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ICJ blames Colombo for world's largest detention, cautions donors against complicity

The International Commission of Jurists in a latest report has urged the International Community and the United Nations to extend 'rehabilitation' donor support only on condition of compliance with international law and standards, <http://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=79&artid=32693>

**Rule of law.,
Tamil
detainees /
Report**

In concentrating power in his own hands Mahinda Rajapaksa resembles the ruthless Tiger leader Velupillai Prabhakaran

Arriving in Sri Lanka during the Eid public holiday, as usual I spotted statues of the Buddha, Hindu deities and Jesus. But I was struck by the numerous, sometimes huge, images of the president. In towns and villages across the south, Mahinda Rajapaksa's moustached face smiled down on passersby. http://transcurrents.com/tc/2010/09/in_concentrating_power_in_his.html#more

**Authoritarianism,
Rajapaksha
rule /
Analysis**

Post LTTE Tamil Diaspora - by Rajasingham Jayadevan

With the end of the arms struggle of the LTTE in May 2009, the Tamil Diaspora is going through rapid transformation. Fear of reprisals from the LTTE has disappeared from the mindset of the Tamil people. <http://www.srilankaguardian.org/2010/09/post-ltte-tamil-diaspora.html>

**Post war
Tamil politics
/ Evidence**

Whatever critics may say the 18th Amendment does not augur well for any President -by Gomin Dayasri

The 18th Amendment is like a see saw that swings up and down. It could bring shame or fame to a President. The verdict will come two years into the operation when the people can determine whether the commissions are functioning smoothly or otherwise. Living under the 18th Amendment will not be worth, if known servile sycophants are appointed http://transcurrents.com/tc/2010/09/whatever_critics_may_say_the_1.html#more

**18th
amendment
/ opinion**

Batticaloa district ignored in post-war development

"Colombo Central authority is taking steps to issue water from Unnichchai Tank in Batticaloa district to Sinhala people disregarding appeal made on behalf of Tamil people to the authority concerned. <http://www.tamilnet.com/art.html?catid=13&artid=32697>

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