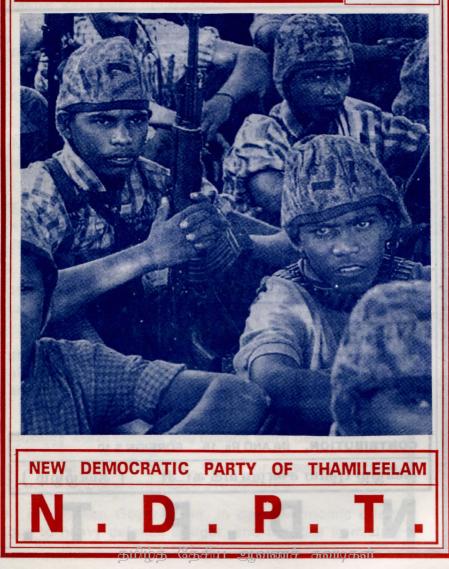
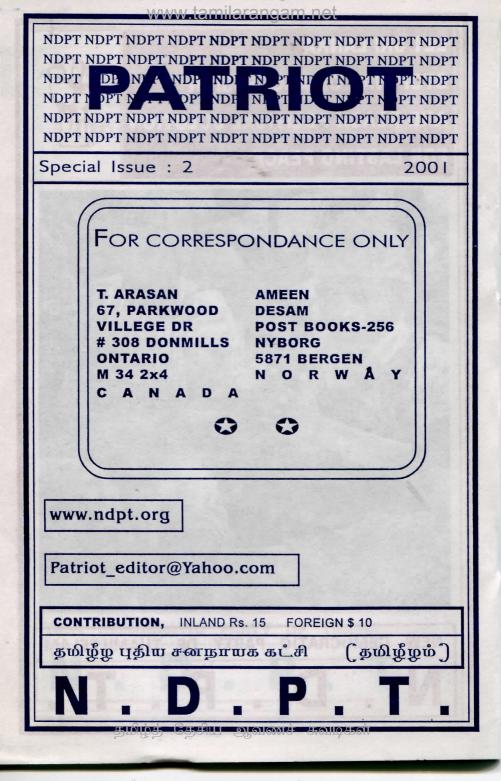
LET SRI LANKA STOP WAR OF AGGRESSION AND REACH POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR LASTING PEACE





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In the fourteen years ethnic aggression of Sri Lanka and 3 year peace keeping war of India, about 62,000 people were killed ruthlessly.

About 6,00,000 people are living in open refugee camps of Sri Lanka.

3 Lakhs people have taken asylum in Europe and America.

In Indian refugee camps about 65,000 people are living and another 30,000 people live in India outside the refugee camps.

In the world history, after Iraq, about 14,500 Tamil Eelam people are missing 26,000 women became widows of the warriors. 72,000 students are deprived of their primary/basic education.

For the liberation of Tamil Eelam the LTTE has lost 16,000 valuable cadres and in other movements 1,500 cadres have sacrificed their lives.

1,800 cadres have lost their life due to the clashes among the liberation movements. Few hundred cadres all refugees have lost their lives in the sea between India and Sri Lanka.

The movable and immovable properties of Tamils and Muslims worth billions and billions were destroyed.

In the circumstances, voice for cease fire, talks, political solution and peace are initiated.

Sri Lankan Government, in deep economic crisis, due to heavy defence Budget, and the loss in military

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strength, war expenses are inclined for cease fire.

The non-Government voluntary organisation's adding to this view of the Government, also insist (to speed up developmental activities for economic reform, to reduce the heavy burden of Budgetary Taxes on the people) and invite the Govt. and liberation movements to come forward for cease fire, talks, political solution and peace.

The LTTE is ready for unconditional talks and unilateral cease fire, Also they make it clear that they are not against Third country intervention by mediation and talks. They expect the Government to remove the bans and create a conducive atmosphere for talks.

Many of the Tamil Political parties taking part in the Sri Lankan Government suggest that fruitful solution to ethnic problem is possible by holding talks with LTTE.

