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**Anthropology**

The Institutions of Ancient Ceylon from Inscriptions (From 831 to 1016 AD) Vol.II. Pt II – Economic and Religious Institutions / Lakshman S. Perera  
Kandy : International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2005  
xlix, 348 p.; 30 cm.  
Includes Map and Index.  
955-580-093-6  
\$ 50.00

[This three volume work is an exhaustive study of the gradual evolution of the island's institutions (political, economic and religious) beginning from the 3<sup>rd</sup> century BC to AD, i.e., the Anuradhapura period of Sri Lankan History. It is an exceptionally important work. This path breaking dissertation on which it is based was the first to use epigraphical sources in writing the history of ancient Sri Lanka. Equally important, the author's interpretations of the institutional structure in his dissertation on early Sri Lanka continue to be part of the current historical debate in the country and many of his insights have still not been challenged.]

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Rituals, Folk Beliefs and Magical Arts of Sri Lanka : The New , up-dated, and expanded Version / Mihindukulasuriya Susantha Fernando  
Colombo : Susan International, 2005  
vii, 480 p. : ill.; 30 cm.  
Includes Bibliography and Index.  
955-96318-3-7  
\$ 40.00

[The most comprehensive treatise published so far in Sri Lanka, on rituals, folk Beliefs, Legends, Folk Practices, superstitions, symbols, gods, deities, saints, spirits, pretas, sorcery and demonic crafts among all the ethnic and religious groups in the Islands of Sri Lanka.

Contents :

1. The Mystery Island of Demons
2. Rituals and Folk Beliefs in Agriculture
3. Domestic Rites and Customs
4. Rituals, Folk Beliefs and Symbols
5. Gods, Deities and Saints
6. Rituals and Symbols in Architecture

7. Demons, spirits and Pretas
8. Magical Arts
9. New Year Rituals
10. Some rituals common to Both Buddhists and Catholics
11. Folk Cults and Beliefs among the ancient Tribes.]

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Tovil : Exorcism and Healing rites / Brue Kapferer & Georges Papigny  
 Negombo : Viator Publications (Pvt) Ltd., 2005

148 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.

Heritage of Sri Lanka.

955-8736-06-6

1. Folk Beliefs

2. Folklore

\$ 50.00

[Entrenched in a culturally prestigious past from where the religious and cultural traditions of Buddhism and Hinduism have entwined, the healing rites of Sri Lanka find their most brilliant expression in the exorcisms known as Yak Tovil, which are practiced on the south and south-west coast of the island.

Exorcism is part of a holistic approach to difficulties, which seeks to explore and treat individual disturbances and problems from several perspectives. Most importantly it is an approach that understands the physical condition of the body as inseparable from the mental. The exorcists 'adura' possess a vast knowledge which encompasses music, dance, poetry and painting as well as the construction of effigies and symbolic objects, which are all presented through the dramatic arts. Comedy plays an important cathartic role in the 'tovil' because it is by laughing that a patient shows he has recovered.

This book, of which the photos were taken at a time which is now considered the golden age of modern Tovil, was born from a meeting between an Australian anthropologist and a French Photographer-Journalist.]

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### **Cinema Studies**

The Formidable Genius : A Tribute to Master Filmmaker Lester James Peries on his 87<sup>th</sup> birthday 5April 2006 / D C Ranatunga

Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2006

90 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.

955-573-460-7

\$ 9.00

[The Formidable Genius was the caption used to introduce Sri Lanka's master filmmaker Lester James Peries when he was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Government of India at the 2000 New Delhi International Film Festival. A rare honour, Lester won the Award for his "outstanding contribution to the field of cinema and for enriching the art of filmmaking". Since then he has won the Golden Lotus at Deauville (2001), the Asian Film Culture Award (2002) and the UNESCO Fellini Gold Medal (2003).

Lester has been recognized by the Government of Sri Lanka with the Golden Lion Presidential Award, and by the Government of France which conferred 'The Legion d' Honneur' both in the year 1997. An orchid (Ascocenda) has been named after him. Two universities have conferred the D Litt degree on him. His films have won 14 awards at international festivals. The book is a handy guide for anyone to get a glimpse of the Master's effort.]

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Lester James Peries : Life and Work / A.J. Gunawardene  
 Boralesgamuwa : Asian Film Centre, c2005  
 236 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.  
 Includes Index.  
 955-8008-05-2  
 \$ 19.50

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Cinesith-the international film journal from Sri Lanka-no.4-2005 / Edited by Robert Crusz  
 Boralesgamuwa : Asian Film Centre affiliated to NETPAC (Network for the Promotion of Asian Cinema), 2005  
 88 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.  
 ISSN : 1391-698X  
 \$ 10.00 (Subscriptions Welcome)

[Contents:  
 Editorial  
 The Pleasures and Paradoxes of Women in Bombay Cinema  
 Against all Odds : The Making of the Good king  
 Garment Girls and Army Boys : Foretelling the Future  
 Killing Jesus : Mel Gibson's passion  
 Bikes in Films  
 School Students as Filmmakers 1  
 School Students as Filmmakers 2  
 Joker in Lima  
 Interviews  
 Obituaries  
 Film Review  
 Book Review  
 News.]

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### **Communication & Journalism**

A Study of media in Sri Lanka (Excluding the north and East) – April 2005  
 Colombo : Centre for Policy Alternatives & [International Media Support, Denmark]  
 ii, 44 p.; 30 cm.  
 \$ 15.00

[Contents :  
 1. Introduction  
 2. Country Profile  
 3. Media Landscape  
 4. Content Snapshot  
 5. Tsunami and the impact on Media  
 6. Legal and regulatory framework  
 7. Key Problems.]

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Study of media in the North-East of Sri Lanka : Options and recommendations for a socially responsible media in the North-East of Sri Lanka – June 2003  
 Colombo : Centre for Policy Alternatives & [International Media Support, Denmark], 2003  
 46 p.; 30 cm.  
 \$ 10.00

[Contents :  
 Foreword  
 List of people interviewed  
 Summary  
 Introduction  
 Media in the Northern Province  
 Media in the Eastern Province  
 Known details of LTTE Media  
 Transmitting controversy – Featured Articles  
 Recommendations  
 Endnotes  
 Details of organisations.]

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 Media Monitor – August 2004  
 Colombo : Centre for Policy Alternatives (CPA), 2004  
 28 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.  
 \$ 10.00

[Contents :  
 A Word  
 A Guide to better practice  
 A Mistake I made  
 Good Journalism, around the World  
 Why are Journalistic ethics violated?  
 Diversity in the Media – General tips on reporting diversity  
 A Statement of Shared Purpose  
 LTTE Bank robbery : Incomplete reporting  
 The aim of the PCC is not law but justice  
 HSZs, landmines, IDPS and peace Zones  
 Declaration of principles on the conduct of Journalists  
 One Event different Pictures  
 A few questions.]

