one who helped Buddhist monks to get bail."²³

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W226: "It was in this TID place (2008) that I met Director of TID Nandana Munisinghe - he called me to his office a couple of times for a chat."

²² <http://www.itjpsl.com/assets/Sri-Lanka-Witness-Protection-Report.pdf>

²³ <http://www.srilankaguardian.org/2018/09/sri-lanka-conspiracy-against-head-of.html>

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M. G. W. M. MUTHUBANDA

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

2003

Criminal Investigation Department ("CID") Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") M. G. W. M. Muthubanda¹

2006: Possibly a UN peacekeeper in Sudan:

"UN friends whom I'm working with in this beautiful United Mission in Sudan. "



13 september 2006 13:46 | Door: **Mgwm** Muthubanda

Hi Gusto I am a Srilankan arrived in Sudan in Dec.2005. Initially worked in Quality Assurance sec Rhq. and now personnel Mhq. This is a challenge for me because this my first mission. However only one year and lets stay together, share experience no matter it is hard or easy. Hope we could meet each other somewhere else. While appreciating your good work wish you all the best.

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Published Island 03 July 2004³

Promoted from ASP to Superintendent of Police ("SP") II.

Published Island 09 September 2004⁴

Investigating Udathalawinna Massacre⁵ for Fraud Investigation Unit of the CID in December 2001.

"Lal Siriwardana said that he was given directions by SP Muthubanda at the Watapuluwa Holiday Resort when he was cross-examined by Defence Counsel Tirantha Walaliyadda PC."

2007 IIGEP, this report on the hearings references him: "The police officers present at the hearing in late September 2007 were Mr. S. Sunderalingam Attorney at Law, Mr. M. G. W.M. Muthubanda SSP, Mr. P. Hettiarachchi, Mr. P. Ratnatilleke SP." The latter is alleged to have intimidated a police witness⁶.

2009

¹ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2003/06/25/new18.html>

² <https://guusoedan.waarbenjij.nu/reisverslag/1429485/let-me-introduce-to-you>

³ <http://www.island.lk/2004/07/03/foreignnews7.html>

⁴ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2004/09/09/new25.html>

⁵ (https://www.bbc.com/sinhala/news/story/2006/01/060120_ratwatte.shtml)

⁶ Footnote 7, UTHR-J report http://www.uthr.org/SpecialReports/spreport33.htm#_ftnref7

M. G. W. M. Muthubanda, Director CID to Director, Children and Women's Bureau⁷.

Jan. 2009, he is referred to as CID Chief in media reports⁸.

Deputy Director Investigation Unit **former CID Director** M.G.W.M. Muthubanda⁹.

Mr. M.G.W.M.MUTHUBANDA	Rtd. Shr.Suptd.of Police	57/4 Larry Wijeratna Mawatha Akuregoda Rd Pelawatta Battaramulla	Colombo	0112177124,0755437400 http://units.kln.ac.lk/alumni-relations/?page_id=373
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Published Sunday Times 05 April 09¹⁰

"The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) is still awaiting the dossier from the International Police (INTERPOL) on Mrs. Sicille Kotelawala against whom a judicial arrest warrant has been issued in Sri Lanka, a top police official said.

We have already informed INTERPOL and a response is expected in due course", Director, CID, SSP M. G. W. M. Muthubanda said".

2012

M. G. W. M. Muthubanda, Director – Bureau for the Protection of Abuse of Children and Women, 2012.¹¹

Published Sunday Times 29 January 2012¹²

"Ajith Shantha was an army deserter employed in Athulathmudali's private security outfit. On April 23, 1993 when Athulathmudali went up on the stage to address the fateful political meeting at Kirullapone, Ajith Shantha who had been provided with an unlicensed pistol, also climbed the stage to provide body cover to Athulathmudali. **Retired Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") Muthu Banda** who was Athulathmudali's security officer, brashly ordered Ajith Shantha to get off the stage. Cheesed off by the attitude of Muthu Banda, Ajith Shantha climbed down from the stage and took a position under the stage."

2012

Joins a private security company employing ex-servicemen.¹³

"The management team of Watchguard Security and Investigations Limited consists of Chairman and Managing Director Major Vijitha Welikala, Medical Consultant Prof. Dayasiri Fernando, Legal Consultants former Attorney General, President's Counsel C. R. De Silva and President's Counsel Upali A Gooneratne, Security and Investigations Consultant former CID

⁷ 14 Jun 2009, http://www.sundaytimes.lk/090614/News/sundaytimesnews_07.html

⁸ http://www.sundaytimes.lk/090118/News/sundaytimesnews_03.html

⁹ <http://www.infolanka.com/news/2009/apr/index7.html>

¹⁰ <http://www.island.lk/2009/04/05/news21.html>

¹¹ http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=57677

¹² http://www.sundaytimes.lk/120129/News/nws_49.html

¹³ <http://new.watchguard.lk/company-overview/our-partners/>

DIG Punya de Silva, Director Investigation Unit former DIG D A de Fonseka and Deputy Director Investigation Unit former CID Director M.G.W.M. Muthubanda¹⁴.”

Although in 2012 CDN runs a news item announcing the “Black” Specialized Detective Unit of Watchguard Security and Investigations Limited, it does not feature in the site and the only member of “Our team” is Major Vijitha Welikala¹⁵.

ITJP WITNESS TESIMONY

W253: “The departments of CID, TID and Narcotics each has an ASP as the Director. The SSP during my detention period was Wakishta. The DIG was Muthubanda.

¹⁴ <http://archives.dailynews.lk/2001/pix/PrintPage.asp?REF=/2012/03/21/bus11.asp>

¹⁵ <http://new.watchguard.lk/company-overview/our-partners/>

D.D.S. NANDASRI

OPEN SOURCE

Published lankadeepa.lk 24 September 2017¹

Feature by Srinath Prasanna Jayasuriya. Journalist meets LTTE Sea Tiger number two, Gopal Yogeswararasa aka Seelan.

“The former deputy leader of the sea Tiger battalion was arrested when he was in an IDP camp in Vavunia, by a police team comprising Chief Sergeant SB Tennakoon (32520) and Sergeant **DDS Nandasiri**, led by then central province Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") Officer In Charge ("OIC") Chief Inspector ("CI") KMH Bowala (man in blue shirt in photo)”.

Note: Seelan is a former Sea Tiger who became a TID informer, especially for Unit 1, Gamage. He was involved in the 2006 attack on the Galle port.

There are two Sgt Nandasiris’ referred in 2019, from two police areas. Their numbers don’t tally. However, both are in North Central province.

Published lankadeepa.lk 18 February 2019²

Another episode of the series above. A feature on a Hindu priest who was allegedly tortured by LTTE. He met the priest Kanagu Vettivelu (72) in Putkulam 4km off Kanagarayankulam. The journalist was helped by Mankulam SP Jagath Fonseka.

Retired Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") KM Bowala:

“When I was in the police, a police sergeant named **Nandasiri** worked with me. Sgt Nandasiri now works in TID Colombo”.

Published 03 May 2019 mawbima.lk³

Arrest of a Muslim Moulavi for suspected extremism.

Team led By Anuradhapura OIC Sanjeewa Mahanama had **Sgt Nandasiri** (12577⁴) in the team.

Published 01 July 2019 mawbima.lk⁵

¹<http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/rasawitha/%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%90%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%85%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8A/57-518070>

² <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/thaksalawa/%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%83%E0%B6%BB-%E0%B6%91%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%84%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A--%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%9A-%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%A9%E0%B6%82%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%9A--%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%AF-%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AF-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%96%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92/55-545777>

³ <https://mawbima.lk/feature/7/news-more/11201>

⁴ This is an ED Nandasiri.
defence.lk/Grade1/2019/POLICE.xls

⁵ <https://mawbima.lk/news-search/%E0%B6%85%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%84%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B8/news-more/18858>

Airforce man arrested for credit card fraud. The police team from Hingurakgoda police area included **Sgt Nandasiri** (50468). (note different staff number).

