



## LTTE opens first Thamillelam court in Trincomalee district

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**The second Thamillelam law court in the eastern province was opened Monday at Kattaiparichchan village in Muttur east area held by the Liberation Tigers in the Trincomalee district." Our judiciary is eight years old and Thamillelam law courts are established in areas in the northeast controlled by us," said Mr.S.Tilak, LTTE's Trincomalee district political head in a keynote address at the inaugural ceremony of the Thamillelam Courts. The Trincomalee District Superintendent of Thamillelam Police Mr. Avaikumaran lit the traditional oil lamp.**

Thereafter Mr. Neethan, LTTE activist hoisted the Thamillelam national flag. Mr.Kilman, Principal of LTTE's Warfare College in the Trincomalee District unveiled the name board of the courts. Ms Kaveri, of the women's brigade of the LTTE opened the administrative section of the new courthouse.



Mr. Rajesh, LTTE Trincomalee town political head opened the open court of the new court complex. The chief judge of the Thamillelam Courts in the northeast province Mr.S.Opilan presided over the inaugural function. Mr. Mayuran, District Judge of Thamillelam court in Trincomalee and Mr.Maniarasan, Killinochchi District Judge of Thamillelam Courts also participated in the event.

Mr.Tilak said, "Upto now more than twenty three thousand cases have been disposed by Thamillelam courts in our area. Only five percent of the litigants have appealed against judgments given by Thamillelam district courts. This shows that more than ninety five percent of the litigants are satisfied with the dispensation of justice by the Thamillelam courts." Sri Lankan courts take more than two years on the average to dispose a case. But our Thamillelam courts dispose cases generally within six months. Furthermore the language of administration of our courts in northeast is Tamil, said Mr.Tilak.



The first case taken up for inquiry was against a person for possessing fifteen litres kasippu. The Trincomalee Thamillelam District Judge Mr. Mayuran imposed a six months imprisonment suspended for a period of one year when the accused pleaded guilty to the charge. In addition to the suspended jail sentence the Judge ordered the accused to pay a fine two thousand rupees in default to do compulsory social work for fifty days. The Officer in Charge of Sampoor Thamillelam police Mr.Thevathas appeared for the prosecution. Attorney Mr.Yoganfather appeared for the accused.




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