The EPDF, EPLRF (Vardan) who always get along with Chandrika Government are prepared to carryout any tactful plan of Chandrika Govt.

The liberation struggle is continuing for the past 17 years against the ethnic oppression of the Sri Lankan Government to attain the right to self determination by separation of Tamil Eelam. Only for the above cause people have sacrificed their lives, undergone many sufferings and strongly stand by the liberation war and definitely not for the childish war plan of certain leaders of the Liberation movement.

The Sri Lankan Government, its allied countries and Non Governmental voluntary organisation listing out the damages due to the long war, are desperate in convincing the Tamil leaders and people to accept a solution which the Government presently are ready to offer. In a

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situation their the liberation struggle is poised for poliucal power, the Sri Lankan Government, are adamant on precondition for talks (like disarming of liberation cadres) But this is not necessary for talks at in present situation. But Government is not clear about its package of solutions but very clear in starting a propaganda war for cease fire, talks, peace etc. Though various liberation movements raise their voice for cease fire, talks. political solutions by giving statements they are never clear about the demands for talks and power structure. The movements which presented programmes for the Tamil Eelam Government, have not given any programme for talks.

In 1985, the four point programme discussed and adopted by all the movements for the Thimbu talks was made as the basis for talks.

1987, except LTTE all other Bourgeois and petty Bourgeois Tamil parties have given up even the Thimbu demands and were ready to accept Indo-Sri Lanka agreement, by their betrayal of Tamil people and their great struggle. The condition in 1985 regarding movements growth, peoples sufferings and sacrifice cannot be equated with the conditions of 2000.

Even today the Sri Lankan Government and its allies, refute the Thimbu base for Political solution, The Non-Government organisation of Sri Lanka which advocate peace talks are against Thimbu formula. People will never excuse these so called peace promoting organisations.

After Mr. Eric Golgeim, the Norway peace mediator went to Vanni forest and met LTTE Supremo Prabhakaran, the Tamil people expected peace. The media has roused this Eric-Prabhakaran meet and developed expectations.

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The New millennium Hero's day - Speech by Prabhakaran is also much welcomed by Tamil people and world people.

"LTTE is ready for unconditional talks and let the Government create conducive environment for talks"

The above reference by Prabhakaran in Hero's day speech was widely publicised and praised loudly by LTTE sympathisers world wide as the diplomatic achievement of Prabhakaran.

In 1998 during Hero's day, speech, Prabhakaran referring, to the Chandrika Government's political solution package for the parliamentary system ever before in increasing wave-3, said that for the talks with Government the basis should be Thimbu Talks. But now in 2000 Prabhakaran while referring to greet military victory, unconditional talks, political solutions and International pressure, has not referred to Thimbu basis for talks. If really LTTE demands Highest Political Power for them why he has not explained them in his Hero's days speech.

Prabhakaran while referring to increasing war operations and the international compulsion including the pressure to stop its furtherance, questioned . Why there was no International Pressure let on Sri Lankan aggression on Jaffna in 1995, the Leadership of LTTE which is much aware of the International pressure to suppress the Liberation movement, dilute it and weaken it further, has never thought of organising people in the struggle front on political lines.

The LTTE has to remove its ban on Tamil Patriotic revolutionary movements which are fighting against Sri Lankan Government and imperialist forces.

* To allow the Muslims to settle back in their original place in the North.

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* LTTE has to accept its mistakes committed which favoured the enemies and to undergo self criticism.

* To form a common minimum political demand for talks with Government and grouping all movements which accept this programme and forming a common front for talks.

The LTTE Leadership has come to a stage to concede all to end the Issues. But Prabhakaran has not talked about these things in his Hero's day speech. But people in Tamil Eelam and all people concerned in liberation have started thinking about it.

