

Vadakkilangai · North-East Civic Reset & Graduate Return — MP Evidence Pack

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Audience

- UK MPs
- Lords
- FCDO South Asia
- Home Office
- Department for Education (DfE)
- Department for Business and Trade (DBT)
- APPG for Tamils

Best used for

- FCDO written questions on the Sangeethsan PTA §3(g) arrest and the structural PTA-misuse record (HRW 2022, ICJ 2022, Amnesty 2021)
- Home Office written questions on UK consular monitoring of PTA detainees and asylum-determination implications
- DfE written questions on UK higher-education partnership architecture with Northern Province universities
- DBT / FCDO written questions on UN E-Government Survey benchmarks and UK technical-assistance posture for civilian-administration capacity in conflict-affected regions
- APPG-Tamils evidence session on the Cloud Civil Administration architecture spec as a published policy target

Tier-A evidence anchors

- Sangeethsan Ganeskumar (HipHop Sangee) — PTA §3(g) arrest, Kilinochchi, June 2026 (TIER D)
- HRW — In a Legal Black Hole: Sri Lanka's Failure to Reform the PTA (2022)
- Amnesty International — Old Ghosts in New Garb (Feb 2021)

- ICJ — The PTA Cannot Be Reformed, It Must Be Repealed (Feb 2022)
- Ahnaf Jazeem — Tamil-Muslim poet held under PTA, May 2020+ (closest analogue)
- OHCHR A/HRC/60/21 — Comprehensive report on Sri Lanka (Aug 2025)
- ICG — Sri Lanka's North II: Rebuilding under the Military (2012)
- ACPR/PEARL — Normalising the Abnormal: Militarisation of Mullaitivu (2017)
- Oakland Institute — Trincomalee Under Siege (2024)
- PEARL — Sinhalization: The Anti-Development Machine (Jan 2026)
- World Bank WPS 8355 — State of Jobs in Post-Conflict Areas (2018)
- World Bank — N&E Socio-Economic Assessment (2018)
- Univ. Peradeniya — Northern Province youth unemployment (20.3% Kilinochchi)
- TISL — Civil Society Governance Diagnostic (2023)
- Verité Research — Procurement Corruption Gaps (2023)
- APG — Sri Lanka Third MER (commencing March 2026, forthcoming)
- UN E-Government Survey 2024 (UNDESA) — reference standard
- IDDRS Module 4.50 — Police Roles and Responsibilities (UN, 2021)
- Patten Report 1999 — comparative civilian-policing framework
- Vadakkilangai · North-East Civic Reset (TLTE)

Policy asks

- UK Government (FCDO): Make a public statement, consistent with HRW (2022), ICJ (2022), and OHCHR A/HRC/60/21 (2025), urging the Sri Lankan Government to release any individual currently detained under PTA §3(g) on the basis of artistic expression, including TikTok performances at religious festivals, pending independent judicial review consistent with ICCPR Art 19.
- UK Government (FCDO): Publish an FCDO assessment of the structural compliance of the Prevention of Terrorism Act No. 48 of 1978 with the obligations Sri Lanka has accepted under the EU GSP+ 27 conventions, particularly ICCPR, having regard to the documented record of cross-party PTA arrests under successive Sri Lankan governments including the post-2024 NPP administration.
- UK Government (Home Office): Confirm the Home Office position on UK consular monitoring of UK-linked individuals detained under the PTA, including reporting requirements on remand status, charge particulars, and access to legal representation, having regard to the foreseeable asylum-determination implications under the 1951 Refugee Convention.
- UK Government (DfE): Identify the existing UK higher-education partnership architecture available to Sri Lankan Tamil-medium universities (University of Jaffna, Eastern University, Vavuniya Campus) for capacity building in civilian-administration disciplines (public administration, civil engineering, public health management, statistics), and what additional architecture, if any, the Department considers would be required for sustained graduate-return work.
- UK Government (DBT / FCDO): Publish the UK Government's position on the UN E-Government Survey 2024 benchmarks for civilian digital service provision in conflict-affected sub-national regions, with reference to the IDDRS Module 4.50 (2021) standards on civilian-police separation from military function, and what UK technical-assistance posture, if any, the Department considers proportionate to support those benchmarks in Sri Lanka.

Draft parliamentary questions

- [FCDO] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions her Department has had with the Government of Sri Lanka following reports of the June 2026 detention of a

Tamil musician in Kilinochchi under Section 3(g) of the Prevention of Terrorism Act No. 48 of 1978 in connection with social-media recordings of a religious-festival performance, having regard to the recommendation of the International Commission of Jurists (Feb 2022) that the Act be repealed.

- [FCDO] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the cumulative use of the Prevention of Terrorism Act by successive Sri Lankan governments since the National People's Power administration took office in 2024, having regard to (a) the structural findings of HRW's 2022 report 'In a Legal Black Hole' and (b) the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights' comprehensive report A/HRC/60/21 (August 2025).
- [Home Office] To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what reporting requirements her Department maintains on the consular monitoring of UK-linked individuals detained under Sri Lanka's Prevention of Terrorism Act, including in respect of remand status, charge particulars, and access to legal representation.
- [DfE] To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what existing higher-education partnership architecture her Department considers is available to support Tamil-medium universities in the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka in capacity building for civilian-administration disciplines, with reference to the World Bank's 2018 Socio-Economic Assessment of Conflict-Affected Northern and Eastern Provinces.
- [DBT] To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment her Department has made of the UN E-Government Survey 2024 benchmarks for civilian digital service provision in conflict-affected sub-national regions, and what UK technical-assistance posture her Department considers proportionate to support those benchmarks consistent with the IDDRS Module 4.50 (2021) standards on civilian-police separation from military function.

Civic remembrance

This pack does not assert that the Sangeethsan arrest is a confirmed human-rights violation. As of publication the case is Tier D only — Tier A/B/C verification is pending from ACPR, PEARL, HRW, or OHCHR. The pack does assert that the Prevention of Terrorism Act 1979 has been the subject of repeated international human-rights findings spanning four decades, that the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka remain structurally disadvantaged on every documented socio-economic metric, and that the structural conditions for civilian administration and graduate return in the Tamil North-East are presently absent. Accurate attribution of structural cause is part of repair. Civilian governance is what comes after demilitarisation alone.

Pack rules

- Marks the Sangeethsan case Tier D only. Never characterises the arrest as 'confirmed by monitoring bodies' until ACPR, PEARL, HRW, or OHCHR publish on the specific case. Velicham mirrors this discipline.
- Never names individual police officers, military officers, intelligence officers, magistrates, or sitting politicians. The Karuna / Pillayan Tier-A naming exception does NOT extend to this pack — APG March 2026 MER has not yet been published.
- Never aggregates a TLTE total of N-E graduates abroad, PTA detainees, or military land. Always source-attributed (UGC, ITJP, ACPR/PEARL 2017, CPA 2025).
- Never proposes UK visa categories, eligibility lists, or numeric mobility caps. Mobility framing inherits the principles at /case/civic-repair/mobility-principles.
- Never claims TLTE operates, hosts, or governs any cloud-civilian-administration system. The Cloud Civil Administration page is an architecture specification only.
- Never accepts corruption tips, casework, or witness statements. Always routes to NCA, SFO, CIABOC, Transparency International, ITJP, PEARL, OHCHR.
- Always pairs at least one Tamil-source citation (PEARL, ACPR, Univ. Peradeniya) with one non-Tamil Tier-A

source (HRW, OHCHR, World Bank, ICG).

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