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W305 was forced to sign a false confession by Nandasri:

“Even if someone interrogated me, Nandasri would come into the room and start beating me. Usually we were in fear all the time as we never knew what was going to happen. Thin and short man with a slightly curly hair around 46-48 years old. He was always walking fast. Whomever he came across he would beat. He said ‘you’re all LTTE’, and then he struck someone. He said ‘We wanted to bury you all but a country intervened and that’s why you’re all alive’.

“Nandasri must be a heavy smoker because his lips are stained with nicotine. He always had red eyes that were full of anger. He was not a good-looking person. He didn’t speak a word of Tamil but he was always talking about ‘LTTE Oththika putha’ which is a really bad Sinhalese and means ‘LTTE cunts’. He also referred to us as ‘Pukkya’ which the guards told us is another very bad word for the female sexual organ.

“I was called to the ASP’s office; Kumar and Mohammed were there too. In front of the ASP, Nandasri beat me to make me accept the charges. The ASP just watched and pretended to talk on the telephone standing outside the door. I told them I couldn’t accept the charges and I wouldn’t write a confession. Mohammed started writing it and told me that if I didn’t sign the TID would keep me in Boosa for a long time and torture me more, but if I signed they would send me for rehabilitation. Mohammed said that why don’t you just do it, it’s normal it is also what the others do.

“I still have headaches on the back of my head and the left side side of my head – they started when Nandasri beat me on my head in Boosa. I didn’t talk to the doctor about it. I still have the fear and tension inside due to my experiences in detention in Boosa. I also forget things. I have back pain as well.”.

W294: “Nandasri beat me with poles in Boosa on one occasion.”

“In Boosa there was a strong Sea Tiger cadre called XXX (name redacted), who joined the LTTE in 19XX. He was investigated by Nandasri and every time he saw Nandasri he urinated involuntarily due to fear. Nandasri tortured him severely always naked in the presence of female prisoners or staff. He told me this. He was mentally broken.”

Sexual Violence: “A Sea Tiger called XXX told me that Nandasri had put his penis in a drawer and shut it hard. I saw that he was bleeding from his penis.”

W282: “Nandasri: I don’t know his rank. I saw him in Boosa and the 6th Floor. He seemed to interrogate a lot of detainees from unit 2. He was thin, about 5’6”, he had acne scars in his face. He was about 50 years. He was among the worst in terms of beating detainees.”

W281: “TID was in charge of Boosa. The person in charge of my unit was Nandasiri, that was unit 2.”

“Nandasiri brought me to the 6th Floor and he told me I was going to be interrogated there and that it was part of the TID. ...If a new detainee came and mentioned my name, Nandasiri came to beat me because I hadn’t mentioned that person’s name when I was interrogated. They continued beating me until I either passed out or became very weak, then they called me back the following day and beat me again. They were telling me while beating me that I was lying and that I should tell the truth about people I knew.”

Sexual Violence: “I was abused sexually in Boosa by Nandasiri but I don’t want to talk about it. I heard the cries and screams of many others at night being beaten and sexually abused. I also heard that Gamage would sexually abuse detainees. First he assaulted me beat me and kicked me very violently in my private parts. He told me to lie down and squeezed and stomped on my penis with his shoes. He told me to tell the truth. The second time he told me to remove my sarong put my penis in a drawer and pushed it so it squeezed my penis and told me to tell the truth. The third time was at night. He was drunk when he came alone to my cell and told me to follow him to the inquiry room. He told me to remove all my clothes and to sit on a chair and he tied my hands to the back of the chair and he pushed his penis into my mouth. He was very angry and drunk. He was shouting and saying things in Sinhalese. He had done this to others as well and on the night he came to my cell, he just happened to pick me. I also heard that XXX was sexually abused and that he tried to commit suicide.

“Nandasiri was a notorious torturer. He was a very racist guy. He beat me severely in Boosa and I saw him beat other detainees. He was around forty years old, tall with a medium build, clean-shaven. He wore civilian clothing. In the presence of the ICRC that had come to look at my leg, he said that Prabakaran had taken my leg and we are giving you a new leg.

“We had a small music group in Boosa, all security forces and in those evenings when they had performances we were allowed to come out to a hall area and sit down and listen to Sinhalese songs. Once they performed a Tamil song, which was famous at the time, it was a film song. In this event Nandasiri brought a small girl to Boosa and in front of all of us he introduced her as his daughter. She was about 6 years old.”

W280: “Nandasiri was another hard officer who assaulted a lot of Sea Tiger cadres. I think he was in Unit 2 or 3 - the unit that dealt with Sea Tigers. I saw him in Boosa. He had some scarring in his face from pimples, he was a short guy with his hair combed back. He wore civilian clothing. He was about 40 years old.”

W258: “The person who interrogated me in Boosa was Sergeant Nandasri. He was the one who took me from Boosa to the 6th Floor in Colombo. When Nandasri interrogated me in Boosa he came to pick me up in A block and took me to the interrogation room. The interrogation room was in a big hall with partitions made from plywood. One these rooms were used by Unit 2, which was Nandasri’s unit. There were beatings in Boosa during interrogation but the torture on the 6th Floor was much worse. I didn’t tell as much about myself and my activities in Boosa. Everything was written down by Nandasri and I had to sign a statement. He brought someone from the airforce to translate because he couldn’t speak any Tamil. I only saw the Air Force translator in Boosa. They had their own translators on the 6th Floor. I think that the system was if someone had provided some information on me under torture on the 6th Floor, Nandasri would bring me to the 6th Floor to be interrogated about that.

“Nandasri had a house near Boosa so he went there in the evening. He told me that he had two children and that his wife worked for the police. In the beginning he was full of hatred against us but as time passed he became softer and shared little pieces of information with us. Maybe because he saw us all the time over a period of time, I don’t know. In the beginning I was questioned about 4 times a week and it was always the same questions. I didn’t tell him everything but after XXX came, Nandasri beat me a lot after he discovered I hadn’t told him everything.

“I signed a confession written in Sinhalese on the 6th Floor and in Boosa after each interrogation session. It was the same confession and in both places Nandasri produced the written statement and told me to sign it.

“Nandasri was in charge of me, it seemed. He was always there during interrogations and torture, and he wrote down my statement. Puthasri was another interrogator whom I saw both in Boosa and on the 6th

Floor. He would be the one taking people to the hospital from Boosa and from the 6th Floor. Other interrogators who were only on the 6th Floor were Augustine, Ahmed, Alvin – Chief of Second Unit on 6th Floor - big guy, dark complexion.

“One incident I remember: Nandasri and two other men were in the interrogation room at the 6th Floor. They put me face up lying on top of a table fitted with straps. They put the straps around my wrists and my ankles and tightened them. I saw one of them dismantle a pen and take the narrow bit out. He stuck it up my penis; they managed to push it about 5cm inside my penis. Something similar happened in Boosa but they didn’t have the facilities of a table with fitted straps; in Boosa they just tied my arms and legs to a table. Generally both places, Boosa and the 6th Floor, had torture equipment but the 6th Floor had more of it and it was more specialized.”

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NAZIR

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W289: "Nazir was a translator and came to Omanthai school from TID headquarter in Colombo. I also saw him in Boosa. He also participated a lot in beatings."

W112 also met Ahmad, Nazir, Razeek on 6th floor Unit 11.

W315: "I was given about 6-7 pages of something typed in Sinhala and was asked to sign them. I refused to sign and so I was beaten up for half a day. It was a Sunday and not a lot of Sinhalese officers were around. I remember the names of some of the officers present and they included: Sub Inspector Hemachandra; Sergeant Miragala; and Sergeant Nazir who had replaced Zubair. Nazir worked under Prassana de Alwis who was his boss."

Possible Open Source References

Published Ada.lk 3 July 2018¹

Police constable N Nazir ((1757) who used to work in the kankesanthurai Senior Superintendent of Police ("SSP") office killed himself by Shooting.

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Published Divaina.com 8 September 2015²

Vavunativu there is an Officer in Charge ("OIC") AM Nazir.