Since 1994 every year on the day of Polio vaccination organised by UNICEF both LTTE and Government will stop war in these days. But in 2000 both have violated this. But in 2000 Hero's day speech offering unconditional talks Prabhakaran offered cease fire for one month for Christmas, New year and Pongal. Whether this has to be regarded as LTTE's war diplomacy or International pressure on LTTE.

The Sri Lankan Government and its defence ministry are not ready for cease fire. They are not ready to believe Tigers. So they want war and talks together. Nor is it an unusual strategy of Sri Lankan Government. On the other hand Sri Lanka defence ministry request the British Government to ban LTTE like India and U.S.A. have already done. Britain has also accepted to consider this demand whereas Tigers are in a condition to ask Sri Lanka to lift the ban against it in Sri Lanka.

LTTE Leadership instead of demanding the Government for its political powers, Prabhakaran only insisting the Government (like 1994) for lifting the Ban on supplied medicine for two Territories controlled by Tigers, Though these demands are just this, conceding this will not lead to political solution. To counter the

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Sri Lanka's tactful plans and bring peaceful solution only the political solution package for attaining the political demands is required.

In a Juncture where Sri Lanka chouts of its allied counter planning suppress the Tamil Eelam struggle. It is not adequate to work for removing the ban on medicine and economic sanctions. The opponents will not allow such Ban removal for long time. They will either try to bring a compromise for power, If it fails they will bring back this ban. The U.S.A., Russia and U.N.'s plans against Iraq and Afghan are a great experience for us.

The 1994 episode of violation of cease fire by LTTE and the Chandrika Governments calling LTTE as war mongers was a old story. Even now if LTTE do any violation of ceasefire initiated by various compulsion, Then Sri Lanka Govt. will again brand LTTE as war mongers.

The LTTE leadership should consolidate the support of its cadres, Tamil Eelam people International People for cease fire talks in a Transparent manner. Only by this it is possible to expose the force again talks and political solution.

From the beginning of Tamil Eelam Liberation struggle for the path of Tamil Eelam, working class, different lines and different liberation movements are waging struggles. The leadership which has taken up the task of working class national liberation struggle fails to continuously self criticise and struggle against their opportunist Petti burcegoise policies. They are unable to built revolutionary working class national liberation struggle. They fail to put forward the class politics and sharpen the struggle. In such a situation those movements have broken down. As the opportunist leaderships fail to understand the prevailing world conditions by accepting the 1987 agreement they compromised and betrayed the Revolutionary working class national liberation struggle. As the Tigers capitalist

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National liberation path was strengthened the revolutionary working class movement is liquidated and become the victims of capitalist liquidationism. The thousands of cadres who waged heroic struggles with utmost consciousness and love towards working class liberation path are split all over the world. The struggle of the revolutionary majority people including the class of working class peasantry, Petti bourgeois for the socio economic political rights is surging forward. For the class emancipation Tamil Eala New democratic party is dedicated itself as political movement.

Tomorrow if the Tigers movement take part in Peaceful Negotiation and grasp the power with the help of an accord and become the victim of compromise we should not tail the Tigers.

INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

Importantly to resolve the crisis faced by the Sri Lankan Government at present, the world countries are coming forward to interfere in the affairs of Sri Lanka and to strengthen their Neo colonial interest. The countries which are having geographical and economical connections and those countries which are having direct political and military interests are coming forward to interfere. NORWAY is famous for its peace role in the world. It is NORWAY that arranged the peace talks between Palestine and Israel and successfully convinced those countries to accept the OSLO agreement (Now the fate of this OSLO agreement is a different story) while celebrating the World Peace Nobel Prize centenary celebration. The mediation efforts of the Norwegian Government have been started since the beginning of New millennium.

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Efforts are being made by these countries to pressurise the Tigers movement and they empty strong international pressure and diplomatic tactics to accept peace talks. Now Norwegian government has taken the leadership for this task. While NATO unleashed the war of aggression against Yugoslavia, these International countries supported the National Liberation of Kosavo. In the end to over throw Milosevic from the presidential power, it is exposed directly by the forum of Non-govern mental organisation that America has spent 4 million dollars while Norway has spent 16 million Kronors.