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 The Funeral of Ravaya / W D Rohana Kumara  
 Kandy : W D Rohana Kumara, c2005  
 170 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.  
 955-99154-0-1  
 \$ 12.00

[Ravaya is an alternative weekly published by the Ravaya Publishers (Guarantee) Ltd. in Sri Lanka and the authoritative name of Victor Ivan has been associating with Ravaya since its inception up to date.  
 From the point of readers' view, Ravaya is an unbiased and independent paper which claims with all the hype that it represents the general public and, as a principle, stands against any form of social, economical, judicial or political injustice which may be directed on the masses by any individual or a group representing any social

religious or a political group. But the present role of Ravaya does not coincide with what it says to the general public since it has been wholly politicized. As a result, the general public has been deprived of their rights to know true and balanced information concerning incidents occurring in the Island. Ravaya has become a trumpet or an unofficial media channel of a political party which pumps money into it for its mere survival. The Funeral of Ravaya explicitly reveals the nature of corruption, malpractice, frauds, exploitation and ill treatment of employees, committed by the authorities of Ravaya under the pretext of free and fair journalism.]

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### **Economics**

The Mahoshada Perspective : Commentaries on Economics and Development  
Colombo : Pathfinder Foundation, c2005  
336 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.  
955-1113-01-2  
\$ 15.00

[A Compendium of articles on economic issues published in The Sunday Island 2004-2005.]

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Alternative Development : An Anthology Volume 1 – Pugwash ; Part II – Remember Your Humanity / D L O Mendis  
Colombo : Sri Lanka Pugwash Group, 2005  
vi, 258 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.  
455-599-453-6  
\$ 15.00

[Contents :  
Dedication  
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Chapter 1. International Network of Engineers and Scientists for Globalresponsibility, ICES International Conference on Einstein : A Human Face for Science-Science, Technology and Conflicts  
Chapter 2. Environment and Conflict in Sri Lanka-Nobel Peace prize Invited Address, British Pugwash group AGM, April 1996  
Chapter 3. The Value of Indigenous Knowledge-The Case of Water and Soil Conservation Ecosystems in Sri Lanka  
Chapter 4. Pugwash and the London Bombings, July 2005  
Chapter 5. Science and Civilisation in Sri Lanka, 55<sup>th</sup> Pugwash Conference paper  
Chapter 6. Pugwash, Water and Conflict in Sri Lanka  
Chapter 7. After the South Asian tsunami-the peoples Planning Commission  
Chapter 8. Visit to the Vanni.]

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Fiscal and financial arrangements in a federal Sri Lanka : Some Issues for discussion / Asanga Welikala  
Sri Lanka : Centre for policy alternatives (CPA)  
61 p. ; 29 cm.  
Includes bibliography  
955-8037-58-3  
\$ 12.00

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 South Asia After the Quota System : Impact of the MFA Phase-Out / Edited by Saman Kelegama

Colombo : Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka [in Association with Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung], c2005

x, 148 p.; 22 cm.

955-8708-36-4

1. Government Industry
2. Quota System – Textile
3. Economic Production

\$ 18.00.

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Livelihoods in post-Tsunami Sri Lanka : "Building back better"? / Edited by Paul Steele

Colombo : Institute of policy studies, c2006

xi, 69 p. ; 29 cm.

955-8708-42-9

Research studies : Working paper No. 10

1. Remedial measures
2. Social services

\$ 10.00

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[Contents:

1. Reviving livelihoods after the Tsunami: Identifying gaps in existing programmes by Kamal Kapadia
  2. Delivery of Tsunami aid for livelihood development at the community level by Marit Haug and Chamindra Weerackody
  3. Some issues and challenges in the fisheries sector reconstruction and rehabilitation by Leslie Joseph
  4. Tsunami issues affecting fishing communities and the challenges to be addressed if "Build back better" is to contribute towards sustainable livelihood development by Steve Creech.]
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An introduction to the conflict time economy of the North and East province of Sri Lanka / Muttukrishna Sarvananthan

Updated and Reprint [1<sup>st</sup> Ed. 2003]

Colombo : Point Pedro Institute of Development, c2005

25 p.; 30 cm.

955-1066-00-6

ISSN : 1391-8494

PPID Working Paper Series – No.1

\$ 4.00

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What impede Economic Revival in the North & East Province of Sri Lanka? / Muttukrishna Sarvananthan

Reprint [1<sup>st</sup> Ed. 2003]

Colombo : Point Pedro Institute of Development, c2005

16 p.; 30 cm.

955-1066-01-4

ISSN : 1391-8494

PPID Working Paper Series – No.2

\$ 4.00

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Economic Imperative for Peace in Sri Lanka / Muttukrishna Sarvananthan  
Updated and Reprint [1<sup>st</sup> ed. 2003]

Sri Lanka : Point Pedro Institute of Development, 2005

12 p. ; 31 cm.

955-1066-02-2

ISSN : 1391-8494

PPID Working Paper Series – No.3

\$ 4.00

Post-Tsunami North and East Sri Lanka : Swindlers Hold Sway / Muttukrishna Sarvananthan

Sri Lanka : Point Pedro Institute of Development, 2005

12 p. ; 30 cm.

955-1066-04-9

ISSN : 1391-8494

PPID Working Paper Series – No.4

\$ 4.00

Poverty in the Conflict affected region of Sri Lanka : An Assessment / Muttukrishna Sarvananthan

Colombo : Point Pedro Institute of Development, c2005

28 p.; 30 cm.

955-1066-05-7

ISSN : 1391-8494

PPID Working Paper Series – No.5

\$ 4.00

Decentralization and Provincial Finance in Sri Lanka : 2004 – An Update / D.D.M. Waidyasekera

Colombo : Institute of Policy Studies, c2005

58 p.; 29 cm.

955-8708-38-0

Research Studies : Governance Series No. 8, November 2005

1. Fiscal Policy – Local Government
2. Economics Conditions – Sri Lanka

\$ 15.00

## **Environment**

The Diversity of the Dumbara Mountains (The Knuckles Massif, Sri Lanka) : with special reference to its herpetofauna (Including Papers on Sri Lankan herpetology) (Lyriocephalus Special issue, Journal of the Amphibia and Reptile Research Organization of Sri Lanka (ARROS), 2005 November-Volume 6 Numbers 1 & 2 / Edited by Anslem de Silva

Gampola : Lyriocephalus, c2005

382 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

ISSN : 1391-0833

\$ 75.00

[List of Contents:

Foreword

Section 1. Papers Ensuing From Knuckles Expedition-2004 and 2005

Section 2. Invited Contributions from those who have worked in the Knuckles Ecosystem Geology & Climate

Section 3. Herpetological Papers Pertaining to Sri Lanka Submitted to Lyriocephalus Volume 6, Parts 1&2.

Section 4. A Bibliography of Publications on the Knuckles Massif

Section 5. A Cumulative Index to Lyriocephalus Volumes 1-5 (1994-2004).]

