

Let our People go Home

Status of the Tamils in the notorious concentration camps of Sri Lanka

Revision 1

World's largest Tamil Civilian hostage taking by the Sri Lankan armed forces

Number of Tamils taken hostage					
On	By			For	
Apr-09	Division			Navy	Keeping in the concentration camps
	53	55	58		
20th	24	7125	31027	2931	41107
21st	860	4869	19217	1638	26584
22nd	1736	1	33185	1184	36106
23rd	960	90	669	1807	3526
24th	1123	5	618	814	2560
25th	181	6	302	41	530
26th	107		3141	106	3354
27th	8		56	33	97
28th				694	694
29th				521	521
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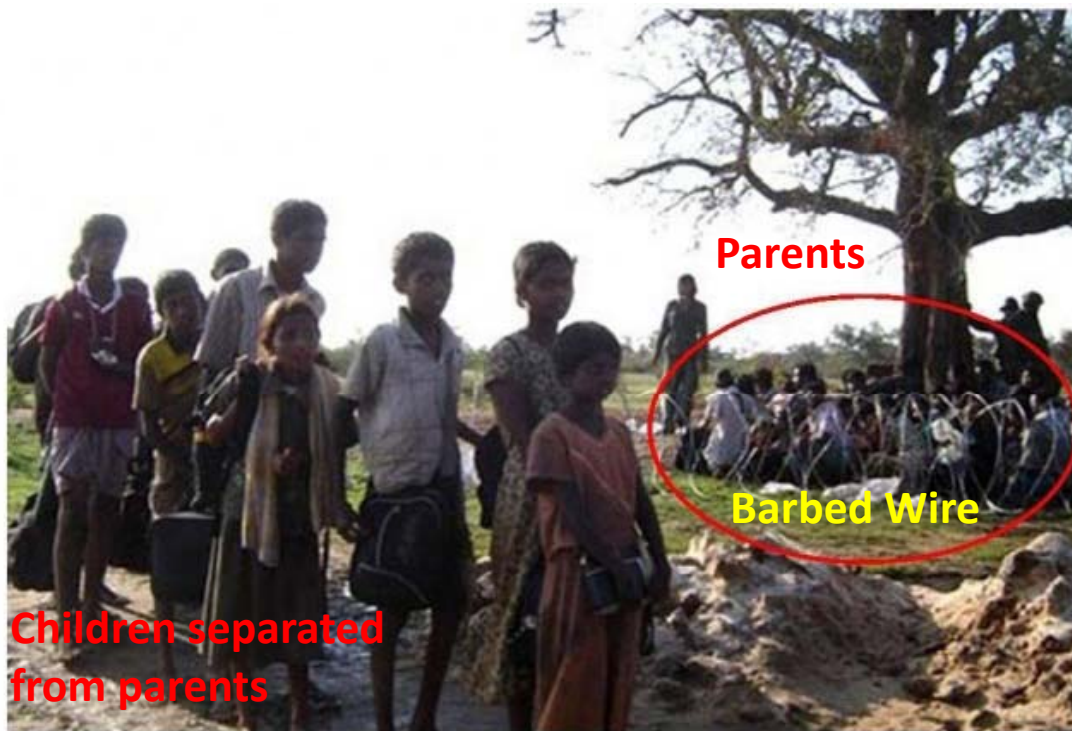
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Locked up 300,000 Tamil civilians in detention camps



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Forcing separation of family members



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Detaining traumatized children in unknown locations



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40 to 50 Tamil girls have been taken away daily from the camps by the Sri Lankan military and abused

2200 Tamil girls were detained. 365 of them taken by the Sri Lankan State Terrorists never returned. The remaining 1835 girls have been discriminated and ill-treated. Some of them became pregnant without their knowledge.



