

Challenges Faced by Muslim Community in Post–War Sri Lanka

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Three decades of a protracted civil war, the Sri Lankan government declared victory over the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in May 2009. There were expectations that the post–war period would usher in peace, development and reconciliation. But there are a range of problems that hindered the transition from war to sustainable peace. A key post war challenge is the violence against Muslim Community including the destruction of religious places, business threat, expel, discrimination, propaganda, harassment, islamaphobia and hate speech on the internet and in the media. The major objective of this study is identifying the challenges faced by Muslim Community in post –war Sri Lanka. Other objectives of the paper are identifying challenges in post war Sri Lanka and its reasons, identifying Muslims’ rights, suggestions to reduce the challenges in post-war Sri Lanka. The states purpose is analyzed by using interpretative research methodology. And the study is explored by studying both primary and secondary materials. In the primary source the interviews and focus group discussion are used where necessary. In the secondary source, books, magazines and internet articles were used. The major finding of this research is that even in the aftermath of the war, Muslim Community still facing challenges in various forms. But the state has not taken proper actions and solutions to reduce these challenges in post – war Sri Lanka.

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