## History

Forces and strands in Sri Lanka's cricket history / Michael Roberts

Colombo : Social scientists' Association, c2006

64 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

955-9102-82-6

\$ 8.00

[This is a reprint of chapter entitled "Sri Lanka; the power of cricket and the power in cricket," in Stephen Wagg's cricket and national identity in the postcolonial age, London and New York: Routledge 2005, pp. 132-58. This book has a striking collection of essays by such sports analysts as Brett Hutchins, Greg Ryan, Jon Gemmill & James Hamill, Sharad Ugra, Satadru Sen, Chris Valiotis, Stephen Wagg, Tim Crabbe, Chris Searle, Nick Miller and last, but not least, the incomparable Mike Marquess. We thank Stephen Wagg for granting us permission to reproduce the chapter as a pamphlet in Sri Lanka.]

Patriots of Lanka-1 / P.N. Cumararatunga

Sri Lanka : P.N. Cumararatunga, c2005

169 p. ; 22 cm.

955-95059-4-7

\$ 8.00

A comprehensive history of Sri Lanka from prehistory to Tsunami / Nath Yogasundram

Sri Lanka : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2006

375 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes bibliography and index.

955-1266-13-7

\$ 15.00

[This is the fascinating story of the island from shadowy primitive man to the stark reality of the recent tsunami. Continuing migration from the mainland in ancient times displaced the stone age culture and established a hydraulic civilization based on an intricate system of irrigation. This civilization flowered for over a millennium and then disintegrated within a few centuries not only due to invasion from South India but also to internecine battles that allowed a decadent and divided society to develop. The weakness was soon exploited by western nations seeking wealth and power. The Dutch followed the Portuguese and were, in their turn, ousted by the British. Sri Lanka became an integral part of the British empire. The euphoria of independence from Britain in 1948 was soon marred by a self-inflicted ethnic problem that continues to devastate the country and demoralise its people. The book maintains an easily comprehensible style for the general reader as well as providing the factual details required by the more serious researcher.]

Ancient flags of Sri Lanka / T.M.G.S. Silva  
 Colombo : Sooriya Publishers, c2005  
 55 p. ; 23 cm.  
 955-8892-75-0  
 \$ 5.00

[The earliest reference to the use of flags in Sri Lanka dates back to king devanampiyatissa's reign (210-250 B.C.). The great chronicle "Mahavamsa" states that numerous colourful flags decorated the premises, at the ceremony to mark the boundaries of Mahamevuna Park, made as an offering to the Buddhist clergy by king Devanampiyatissa. "Mahavamsa" also records that king Dutugemunu (161-137 B.C.) decorated the Lovamahapaya with gold and silver flags. The royal flags of King Dutugemunu and King Elara are depicted in a mural of the Dambulla temple (1747-1782.). Flags of the past were made of locally woven cloth and printed using wooden blocks. Colours were created from natural pigments. Designs were used in a symbolic context with lyrical forms. This book summarizes valuable historical facts related to flags of Sri Lanka.]

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 The road to Peradeniya : An autobiography / Sir William Ivor Jennings [Edited and Introduced by H.A.I. Goonetilleke]  
 Colombo : Lake house investments limited, 2005  
 xxi, 276 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.  
 Includes bibliography  
 955-552-114-X  
 \$ 30.00

[This book completed in 1952, is an unusual testament of affection for a historic highway and an absorbing traveler's tale related with an engaging delight and distinctive perception. The introduction by the editor serves as a reflective and retrospective review of Jennings's unique contribution to Sri Lankan affairs and complements in significant ways the introduction to the present autobiography. Both books, though different in content and form, constitute remarkable insights into his life and time. That he decided to call his autobiography the road to peradeniya is a true index to his abiding concern for the island, despite his primary attachment to the land of his birth and his cherished intellectual haven, Cambridge.]

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 Memories are for ever (An Autobiography) / Karthigasoo Jeganathan  
 Chennai : Ulaga Thamizhar Pathippakam, c2005  
 616 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.  
 \$ 18.00

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 Kelani Ganga flows with history-legend and Sandesha-Message poems : [Introducing a profile of history, legend, (Sandesha-Message poems), Folk Songs archeological sites around the Kelaniya Kingdom] / Gamini de S.G. Punchihewa  
 Sri Lanka : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2005  
 ix, 102 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.  
 Includes bibliography and index.  
 955-1131-54-1  
 1. Sri Lanka-history  
 2. Kelaniya-history  
 \$ 5.00

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 History of local government in Sri Lanka 1865-1987 / M.U.de. Silva

Colombo : Godage international publishers, c2006

viii, 128 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes bibliography and index.

955-20-9134-9

1. Sri Lanka-local government

2. History-local government

\$ 7.00

[The system of local government in Sri Lanka evolved due to the bureaucratic manuring and nursing in an attempt to find solutions to the problems of urbanisation and commercialisation that took place due to the unprecedented success of plantation industry during the nineteenth century. This local government system was constitutionally encouraged from 1865 on a partnership basis with the central government in providing a healthy civic life to the Sri Lankans. In the formative stage local government bodies were placed under the care of government agents in association with people's representatives and officials under the Donoughmore constitution. These local bodies were placed under the Mayors and chairmen elected by the representatives of the people of the area. During this period four types of local government institutions created to serve the different needs and development of the regions.]

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Digging into the past : Essays of Antiquity / Raja de Silva

Ratmalana : Vishva Lekha, c2005

ix, 299 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

955-599-399-8

\$ 18.00

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Construction through the ages / S De S Wijesundera

Sri Lanka : The Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka, 2006

xvi, 219 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

Centenary commemoration publications 1906-2006

\$ 35.00

[Contents:

Chapter 1: Ancient constructions from an engineers perspective

Chapter 2: Colonial legacies

Chapter 3: Some constructions in the war years

Chapter 4: Gal Oya development project

Chapter 5: Detention reservoirs in Gal-Oya

Chapter 6: The construction of the Rajangana concrete Dam and other notable work by CDE co ltd.

Chapter 7: Bridges and public works

Chapter 8: Uda walawe multipurpose project

Chapter 9: SD and CC and the bowetenna project

Chapter 10: Some thoughts on the development of our ports

Chapter 11: An experiment in collaboration between indigenous and foreign contractors

Chapter 12: Samanalawewa controversy

Chapter 13: Production of ingredients for cement concrete

Chapter 14: Whither the construction industry.]

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Kandula : The Elephant at War / Merlin Peris

Colombo : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd, c2005

147 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

955-20-7998-5

Mahavamsa Studies

\$ 8.00

[Kandula, on whom Dutugemunu rode to victory over the Damilas, is without doubt, the greatest war-elephant known to history. Yet, unlike Surus, that single-tusked terror of the Carthaginians or Porus' noble mount, Ajax, hardly any study of elephants makes mention of him. The reason, the author thinks, is the mythohistorical and poetic quality of the sources i.e. the Mahavamsa and allied chronicles of Sri Lanka. Yet nothing like the incredible feats attributed to Dutugemunu's ten great warriors are attributed to Kandula.

Elephants, as is known, were thrown into battle in the western theatres of war for some centuries following Alexander, first by the Greeks and then by the Romans-a period of time then contemporaneous with their use in India and Sri Lanka. The study thus also provides an overview of the involvement of elephants in battle-an aspect of warfare but vaguely understood by modern historians.]