¹http://www.ada.lk/breaking_news/%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B6%B1%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%9A%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%93-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BD%E0%B6%B0%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%A9%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%B6%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%93/11-337859

²<https://www.medaperadiga.com/%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%B8-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%9C%E0%B7%85%E0%B7%94-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%99%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%87%E0%B6%B1/>

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OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

UN Special Rapporteur report 2007¹:

“The Special Rapporteur was received by Officer in Charge ("OIC") H. G. Srisena. A detainee told the UN Special Rapporteur he was beaten by three officers, one of them named Kankha. Another said of the officers who tortured him [one] was called **Nishantha**, and he and the other officers involved were still working at TID in Boosa.”

And para 103:

“Officer Nishanta at Boosa claimed that the burning marks were in fact bullet wounds and accused him of being a member of the LTTE. In the following three months he was tortured and beaten in regular intervals. One night in July, three drunken policemen tortured him with a soldering iron. He still has two dozen burning marks on his chest. One of the policemen was **Nishanta**, the others were called Nanyakkara and Silva.”

In 2001 a Solanga Arachige Mudith Nishantha, Inspector of Police ("IP"), Negombo Police Station was cited in an FR case¹.

TRANSLATION: Published Lankadeepa.lk 2 February 2019²

“Assistant Superintendent of Police Mr. Jagath Fonseka now serves as a Superintendent of Police in Vavunia. Then OIC of TID who has now been promoted to Superintendent of Police ("SP"), Prasanna de Alwis, Inspector of Police ("IP") N A (sic) Abdeen and **Sergeant Nishantha (48857*)** were in this team. IP Abdeen who is now retired from the police service, is an officer who has shown capabilities in investigations. The two terrorists were arrested about after 12 years since the attack. ..In the final stages of the Vanni Humanitarian Operation, displacement camps were established for people coming from the NFZ to the government-controlled areas. Intelligence officers in disguise were deployed in those camps to identify and arrest Tiger terrorists who came in hiding with the ordinary people. When we were in disguise in Maradamadu, one person was bragging with some others. He was saying that he was the one who attacked the flight from a hiding place in the Wilpattu jungle. He said that another also helped. That is how we caught the two Tiger terrorists who attacked the Antonov, said retired IP NA Abdeen.

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W294 says there are two Nishantha's. One was an Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP")² in the immediate years after the war; the other more junior.

¹ <http://tamilnation.co/indictment/genocide95/gen95146a.htm>

W237: “Nishanth has a big recognizable scar on his left hand from a bullet wound. ...They were always wearing civilian clothes.”

Nishantha’s officer no is 48857*. Unit 2, TID.

W294: “Unit 2: In charge of investigating Air Defence, LTTE foreign supporters, Sea Tigers. OIC was IP Abdeen. His wife passed away from cancer. He was very loyal to de Alwis..Sub-Inspector Bandara, SI Wickremasinghe, Nilabtheen who was a Muslim translator, Nishantha, Nandasri a very horrible investigator in Boossa, he was torturing people and beating with no reason, putting the penis in the drawer and slamming it.”

W236 saw a man he thinks was called Nishantha in the office.

¹http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/7session/A.HRC.7.3.Add.6_ch.pdf

²<http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/thaksalawa/%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A-%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B1%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%A7--%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BD-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%90%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%96-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%BD%E0%B7%92%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A--%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%8B%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%AD%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%BA/55-544968>

of the ASP. The translator dictated to me what to write in front of the ASP and then I signed. I think the ASP was called Nishantha or something like that. He took the statement to the court. I also had to tell in front of a doctor at some hospital in Colombo that they had not beaten me.”

Jagath Nishantha was the accused in a 2012 Fundamental Rights case where he’s accused of torture.

http://www.supremecourt.lk/images/documents/sc_fr_319_2012.pdf 319/2012

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NISHANTHA PUSHPALAL¹

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

Two victims say they were tortured by Pushpalal. A third recalls him drunk at work.

W57: Was suspended by having his hands tied in the air between 2 tables for 6-7 hours at a time on multiple occasions to the point his body turned blue. He was forced to watch other prisoners being tortured and deprived of sleep and bathing for 20 days.

Another witness confirmed he is the same Inspector Nishantha Pushpalal, Officer in Charge ("OIC"), Kurunegala Police Station, who is allegedly involved in a plot in 2019 to accuse a Muslim doctor in Kurunegala, DR. Seigu Shihabdeen Mohamed Shafi, of forcibly sterilising 600 Sinhalese women during caesarian operations².

Published 25 June 2019 jdslanka.org TRANSLATION³

This is a report about the FR petition filed by Dr. Seigu Shihabdeen Mohamed Shafi a Senior House Office Kurunegala against the AG, senior police officers Including Kurunegala OIC (Crimes) Nishantha Pushpalal.

2008

Policeman Nishantha Pushpalal also testified for the prosecution against the journalist J. S. Tissainayagam in the High Court.

¹ His full name may be Nishantha Pushpalal Wijesundera.

² <https://srilankabrief.org/2019/06/sri-lanka-sterilisation-scare-probe-against-kurunegala-cops/>

³ <http://www.idslanka.org/s/index.php/2014-12-19-17-57-19/2014-12-20-03-06-54/873-2019-06-25-10-41-52>

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MOHAMED RAZIK / RASEEK

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

1998:

Forum for Human Dignity (FHD) says:

“A 24-year-old trained mechanic from Kalawanchikudi, Batticaloa, was arrested by the officers attached to the Terrorism Investigation Division and the Special Task Force of Ampara, at Kalmunai on the 14th of October, 1998. He was working at the Palugamam Pradeshiya Sabha as a mechanic (to dig wells & advising the mechanics) for about 1½ years. They took him to a camp of the Special Task Force and hand cuffed him behind and beat him with their hands, legs and poles. Later he was taken to the 6th floor of the Terrorism Investigation Division and tortured there severely by officers namely Abdeen, Alwis and Wijeratne for a consecutive of 8 days.

“In about 1½ months they took him downstairs and made him to sign some statement before Mr. Gamini Dissanayake, an Assistant Superintendent of Police. This mechanic was remanded on the 12th of December, 1998, at the Kalutara Remand Prison and was later taken back to the Terrorism Investigation Division quite arbitrarily and tortured there again severely in the following manner.

“They had him handcuffed behind and hit him, then made him to sleep under a chair and hit him. On the 5th of March, 1999 one **Razik** and Ananda took him and hit him severally, Alwis (OIC), Wijeratne, threatened and made him to sign on some papers.”¹

Journalists

“Tissainayagam said on May 9th he was threatened by **Sergeant Razik**, telling him that what happened to Jasiharan that morning would happen to him. He said that he had seen Jasiharan crying in the Officer in Charge's ("OIC") room that morning and later seen him with a swollen face and bloodshot eyes. Razik then dictated a statement that Tissainayagam wrote in his own handwriting”.²

SI Mohamed Razik was also mentioned in other media reports as the translator of Tissainayagam’s statement³.

Copy of Tissainayagam Judgement extract⁴ (Stamped 3 September 2009)

¹ <http://www.fhd.8m.net/TR2000/Torture%20Report%202000.htm>

² “I was harrassed by TID”-Tissainayagam”, T. Farook Thajudeen, posted on 10 Nov 2008, <https://freemediasrilanka.wordpress.com/tag/tid/>

³ Tissainayagam on the day he was convicted on August 31, 2009 to 20 years RI <http://www.tyretracks.com/showthread.php?t=190>

⁴ <https://sunandadeshapriya.files.wordpress.com/2009/09/tissa-judgement-part2-pg11-20.pdf>

“SI Mohammed Razik of TID gave evidence next. He is an experienced police officer and has worked in TID for more than 10 years.

... He has recorded a statement by the accused on 07.03.2008 at 1900 hrs. Accused was arrested by Inspector of Police ("IP") Janakantha.....Responding to cross questioning he said that he interrogated the accused several times. He denied that he threatened the accused.”

“Confession by accused in Tamil was translated into Sinhala by **Razik**. SI Janakantha is an experienced officer who has been working in TID for about 9 years. He received a complaint on 6. 03. 2008 that an LTTE intelligence unit member has arrived in Colombo”⁵.

