



Pulmoaddai Muslims protest against Colombo's land survey

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Stating that 500 acres of lands were being taken over for archaeological research, the lands were being seized from Muslims at 14th Mile Post in Pulmoaddai in Kuchchave'li division in Trincomalee district, said protesting Muslims who opposed the move by the Sri Lankan government on Monday. The residents of predominantly Muslim village took to the streets when SL survey department officials attempted to survey the lands despite repeated objections by the Muslims.

150 houses that had been given to Tsunami affected civilians at Ponmalaik-kudaa were also being appropriated within the said 500 acres of lands.

Muslim residents have land deeds for several lands that were being surveyed for seizure under the cover of so-called archaeological research.

Following the protest by Muslims, the surveying has been put off, civil officials in Pulmoaddai told media.

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