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Proclamations &c., by the President

A PROCLAMATION BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

East Humanitarian Operation Medal and Clasp

Seal

MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA

TO all to whom these presents shall come, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Head of the State, Head of the Executive and of the Government, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Services.

Send Greetings :

Whereas, I am desirous of awarding a Medal and a Clasp to reward all ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Force of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Police and any other person who were participants of the EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION which was launched to liberate the Eastern Region of Sri Lanka.

Wherefore, I am pleased to make, ordain and establish the following Rules and Regulations for governance of the same, which shall henceforth be inviolably kept :—

FIRSTLY

Style and Designation . — It is ordained that the Medal and the Clasp shall be styled and designated the **EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP**.

SECONDLY

Description . — It is ordained that the medal shall be of silver gilt and circular in shape bearing in relief on the obverse in the top most centre comprising of the National Emblem of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and below this a replica of the Mavilaru sluice along with the legend “Manushikathwaya” in Sinhala language shall be depicted and the whole surrounded by lotus petals with the suspension bearing a design created by using “Waka Dekka” motif. On the reverse in the top most centre in relief the Crest of the Sri Lanka Army, on the right the Crest of the Sri Lanka Navy, on the left the Crest of the Sri Lanka Air Force, below this within the design created the legend “Manushikathwaya” in Sinhala language, with the dates 28.07.2006 — 10.07.2007 the period of which the East Humanitarian Operation lasted and around this the phrase “East Humanitarian Operation” in Sinhala, Tamil and English languages shall be depicted and the whole surrounded by lotus petals with the suspension bearing a design created by using “Waka Dekka” motif.

THIRDLY

Ribbon. — It is ordained that the medal shall be worn on the left breast suspended from a ribbon of 3.1 cm in width and 5cm in length which shall be a dark blue stripe of 0.3 cm in width representing the Sri Lanka Navy, a Yellow stripe of 0.7 cm in width representing the flag of the Eastern Province, a saffron stripe of 0.3 cm in width representing the Sri Lanka Army, a dark blue stripe of 0.7 cm in width representing the flag of the Eastern Province and a light blue stripe of 0.3 cm in width representing the Sri Lanka Air Force, in that order with two brown stripes of 0.4 cm in width at the edges representing the flag of the Eastern Province.

FOURTHLY

Eligibility

MEDAL.— It is ordained that the decoration shall be awarded to the Minister of Defence, Deputy Minister of Defence, Secretary Defence, Service Commanders, Inspector General of Police, all Military Personnel on active service along with civilian doctors and their staff, Police personnel, civilians who were employed by the services and took part actively in the execution of the East Humanitarian Operation during the period of 28 July, 2006 to 10 July, 2007, subject to the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter made.

CLASP.— It is ordained that the clasp shall be awarded to the, Minister of Defence, Deputy Minister of Defence, Secretary Defence, Service Commanders, Inspector General of Police and Military Personnel subject to the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter made.

FIFTHLY

Registration.— It is ordained that the names of all those to whom the Medal or Clasp is awarded shall be published in the respective Service Orders and a register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commanders, in respect of Police personnel register of such names shall be maintained under the Direction of the Inspector-General of Police and in respect of civilians such names to be maintained under the direction of Ministry of Defence.

SIXTHLY

Order of Wear.— It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which Orders Decorations and Medal are to be worn, the EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP shall be worn immediately after the DESHA PUTRA SAMMANAYA.

SEVENTHLY

Miniatures.— It is ordained that reproductions in miniature known as miniature Medal ; which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of the award and a sealed pattern of the miniature Medal shall be kept in the Headquarters of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police.

EIGHTHLY

Forfeiture and Restoration.— It is ordained that the President may cancel and annul the award of the Medal or the Clasp to any person but it shall be competent for him to restore an award so forfeited under the Regulations hereinafter made. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the respective service orders.

Given at President's House under the public seal of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on this 17th day of December, Two Thousand and Nine in the Thirty First year of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

By His Excellency's command,

LALITH WEERATHUNGE,
Secretary to the President.

EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP

REGULATIONS made by the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to grant forfeit restore and other matters in amplification of the provisions set out in the Presidential Warrant.

By His Excellency's command,

LALITH WEERATHUNGE,
Secretary to the President.

Office of Secretary to the President,
Colombo,
17th December, 2009.

East Humanitarian Operation Medal and Clasp

1. The **EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP** shall be awarded as follows :-

(a) The Medal shall be awarded to—

- (i) the Minister of Defence, the Deputy Minister of Defence, the Secretary Defence, Service Commanders and the Inspector General of Police by virtue of their appointments.
- (ii) all Military personnel who were on Active Service during the specified period and have been recommended by the Commander of the Army, Commander of the Navy and the Commander of the Air Force.