While Sri Lankan Government and Tigers are confronting each other violently in the war front, they are also engaged in a world wide diplomatic war.

The Sri Lankan president Chandrika staying in the European countries for the past two months to mobilize the support of those countries to solve the crisis. In the month of December she has participated directly in the meeting of the countries supporting Sri Lanka.

Now the Norwegian peace mediator conveyed his willingness to go to the Jungle to meet Prabhakaran. But he expressed that he cannot tell the time factor for his Journey. Undertaking this efforts, Norwegian Government is trying to feel the pulse of the Tigers and the other Tamilian groups as well as the opposition Singala Political parties in this regard. Through the Non-governmental Pressurising groups they are conducting propaganda for to stopping the war, for peace and for accepting the peace talks. Mass agitations and processions are unleashed by them for this purpose. We are able to see some large scale peace marches in Mattakkallappu recently.

The Secretary of the organisation of Non-aligned countries as well as the representative of the foreign affairs of Great Britain Mr. Peter Kein recently visited Sri

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Lanka to pressurise to accept peace talks and for accepting a peaceful political solvation. The representative of the European union has visited with a group to review the war situation in Jaffna and to asses the problem of extending possible humanitarian help. Mr. Karinder the representative of America incharge of the organisation evolving the policies of south Asia conducted a special visit to explain their aims and objects in this regard. The National Intelligence council of America has prepared a document under the caption of "global Trend in 2015". This document containing 68 pages on the subject of South Asia prepared by them with the help of C.I.A. and EIA will help us to understand the views of America and South Asia.

The diplomats of the Sri Lankan government as well as non-governmental organisations are agreeing to the peace mediation efforts of Norway with the total support of America and Britain. All these three countries and the world peace movements are consulting with India on their every diplomatic step directly. They are very clear that without the acceptance of the Indian government it is impossible for them to commence the peace talks or to implement the accord reached by them. It is an historic fact that both the parties that is India and the western world countries have diplomatically worked out this tactics for the purpose of non-implementation of the 1987 Indo-Sri Lankan agreement. We should understand the close relationship prevailing between South Asia, particularly India on one side and America and other European countries on the other side.

India is domestically confronting the struggles of the several Nationalities. It possesses much experience in various fronts, how to deal politically, militarily, and with International diplomacy. India is well versed in manoeuvring such as crushing the struggle of one nationality and at the same time opening the doors for negotiation with another Nationality evolving multi farious approaches in

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handling the territorial war with Pakistan, tactically confronting the deep rooted conspiratorial onslaught of the world western countries. Having careful deep analysis of the organisational and political differences between various struggling Tamil groups, international supporting countries and taking in to account of the prevailing gap between the movements and the people, it decides its programme of action. Indian Prime Minister has already declared unilateral ceasefire during the Ramzan festival period, so as to win over some movements which are nearly ready for peace negotiation and to win over the peace loving people on their side, and to isolate the foreign terrorists. In Assam during the festival period military authorities have permitted the ULFA terrorists to go and see their parents and have festival dinners with them. After proclaiming ceasefire in Nagaland with NSCN CMI it is conducting peace talks in foreign countries. It also declared ceasefire with Bodo Liberation Tigers also. In Tamilnadu to crush the T.N.L.F. and T.N.R.T. movements, B.S.F. and S.T.F. are conducting combing up operation with a clear analysis of the long term and immediate political, military outlooks. The central government and State Governments are dealing with the Nationality movements. Sri Lankan Government exchange the experiences of the Indian Government also to liquidate the Tamil Eelam working class National liberation struggle and prevent it becoming the victim of Neo-colonial Tamil bureaucratic setup. The people upholding the path of Tamil Eelam working class National liberation path while having the programme for Tamil Eelam New democratic revolution, are putting forward an immediate programme for peace talks on the basis of this immediate programme. We have dedicated ourselves to forge a "general Front" with all the struggling political parties who are ready to stand for and support for the emancipation of the Tamil Eelam people.