Many have been discriminated, ill-treated and tortured to death as shown below



200 people have been forced to die daily as illustrated below resulting in genocide



**Lots of people have been allowed to die
without / wrong / inadequate medical
treatment**



Causing physical and mental harm leading to death



Deliberately harming and disabling Tamils during every available opportunity



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Receiving bribes to release detainees and kidnapping them at the airport for ransoms



Sample Photo

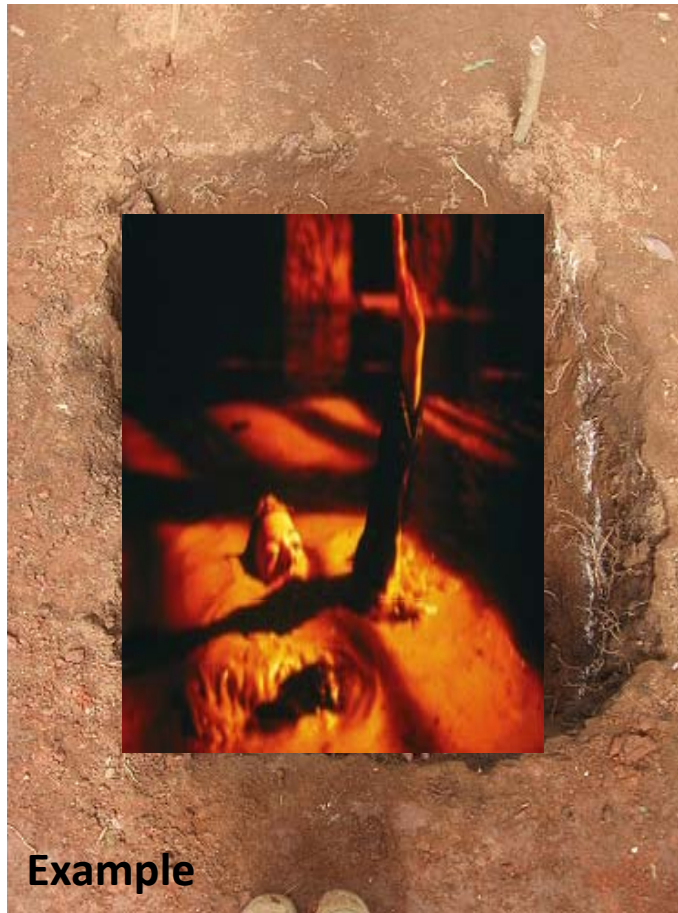
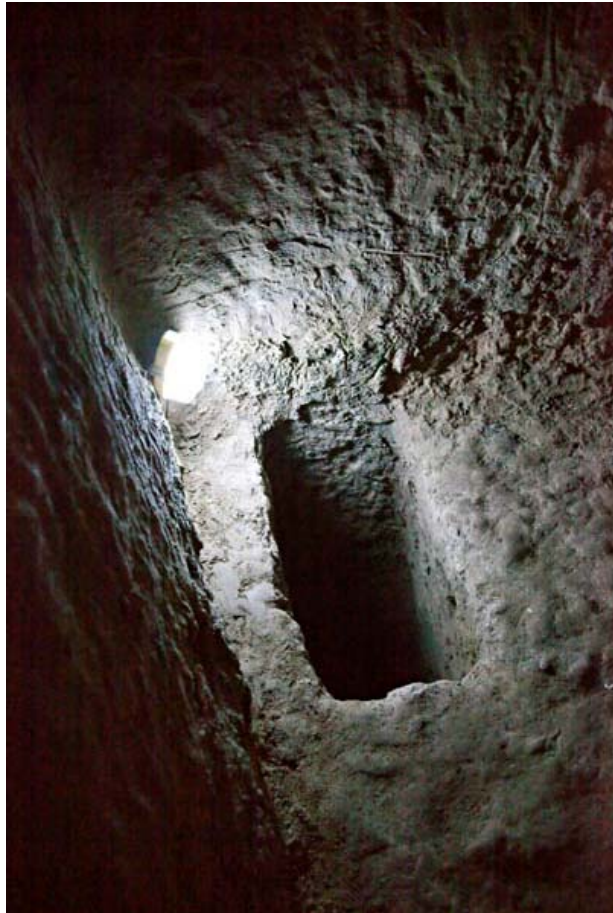
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Son kidnapped and mother traumatised

Children and elderly people have been falling and dying daily inside the 7 foot deep toilet pits



Some toilet pits are overflowing and some have collapsed

Supplying insufficient food parcels and making detainees beg for food and starve



Food brought in is late, spoiled, lower than lowest quality & 1 meal per day



Fungus



Rice

Dahl



Sick and wounded in over crowded camps



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Tamils are forced to live under degrading human conditions with insufficient food, water, medicine, clean sanitation and shelter.