9 Sep 2009 - TID questions “Irida Lanka” editors:

“The officers of Terrorist Investigation Unit who visited the office of the ‘Lanka Irida’ newspaper questioned the members of its Editorial Board. Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Oshan, Inspectors of Police Janakamthe and Saman and Sub Inspectors Hemachandra and **Razeek** have been in the team that questioned the Editorial Board of ‘Lanka Irida’.⁶”

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

A witness in police headquarters heard a detainee screaming and Razik said it’s just some people singing.

W237: “IP Janakantha and Constable Hamza from Unit 1 undertook the interrogation and torture. SI Raseek was also there at some point but I didn’t see him do anything.”

W226: “Razeek was a Muslim Sub Inspector (SI), tall and unusual looking, fair skin, bald. He was present and oversaw beatings.”

W293 cites him as present in TID.

W112 also met Ahmad, Nazir, Raseek on 6th floor Unit 11.

⁵ <https://sunandadeshapriya.files.wordpress.com/2009/09/tissa-judgement-part1-pg1-10.pdf>

⁶ https://docuri.com/download/jds-september-summary-report_59a7cbf5f58171db1d42aab4_pdf

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Published 20 August 2019 divaina.lk²

Investigation of suicide. 28-year-old Christina Fernando from Ratnapura having treatment at the Werahera Kotelawala Defence University has jumped from its 6th floor around 6:45pm on 18 August. Further investigations are carried out by **Sgt Indika (33331)**, Police Constables ("PCs") Wijayasundera (47654), Sampath (60024), Bandara (74157) and police driver Sumanasiri (7882) under instructions by Boralesgamuwa Officer in Charge ("OIC") Inspector of Police ("IP") Priyanka de Silva carried out by minor complaints unit OIC Superintendent ("SI") Dinesh.

Published 15 July 2019 divaina.com³

"Two fb parties raided". One in Matara. The other with Indika in Boralesgamuwa.

Sgt Indika (33331), PCs Indika (40010), Amarasinghe (68832) and WPC Harshani (1094) conducted the raid conducted by Boralesgamuwa OIC Priyantha de Silva under instructions by Western province Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") Wasantha Wickremesinghe.

Published 26 March 2019 mawbima.lk⁴

Reference to **Sgt Indika (33331)** in Boralesgamuwa police.

Published 18 February 2019⁵

¹ <https://www.facebook.com/indika.samarakoon.7>

² <http://divaina.com/daily/index.php/pradeshiya-puwath/32228-2019-08-19-15-58-53>

³ <http://divaina.com/daily/index.php/puwath-2/30762-26-47>

⁴ <https://mawbima.lk/news/17/print-more/2856>

Instructed by Boralesgamuwa OIC IP Priyantha de Silva, Counducted by Crime Investigation Unit OIC SI Muditha Dalpathadu and Sgt **Indika (33331)**

Published lankadeepa.lk 17 August 2019 (Earlier referred in Abdeen re. botched Trinco attack 2001)⁶

The investigations were carried out under the supervision of then DIG HG Wickremesinghe and DIG Lionel Karunasena. SI Abdeen, PS Ganganatha (300), PCs Shiabdeen (473), Indika (74422) and Jayasuriya (8693) assisted in the investigations.

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W237: Samarakoon interrogated someone he knew.

W226: “I heard that Prasanna's subordinate Samarakoon did the torture for Prasanna in his office. The guys who came back to our holding cell told us that the torturer, Samarakoon, put one arm of the detainee over his head and pulled his hand down behind his shoulder blade and the other arm behind the back and handcuffed the hands tightly together. The shoulders were stretched to breaking point and all the torturer did was to tap on their shoulder and it would be excruciatingly painful but hardly left any bruises.”

Indika Samarakoon: “I think he was formally associated with Unit 3 but he mostly worked directly under the supervision of Prasanna who used him to beat people. When I was released from rehabilitation he was working at the airport in Colombo as a TID officer. I have attached as Exhibit 3 a photo of him from his Facebook page.”

W315 mentioned Samarakoon as involved in torture.

⁵ <http://divaina.com/daily/index.php/pradeshiya-puwath/24222-2019-02-17-16-09-47>

⁶ <http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/rasawitha/%E0%B6%AD%E0%B7%8A%E2%80%8D%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B8%E0%B6%BD%E0%B6%BA--%E0%B7%80%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%A7-%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%84%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%86--%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BA%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%9C%E0%B7%9A--%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%B4%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A0%E0%B7%8A%E0%B6%A0%E0%B7%8F%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%AB%E0%B6%BA/57-555361>

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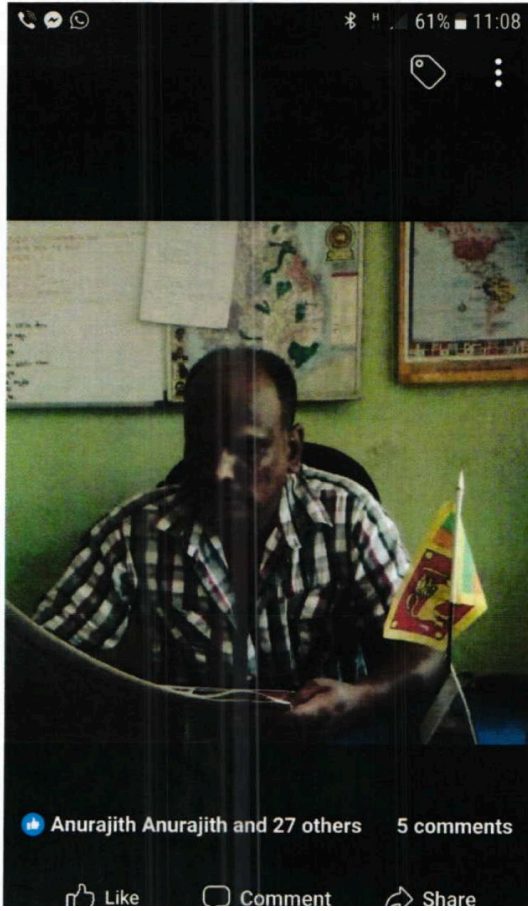
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This is about a recent arrest of someone who allegedly made a bogus complaint that the parliament is going to be attacked. The report says where Anurajith is now.

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“Police spokesperson Ruwan Gunasekara says that a special police team arrested on 13th a person who called 119 and gave false information that the parliament is going to be bombed. The arrested person is Ahmed Bawa Mohommed Rauff (57) who was residing in a rented house in Ella. He has been brought to Colombo and being detained and interrogated by the Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID"). Supervised and advised by Actg. Inspector General of Police ("IGP") Chandaana Wickremeratne, Western Senior Deputy Inspector of Police ("SDIG") Jagath Abeysiri Gunawaardena, Colombo District DIG Dhammika Siriwardena and Colombo Central Superintendent of Police ("SP") Nishantha de Soysa (Zoysa), Pettah Officer in Charge ("OIC") Chief Inspector of Police ("CI") Geethika Bodhipaaksha, **Pettah Crime Division OIC Superintendent ("SI") Anurajith**, Ella OIC CI Alagiyawanna, OIC Colombo Central Law empowerment unit SI Amith have conducted the investigation.”



ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W226: "Until recently he was in charge of TID in Trincomalee. Now he is an OIC in Colombo Crime Division (CCD)." He identified Exhibit 4 (above photo with flag), a photo of him, from his Facebook page.

W315 mentioned Sub inspector Anurajith being involved in torture in TID 6th floor.