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REACH POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR LASTING PEACE!

Revolutionary Patriots of Tamil Eelam! Democratic Forces! People!

In the 25 years of National Liberation Struggle of Tamil Eelam and the 17 years of National liberation war, people of Tamil Eelam and militants have made immeasurable sacrifices for the liberation of Tamil Eelam. Our ultimate aim or goal is to set up a New Democratic State of Tamil Eelam. Ever since the war of Tamil Eelam Liberation began, the discussion whether the solution for the ethnic problem is a political or military one continues. In the beginning UNP led the war of oppression against the Tamils with the slogans of "War is war, Peace is peace". In 1985, 'negotiations' took place between all the militant groups and the Government of Srilanka under the mediation of Government of India. All the movements stood firmly behind the 'Thimpu Demands' that resulted in the Srilankan Government being exposed thoroughly.

The pressure on the Sri Lankan Government by the Indian Government got relaxed. The 1987 Indo-Srilankan Accord resulted in substantial changes amongst the militant movements in the war for Tamil Eelam. The war that took place between the IPKF, which had come to enforce the accord, and the LTTE soon got transformed into a war against Indian Aggression. From 1987 until date, only the Tigers are the decisive force in the war of National Liberation.

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The Tigers had declared cease-fire with Premadasa's Government in 1991 and with Chandrika's Government in 1994 and held talks. Since their demands were not met the national liberation war continues. In 1998 the Tigers again put forward the 'Thimpu Demands' as the basis for talks. At that time, the Tigers had lost control over Jaffna area. Now by the "Unceasing Wave –3" they have expanded their area of control in Vanni.

Neither the provincial council scheme proposed in the accord & implemented by UNP in 1987 which continues till today nor the regional council scheme proposed by the SLFP in 1997 met the basic demands of the Tamil Eelam people. Only the ("war for peace"?) war of aggression by the Sri Lankan Government is continuing. The virtual collapse of Sri Lankan economy due to the increasing war expenditure and the resultant pressure put by the countries and institutions extending loans to the Sri Lankan Government have forced the Government to seek political solution by negotiations. Imperialists and the Indian Government are trying to divert the direction of the Tamil Eelam national liberation struggle. Even the Tigers are getting ready to hold talks in the presence of a third party. Any decision that the tigers may take is bound to effect substantial changes in the struggle.

The revolutionary patriotic democratic forces and movements are in a very weak position. Only the strength of our political demands and consistent practice would be able to determine the direction of the future struggle. We should make the people of Tamil Eelam and the world to understand that we are not opposed to negotiations, political solution and peace. Our political demands must become the demands of the people. The basis for negotiations must be to obtain the maximum benefit for our blood spilt and for the sacrifices, we have made so

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far. Whether the tigers continue to wage war or compromise to the sharing of power, our demands should rely on people's welfare and national welfare such that the New Democratic Struggle of the Tamil Eelam people is strengthened. It must isolate the enemies and unite the freedom fighters and the people.

> When conducting negotiations in the presence of a third party, the third party's role should be confined to that of an observer. No third country, international organisation or any foreign troops in any guise should be permitted to enter the country.

> "Thimpu demands" must be accepted.

Once again the original name of "Ceylon" should be restored and under Ceylon two seperate states should be created in the name of Sri Lanka and Tamil Eelam. Excluding Defence (at the times of foreign agression only) Finance, foreign affairs, all the other powers should be under the hold of State Governments. The power of dissolving the State Governments should not be in the hands of Central Government. The appointments and the plans of the Central Government should be implemented only after due consultation with and approval of the State Governments.

> The Muslim people evicted from the north must be resettled immediately. An 'autonomous region' in the east for the Muslim people in Tamil Eelam State must be created. The proportionate representation of

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the Muslims in the police and civil administration of the autonomous region must be maintained.