## Law

Sri Lanka : State of Human rights 2005 [This report covers the Period January to December 2004]

Colombo : Law and Society Trust, c2005

xxi, 322 p.; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

955-9026-99-9

\$ 20.00

[This is a detailed account of the state of human rights in Sri Lanka focusing on events which occurred in the country during 2004.

Sri Lanka : State of Human rights 2005 contains the following chapters :

Judicial Protection of Human Rights

Integrity of the person

The 17<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Constitution

A Review of some institutions under it

The National Human rights commission and the National Police Commission

The Right to religion

The Right to Vote

The Right to health as a socio-economic right in Sri Lanka : Its scope and limits

Analysis of the prevention of Domestic violence bill and the Women's rights Bill

Rights of the child

Recent developments in Biotechnology and Bio-safety in Sri Lanka.]

Sri Lanka Journal of International Law : Volume 16, 2004

Sri Lanka : Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, c2004

III, 343 p.; 25 cm.

ISSN : 1391-5568

\$ 15.00

[Contents :

Privatisation of Water Resources and Human Rights / Dilhara Pathirana

Suppression of Terrorism / Rohan Perera

The Armenian Genocide / M. Bibliowicksz

The U.S. Invasion of Iraq / Radhika Satkunanathan  
 A New Dawn for African Women? / Kaniye S.A. Ebeku  
 TRIPS and the developing Nations / Naazima Kamardeen  
 Terrorism, Secession & Multinational constitutions / Benjamin Perrin  
 Prosecutorial Discretion and Pre-Trial Process / Norman Doe and Noel Dias  
 History and sources of the Law of War / C.F. Amerasinghe  
 Victor Ivan v Sri Lanka / Mark Fernando  
 Divorce law in a Plural Society / Rose Wijesekara  
 Book Reviews  
 Recent developments.]

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Fundamental Rights in Sri Lanka / Jayampathy Wickramaratne  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition [1<sup>st</sup> Ed. 1996]  
 Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2006  
 LIII, 936 p.; 21 cm.  
 Includes Bibliography and Index.  
 955-1131-06-1  
 1. Fundamental Rights – Law  
 2. Law  
 \$ 55.00

[In Sri Lanka, fundamental rights were first expressly declared by the 1972 constitution. The present constitution conferred on the Supreme Court, a special jurisdiction in respect of the infringement of fundamental rights by 'executive or administrative action'.

Although its experience with fundamental rights is relatively short, Sri Lanka is in the process of building up a jurisprudence which has intense relevance and meaning to its people. In doing so, Sri Lanka has drawn on the experiences of other countries, notably India and the United states.

While focusing on the present state of the law in Sri Lanka, the author has sought to identify possible areas for widening the scope of fundamental rights, both by constitutional amendment and judicial activism. Important judgements from several jurisdictions, particularly India, the united states and the European court of human rights have been referred to and an attempt made to discuss rights in a comparative perspective. The book also deals with the political aspects of the various fundamental rights. As such, this work should be of interest not only to the legal community but to students of politics as well.

As an organ of the State, the Supreme court is required by the constitution to respect, secure and advance fundamental rights. The author has emphasized the need for the Court to take on to itself an inquisitorial and activist role in fundamental rights matters, as the Indian Supreme Court has done. The court must not be a neutral umpire as in adversarial litigation but an active guardian of rights, especially because parties are not evenly balanced, the respondent party being the state.]

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The Quazi Court System in Sri Lanka and its impact on Muslim Women / Saleem Marsoof  
 Colombo : Muslim Women's research and Action Forum/Women living under Muslim Laws, c2001  
 xiii, 85 p.; 22cm.  
 Includes Bibliography.  
 955-625-014-x  
 \$ 10.00

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The Social Image of the Judicial system of Sri Lanka

Colombo : Marga Institute, c2004

xii, 75 p.; 21 cm.

955-582-120-8

\$ 10.00

Catching the Big Fish : The Need for the Introduction of the Doctrine of Command Responsibility in Sri Lankan Legislation / Nehama Jayewardene

Colombo : Centre for the study of Human rights, University of Colombo

83 p.; 21 cm.

955-8698-07-5

\$ 10.00

[Contents :

Chapter 1 : Individual criminal responsibility, Group / collective responsibility and command responsibility Defined

Chapter 2 : The evolution of the Doctrine of Command responsibility through international Legislation and case Law

Chapter 3 : The Application of the Doctrine of Command responsibility in Sri Lanka

Chapter 4 : The absence of the Doctrine of Command Responsibility in the Military acts of Sri Lanka

Chapter 5 : A Suggested definition for command responsibility in Sri Lanka

Chapter 6 : Justice and Accountability.]

CSHR Human Rights Journal – Volume 1, Issue 1, 2005

Colombo : Centre for the study of Human rights, University of Colombo, Faculty of Law

31 p.; 30 cm.

ISSN : 1391-8397

\$ 10.00

[Contents :

Human rights : Challenges and Opportunities for Sri Lanka / Dr. Radhika Coomaraswamy

Comments on challenges and opportunities for Sri Lanka / Christine Spoerel

Is there a fundamental rights to education? / Justice Mark Fernando

Human rights and education : Challenges and Opportunities / Prof. Swarna Wijetunge

Comments on the Human Development report 2004 / Ambika Satkunanathan

Human Rights and Health / Prof. Ravindra Fernando

Human rights and conflict Resolution / Dr. Kumar Rupesinghe

Human Rights and Peace / DrP. Saravanamuttu.]

Moot Point : Legal Review 2003-04 – Volume 7

Colombo : Centre for Policy Alternatives, 2004

vi, 159 p.; 30 cm.

ISSN : 1391-409x

\$ 20.00

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 V Judicial Accountability / Soundarie David  
 The Women’s rights bill 2004 – A Commentary / Bhavani Fonseka  
 Of Churches ‘Ablaze’ and Police Liability / Suren Fernando  
 Codes of conduct of Transnational Corporations and Sri Lanka’s Labour Laws /  
 Eranthi Premaratne

#### **CPA Cases :**

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 Siriwardhana.

#### **International and comparative Issues :**

Canada’s unwritten constitutional principles and their relevance to Sri Lanka /  
 Andrew Pilliar  
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 south Africa and Venezuela / Megan Bremer  
 Attribution of state responsibility : The Indo-Pakistan Conflict / Tamanna Salikkudin  
 Human Rights dimensions to HIV / AIDS / Text of address by Prof. Laurel Fletcher at  
 the SLFCL, May 2003  
 Notes on Contributors.]

