



## வடகிழக்கு மனித உரிமைகள் செயலகம்

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#### 1. Mullaithivu District hospital comes under shell attack on 15 and 19 December

Mullaithivu hospital came under SLA shelling on 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December. Dr Shanmugaraja, Superintend of Mullaithivu District hospital said,

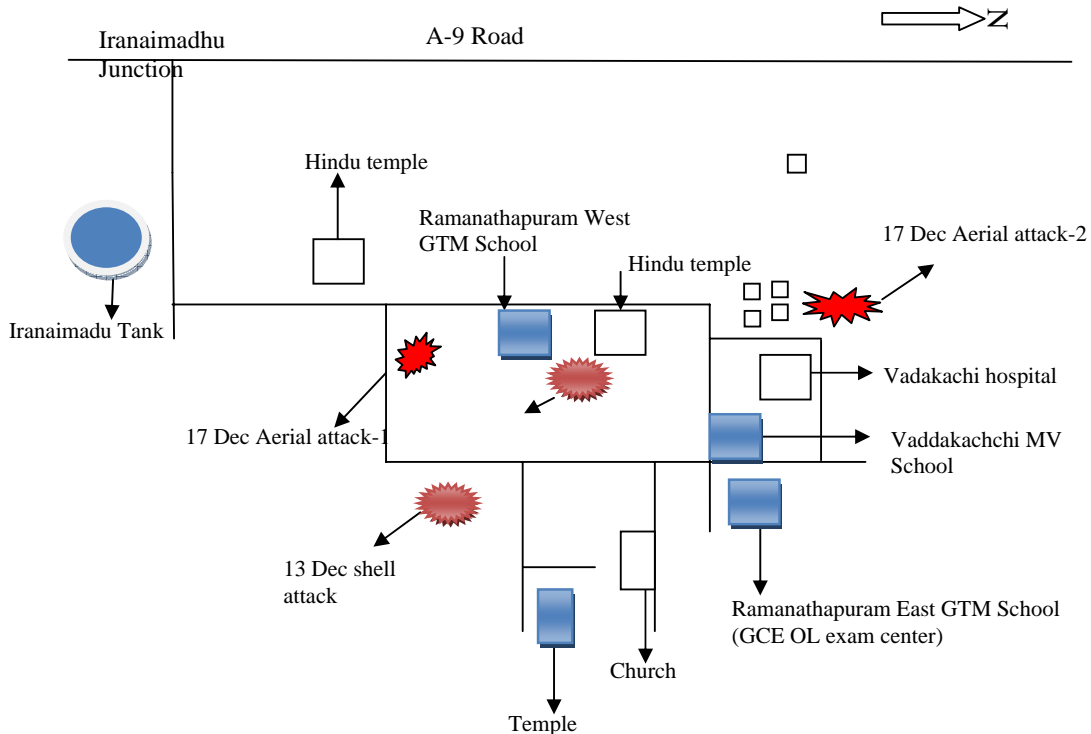
*“Part of the Mullaithivu hospital had displaced following frequent artillery fire around the area. Yet, some parts of the hospital were still functioning in the old place. On 15 December and again on 19 December the hospital came under SLA artillery fire.*

*At 2.00pm one shell fell on one of the hostel roof and another fell on the hospital water tank. The few patients who were there included pregnant mothers and they were shifted to Puthukkudiyiruppu hospital following this shell attack.*

*Some of the services still remained in the old place to provide urgent medical care.*

*Again on 19<sup>th</sup> shells exploded in front of the hospital operation theatre and two employees of the hospital were injured. One of them received serious abdomen injury. He is Shanmugaraja Pratheepan and he is receiving treatment at Puthukkudiyiruppu hospital.”*

#### 2. Hudson Road area bombing and shelling on four occasions in two weeks





**Attack-1:** A six year old girl walking home from school at 12.45pm on 1 December was killed on the spot by artillery shelling of Sri Lanka military. She is **Arulanantham Nirojini, child aged 6 years** of No 16, Hudson Road, Vaddakachchi. Another male civilian, 35 year old Sivasampu Vinayagavel, also of Hudson Rd was injured in this shelling.