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https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=2034625743518103&set=a.1463225027324847&type=3&eid=ARAUy0lwTgfS9KNM8UimMqNNE33gN0AF5OKhQmbYrINpPaDR3k2fD3l2SeTLbrNmHanlh2rxfqKOYt0Q&xts%5B0%5D=68.ARCJf4oMzP1NIHQ9GLqs0huMejYtqmbqYa_VieS0YaWm1sgtJwJxBu7Z-0Z914myuSf1Kfse9FIMUuRgxIPRKHKv46dw7jlv_pmySg34zY_7o9NcEprRuKQnzMZzH9a9bHFN_4SoTxcdm5shK7IJknLD3kejGlyafsaN0rfRfFqdc7dgu4jnsqJtQ65EbZilVpjArDYyioKcZrYuDf0rxhIntTChSXFrqvlvzd7WCPMV4iz0A&tn=EEHH-R

² <https://mawbima.lk/news/23/print-more/8668>

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SEELAN



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PHOTO: Seelan on the right, sitting next to a Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") officer.

OPEN SOURCE

Published lankadeepa.lk 24 September 2017²

A journalist meets LTTE Sea Tiger number two, Gopal Yogeswararasa aka Seelan.

"The former deputy leader of the sea Tiger battalion was arrested when he was in an IDP camp in Vavunia, by a police team comprising Chief Sergeant SB Tennakoon (32520) and Sergeant DDS Nandasiri, led by then central province TID Officer in Charge ("OIC") Chief Inspector ("CI") KMH Bowala".

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

Witnesses say there were two informers with TID called Seelan – one from the Sea Tigers and one from the LTTE intelligence wing.

¹ Photo from link below – man in pink/purple shirt on Right hands side is confirmed by W112 as Seelan. Story also says this.

²<http://www.lankadeepa.lk/sunday/rasawitha/%E0%B6%B8%E0%B7%94%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%94%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%94-%E0%B6%9A%E0%B7%9C%E0%B6%A7%E0%B7%92-%E0%B6%AF%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%80%E0%B7%90%E0%B6%B1%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%BA%E0%B7%8F-%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%99%E0%B7%85%E0%B7%92%E0%B6%9A%E0%B6%BB%E0%B6%B1-%E0%B6%BB%E0%B7%84%E0%B7%83%E0%B7%8A/57-518070> (man in blue shirt in photo in Bowala)

W281: "In Boosa, I saw Seelan who was a sea tiger and he spoke nicely to me... At that point it really sank in that Seelan had turned and was working with the TID. Until that moment, I just couldn't really believe it. I'm sure that Seelan and the TID did the same trick with many other cadres. ...Seelan worked directly for Gamage, who was higher ranking than Nandasiri."

W305: "Normal police officers could be bribed for information and I used to get money from outside and could get information this way. There was an informant in the TID who used to work for me and he sort of played a double game not being 100% loyal to the TID. His name was Seelan. He also spoke Sinhalese. He surrendered to the army himself because they were looking for him but someone had already revealed some information about him. The Criminal Investigation Department ("CID") in Kandy took him from Omathai School and somehow he became very close to the CID there. The TID wanted him to be transferred because they thought Seelan would 'brainwash' the CID in Kandy and escape. ...since he had to show his loyalty to the TID he had to tell about some people. He was paid by the TID, provided with a house and car and now he is living as a free person in Vanni. ... He even identified his own uncles where he stayed during the Galle attack and they joined us in Boosa."

W258: "I heard while in rehabilitation that there was another guy there as an informant. His name was Seelan and he was a sea tiger. He had been informing on people since 2009. He was like a real informant. I know there were a lot of people like him."

W112: Says he was a senior Sea Tiger who was involved in the attack on Galle port.

"After his arrest he was working with TID. Specially for Gamage (Unit-01). Since from his release, he is working with Prasanna De Alwis. He was the one giving them information about ex Sea Tigers".

CHANDRA NIMAL WAKISHTA

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CHANDRA NIMAL WAKISHTA¹

“We do not detain people unnecessarily. We don't harass people simply because they are Tamil. ...They should not think that by staying in detention that their freedom was curtailed. ... We do apologise for the inconveniences caused. We tell them that they have done a service to the country by being in detention.^{1”}

Chandra Nimal Wakishta, 2009

2009-2010: Terrorism Investigation Division ("TID") Director². UN OISL (para 135) references him as TID Chief in April 2009.

2009³: Receives a Hero of Armed Forces⁴ Award.

2010: Described as Deputy Inspector of Police ("DIG") TID; W294 confirms this⁵.

2010: Head of State Intelligence Service (SIS)⁶. Also 2012 during the Welikada Jail incident (see below).

2014: SIS chief⁷. Dec 2014 – an intelligence report is leaked suggesting Rajapaksa won't win elections and Wakishta is sacked⁸. He is described in media as National Intelligence Unit's Deputy Chief.

2016: Retired⁹.

2016: Goes on to work for JICA¹⁰ - the Japan International Cooperation Agency as a security consultant.

TRAINING & TRIPS

2004: Directorate of Internal Intelligence, Police Department, Assistant Director Mr. C.N. WAKISHTA was sent to a workshop in Bangkok, BALI MINISTERIAL PROCESS, Inaugural People Smuggling Regional Targeting Workshop¹¹.

2011: Wakishta was sent for training to the Royal Malaysian Police College in Kuala Lumpur for a senior Police officers' command course.

2012: Wakishta attended the Annual Defence Dialogue between India and Sri Lanka in January in New Delhi with President Rajapaksa¹².

2012: Wakishta was sent as an Advisor for the Sri Lankan Department of Police to attend the Meeting of the High-Level Group of Eminent Experts to Strengthen SAARC Anti-Terrorism Mechanism held in New Delhi on 9-10 February 2012¹³.

¹ Also spelt Wagista, Wakhishta, Wakista.

Oct 2016: Wakishta becomes a World Fellowship of Buddhists¹⁴ executive council member¹⁵. He is also a member of the "Dharma Voices for Animals".¹⁶

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

Aug 2014: Allegations levelled in the media that Wakishta misinformed Interpol to have a woman and her children arrested in the UK and deported to Sri Lanka as a favour to a family friend in a marital dispute with her.¹⁷

Jul 2016¹⁸: Wakishta is questioned by Criminal Investigation Department ("CID") over the case regarding the killing of journalist Lasantha Wickrematunge.

Welikada Prison Incident

Media reports say Wakishta was one of 6 high ranking officials recommended for prosecution by a Committee of Inquiry into the incident in Welikada Jail in 2012 in which 27 prisoners were shot dead¹⁹. Another media report said the inquiry alleged that Wakishta had engaged in the deliberate misrepresentation of the facts. One report quoted from what appears to be the inquiry report, saying:

"The coordination, advanced preparation and planning with the Special Task Force ("STF"), Rehabilitation and Prison Reform Ministry and the then Prisons Commissioner General and Prisons Intelligence Unit Jailor Indika Sampath was solely handled by Chandra Wakishta, then Senior DIG of State Intelligence and TID, and in doing so, he has failed to obtain a search warrant from a competent Court of Law for the conduct of this search²⁰".

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W137: "I was also questioned by Prasanna's boss, the Director of the TID, I think his name was Wakishta. He was polite and only asked me a few questions with Prasanna de Alwis standing in Wakishta's office - I was offered a seat. Wakishta said ...now I could work with them. ... His office was also on the 2nd Floor. Prasanna's office was a little bigger than that of Wakishta."

W294: "DIG Wakishta was in charge of TID, CID and Narcotics. Under his command was an Superintendent of Police ("SP") and his name was Karavita, he was the Director of the TID".

W226: "Prasanna and Wakishta were the worst racists."

W112: "Prasanna de Alwis was the Officer in Charge ("OIC") for the whole 6th Floor. I think he about my height, I'm 5'9. He came very early to the office and he worked until late, about 10 pm. He was serious, didn't work for the money was my impression, he was very loyal to the government and seemed to have a special relationship with Gotabaya. He didn't respect Wakishta."

W315: “Zubair took me to Prasanna De Alwis's office and then he took me to the office of C.N Wakishta who was the Director Inspector General of TID's office, which was on the same floor. He was the boss for the whole division and therefore senior to Prasanna De Alwis.”