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#### **Linguistics**

Language and space : Cognitive semantics of Sinhala Grammatical categories /  
 Dileep Chandralal  
 Ratmalana : Sarvodaya Vishva Lekha Publishers, c2005  
 xiv, 345 p.; 22 cm.  
 Includes Bibliography.  
 955-599-381-5  
 \$ 29.50

[Cognitive Linguistics has grown intone of the most fascinating fields in Linguistics  
 and cognitive science, offering a radical alternative to mainstream linguistic theories.  
 It maintains that linguistic meaning does not represent external reality directly but  
 equates with speakers’ conceptualization of it. Language is inherently full of  
 resources for completing this mediation. Yet, the application of the theory to  
 language other than English remains missing from most introductory and descriptive  
 works on this branch of linguistics. This work is meant to provide the missing link.  
 By putting the assumptions of Cognitive linguistics to the test with a wealth of data  
 from Sinhala, the author sheds new light on the grammatical system of the  
 language, revealing its underlying conceptual structures. Through this in-depth  
 analysis, he further reveals a set of universals of case semantics related to the issues  
 of the nature of linguistic knowledge, contributing to the exploration of universal  
 grammar.]

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#### **Literature**

Spectrum : A Collection of Sinhala Short Stories in English / Translated and Compiled  
 by A T Dharmapriya

Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2006  
 xviii, 93 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-573-450-X  
 1. Short Stories, Sinhala  
 2. Sinhalese fiction  
 \$ 6.00

[The present work is a collection of Sinhala short stories rendered into English. The five writers whose works are produced here, represent the lineage spanning from 1970 to the present day. Ranjit Dharmakirti's first short story collection appeared in 1972. Nissanke Wijemanne's first work is dated late nineties. The works of the other three were published in between. It is therefore a good slice for someone to sample the development of the Sinhala short story writing during these three decades... This collection includes stories written both in the realistic mode, and some leaning more towards the modernistic trends. The former giving more credence to story line, and the event, and the latter lying more emphasis on the mood and the environment. But taken together all the stories that adorn this collection are five representative examples of narrative excellence.]

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My Elder Sister / Manel Karunathilake  
 Colombo : S. Godage & Brothers, c2005  
 151 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-20-7577-X  
 \$ 8.00

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The Northern Front : A Collection of Short Stories / Ayathurai Santhan  
 Colombo : S. Godage & Brothers, 2005  
 78 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-20-8548-9  
 \$ 5.00

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Hamsa Sandesa / (Author Unknown) ; Translated into English by Edmund Jayasuriya  
 Colombo : Central Cultural Fund Publication, Ministry of Cultural Affairs & National Heritage, c2005  
 117 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-613-200-7  
 Classical Sinhalese Texts Translation Series No.3  
 \$ 5.00

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From Flower to Pawn / Padma Edirisinghe  
 Colombo : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd, c2006  
 200 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.  
 955-20-8644-2  
 Novel  
 \$ 12.00

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Timeless Tales From Long Ago : Stories Retold from the Mahawamsa & Chulawamsa  
/ Maureen Seneviratne  
Colombo : Maureen Seneviratne, c2005  
v, 145 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.  
955-1194-03-9  
\$ 8.00

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Literary Essays / W A Abeysinghe  
Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2006  
72 p. ; 22 cm.  
Includes Index  
955-573-385-6  
Of Men and Matters Series  
\$ 4.00

[W A Abeysinghe, most of whose literary and critical works are in Sinhala, is a reputed poet, lyricist, translator, prose writer and literary critic in Sri Lanka. Born to a rural family in Sath Korale, Abeysinghe started his career as a teacher of English. He then took to journalism, free lance broadcasting and advertising to culminate his career as a lawyer, which at most intervals, is interrupted and intercepted by his many-faceted literary activities.]

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Sophie's Story / Premini Amerasinghe  
Colombo : Athula Jayakody, Sooriya Publishers, c2006  
120 p. ; 22 cm.  
955-656-023-8  
1. English fiction  
\$ 7.00

[Sophie was born in 1896 into a professional middle class protestant Burgher family. Strong willed and idealistic, she had to contend with the rigid values and prejudices of her conservative parents. This book deals with the first four decades of her life, which coincide with an interesting period of our Island's history.]

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Kider Chetty Street / Jagath Kumarasinghe  
Colombo : Athula Jayakody, Sooriya Publishers, c2005  
173 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.  
955-656-006-8  
Winner of The Gratiaen Prize-2004  
\$ 9.00

[Salaman Rushdie said that we need to own the language of English on our own terms. This book does this. Kider Chetty Street is an unusual book in the context of Sri Lankan English literature. Indeed, it attempts to redefine such literature in terms of language, imagination, style and structure. A collection of stories loosely connected to the imaginary Kider Chetty Street with its strange goings-on and cast of remarkable characters, the book provides poignant and delightful insights into human relationships. It is a celebration of life, of humanity, with a keen Sri Lankan flavour.]

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Tales from Sri Lanka : Folk and History / Manel Ratnatunga  
Colombo : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2006  
207 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.  
955-1266-16-1  
\$ 8.00

[Sri Lanka, one of the most beautiful islands in the world, has a rich cultural history of more than 2000 years. Tales from Sri Lanka is an attempt by Manuel Ranatunga to preserve the fast-dying oral literature and traditions of the country and to make people aware of their national heritage. Through these tales, Manuel Ranatunga has succeeded in reminding people about their glorious past which has been handed down from generation to generation. The fascinating stories, retold in a lucid and simple style, will succeed in keeping readers of ages spellbound. A blending of folklore and history make the tales more interesting and lively. This collection gives a rare glimpse into the captivating culture and history of Sri Lanka.]

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Monsoons & Potholes / Manuka Wijesinghe  
Colombo : Perera Hussein Publishing House, c2006  
374 p. ; 20 cm.  
955-8897-07-8  
\$ 10.00

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### **Music**

New Instrumental Compositions for North Indian Music / Anil Mihiripenna  
Colombo : Anil Mihiripenna, c2006  
479 . ; 29 cm.  
9006451-0-4  
\$ 20.00

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### **Official Publications**

Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Galle District – Final Results-CD ROM  
Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
\$ 25.00

[This CD Contains final results of Census 2001 on both population and housing characteristics pertaining to Galle District. It provides information at District level, divisional secretariat (DS) level as well as Grama Niladhari (GN) divisional level. A Brief analysis of population and housing characteristics is also presented here together with the detailed statistical tables. Statistical tables are classified into broad categories for easy reference under population and housing characteristics such as age-sex composition, education, economic activity, migration, housing stock and household amenities etc. Users can select the necessary tables under each such category. Some concepts and definitions used in the census and a copy of the census schedule used to canvass the information are also displayed. Information in

this CD supersede the information given in all preliminary releases and results from sample tabulations as well as the data at GN division level disseminated earlier in printed and electronic media.]

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Polonnaruwa District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Ampara District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Nuwara Eliya District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Puttalam District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Kegalle District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Census of Population and Housing 2001 : Matale District – Final Results-CD ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006  
 \$ 25.00

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 Sri Lanka : Statistical Pocket Book – 2005

38<sup>th</sup> Issue

Colombo : Department of Statistics, 2005

viii, 95 p.; 12 cm.

955-577-511-7

\$ 5.00

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 Atlas on the Buildings affected by the Tsunami 2004 and Statistical Abstract 2004 - CD-ROM

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006

No.2005/1

\$ 40.00

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 Census of public and Semi-Government sector employment 2002 – Final Report

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005

x, 216 p.; 28 cm.