- > All Upcountry Tamil people should be conferred citizenship rights and universal suffrage (right to vote). An "autonomous region" must be created for the Upcountry Tamil people in Srilanka.
- Sinhala Army, Navy, Airforce and police must be completely withdrawn from Tamil Eelam state. A Tamil division must be formed in the central armed forces. The fighters belonging to all movements and the Tamil people (men and women) must be recruited in the Tamil division.
- The arms of the militants should not be directly surrendered to either the Sri Lankan Government or international diplomatic supervision. Such transfer of arms should take place by directly inducting the Tamilians in the police, armed forces.
- The premeditated Sinhala settlements in Tamil Eelam areas after 1972 must be withdrawn within a specified time frame. All political prisoners such as those charged and imprisoned under Terrorist Act, Emergency Act, Preventive detention and those accused of taking part or giving support to the Tamil Eelam struggle should be released forthwith. All false cases booked should be withdrawn.

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The burden of debts incurred by the Sri Lankan Government for conducting the war of aggression on the Tamils can never be borne by the Tamils under any circumstances.

> Mines and such explosive devices placed in Tamil Eelam area by the Sri Lankan armed forces, pro Government armed groups or liberation tigers should be removed forthwith in the presence of internal supervisory body. Only after this should the refugees be allowed to return to their houses and start business.

> All subjects except Defence (against external aggression,) Finance and External affairs must be under the control of state Government. The central Government should not be able to dismiss the state Government on any account. All central Government appointments in the state should be done only after due consultation and concurrence of the state Government.

> In Tamil Eelam state the police and civil administration should be completely handed over to the Tamils.

> 50% reservation for women should be made compulsory in all political, administrative, judicial bodies of the Tamil Eelam state.

People should have the right to recall at any moment the representatives elected by them. Proper forms and structures must be created for the same immediately.

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> Right to information should be made a f::ndamental right. All development projects and programs in particular areas should be undertaken only with the consensus of the local people. Particulars of the income and property of all elected leaders from the Local body to Parliament and the leaders of party and movements and of civil servants/military officials in high positions should be declared before the public once a year.

- > The major share of all the taxes collected from the Tamil Eelam state should be allocated to the Tamil Eelam state Government.
- Education, employment, medical aid, housing should be made fundamental constitutional right. Housing to the homeless should be given immediately by the Government.
- Fundings, programs, activities and reports of Non Governmental/Voluntary Organisations must be subjected to public scrutiny. The Government should route all the development funds and programs through its own decentralised local elected bodies and not through non Governmental organisations.

> In Government employment priority must be given to those militants, people physically disabled during the war and to the women and families who have lost their husbands, sons and daughters in war. The war has created a great male-female ratio imbalance in the population. The marriage law should be amended taking this factor into consideration.

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Priority must be given to those in refugee camps within the country and Indian refugee camps in technical education and employment opportunities (public and private sectors) with strict 50% reservation (proportional representation for men & women) for them.

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> All the Tamil, Muslim and Upcountry Tamils displaced during the war who are living as refugees in camps & transit camps/houses in Srilanka and India must be given immediate basic facilities to resettle in their own homes.

Steps should be taken to resettle in Tamil Eelam, within a few months, the Tamils in refugee camps in India, the militants in the special camps and prisons. Necessary steps should be taken to facilitate within a short period the return of all the Tamil people in foreign countries without any citizenship rights to Tamil Eelam.

> Land ownership should vest with the Tamil Eelam state. Enactment of Laws on urban and rural land ceiling and Land redistribution must be fundamentally undertaken. Land fit for agricultural production should be distributed to all landless agricultural labourers & small peasants wholly dependent on agriculture.

In all sectors, public and private, large and small scale industry, production, commercial and service sectors including all labourers engaged agriculture, fishery, construction,

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weaving, tailoring, etc., should be assured of minimum wages and seven hour working day by making it a legal right. Armed forces and Police too must have union rights. The state, that debars children taking Arms and fighting in the Army should also provide in the constitution. For the complete elimination of Child Labour.

