

Number of Tamils Killed Exceeds Tamils Killed in Black July



The cold-blooded killings of Tamils by the Sinhalese extremists during the '83 Black July still reverberates the Tamil psyche. Since then paradoxically more Tamils have been ruthlessly butchered by the LTTE itself.

It is estimated that Tamil casualties at the hands of Prabhakaran are thrice the number of July killings, which is only about 600.

Such eminent personages as Alfred Duraiaappa, and TULF Leader Amirthalingam along with LTTE's Deputy Chief Mahattaya were decimated merely because they engaged in Tamil politics at the risk of their lives. "Innocent Tamils who pleaded mercy at the feet of

LTTE terror groups were shot dead," recounts Narayanswamy in his biography of Prabhakaran.

The Jaffna weekly, 'Saturday Review' explaining how the TELO was exterminated, says the Tamils were targeted by the marauding LTTEs like dogs!

To those who abhorred the spectacle of burning bodies of innocent Tamils on the roads, LTTE terror squads sardonically retorted, "What can we do with dead bodies." Despite the mass killings of their own brethren, the LTTE never kept statistics of its victims.

University don Rajini Thiranagama, Jaffna Central College Principal, K. Parajathurai of

Kopya Christian College Principal, N. Sivakadatcham were summarily executed simply because they fought for Tamil rights. Selvaraja Sakthiyyan, a twelve-year-old boy, who refused to join the LTTE were pulled out from his home and shot dead at his own premises! Such was the justice meted out to the helpless Tamil citizens by the LTTE. Only a few names of the LTTE victims have come to light. Statistics of the mass-scale LTTE killings are not available.

Only a handful of merciless killings are accounted for in these series! The list of names while evoking sympathy poses the question whether the Tamil community needs any more enemies .

Tamils Need No Enemies as long as the LTTEers exist

Very first Tamil soul Prabhakaran axed

Late Mr. Alfred Duraiaappa was one of the prestigious Mayors in Jaffna. However, he turned out to be the very first person, Prabhakaran chose to assassinate. Following criminal acts he had committed on the Jaffna Tamil people are considered the reasons behind his killing.



Alfred Duraiaappa

Pioneered the setting up of the Jaffna campus. One of the prime movers to set up the Jaffna library. Establishment of the Duraiaappa Stadium. Initiating a programme to provide employment opportunities to youth in Jaffna and paying special attention to those under-privileged affected

Gandhi of the North -

This active social worker was a product of Sarvodaya Movement. He was the Sarvodaya leader in charge of the Northern Province. At a time when no social or religious movement ever attempted to set foot in areas in the North, it was Kanagarajan's colleagues who took the trouble to take food and medicine received from foreign agencies, to the affected people there. Also when fishing was banned in the sea, in the North, it was Kadiramalai, who distributed food, medicine and water to 25,000 affected fisher families for 6 weeks in the North.



Kanagarajan Kadiramalai

Being a vegetarian and teetotaler, he was a model Hindu devotee and thus became the spiritual leader among people in the North. He was revered as a noble character such as Dr. A. T. Ariyaratne of the Sarvodaya, Martin Luther King and Swami Vivekanandan and was also a Gandhi among people in the North. The youth enamoured by his exemplary qualities weaned themselves away from the vice and misdeeds.

Terrorists abducted him on 17th September 1986, tied him to a lamp post and shot him dead on September 26.

The meanness of this dastardly act was clearly indicated by the fact that one perpetrator of this crime had shot himself to death while the other committed suicide by swallowing cyanide capsule.

Veteran Foreign Minister Assassinated

A legal luminary specialised in the 'Law and Persons and Property Law', the late Lakshman Kadirgamal was a brilliant product of the Oxford University. A distinguished Tamil who was elected president of the Oxford Union, Kadirgamal was the most internationally-known Minister of Foreign Affairs Sri Lanka ever produced. He led his crusade against the child proscription practised by the LTTE. He spearheaded the campaign to restore the glory of Jaffna library.



Lakshman Kadirgamal

The LTTE, no respecter of human lives, gunned down him on August 12, 2005.

