

CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION IN EAST SRI LANKA: WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE PERIOD FROM THE 2002 CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT TO DATE

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Abstract

The conflict transformation is a term using in conflict approaches. This idea is mostly connected with frame work of peace as justices, the building of rights and relationship and social structure through the respect for human right and nonviolence in a way of Life.

It is more scientifically sound and clear in vision of conflict approaches, it is a positive orientation toward conflict and a willingness to engage in the conflict in an effort to produce constructive change or a growth, it is try to ebb natural part of relationship and giving opportunities in constructive changing process in person, relation, structure and culture with transformation of goals.

In conflict history of Sri Lanka, number of conflict resolutions was proposed with idea of building peace since 1950 – up to 2002, but all proposals were not successful as a result of the different demands of key players in Sri Lanka.

After the cease-fire agreement of Sri Lanka (2002), the government and other players tried to negotiate the conflict with external intervention but it failed considerably due to so many reasons, However conflict have been transformed in eastern area through reduce the violence, increasing justices, and giving opportunities and respond a way of life with change of goals in conflict out comes of personal, relational, structural, and cultural standards.

This process is constructed under the platform of conflict transformation's idea and concept in Sri Lanka, especially in eastern province area through the government's and stakeholder's process from cease-fire to today

This study wish to examine the contemporary political and social behavior of Eastern province people with election and post election's situations and structural change under the frame work of conflict transformation's approaches through the descriptive analysis with primary and secondary data witch is closed with the study.

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