955-577-474-9

\$ 15.00

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 Annual report of the Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey 2004 (With Provincial and District Level Data)

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006

iv, 32 p.; 28 cm.

955-577-543-5

\$ 10.00

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Recent Economic Developments : Highlights of 2005 and Prospects for 2006

Sri Lanka : Central bank of Sri Lanka, 2005

77 p.; 28 cm.

955-577-118-6

\$ 5.00

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Economic and Social Statistics of Sri Lanka 2005 – Volume 27

Sri Lanka : Central Bank of Sri Lanka, 2005

ii, 173 p.; 28 cm.

ISSN : 1391-3611

\$ 20.00

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Central Bank of Sri Lanka – Annual Report of the monetary board to the Hon. Minister of Finance for the Year 2005

Colombo : Central Bank of Sri Lanka, 2006

v.; 27 cm.

955-575-123-4

ISSN : 1391-3581

\$ 25.00

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Sri Lanka Food Balance Sheet 2000-2004 (Revised Series)

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005

26 p.; 30 cm.

955-577-518-4

\$ 10.00

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National Accounts of Sri Lanka 2004

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005

viii, 279 p.; 30 cm.

955-577-536-2

\$ 20.00

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Census of Population and Housing – 2001 Sri Lanka – Matale – District Report

Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2004

xi, 721 p.; 30 cm.

955-577-461-7

\$ 60.00

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Administration report of the Commissioner of Elections for the year 2004 (Part I –

Civil (Y) / Dayananda Dissanayake

Colombo : Government of Sri Lanka, 2005

v.; 30 cm.

\$ 30.00

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Financial Stability Review 2005

Colombo : Central Bank of Sri Lanka, 2005

vii, 48 p.; 30 cm.

\$ 6.00

[Contents :

Chapter 1 : Executive Summary  
 Chapter 2 : Macro-economic environment and Potential Risks  
 Chapter 3 : Financial Institutions and Markets, Potential Risks and Management of Risks  
 Chapter 4 : Financial Infrastructure, Potential Risks and Management of Risks  
 Chapter 5 : Summary and Conclusions  
 Members of the Financial Stability Committee (FSC) and FSC study Group.]

Administration report of the Inspector general of Police for the year 1999 – Part III – Judicial (A) / Chandra Fernando Esqr.,  
 Colombo : Statistics Division, 2005  
 xv, 102 p.; 25 cm.  
 \$ 20.00

Preliminary evaluation of Age-sex Data of Census of Population and Housing – 2001 / H.R. Gunasekera  
 Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005  
 24 p.; 27 cm.  
 955-577-545-1  
 \$ 8.00

Tsunami Census 2004/2005 – Kalutara District – Final Report  
 Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005  
 xv, 53 p.; 22 cm.  
 955-577-523-0  
 \$ 10.00

[From Preface :

Natural Disasters could occur in any part of the world at any time. Most of these disasters destroy lives, environments and wealth of the people who live in those affected areas. The most serious natural disaster in the first decade of the new millennium was the Tsunami which struck on the 26<sup>th</sup> of December 2004. Sri Lanka is one of the countries which was badly affected by the Tsunami disaster. The department of Census and Statistics (DCS), with the objective providing information on the impact of Tsunami on Sri Lanka for better planning, rebuilding of systems and rehabilitation of those affected, conducted a Census on Tsunami on February 2005 to provide unbiased and reliable information on this event.]

Tsunami Census 2004/2005 – Hambantota District – Final Report  
 Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005  
 xv, 53 p.; 22 cm.  
 955-577-522-2  
 \$ 10.00

Female participation of Informal economic Activities in Sri Lanka / Dharma Dissanayake  
 Colombo : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005  
 29 p.; 30 cm.  
 955-577-537-0  
 \$ 8.00

The Consumer Finances and socio Economic Survey Report 2003/04 – Part I

Colombo : Central Bank of Sri Lanka, 2005  
 v.; 39 cm.  
 955-575-1102  
 \$ 30.00

The Consumer Finances and socio Economic Survey Report 2003/04 – Part 2 – CD  
 ROM [English Version]  
 Colombo : Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
 955-575-113-7  
 \$ 60.00

## **Politics**

Sri Lanka : A Dangerous Interlude / Apratim Mukarji  
 Sri Lanka : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2005  
 xli, 294 p. ; 22 cm.  
 Includes Index.  
 955-1266-08-0  
 \$ 7.99

[This book traces the events in Sri Lanka since the summer of June 2000, a chillingly critical juncture when the Sri Lankan government was about to lose its control over the Jaffna Peninsula. The last five years have seen unexpected twists in the fortunes of the fractured nation, the hallmarks being the ceasefire that had lasted an incredible three years, a surprise parliamentary election that literally turned the island politics upside down, a serious fissure in the monolith that is the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), with the revolt of 'Colonel' Karuna, and the one single event that could prove a turning point, the 12 August 2005 assassination of Foreign Minister Lakshman Kadirgamar. The future, more than ever before, remains uncertain; will the ceasefire stick despite the growing signs of disharmony all around? Or will the country return to the blood and fury and tragedy of a resumed Eelam War?]

Islamising a Muslim Nation : Politics of Identity, Legitimacy and Security in Pakistan /  
 Address by Maneesha Tikekar  
 Colombo : International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2005  
 37 p. ; 22 cm.  
 \$ 5.00

Essays on Sri Lanka's Foreign Policy Vol.1. / W.M. Karunadasa  
 Dehiwela : Image Lanka Publishers, 2005  
 189p.  
 9559496166  
 \$ 12.00

Assessing Conflict Risks in Southern Sri Lanka : An Exploratory Study on conflict  
 potentials in the Hambantota District and the Applicability of PCIA Tools for Project  
 Impact Analysis / Markus Mayer  
 Sri Lanka : German Development Cooperation CTZ – Sri Lanka, 2003  
 xiii, 88 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-8492-69-8  
 Development Cooperation in the Context of Crisis and Conflict Study No.01

\$ 12.00

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 Youth in Vocational Training and Conflict Prevention : A Study on Peace Potentials and Conflict Risks of Development Interventions in the Plantation Sector of Sri Lanka / Sarala Emmanuel

Sri Lanka : German Development Cooperation CTZ – Sri Lanka, 2004

xii, 83 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

955-8492-70-1

Development Cooperation in the Context of Crisis and Conflict Study No.02

\$ 12.00

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 Conflict, Conflict Resolution and Peace Building: An Introduction to Theories and Practices / Edited by Jayadeva Uyangoda

Sri Lanka : German Development Cooperation CTZ – Sri Lanka, 2005

xxi, 365 p. ; 23 cm.

955-8492-61-4

Development Cooperation in the Context of Crisis and Conflict Study No.03

\$ 18.00

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 Sri Lanka's Ethnic Problem and Solutions / Edited by Lionel Guruge

Sri Lanka : Centre for Policy Alternatives, 2006

104 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.