(b) The Medal may also be awarded to—

- (i) Police personnel who served in the Eastern Region during the specified period and recommended by the Inspector General of Police.
- (ii) Civilians employed by the Services who served in the Eastern Region during the specified period and have been recommended by the relevant authority.
- (iii) Civilian doctors and their staff employed by the Services who were physically present in the Eastern Region for a minimum period of 07 days during the specified period and have been recommended by the relevant authority.

(c) The Clasp shall be awarded to—

- (i) The Minister of Defence, the Deputy Minister of Defence, the Secretary Defence, Service Commanders and Inspector General of Police by virtue of their appointments.
- (ii) All military personnel who have taken part in Combat, Fire Support, Logistics, Medical, Planning, Direction or any other combined activities during the EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION in the Eastern Region as per the operation orders for not less than 30 days during the specified period. In the case of Combat casualties of the Army, Navy, and Air Force the time stipulation of 30 days is not applicable provided however that the person became a casualty within the specified period.
- (iii) In the case of Air Force and Navy Personnel who were physically not present in Eastern Region ; the period to be decided by the respective Service Commanders and be restricted to combat or logistics flying of Air Force personnel and operation and logistics sailing by Naval personnel.

2. The under mentioned categories of Military Personnel shall not be eligible for the Medal or the Clasp :—

- (a) Military personnel who were undergoing basic training during the specified period.
- (b) Those who were absent without leave or deserted the Services during the specified period.
- (c) Those who have malingered caused self inflicted injuries and deliberately avoided duties during the specified period.

3. The award may be made posthumously and received by the lawful next-of-kin of the recipient or by a person nominated by the next-of-kin.

4. Every recommendation shall include the Number, Rank and Name in full of the person recommended together with all relevant details.

5. The names of persons upon whom the Medal and the Clasp are conferred shall be published in the respective Service Orders. Register of all such recipients shall be maintained with regard to Military personnel under the direction of the respective Service Commanders, and in the case of Police personnel under the direction of Inspector General of Police and in the case of civilians under the direction of Ministry of Defence.

6. Any officer of the Army, Navy and Air Force who is cashiered, dismissed or has been called upon to resign or retire his Commission, in the Army, Navy or Air Force shall forfeit the Medal and the Clasp conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

7. Every soldier, seaman, and airman who has been discharged from the Army, Navy and Air Force with disgrace or with ignominy shall forfeit the Medal and the Clasp unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

8. When a person who is a recipient of the Medal and Clasp is convicted of an offence of the following nature, that is to say treason, sedition, mutiny, cowardice, desertion of disgraceful conduct of an unnatural kind or is dismissed or discharged or who is called upon to resign his Commission by His Excellency the President for misconduct or who whilst subject to Military, Naval or Air Force Law, is convicted by the civil power, shall forfeit the Medal conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