Lakshman Kadirgamal chose the field of intellectual property as one of his subjects and was highly specialised in this particular area. He took up the case of injustices caused to the Tamil people through ethnic conflicts at international level.

At an interview with the BBC, he emphasised the fact that all the people living in Sri Lanka are Sri Lankans, at first. "Likewise our race and religion are our birth rights. All must live in Sri Lanka as Sri Lankans," he further declared.

Pathmanabha-a friend of all ethnic groups

Pathmanabha was one of the few leaders who pioneered the formation of the EPRLF movement. He was a leftist leader who pursued the concept of all people living like brothers in Sri Lanka with due respect to human rights under a democratic set-up in Sri Lanka.



Pathmanabha

He also supported the concept of peaceful co-existence of all ethnic groups in Sri Lanka while enjoying all democratic rights under the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement.

He emphasised the unity among Tamil movements here and also espoused the grievances of estate Tamils at the foras of Indian and International Liberation movements. This progressive leader along with 13 more colleagues were killed by the LTTE in Chennai, India.

Death of a Sunflower

Mrs. K. Thambimuttu was an active member of the Sooriya Malar Movement. She, along with her husband, parliamentarian of the Batticaloa District Sam Thambimuttu were on their way to the Canadian Embassy in Gregory Place to go to Canada when both of them were shot at.



Mrs. K. Thambimuttu

After two days of this incident, she regained consciousness and was taken in her sick bed to Sravasthi to pay her last respect to the deceased husband. Immediately after this, she too succumbed to her injuries.

Death to a leader who brought forth a separate state resolution

It is not exaggerating to say that he was one of the democratic and courageous leaders of the Tamil people who gave the overwhelming mandate to this leader A. Amirthalingam to pursue their political aspirations. Accordingly the TULF became the Opposition in Parliament and the leader of the party became the leader of the Opposition in 1977.



A. Amirthalingam

It was none other than late Mr. Amirthalingam who brought forth a resolution to say that the Tamil people need a separate state in the Vaddukoddai conference. That resolution is as follows:

"For the protection of Tamil people, we need to establish a Tamil Eelam with equality, sovereignty and freedom based on self-rule."

This leader who fought for the rights of the Tamil people was shot dead by the LTTE gunmen inside his home after partaking of food with him.

Bridge of friendship destroyed

Sam Thambimuttu was a very popular politician in the Batticaloa area. He began his career as an English teacher followed by a clerical post in the bank and finally ended up as an Attorney-at-Law in 1954.



Sam Thambimuttu

Vasudeva Nanayakkara once referred to him as a bridge which would bring the support of the Sinhalese to the freedom struggle of the Tamil people. He took a lead role to bring about equality and justice among various communities in Batticaloa while bringing to light the human rights violations in the area. However the LTTE was rude enough to kill him on 7.5.1990.

Sam Thambimuttu was well prepared to bring to light the horrendous details of 600 mass killings in the North and East after the Indian forces had left the island.

