

AFTER A LONG TIME!

Colombo (Disaster Management & Information Programme): AFP and other international media confirmed that the South Asia region is the worse hit from this tsunami.

Sri Lanka Government declared a state of disaster in the Country. Especially in the North-eastern area most of the coastal villages were entirely swamped. The main Colombo harbour was affected with at least one ship listing after the huge waves.

District	Displacement	Deaths
I. Trincomalee	More than 12,000 families	358
II. Batticaloa		Not available
III. Ampara		Not available
IV. Jaffna		Not available
V. Mullativue		Not available
VI. Hambantota		500 (approximately)
VII. Matara		281
VIII. Galle		500 (approximately)
IX. Colombo		04
X. Gampaha		Not available
XI. Kalutara		25
XII. Puttalam		Not available

According to the Secretariat for Immediate Humanitarian and Rehabilitation Needs in the North and East (SIHRN), 157 families in Mullativue District are displaced and the death toll is still to be confirmed. The Government Authorities, Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) are working together in providing relief facilities to people.

Generally there are problems in dry food, drinking water and health care for affected communities. By tomorrow there will be a major need for clean drinking water as water sources such as wells, tanks and lakes are been polluted due to waves.