955-8037-97-4

\$ 10.00

[Contents:

In search of New Direction to resolve the ethnic conflict

Background to the ethnic conflict

Sinhala for entire country

Tamil languages (Special provisions) Pact

Thimpu Discussion – 1985

13<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment

Constitutional Reforms 1997-2000

Muslim Factor

Memorandum of Understanding between Government of Sri Lanka & LTTE

Current situation of the conflict

Provision for devolution of powers.]

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 Two Languages one Nation, One Language Two Nations : The Lanka Sama Samaja Party on the State Language / Edited by Wesley Muthiah

Sri Lanka : A Young Socialist Publication, 2005

xvi, 326 p. ; 22 cm.

955-9150-04-9

\$ 12.00

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Foreword

Acknowledgements

Introduction

Chapter

1. language Question. A declaration of the Lanka sama samaja party, October 1955
2. Dr N.M. Perera proposes in parliament to amend the constitution to provide for both Sinhalese and tamil to be state languages with parity of status throughout the Island
3. Racist inspired communal riots in June 1956 Representations made by:
4. Debate on the "Sinhala only Bill" in Parliament on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June, 1956
5. The Tamil language Special Provisions Bill
6. "Two years of Sinhala only" – Dr Colvin R de Silva'. Speech made in the debate on the throne speech – 1958
7. The Way out for the Tamil Speaking People – V. Karalasingham
8. The only They predicted this outcome
9. The State possible approach to a solution of Sri Lanka's Ethnic Crisis
10. Afterword.]

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A Call for National Reawakening / C.G. Weeramantry  
 Sri Lanka : Stamford Lake (PVT) Ltd, 2005  
 xi, 158 p. ; 20 cm.  
 955-1131-73-8  
 \$ 8.00

[This publication sets out in simple language some brief thoughts aimed at arresting the current decline in Sri Lankan affairs and at setting the country once more on an upward course of peace, happiness and prosperity. It contains some suggestions based on the author's practical experience in Sri Lanka and in many countries overseas and is meant to be a stimulus to further discussion of the many problems that face Sri Lanka.]

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Disorder in Sri Lanka / K.M.M.B. Kulatunga  
 Sri Lanka : Freelankanews.com, 2006  
 xiv, 233 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-1035-02-X  
 \$ 12.00

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The Royal 'We' : Sinhala Identity in the Dynastic State / Alan Strathern  
 Sri Lanka : Social Scientists' Association, 2006  
 23 p. ; 23 cm.  
 955-9102-84-2  
 \$ 5.00

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S.D. and the Family Roots in Sri Lankan Politics / Nilmal Wickramasinghe  
 Sri Lanka : Somasiri Wickramasinghe, c2005  
 xxxi, 405 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.  
 Includes Bibliography and Index.  
 955-99166-1-0  
 \$ 25.00

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Negotiating Peace in Sri Lanka : Efforts, Failures and Lessons – Vol.1 / Edited by Kumar Rupesinghe  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition  
 Sri Lanka : The Foundation for Co-Existence, 2006  
 xxvii, 404 p. ; 22 cm.  
 955-1358-04-X

\$ 25.00

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Acknowledgements

Preface

Introduction : Negotiating Peace in Sri Lanka : Lessons from Peace Processes

Rereading Thimpu Principles : An Integrative Perspective

Contending Views on the Indo-Sri Lanka Accord : Third Party Intervention

The Search for a Sri Lankan Solution : Premadasa – LTTE Talks

A Time for Hope and Despair : Kumaratunga LTTE Negotiations

Perspectives : Problems and Prospects

Photo Gallery

Appendix.]

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 Negotiating Peace in Sri Lanka : Efforts, Failures and Lessons – Vol.2 / Edited by  
 Kumar Rupesinghe

Sri Lanka : The Foundation for Co-Existence, 2006

lxvii, 471 p. ; 22 cm.

955-1358-05-8

\$ 30.00

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Acknowledgements

Preface

Introduction : Evaluating the Peace Process

GoSL – LTTE Negotiations and the Security Dimension

The Humanitarian Response and the Peace Dividend

The Third Party Views

The International Perspective

Photo Gallery

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 Sri Lanka Freedom Party : A Political Profile / W.A. Wiswa Warnapala

Colombo : Godage International Publishers, 2005

xxii, 423 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

955-20-8853-4

\$ 20.00

[This book presents a profound analysis of the evolution of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party as one of the main democratic political parties of Sri Lanka. It is a research study on the role and development of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party. It was this political party, both in Government and Opposition, which brought about changes for democratic consolidation in Sri Lanka. This study comprises seven chapters which, while focusing on the achievements and failures of the party during the last fifty years, discuss the main aspects of its evolution as one of the major democratic political parties in the country. The post 1994 period has not been included in the study as this particular period needs a separate study. In terms of its analysis and discussion, it is a pioneering piece of work focusing on the origins and development of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party, the role of which was of fundamental importance to the development of the Sri Lankan Polity.]

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 Selected Writings of Regi Siriwardena : Politics and Society Vol.2 / Edited by A.J.  
 Canagaratna

Sri Lanka : International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2006

xiv, 618 p. ; 22 cm.  
955-580-103-6  
\$ 25.00

[Politics and Society, the second and concluding volume of the "Selected Writings of Regi Siriwardena" presents Regi's writings on the politics of the Communist bloc, especially the former Soviet Union, and his Witty, Perceptive lobby columns. This volume includes assessments of Braudel, Isaac Deutscher and reassessment of the Russian Revolution. For Regi, there are no sacred cows and even Lenin is not exempt from his critical scrutiny.

Some creative pieces which have political and social implications are also included in this volume.

Politics and Society Conclusively shows that if Regi had not been more interested in literature and the arts, he would have been an outstanding and incisive political and social commentator.]

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Final Report on Election – Related Violence : General Election 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2004  
Sri Lanka : Centre for Policy Alternatives (CPA), 2004  
115 p. : ill. ; 19 cm.  
955-8037-64-8  
Centre for Monitoring Election Violence  
\$ 15.00

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Final Report on Election – Related Violence : General Election 2001 – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2001  
Sri Lanka : Centre for Policy Alternatives (CPA), 2002  
97 p. : ill. ; 19 cm.  
955-8037-32-X  
Centre for Monitoring Election Violence  
\$ 15.00

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**Religion - Buddhism**

Encyclopaedia of Buddhism – Volume VII : Fascicle 2 : Odantapuri-Petavatthu, Vimanavatthu / Edited by W.G. Weeraratne  
Sri Lanka : The Department of Buddhist Affairs, 2004  
403 p. ; 25 cm.  
\$ 30.00

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Journal of the Centre for Buddhist Studies Sri Lanka – Volume I, May, 2003 / Edited by Y. Karunadasa  
Sri Lanka : Centre for Buddhist Studies, c2003  
270 p. ; 22 cm.  
ISSN : 1391-8443  
\$ 10.00

[Contents:  
A Reappraisal of the Position of Women in Buddhism  
The Sarvastivada Doctrine of Simultaneous Causality  
Selective Tendency in the Buddhist Textual Tradition?