1. Alfred Duraiaappa	1975.07.27	Jaffna
2. Tamil CID officer Native place of Praba	1978.03	-
3. Bastian Pillai	1978.04.27	Mannar
4. Pathmanathan	1978.05.06	Jaffna
5. Kumsara	1978.09.07	-
6. D.K. Thambipillai	1978.05.07	Batticaloa
7. Kurusamy	1979.07.01	Jaffna
8. Subramaniam	1980.10.02	Kilinochi
9. UNP Tamil Members	1981	-
10. Police officer hailing from his native place	1981	Colombo
11. CID officer hailing from Praba's native place	1981.03	Colombo
12. Dr. Tiyyagaraj	1981.05.24	Batticaloa
13. Sundaram	1981.05.24	-
14. V. Thambipillai	1982.02.02	Jaffna
15. The bodyguard of Tamil candidates	1982.11.15	-
16. K.V. Ratasingham	1983.04.29	Jaffna
17. S.S. Muttiah	1983.04.30	Jaffna
18. Sinnathambi Tilakar	1983.06.04	Jaffna
19. A.G. Rajasooriya	1983.08.12	Jaffna
20. M. Ramachandra	1983.09.10	Batticaloa
21. K.T. Pulendram	1983.10.19	Vavuniya
22. Sinnathambi Appukkutti	1984.05.05	Oodshuttan
23. Valiyampillai Francis	1984.05.25	Jaffna
24. Samithambi Gopal Pillai	1984.09.18	Batticaloa
25. Ramiah	1984.12.05	Jaffna
26. Anandaraja	1985.06.26	-
27. D.K. Thambipillai	1985.08.22	Oodshuttan
28. Vishalvingam	1985.09.01	Jaffna
29. K. Rajalingam	1985.09.03	Jaffna
30. V. Dharmalingam	1985.09.03	Jaffna
31. D. Siddharthan	1985.09.03	Jaffna
32. Sundaram	1985.09.03	Jaffna
33. Vadivel Periaappan	1985.12.24	Kilinochi
34. Gnanachandiram	1986.03.01	-
35. Kirubakaran	1986.05.08	Batticaloa
36. Shivalingam	1986.08.20	Trinco
37. Vishalvingam	1986.09.26	-
38. Kalhiramalai	1987.04.09	Kaluvachikudi
39. K. Sundaralingam	1987.09.15	Ampara
40. Vignaraja	1987.09.28	Trinco
41. Arumugam Pillai	1987.10.08	-
42. Dharmalingam	1987.11.03	Batticaloa
43. Paramaguru	1987.11.06	Trinco
44. Sinnathurai	1987.11.26	Trinco
45. Hayathambi Kandasamy	1987.12.12	Batticaloa
46. V. Gunaratnam	1987.12.14	Batticaloa
47. K.E. Kandasamy	1987.12.14	Batticaloa
48. K.E. Kandasamy	1987.12.14	Batticaloa
49. P. Sundaranyakam	1987.12.17	Batticaloa
50. K. Sugathadasan	1987.12.17	Batticaloa
51. S. Sivantharajah	1988.01.31	Batticaloa
52. S. Vignathan	1988.03.08	Jaffna
53. Velumuru	1988.03.20	Batticaloa
54. Nadaraja Kuhadasan	1988.05.11	Batticaloa
55. Mashilamani Kanagaratham	1988.05.11	Batticaloa
56. Rajasankar	1988.10.28	Jaffna
57. L.K. Sivaganam	1989.11.25	Jaffna
58. Maivaganam	1989.02.18	Jaffna
59. Sinnathambi Sampathan Moorthi	1989.03.13	Batticaloa
60. Ramanathan	1989.04.07	Jaffna
61. V.M. Pajjalasingam	1989.05.01	Nallar
62. Paanjalingam	1989.05.02	Jaffna
63. Mahalingam	1989.05.10	Jaffna