¹ http://businesstoday.lk/cover_page.php?article=205&issue=253

² *When the Suicide Bomber is a Woman*, 17 Aug 2008, Asian Tribune, <http://www.asiantribune.com/index.php?q=node/7021>

³ http://www.businesstoday.lk/cover_page.php?article=205&issue=206

⁴ <http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:bfZPkIQPNngJ:archives.dailynews.lk/2009/08/05/sec05.asp+&cd=8&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=uk&client=safari>

⁵ <http://www.dailymirror.lk/article/Lasantha-s-murder-SC-holds-Army-officer-s-rights-violated-123915.html>

⁶ The officer on the ground, who was responsible for several of these investigations in 2010, was retired DIG Chandra Wakishta, who was in charge of both the TID and SIS in 2010.

Gota and Fonseka trade charges on who attacked Lasantha and Keith, 10 May 2018, Daily Mirror, <http://www.dailymirror.lk/plus/article/Gota-and-Fonseka-trade-charges-on-who-attacked-Lasantha-and-Keith-149720.html>

⁷ <http://www.asianmirror.lk/news/item/5301-sis-to-sue-rawaya-for-publishing-false-intelligence-report>
<http://www.asiantribune.com/node/85980>

⁸ <http://caffesrilanka.org/posters/150323200347CaFFE%20report%20%23%2025%20Dec.%209th%20presidential%20election.pdf>

⁹ <https://sites.google.com/site/ceylon2nations/hot-news-1/headline2/home/cidsummonswagistawhoacquittedlasanthakillers>

¹⁰ http://island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=146419

Sri Lanka's top spies work for foreign interests after retirement, Economy Next, 2 Jun 2016, https://economynext.com/Sri_Lanka_s_top_spies_work_for_foreign_interests_after_retirement-3-5157.html

¹¹ <http://www.baliprocess.net/UserFiles/baliprocess/File/Minutes%20of%20BKK%20workshop.pdf>

¹² http://slhcindia.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=550:annual-defence-dialogue-between-india-and-sri-lanka-inaugurated&catid=50:demo-category&Itemid=1

¹³ https://www.parliament.lk/uploads/documents/paperspresented/performance_report_ministry_of_external_affairs_2012.pdf

¹⁴ <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20161010/282656096964225>

¹⁵ <http://wfbhq.org/about-executive-council.php>

¹⁶ <https://dharmavoicesforanimals.org/who-we-are/>

¹⁷ <http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:Kgb14ZpcTAoJ:archive.lankanewsweb.net/news/8608-nimal-wakishta-misled-interpol+&cd=9&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=uk&client=safari>

<http://archive.srilankamirror.com/news/16594-nimal-wakishta-misled-interpol>

<https://sites.google.com/site/ceylon2nations/hot-news-1/headline2/home/cidsummonswagistawhoacquittedlasanthakillers>

¹⁹ 19 Apr 2018, Colombo, Sri Lanka Guardian: “The prosecution of six high ranking officials previously attached to the Ministry of Defence, the State Intelligence Service, the Prisons Department and the Sixth Gajaba Regiment of the Army in relation to the Welikada Prisons incident of November 2012, has been recommended by a Committee of Inquiry which probed into the matter. The Committee of Inquiry into the Prison Incident Welikada – 2012 (C.I.P.I) has recommended charging former Defence Secretary Gotabaya Rajapaksa, former Head/Director of the State Intelligence Services and the Terrorism Investigation Division (TID) Senior Deputy Inspector General of Police (SDIG) Chandra Nimal Wakishta, former Jailor and Officer-In-Charge (OIC) of the Prisons Intelligence Unit Indika Sampath, former Commissioner General of Prisons P.W. Kodippili, then Brigadier of the Army Shantha Dissanayake and former Superintendent of the Magazine Prison and an incumbent Commissioner of Prisons (Rehabilitation) (covering up duties) Emil Ranjan Lamahewage under Section 162 of the Penal Code, which deals with public officers who disobey the directions of the law with the intent of causing injury to persons or the Government.” <https://www.slguardian.org/welikada-prison-massacre-recommends-charging-gota/>

Also https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/charge-gota-says-nambuwasam-coi-on-welikada-massacre/?fbclid=IwAR10ivAQPAPHB2DoVqiQ9OIPcj3Z77xe8N4H5MTYIPf0II4FHvPSE_kjouA

²⁰ <http://www.uktamilnews.com/?p=20851>

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H.A.J.S.K. (JAYANTHA) WICKREMARATNE

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE



CAREER

1974 August	Joined the police force. ¹
1975	Completed the training and became an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) ²
1976	First posting to Puttalam ³ .
1983	Promoted to the rank of Superintendent of Police (SP) ⁴ .
1989	Promoted to the rank of Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) ⁵ .
1993	Promoted to the rank of Deputy Inspector General (DIG) ⁶ .
2005	Promoted to the rank of Senior DIG ⁷ . Followed training courses in USA, UK, Sweden & Japan ⁸
1 Jul 2008 – 2 Nov 2009	Inspector General of Police ⁹
2009 May	Stated that arrested Tamil Tiger cadres had disclosed the names of journalists funded by LTTE. Branded the journalists as traitors and said that action would be taken against them. ¹⁰
Dec 2009 – May 2011	Additional Secretary MOD
May 2011	Bribery and Corruption Commission; ¹¹ here he is referred to as Dr. – unclear when he acquired a doctorship.

¹ https://www.busesstoday.lk/cover_page.php?article=26

² Ibid

³ Ibid

⁴ <http://www.asiantribune.com/node/11998>

⁵ Ibid

⁶ https://www.busesstoday.lk/cover_page.php?article=26

⁷ Ibid

⁸ Ibid

⁹ <https://www.police.lk/index.php/library/587-list-of-inspector-general-of-police>

¹⁰ <https://www.army.lk/news/police-probing-journalists-tiger-payroll-igg>
https://wikileaks.org/plusd/cables/09COLOMBO596_a.html

¹¹ <https://www.facebook.com/SarvodayaSriLanka/posts/when-you-think-of-standing-against-bribery-and-corruption-click-here/853478408000105/> and http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=25843

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/jayantha-wickramaratne-43028639/>

<http://www.tisirilanka.org/balapatabendi-as-new-bribery-chief/>

- 2013** Media reports about two investigations bearing internal file Nos. 1571/2009 and 1574/2009 against Wickramaratne regarding certain corrupt procurements made by him in 2009.¹²
- 2016 Jul** Questioned by the CID recently in connection with the murder of former Sunday Leader Editor Lasantha Wickremetunga.¹³
- 2018 Feb** Sri Lanka Supreme Court issues stay order preventing his arrest.¹⁴

He obtained a degree in Public Administration from the University of Sri Jayawardenapura in 1973 and later obtained a Post Graduate Diploma Certificate in Criminology from the same university.¹⁵

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

According to the TID Director, IGP Wickramaratne was informed daily about developments and in command of TID activities:

“We receive clear guidance from the Inspector General of Police Jayantha Wickramaratna. He ensures that we maintain complete reports every day and keeps pushing us to show results. He never postpones anything and is always up to date on the progress of the investigations¹⁶”.

UK Training:

Media reports say Wickramaratne was among those senior officers trained for six weeks in Scotland and N. Ireland in 2007.¹⁷ This is at a time when an assessment by a local human rights group, the Asian Human Rights Commission, cited the Sri Lankan Government's tolerance of pervasive corruption as a major reason for the Police Force's incapacity to investigate and prosecute cases effectively.¹⁸ *The Island* newspaper in Sri Lanka reported:

July 2007: “Six senior Sri Lankan police officers are in the UK on a scholarship to study how Britain has implemented a ‘Community Police Service’. Senior DIG Jayantha

<https://srilankabrief.org/2015/06/how-chairman-bribery-commission-compromised-its-independence/>

<http://archives.sundayobserver.lk/2012/02/19/fea12.asp>

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¹³ <http://www.dailynews.lk/2016/07/21/law-order/88152>

¹⁴ http://www.colombopage.com/archive_18A/Feb28_1519829276CH.php

¹⁵ <http://www.asiantribune.com/node/11998>

¹⁶ http://www.businesstoday.lk/cover_page.php?article=205&issue=206

¹⁷ <http://www.911forum.org.uk/board/viewtopic.php?p=168059> and <http://www.anphoblacht.com/contents/27129> and <https://corporatewatch.org/for-sale-top-uk-riot-cops-export-to-war-zones-and-dictators/>

¹⁸ <https://www.state.gov/documents/organization/160476.pdf>

Wickremaratne, DIG Gamini Navaratne, DIG Nimal Ambanwela, SSP Daya Samaraweera, SSP Jayantha Perera and ASP Ajith Rohana are participating in this training program. Initially, they were trained at the Police Training College in Fife, Scotland. They were also assigned to the Fife, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Teyside police stations in Scotland for practical training. Senior DIG Jayantha Wickremaratne told the *Sunday Island* that they arrived in the UK on May 19, 2007 for this training program which will continue for 1½ months.