Papancasudani: The Commentary to the Majjhimanikaya  
 The Theravada Version of the Buddhist Doctrine of Momentariness  
 Sabhavadhamma: A Pali Abhidhammika Neologism and Its Probable Meaning  
 The Sutta Pericope of "the Cessation" and Its Interpretation  
 A Brief Note on Some Doctrinal Similarities in the Early Buddhist Texts and the  
 Mahabharata  
 The Establishment of Sautrantika-Darstantika and their Sub-sects.]

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Buddha Pradeepa : Daily News Vesak Annual May 2006-Volume 1. No.1 / Edited by  
 Malani Govinnage  
 Colombo : Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited, 2006  
 90 p. : ill. ; 29 cm.  
 \$ 15.00

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### **Religion - Christianity**

A New Culture for a New Society : Selected Writings 1945-2005 / Paul Caspersz, S.J.  
 Kandy : Paul Caspersz, S.J., 2005  
 xiv, 311 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.  
 955-1181-01-8  
 \$ 14.99

[Contents:  
 Foreword of Fr Provincial  
 Introduction  
 Acknowledgements  
 Plantations  
 The Inner-Ethnic Question  
 Socio-Spiritual Issues  
 Personal Reflections and Memories  
 Development.]

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Encounters with the Word : Essays to honour Aloysius Pieris s.j. on his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
 9<sup>th</sup> April 2004 / Edited by Robert Crusz, Marshal Fernando & Asanga Tilakaratne  
 Colombo : The Ecumental Institute for Study and Dialogue, c2004  
 viii, 700 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.  
 Includes Bibliography  
 955-8497-03-7  
 1. Comparative Religion  
 2. Buddhism  
 3. Christianity  
 \$ 25.00

[These original essays celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> birthday of Aloysius Pieris s.j., the Sri Lankan Jesuit Theologian, Buddhist Scholar, Classical Indologist and founder-director of the Tulana Research Centre for Encounter and Dialogue in Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. Also included in this volume is an extensive interview with Fr. Aloy about his life and work and a complete bibliography of his writings to date.]

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## Sociology

An X-ray of the Sri Lankan policing system and torture of the poor / Edited by Basil Fernando, Shyamali Puvimanasinghe

Hong Kong : Asian human rights commission (AHRC), 2005

321 p. ; 23 cm.

962-8314-25-4

\$ 15.00

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Alcohol and poverty in Sri Lanka / Bergljot Baklien and Diyanath Samarasinghe

2<sup>nd</sup> print (1<sup>st</sup> ed. 2003)

Sri Lanka : FORUT, c2005

159 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.

955-9193-02-3

\$ 14.00

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Science of teaching (Pedagogy) : A philosophical analysis on teaching / Camillus Nihal Fernando

Colombo : Godage International publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2006

220 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes bibliography.

955-20-9263-9

Pontificia Universitas urbaniana facolta di filosofia

\$ 7.00

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[Contents:

Chapter 1: Historical perspectives epistemological and pedagogical models in the centric of John Locke

Chapter 2: Part 1: Theoretical direct dimension of the inquiry

Part 2: The genesis of human knowledge and formation of man.]

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Indigenous medicine in Sri Lanka : A sociological analysis / K.L.S. Kusumaratne

Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2005

xxiii, 272 p. ; 21 cm.

Includes index.

955-573-417-8

1. Medicine, Ayurvedic

\$ 12.00

[The practice of multifaceted indigenous medicine is a universal phenomenon. It makes a great contribution to the health care system in each and every human society, prevailing at the one pole of the process of providing health facilities, although the cosmopolitan medicine stands tall and firm at the other end. It is not only a medical system but also a cultural heritage. The present state of indigenous medicine was examined in this research to explore whether it has developed or declined, as there is a controversy on this debate between the general public and the health policy makers. However, it was found that it has neither developed nor declined, but dynamics and changes can be observed.]

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'The people in-between' : Inter-ethnic relations amongst the displaced in Trincomalee District, Sri Lanka / Jessica Skinner

Colombo : International centre for ethnic studies, c2005  
 vi, 89 p. ; 21 cm.  
 Includes maps.  
 955-580-098-7  
 \$ 6.00

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Strategies to address alcohol problems / Diyanath Samarasinghe  
 Sri Lanka : FORUT, c2005  
 132 p. ; 26 cm.  
 995-9193-03-1  
 \$ 12.00

[This book deals with strategy at several levels. A few excerpts from the introductory overview to indicate the issues that are addressed:

Community strategy: The issue for communities is what they should do. There is little opportunity in community action for deliberate and considered action. The very nature of community awakening calls for an immediate response. Community strategy must deal with the difficulty of channeling enthusiasm in the best directions, without killing it in the process.

Country strategy: Successful policies that a country can adopt are already known. The big question in national strategy is how to get known useful policies implemented. A further question, perhaps not addressed actively enough, is what new measures may surpass those that we already know to be effective.

Global strategy: Willing and strong enough parents to nurture a global strategy are not easy to locate. So a priority need is to find an agency or agencies to take on effectively the task of minimising the harm to the world from alcohol use.]

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Conflict at work / E. Franklyn and G. Amerasinghe  
 Sri Lanka : Employers' Federation of Ceylon, 2006  
 xiv, 394 p. ; 23 cm.  
 Includes bibliography and index.  
 955-9930-1-0-6  
 \$ 20.00

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University space and values : Three essays / Nira Wickramasinghe  
 Sri Lanka : International centre for ethnic studies Colombo, 2005  
 119 p. ; 23 cm.  
 Includes bibliography.  
 955-5800-95-2  
 \$ 9.00

[Contents:

1. On values and university space
2. Sri Lankan Universities sites, expansion
3. The Sri Lankan university spaces of community-spaces of conflict (Building-Gardens-Interiors)

Bibliography.]

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Commercial sexual exploitation of Children (CSEC) : The crime against children /  
 Edited by Maureen Seneviratne  
 Sri Lanka : P.E.A.C.E Foundation, 2006  
 249 p. ; 23 cm.  
 955-8309-13-3

\$ 29.50

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### **Women's Studies**

Socialist Women of Sri Lanka / Edited by Wesley S. Muthiah...(et al.)

Colombo : A Young Socialist Publication, 2006

v, 220 p.; 22 cm.

955-9150-06-5

\$ 13.00

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Violence against women : An obstacle to Development / Roxanna Carrillo

Colombo : Social Scientists' Association, 2005

28 p.; 21 cm.

\$ 3.00

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Excluding Women : The Struggle for Women's political Participation in Sri Lanka /  
Edited by Morina Perera and Rsika Chandrasekera

Colombo : Social Scientists' Association, c2005

150 p.; 21 cm.

955-9102-77-x

\$ 12.00

[This timely book is a collection of articles written in recent years on the theme of women and politics, especially the low representation of women in parliament and local bodies. It also focuses on the experiences of some of the women who entered the legislature and who were politically active in party politics and women's organizations. The book includes the women's Manifesto for 2005/6 published by Civil-society women's groups summarizing the demands of women.]

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