- > All schemes aimed to meet the demand for food and indigenous investments in agriculture, fishery and food processing should be given priority. The rights of the Tamil fishermen in fishing in the coastal areas & deep seas of Tamil Eelam must be defended by banning fishing by outsiders foreigners in all such areas. Special efforts should be taken to promote Tamil Eelam small and medium enterprises through cooperatives so that they can implement advanced technological production practices & successful marketing.
- Tamil Eelam national entrepreneurs should be given preference in granting industrial licences, Government incentive, aid etc., for the development of industry, finance and service sector in Tamil Eelam state. Medium local entrepreneurs investing in agricultural, fishery, industrial production and commerce should be given protection. Investments from Non resident Tamilians of Tamil Eelam (NRT) should be encouraged in essential sector.

Foreign investments may be permitted only in heavy industry, infrastructure development and scientific technological sector with

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controlling rights vested with the state. 75% of the profits of the foreign investments must be reinvested in Tamil Eelam towards production for local needs. Law should be enacted barring the withdrawal of foreign investments before the expiry of a minimum of 25 years. Foreign investments, globalisation and open economy, which stand in the way of this, must not be allowed. Foreign investors should not be permitted to hold controlling rights in telecommunication and media (press, radio and television) of Tamil Eelam state. There should be no privatisation of public sector undertakings. Restructuring must be undertaken in a proper open manner.

> At present the total environmental resources including land, forests, water resources air layer available in the territory of Tamil Eelam are affected very badly, because of war. The New Economic Plans of the government of Tamil Eelam should be evolved on the lines of preventing the environmental resources from polluting further. The government should draw the plans for preventing the polution and defending the environment of the people living in their area. Because of the protracted war, the psychological make up and the physical condition of the people living in the war affected area is totally damaged to a greater extent. To rectify and to develop the mental and physical strength of the people of Tamil Eelam, a special wing has to be formed by the government.

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> Education must be free at all levels and compulsory atleast upto higher level. Tamil must be the medium of instruction from elementary education to higher education in all educational institutions in Tamil Eelam state. Sinhalam and English should be optional languages. English may be followed to be the medium of instruction at university level temporarily. But warlike efforts should be taken to develop Tamil to assimilate world knowledge base. State should allocate all necessary fund and infrastructure for translations and publication in Tamil language.

- Educational institutions must be freed from the control of religious bodies and must be brought under the direct control of the Government. Education should be totally free of theology, which may be freely taught by religious institutions. All superstitions, degrading advertisements-films-serials, beauty contests, gambling like lottery-lucky numbers should be banned. Priority should be given to scientific outlook in all spheres.
- Tamil Eelam state Government must be a secular state. State aid should not be given to any caste or religious organisation. Donations/funds from foreign countries/ organisations to such organisations should be banned. Religious rites and practices should not be permitted in any educational, industrial or trade organisations. Forced convertions by religious organisations should be banned. Political parties under religious or caste banner should be banned.

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In the ongoing war of liberation of Tamil Eelam, the people, especially workers, peasants and middle class people have made immmense sacrifices. Fearing death lakhs of people have fled to India to live in refugee camps. In this situation of life or death in the areas controlled by the Government or the Tigers, facing economic blocade by the Government including control on fishing, with daily lively hood, business & education in crisis, they have opted to live here. They are the vital support for the war of liberation either directly or indirectly. Negotiation - a political solution- should effect an improvement in the life of the working people of Tamil Eelam. Any solution, military or political, that fails to fulfil this task will be a historical betrayal of the Tamil Eelam people.

We call on all Tamil Eelam political forces, parties, journals which are concerned with the welfare and progress of Tamil Eelam people, with the object of people's welfare and countries welfare to unite on the basis of this package of solutions and fight for it. We appeal to all journals & publications to support these just demands by reprinting this political solution package.

Revolutionary, patriotic, Democratic Forces!

Spread these demands to all corners of the world, Rally the people, Conduct joint struggles.

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