“We had our basic training in Scotland after which we went to Northern Ireland for discussions with the Chief Police Constable and other senior police officers in Belfast,’ he said. ‘As Northern Ireland also faced terrorist problems like in Sri Lanka, we shared our views and methods on how to tackle the threat’, Senior DIG Wickremaratne said.... He thanked Ven. Kamburawala Rewatha Thera¹⁹, Head Priest of Scotland Buddhist Vihara for the assistance given to them during their stay there.”
[FH: who is then sentenced for molesting women].²⁰

September 2007: “A six-member group led by Senior DIG Jayantha Wickramaratne (Senior DIG/Range 11) had been on a six-week programme at the Scottish Police College. Two DIGs, Gamini Navaratne, H.N.S.Ambanwela²¹, SSPs, Jayantha Perera and Daya Samaraweera and Assistant Superintendent of Police ("ASP") Ajith Rohana had been on the Scottish tour. They had been taken to Northern Ireland on a two-day familiarisation tour under the programme jointly worked out by UK authorities and Strategic Planning Committee of the Defence Ministry²².”

Feb 2008: “Morris revealed that the UK stepped in following a request made by [the] **Defence Secretary** two years ago. The direct involvement of the Defence Secretary and the President had facilitated the programme, he said. Three Scottish experts headed by Dr. David Garbutt, ex-chief constable of Scotland and ex-director of Scottish Police College had conducted over a week-long course for 39 officers holding the ranks of SP, ASP, Chief Inspector and Inspector on community policing. Mike Kneeshaw and Ian Moffat of the Community Policing Training Department, Scottish Police College comprised the expert team.

“Garbutt had functioned as the course coordinator when a six-member police delegation comprising senior DIG Jayantha Wickremaratne, DIGs Gamini Navaratne, HNS Ambanwela, SSPs, Jayantha Perera and Daya Samaraweera and ASP Ajith Rohana followed [a] course on ‘police strategic development’ at the Scottish Police College in May-July last year. The course included a short visit to Northern Ireland.

“To facilitate the implementation of the British led scheme, IGP Victor Perera had created Strategic Development Division ("SDD") with the officers who had followed the Scottish course as its pioneers.

¹⁹ <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-glasgow-west-45296177>

²⁰ *CCTV camera project to be launched in Colombo distric*, By Sujeeva Nivunhella in London, *Sunday Island*, 1 Jul 2007, <http://www.island.lk/2007/07/01/news15.html>

²¹ Maybe same man meeting UK official - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/32615394@N04/4201845919>

²² *UK offered similar 'lessons' to Lankan police, LTTE*; by Shamindra Ferdinando, 3 Sep 2007, <http://www.island.lk/2007/09/03/news1.html>

“The visiting officers will conduct another advanced course for SDD and some selected personnel who graduated yesterday. DIG Navaratne said that there would be obstacles. It would be a challenging task but they shouldn’t be discouraged, he said. Both Navaratne and Wickremaratne asserted that the British programme would not have been possible without Sanjaya Colonne, advisor on strategic affairs of the Ministry of Defence.²³”

[Same information repeated in 2012 edition²⁴.]

Threatening Journalists:

A US WIKILEAKS telex²⁵ from June 2009 describes the then Sri Lankan Army Commander Sarath Fonseka and the then Inspector General of Police ("IGP") Jayantha Wickramaratne threatening Sri Lankan journalists, many of whom remain in exile to this day (some in Germany):

"Both stated that LTTE cadres now in custody had disclosed the names of journalists who were funded by the LTTE. General Fonseka claimed that most were Sinhalese, some were members of organizations advocating greater media freedom, and some had secret meetings with the LTTE. Both Fonseka and Wickramaratne labeled the journalists as traitors and said that action would be taken against them".

This false allegation was repeated by the Ministry of Defence website²⁶:

“The IGP said some of them were misreporting, at the behest of the LTTE, that the Sri Lanka Army was shelling civilians while the LTTE was shooting at the fleeing civilians. They were simply trying to concoct evidence to help friends of the LTTE to prosecute Sri Lanka leaders on war crimes the IGP alleged. But the police chief did not name names during the interview.”

At the time several Tamil and Sinhala journalists were in TID custody where they had been tortured, and this had been reported in the media and by human rights groups. Also in June 2009, a Sinhala journalist (Poddala Jayantha) was abducted and badly beaten in Colombo. IGP Wickramaratne was part of the disinformation campaign inciting hatred against journalists – alleging a spurious LTTE funding link which a decade later has never been proven:

“In a television discussion after the victory over the LTTE, Police Chief Jayantha Wickramaratne said there was evidence that some journalists, especially Sinhala nationals, were on the payroll of the Tamil Tigers.²⁷”

²³ *UK trains Lankan cops, push for challenging reforms*, The Island, Feb 2008, <http://www.island.lk/2008/02/11/news18.html>

²⁴ http://www.island.lk/index.php?page_cat=article-details&page=article-details&code_title=58801

²⁵ Wikileaks, 5 Jun 2009, 09COLOMBO596_a

²⁶ <https://www.army.lk/news/police-probing-journalists-tiger-payroll-igp>

²⁷ Sri Lanka war on words continues, BBC, 24 June 2009, http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/south_asia/8107869.stm

Human Rights Watch referenced this incident²⁸ and the US State Department report in 2009 commented:

“On June 1, the head of the Sri Lanka Working Journalists Association Poddala Jayantha was abducted and severely beaten near Colombo. The attack seemed to have been encouraged by the government, which had aired photos of journalists - including a close-up of Jayantha - during comments by the Inspector General of Police Jayantha Wickramaratne, who called journalists traitors who would be dealt with.”²⁹

The IGP was also accused in 2008 of failing to take action against a Minister accused of assaulting a cameraman³⁰. The Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) tried to contact the IGP’s office about a number of attacks on journalists in Sri Lanka in 2009 but was told they had no comment to make³¹.

Recently Questioned over 2009 Killing of Journalist Lasantha Wickremetunga:

In March 2018, Jayantha Wickramaratne was questioned by the CID in connection with the murder of former Sunday Leader Editor Lasantha Wickremetunga. He was asked about a notebook belonging to Wickremetunge that had gone missing while in police custody³². He obtained a stay order (injunction) from the Supreme Court against his arrest³³.

According to Journalists for Democracy in Sri Lanka:

“A special military intelligence unit planned and carried out the assassination of Sunday Leader Editor Lasantha Wickremetunge in 2009 while senior police officers in the Terrorist Investigation Department (TID) and Colombo Crimes Division (CCD) destroyed evidence and misled initial investigations, court heard. In a report to the Mount Lavinia magistrate on Friday (2) CID informed that the police chief, senior deputy inspector generals as well as several senior officers of the TID at the time were involved in actively undermining the investigation. A senior CID officer who spoke to JDS on condition of anonymity, said that the Inspector General of Police (IGP) at the time Jayantha Wickremetunge handed over the investigation to TID chief Chandra Vakishta³⁴, who allegedly distorted the evidence.”