Medicine capsules



Syringe and a Medicine Bottle



Spoonful of Medicine



Shelter



Waiting for drinking water



Running to reach a food distribution truck



Waiting for the basic needs



36,000 Tamils in the Concentration Camp are affected by flooding, 15.08.09



Some toilet pits are overflowing and some have collapsed

Camps are guarded with more troops so that they don't escape from the misery

Tamils are left to suffer in wet clothes, soggy floors, no food and fear of more rain in the night

Limited Tamil children allowed to study are under military supervision and control



Stopping visits from relatives, MPs, media and the foreign diplomats



Relatives outside the camps



MP Bob Rae



Sweden FM



Tamil MPs



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Concentration Camps under Army Control

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Crimes committed by the Sri Lankan Government against the 300,000 Tamil civilians in Vanni since the end of the war in May 2009 to-date

Camps used	Affected Tamils	Committed Crimes
1. Death	Rights' demanding Tamils	Decapitating and killing
2. Concentration	Tamils who could demand their rights	Exterminating secretly & quickly
3. Torture	Any Tamil deliberately alleged as a suspect	Making them invalid permanently
4. Detention	Parents, Pregnant women, children and elderly	Allowing to die as many as possible
5. Interim	Tamils who are to be relocated against their will in isolated places away from home	Causing physical and mental harm leading to death
6. Labour	Tamils who are forced to work for the Sri Lankan state terrorists in unknown areas	Making the Tamils to work without pay for long hours
7. Welfare	Tamils who are shown to foreigners as looked after by the government all time well	Compelling the Tamils to act in front of the foreign visitors

Preventing the release of 300,000 civilians with excuses such as screening of detainees, clearing mines & building homes



Unlock the camps in Sri Lanka and provide safety and dignity for the detained now - Amnesty International

10.08.09

Hundreds of thousands of people displaced by the recent war in North East Sri Lanka and living in camps are being denied basic human rights including freedom of movement, said Amnesty International on Monday. The organization's Secretary General, Irene Khan, launched the Unlock the Camps campaign at the start the organization's International Council Meeting, a gathering of international delegates in Turkey.

Two months after the end of the fighting, the Sri Lankan authorities are still not addressing properly the needs of the newly displaced. The camps are overcrowded and unsanitary.

In addition, these are effectively detention camps. They are run by the military and the camp residents are prevented from leaving them; they are denied basic legal safeguards. The government's claim that it needs to hold people to carry out screening is not a justifiable reason to detain civilians including entire families, the elderly and children, for an indefinite period.

Displaced people have even been prevented from talking to aid workers. With no independent monitors able to freely visit the camps, many people are unprotected and at risk from enforced disappearances, abductions, arbitrary arrest and sexual violence.

Notorious Sinhalese who are responsible for locking up the 300,000 Tamil civilians in concentration camps in Vanni



Rajapaksa brothers & general Fonseka have been committing crimes against Tamils

It is time for the international community to act

**General Secretary of the Irish Congress of the Trade Unions
David Begg supports Amnesty International's call for an
independent inquiry into war crimes**

31 Jul 2009

In a letter of the 29th of July to the Minister of Foreign Affairs Micheal Martin, ICTU's General Secretary David Begg writes that he agrees with Amnesty International's call for an independent inquiry into war crimes in Sri Lanka. "The Irish Congress of Trade Unions hopes that the Irish government will take initiatives on the international level, and within the European Union, for such an independent inquiry."