**Attack-2:** Again on the morning of 13 December at 9.30am shelling attack on the Hudson Road area killed **a sleeping five month old baby, Jeyaruban Ajanthan, and injured his 27 year old mother, Jeyaruban Jensiranee.** The mother with injury to her stomach was

admitted to the hospital. Injured mother of the killed baby said from her hospital bed that they had displaced seven times from Sinnapandivirichchan in Mannar. She added, *“We displaced several times exactly due to the fear of shelling. My baby was born while we were displaced in Akkarayan. Till then I carried him in my stomach and displaced. He is our only child. When the shelling hit us I was washing the pots outside. How can I describe the state of my baby hit by shell. My husband was away at work at that time. Neighbors took both of us to the hospital. This year in March my husband’s brother was killed in a claymore attack. Whereelse can we fin safety now.”*

**Attack-3:** Again on 17 December at 7.30am aerial attack on the same Hudson road area **killed another five month old baby and seriously injured both of its parents.** All together 11 civilians were injured in this aerial attack. Following are the names of those killed and injured.

#### ***Killed***

Ravisangar. Rajithan, baby aged five months

Selvaratnam. Jesuthan, male aged 29 years

#### ***Injured***



Ravisangar. Sujanithi, mother of the child killed and aged 28 years with lacerated leg, body and left eye vision lost

Mahendran. Ravisangar, father of the child killed and aged 36 years with lacerated left leg and scalp

Josep. Tharmadevi, female child aged 15 years  
 Nallathambi. Nandakumar, male aged 44 years with abdominal injury  
 Yogarasa. Yogeswaran, male aged 30 years with lacerated limb  
 Sinnathambi. Jeevan, male aged 28 years with lacerated left face  
 Rasa. Mahendran, male aged 59 years with lacerated both chest and leg  
 Sinnathambi. Luxmy, male aged 57 years with Multiple lacerated face  
 Satgunanathan. Nanthini, female aged 21 years  
 Balasubramaniam. Thangamalar, female aged 55 years  
 Karan, male aged 32 years

**Attack-4:** Again on 17 December, two hours later at 9.30am, there was another aerial attack on the same Hudson road area, this time near the Vadakachchi hospital where some of the injured in the 7.30 attack were being treated. Two more children were injured and they are brothers.

***Injured brothers:***



Sivaranjan. Mithushan, male child aged 10 years with lacerated right thigh

Sivaranjan. Sinthuja, female child aged 8 years with lacerated chest and abdomen

Dr Krishnapillai of the hospital said, “70 in-patients and about 550 outpatients faced great difficulties in seeking protection from the aerial attack. People jumped into the muddy bunkers frightened of the attack. The operation theatre of the hospital was damaged by this aerial attack.”

Students who were writing the GCE OL examination at the Ramanathapuram East GTM School were frightened of the attack but were not allowed to run outside. One student said that they went to the exams already frightened because of the 7.30am attack.

**Mullivaikal bombed twice on 19 December**



On 19 December at 9.45am, aerial attack on Mullivaikal East near the Mullivaikal MV School killed an old man due to shock. He is 65 years old Kandasamy Rasenthiram.

A child pictured left, P Kesiya aged 13, was injured in the attack.

The same area was bombed again at 12.00 noon and another seven civilians including several children are reported to have been injured.

The students who were writing the GCE OL examination at the Mullivaikal MV School were petrified because the invigilators did not allow the students to run out.

### **Kanakapuram shelling on 13 December**

On the afternoon of the same day the five month old baby was killed, at 2.00pm, shell hit three civilians who had gone to Kanakapuram to pick vegetables from their land. Two of them were killed and the other man lost both his legs and is receiving treatment at Kilinochchi hospital.

#### *Details of those killed*



Ramaih Balendran, male 36 years  
Married with 5 children under the age of 12.  
Perm. Address: Puthumurippu, Uruthirapuram  
Temp. Address: Puththadi East, Visuvamadu



Krishnan Sutha, male aged 36 years  
Married with 5 children under the age of 12.  
Perm. Address: Pallavarayankadu, Poonahari  
Temp. Address: Puththadi East, Visuvamadu

The injured man who lost both his legs is 17 years old Thambiah Jasikaran.

### **Mulliyavalai-Kalikkadu claymore attack on 8 December 2008**

A mother and son and the driver of motorbike all travelling in a single motorbike was killed instantly in Mullivaikal at the 9<sup>th</sup> Mile Post when a claymore by SLA hit the motorbike around 12.30pm. The three had gone to work in a vegetable plot and were returning to Mulliyavalai.

The details of those killed are:

1. Uthayakumar Dilaxon, male child aged 9 years of Mulliyavalai
2. Uthayakumar Bakeerathy female aged 28 of Mulliyavallai
3. Pulenthirarasa Ajanthaharan , male aged 22 of Puliyankulam, Oddusuddan