Recently Questioned over 2009 Abduction and Beating of Journalist:

Media reports say when another journalist, Keith Noyahar, was abducted and badly beaten

²⁸ <https://www.hrw.org/news/2009/06/03/sri-lanka-avoid-postwar-witch-hunt>

²⁹ BUREAU OF DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LABOR [2009 Country Reports on Human Rights Practices](https://www.state.gov/j/drl/rls/hrrpt/2009/sca/136093.htm) Report March 11, 2010 <https://www.state.gov/j/drl/rls/hrrpt/2009/sca/136093.htm>

³⁰ https://www.bbc.com/sinhala/news/story/2008/08/printable/080821_mervin.shtml

³¹ <https://cpj.org/reports/2009/02/failure-to-investigate-sri-lankan-journalists-unde.php>

³² “According to the statements made by the former SSP Mt. Lavinia Adikari **Appuhamilage Hemantha Harischandra Appuhamy alias Hemantha Adikari** and the then OIC Crimes SI, **Tissasiri Sugathapala** (second suspect), it was on the directives of the then IGP **Jayantha Wickramaratne** through DIG Mirihana, **Vitharana Arachchige Sirimevan Prasanna Nanayakkara** (third suspect), that evidence had been concealed or destroyed to botch the investigation.” <http://www.dailymirror.lk/expose/Evidence-unfolding-before-courts-on-Lasantha-s-Murder/333-147877>

³³ <http://www.dailynews.lk/2018/03/01/law-order/144282/sc-stays-arrest-former-igp>

³⁴ See Dossier.

in 2009, the then Secretary of Defence, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, called IGP Wickremaratne whom the Sri Lankan media alleged was linked to the incident³⁵.

Surveillance of opposition politician - Chandrika Kumaratunga:

On 19 October 2009 Sri Lanka's former President wrote to IGP Wickremaratne complaining of constant surveillance by the intelligence unit, NIB³⁶.

Anti Corruption:

May 2011: Wickremaratne was nominated to the Bribery Commission³⁷. Media in Sri Lanka, however, reported on allegations of corruption by Wickremaratne that they alleged were not investigated (case internal file Nos. 1571/2009 and 1574/2009)³⁸.

2017 – alleged to have framed unfounded charges against Chief Justice Shirani Bandaranayake:

“The Commission to Investigate Bribery and Corruption (CIABOC) has commenced an inquiry against its former Chairman, Commissioners and Director General on Monday. The inquiry was initiated following a complaint made by lawyer Nagananda Kodituwakku to CIABOC, on 10 March 2016 against its former Chairman D.J.de S. Balapatabendi, ex-Commissioners L.K Wimalachandra and Jayantha Wickramaratne and former Director General Luckshmi Menaka Jayawickrama, all of whom he accuses of being responsible for the abuse of office to frame manifestly unfounded charges against Chief Justice Shirani Bandaranayake before the Chief Magistrates’ Court, Colombo, to grant a favour to former President Mahinda Rajapaksa, enabling him to appoint Mohan Peiris as the Chief Justice.³⁹”

³⁵ <https://srilankatwo.wordpress.com/2018/04/15/phone-records-lead-cid-to-big-arrest-in-keith-noyahr-abduction-case/>

³⁷ <http://www.tisirilanka.org/balapatabendi-as-new-bribery-chief/> and <https://www.linkedin.com/in/jayantha-wickramaratne-43028639/?originalSubdomain=lk>

³⁸ *Exclusive Expose: Serious Corruption Allegations Against Bribery Commissioner Jayantha Wickramaratne Hidden At Bribery Commission By Influence*

<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/exclusive-expose-serious-corruption-allegations-against-bribery-commissioner-jayantha-wickramaratne-hidden-at-bribery-commission-by-influence/>

³⁹ <http://www.ft.lk/article/601086/ft>

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ZUBAIR¹

OPEN SOURCE MATERIAL

2007

This reference to Suber appears to be Zubair misspelt.

Detainee to UN Special Rapporteur, Manfred Nowak, in 2007:

“For the first four days after he had been brought to TID, he was severely ill-treated by three officers named Abdeen, **Suber** and Kankha. After he was forced to completely undress, two of the officers placed a stick under his knees and handcuffed him in front of his shackled legs (“parrot’s perch” or “dharma chakara”). In this position, he was hung upside-down between two tables in the office of Branch No. 3 on the first floor of the TID premises. For 10 minutes, the officers beat him with an iron bar on the soles of his feet and on his back. They also kicked him in the face. This treatment continued for four days in which the officers tried without success to get him to confess his involvement with the LTTE. About one month ago, the same officers tortured him again by the same method. It was common that detainees were held overnight in the interrogation rooms on the first floor. After the ill-treatment his feet were swollen and numb, as was one of his fingers to which he received a blow. He reported that another detainee named Stephen had been taken out of the cells and brought to an unknown location earlier the same day. Stephen had been massively tortured, including beatings on his testicles”.²

2007

“Further questioning was carried out by Officer In Charge (“OIC”) Prasanna De Alwis and Zubair of the TID. At one point, Tissainayagam said Zubair had walked in while the questioning was going on and had stated that if he (Tissainayagam) continues to lie in this manner he would slap him across the face so that one ear would come out of the other side.”³

2011

Named in a petition by a Tamil regarding their property in Colombo appropriated by TID⁴. Media articles⁵ name Subair [Zubair], Abdeen and the Inspector General of Police (“IGP”) as

¹ Also spelt Subair.

² http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/docs/7session/A.HRC.7.3.Add.6_ch.pdf

³ “I was harassed by TID”-Tissainayagam, T. Farook Thajudeen, posted on 10 Nov 2008, <https://freemediasrilanka.wordpress.com/tag/tid/> also <https://freemediasrilanka.wordpress.com/tag/tid/>

⁴ <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/.../281904475242521>

⁵ “Petitioners Shanmugam Sivarajah Nagarajah and Sivarajah Sarojini Devi cited OIC of the TID, its Director, DIG of the TID, Inspector Abdeen and Subair of the TID, IGP, Secretary and Additional Secretary to the Defence Ministry, Lalith Weeratunge who was the Secretary to the former President and the Attorney General as Respondents”

<https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20170728/282480003866012>

<http://www.ft.lk/article/66357/Swiss-expatriates-lament-to-SC-house-being-occupied-by-TID>

<https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20121211/281848640914227>, Daily Mirror, 11

Dec 2012, *Unlawful Occupation of Expatriates’ Property*

28 Jul 2017, *SC Awards 500,000 to Expat Tamils*, Daily Mirror, <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri->

the respondents for TID for a claim by Tamils in Switzerland to reclaim their seized property in Welawatte in Colombo.⁶ The plaintiffs eventually won compensation.

ITJP WITNESS TESTIMONY

W57 was interrogated and tortured by him.

W137: “Zubair was a bit tall, medium build, he wore full sleeve shirt, he had short hair. I saw Zubair in Boosa - he came to transport me from Boosa to Colombo.”

W294: “The main interrogator was Zubair, who spoke Tamil... Zubair again said I was lying and he took a broomstick and started beating me with it on my back.

“Beginning of 2011, I was taken for investigation to the 2nd Floor and Zubair beat me badly with a broomsticks, they were more like legs from broken chairs. I tried to block but he kept beating. One day he told me to strip naked and he slapped me. He did it just to humiliate me. They wanted to show us that we were nothing to them and they could do whatever they wanted with us. Sometimes the guards also told someone to strip naked just for humiliation.”

W112 met him in Colombo TID.

W315: “Prasanna De Alwis was a high ranking officer and Zubair worked under him. Zubair was a Muslim and knew Tamil and Sinhala...”

Zubair tortured **W315**.

“At the end of 2011, Zubair was suspended from TID and a man called Sergeant Nazir took over Zubair’s work”. [**W315**]

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Swiss expatriates lament to SC house being occupied by TID, 16 Jan 2012, FT Lanka, <http://www.ft.lk/article/66357/Swiss-expatriates-lament-to-SC-house-being-occupied-by-TID>

and: SC FR Application No.15/2010

http://www.supremecourt.lk/images/documents/sc_fr_15_2010.pdf

⁶ *SC awards Rs. 500,000 to expat Tamils*, Daily Mirror, 2017-07-28, <http://www.dailymirror.lk/article/SC-awards-Rs-to-expat-Tamils-133663.html>