64. K. Pulendram	1989.06.28	Batticaloa
65. A. Amirthalingam	1989.07.13	Colombo
66. V. Yogeswaran	1989.07.13	Colombo
67. Krishnapillai	1989.07.14	Batticaloa
68. Arasarathnam Kaneshapillai	1989.08.03	Batticaloa
69. P. Ravindran	1989.09.06	Kilinochi
70. Arasarathnam	1989.09.07	-
71. Shanmuganathan	1989.09.09	-
72. Rajani Thiranagama Mrs.	1989.09.21	Jaffna
73. Sivendranja	1989.10.12	Batticaloa
74. K. Sundaralingam	1989.11.30	Batticaloa
75. Kandasamy Sadanandam Jothi	1990.01.28	Trinco
76. P. Ganeshalingam	1990.01.28	Trinco
77. S.A.M. Thambimuttu	1990.06.19	Trinco
78. Mrs. Thambimuttu	1990.06.19	Trinco
79. Pathmanathan	1990.06.19	India
80. V. Yogasundari	1990.06.19	India
81. Periyathambi Kirupakumar	1990.06.19	India
82. K. Kanagarathnam	1990.07.15	Pottuvil
83. K. Padmanaba	1990	-
84. Kirupananadan	1991.04.04	-
85. S. Padmakumar	1991.04.04	-
86. Suppian Arulnathan	1991.06.28	Vavuniya
87. Picture Rajendran	1991.06.29	Vavuniya
88. Singaravelu Sivaraj	1991.06.29	Vavuniya
89. S. Vijayarathnam	1991.11.20	Batticaloa
90. K. Podiweeraratnam	1991.11.23	Batticaloa
91. Savarayan Crouse Meeman	1991.12.28	Batticaloa
92. Kanapathipillai Viratharaj	1992.08.13	Vavuniya
93. Poopalapillai Umakanthan	1992.08.13	Vavuniya
94. S. P. Pio Pilas	1992.09.23	Colombo
95. Ramachandran Kanakarathnam	1993.02.04	Mannar
96. Veepaputran Inparaju	1993.04.01	Vavuniya
97. Christian Sebastian	1993.04.01	Vavuniya
98. Anusaram Chandramonan	1993.04.01	Vavuniya
99. Ganesan Ravichandra	1993.05.31	Vavuniya
100. Rajadurai Rajendran	1993.05.31	Vavuniya
101. Kumarasani Kethieswaram	1993.05.31	Vavuniya
102. Somasundaram Thernathamm	1993.05.31	Trinco
103. Velupillai Alagi	1994.07.12	Batticaloa
104. Jeyarajan	1994.09.03	Batticaloa
105. A. C. Kandasamy	1994.12.03	Colombo
106. Mahalthayer	1994.12.20	-
107. Arumugam Vellai	1994.12.21	Colombo
108. K. Vinathan	1995.04.28	Colombo
109. Pathmanathan	1995.06.11	Ampara
110. Anthony Thoms	1995.10.28	Batticaloa
111. Pctrs. Pusapathipillai	1995.11.01	Jaffna
112. Anbanthasan Marudilaran	1995.11.29	Mannar
113. Kandasamy Selvaraja	1996.01.20	Mannar
114. Kandiah Sivanathan	1996.03.31	Batticaloa
115. Kanakapillai Jayaseelan	1996.03.31	Batticaloa
116. Sebastian Rowell	1996.05.14	Mannar
117. Gomarasala Nissanka	1996.07.15	Mannar
118. Velugala Velu Sulakshan	1996.06.28	Vavuniya
119. Anunachalam Thangadurai	1997.07.05	Trinco
120. S. P. Dharmalingam	1997.10.03	Jaffna
121. Selvadurai Shandakumar	1998.05.12	Vavuniya

122. Thambiraj Thuraiaraj	1998.05.12	Vavuniya
123. Sellathambi Pathmaselatan	1998.05.12	Batticaloa
124. Sinnathambi Sivanesan	1998.05.12	Vavuniya
125. Maslamani Jeevadas	1998.05.12	Vavuniya
126. Yesupillai Lovrence	1998.05.12	Vavuniya
127. Mrs. Sargini Yogeswaran	1998.05.16	Jaffna
128. Kalimuthu Rajaseelvakumar	1998.05.16	Jaffna
129. Subramaniam Yogeswaran	1998.05.23	Batticaloa
130. Nallathambi Ganesaram	1998.07.15	Vavuniya
131. Sarawana Sundaram	1998.07.15	Vavuniya
132. Sarawanabawathanan Sammuganathan	1998.07.15	Vavuniya
133. Ponnuthurai Sivapalan	1998.09.11	Jaffna
134. Ponnuthurai Mathimurajan	1998.12.26	Jaffna
135. Selvaraja Sathyan	-	Mavad Venbu
136. Natharaj Sivaraj	1999.02.02	Jaffna
137. Bandari Kandasamy	1999.02.04	Jaffna
138. Veerakathi Gunaratnam	1999.05.05	Vavuniya
139. Kailaspathy	1999.05.13	Jaffna
140. Thiyyagaraj Rajkumar	1999.05.31	Jaffna
141. Paskaralingam	1999.07.16	Vavuniya
142. Neelan Thiruchelvam	1999.07.26	Colombo
143. K. Manikkadasan	1999.09.02	Vavuniya
144. Thambirasa Vinayagamoorthi	1999.10.12	Ampara
145. Nandaraj Atupudraj	1999.11.01	Colombo
146. Nadaraja Atupudraj	1999.11.02	Colombo
147. Dharmaraj Ajantakumar	1999.11.02	Colombo
148. Kumar Ponnambalam	2000.11.05	Colombo
149. Vidi Vijayarathnam	2000.11.13	Jaffna
150. Arulappay	2000.02.16	Jaffna
151. Anthony Sivalingam	2000.03.02	Jaffna
152. Thangiah Yogeswaran	2000.04.07	Vavuniya
153. Sundaram Kandeephan	2000.05.15	Jaffna
154. Kanapathipillai Navarathnaraj	2000.06.07	Batticaloa
155. Kanapathipillai Navarathnaraj	2000.06.08	Batticaloa
156. R. J. Periyanyakam	2000.09.10	Ampara
157. Navasivayam Sivanathan	2000.11.07	Batticaloa
158. Jaganathan Deepakumar	2001.11.12	Batticaloa
159. A. Nimalanayakam Sundaranyakam	2001.11.07	Batticaloa
160. Sinnathambi Rajkumar	2001.11.17	Batticaloa
161. Arun Nadaraj Vasam	2001.05.29	Mannar
162. Thangadurai Suresh	2001.06.27	Batticaloa
163. Jaganathan Sabapathi Vadivelu	2001.07.30	Batticaloa
164. Velayutham Nageswaran	2001.08.20	Batticaloa
165. Kanthan	2001.11.02	Vavuniya
166. Prathab	2001.11.02	Vavuniya
167. Kamalakrishnan Balendran	2002.07.12	Batticaloa
168. Selliah Kandasamy	2002.07.19	Batticaloa
169. Sinnathambi Nadesapillai	2002.08.05	Colombo
170. Selles Kandasamy	2002.08.14	Colombo
171. Subramaniam Muthulingam	2002.09.09	Dehiwala
172. Ganesanathurai Thilakaraj	2002.12.11	Colombo
173. P. Alaguthurai	2002.12.18	Batticaloa
174. Darnalun	2002.12.19	Batticaloa
175. Kailashapillai Senthamilselvan	2002.12.21	Vavuniya
176. Mrs. Vinayagamoorthi Dayawathi	2003.01.25	Batticaloa
177. Kandasamy Suppiah	2003.02.16	Vavuniya
178. Gajendran Jeyachandiran	2003.02.21	Vavuniya
179. Ponniah Yogenthiran	2003.03.01	Batticaloa
180. Kadirkamanathan Rajupathi	2003.03.18	Colombo
181. Sinnathambi Rajan alias Manium	2003.06.10	Makarrathikulam
182. Subramaniam Jegathaveen	2003.04.13	Colombo
183. Amirthalingam Rajan	2003.04.17	Jaffna
184. Marimuthu Rasalingam	2003.04.18	Jaffna
185. Marimuthu Rasalingam	2003.05.03	Batticaloa
187. Darnaraj Jeyaraj	2003.05.03	Jaffna
188. Velayuthan Sivarameswari	2003.05.13	Vavuniya
189. Ariyaratna Hemachandran	2003.05.17	Batticaloa
190. Kumareperumal Perinpan	2003.05.21	Batticaloa
191. Kandiah Chandramohan	2003.06.01	Batticaloa
192. Kaliraj Ramanathan	2003.06.01	Trinco
193. Gnanaraj Kiruparaj	2003.06.03	Trinco
194. Sivagurunathan	2003.06.03	Jaffna
195. Palavanandaram Rahathavan	2003.06.05	Batticaloa
196. Sinniah Samueel	2003.06.06	Batticaloa
197. Velusami Samueel	2003.06.06	Trinco
198. Rajuwan Jeyachandran	2003.06.07	Trinco
199. Kamasamy alias Vijayan	2003.06.07	Trinco
200. Subramaniam alias Manium	2003.06.10	Makarrathikulam
201. T. Supathran	2003.06.14	Jaffna
202. Subathran	2003.06.14	Jaffna
203. T.S. Kumar	2003.06.14	Jaffna
204. Ponniah Ramachandran	2	