9. A Medal or the Clasp forfeited by any person may be restored by His Excellency the President at his discretion.

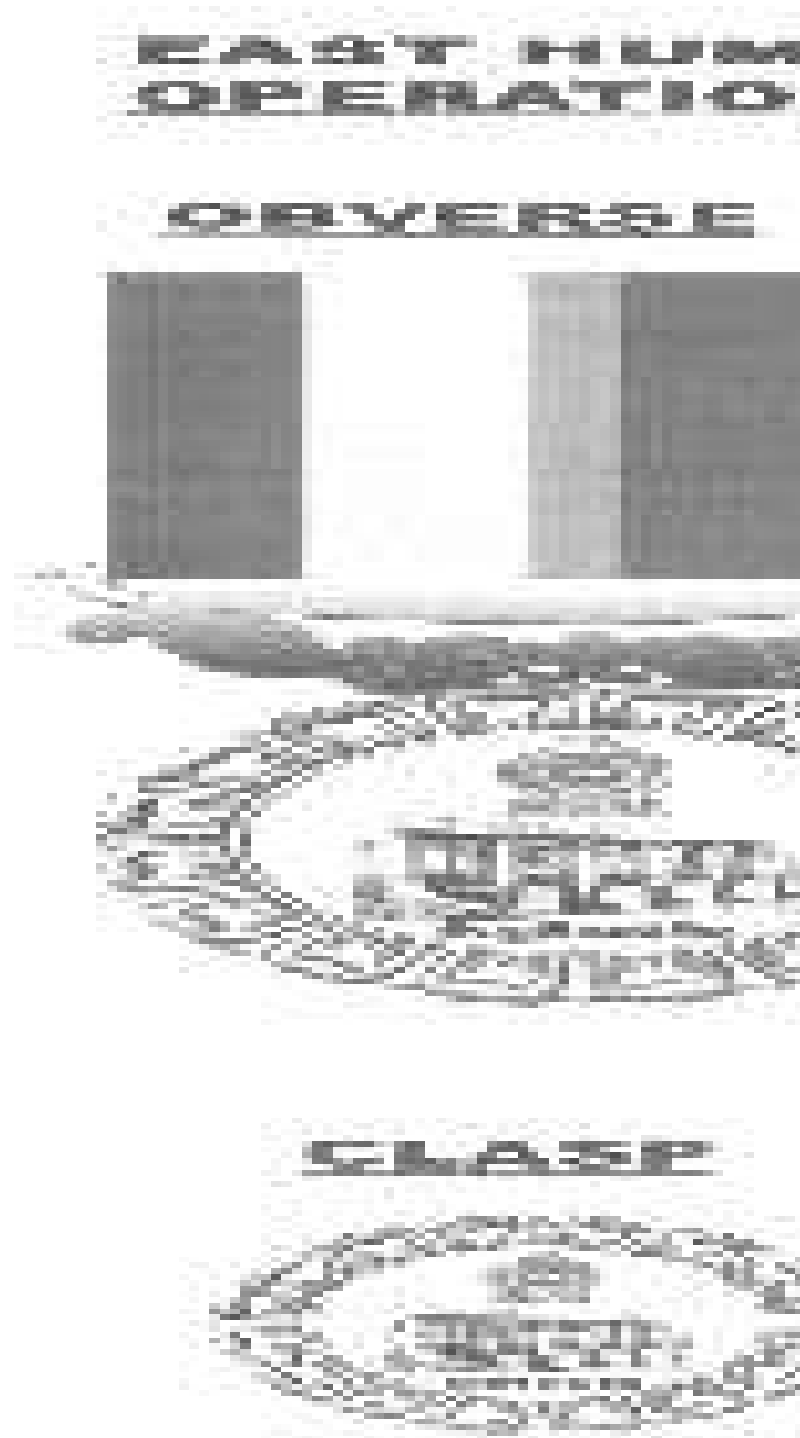
10. A notice of forfeiture or restoration shall in every case be published in the respective Service Orders.

11. When a Medal or the Clasp has been lost and it is desirous to replace it, such a loss should be reported to the Police. A declaration testified by a Justice of the Peace stating the circumstances under which the loss occurred should be submitted with a complaint made to the Police. This declaration shall be forwarded to the Commanding Officer who will transmit it to the respective Service Commander through the usual channel of communication. The Medal and the Clasp lost therewith will be replaced on payment if the explanation as to the loss is considered satisfactory. In respect of Police personnel the declaration shall be forwarded to the Inspector General of Police and in respect of civilians and civil doctors such declaration shall be forwarded to the Ministry of Defence.

12. In those Regulations—

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| (a) “Services” means | - The Sri Lanka Army,
The Sri Lanka Navy, <i>and</i>
The Sri Lanka Air Force. |
| (b) “Service Commanders” means | - The Commander of the Army,
The Commander of the Navy, <i>and</i>
The Commander of the Air Force |
| (c) “Military Personnel” means | - Army, Navy and Air Force personnel |
| (d) “Army” means | - The Sri Lanka Army |
| (e) “Navy” means | - The Sri Lanka Navy |
| (f) “Air Force” means | - The Sri Lanka Air Force |
| (g) “Police” means | - The Sri Lanka Police |
| (h) “Soldier” means | - Male/Female Soldier |
| (i) “Seaman” means | - Also includes a woman Sailor |
| (j) “Airman” means | - Also includes an Air Woman |
| (k) “Relevant Authority” means | - Chief of Defence Staff |
| (l) “Police Personnel” means | - Also includes a Police Woman |
| (m) “Specified Period” means | - 28th July, 2006 to 10th July, 2007. |

EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP



PROCLAMATION

NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP

TO all to whom these presents shall come, I, Mahinda Rajapakse, the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Head of the State, Head of the Executive and of the Government, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Services.

Send Greetings :

Whereas, I am desirous of awarding a Medal and a Clasp to reward all ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Force of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Police and any other person who were participants of the NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION which was launched to liberate the Northern Region of Sri Lanka.

Wherefore, I am pleased to make, ordain and establish the following Rules and Regulations for governance of the same, which shall henceforth be inviolably kept :-

FIRSTLY

Style and Designation. — It is ordained that the Medal and the Clasp shall be styled and designated the **NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP**.

SECONDLY

Description. — It is ordained that the medal shall be of silver gilt and circular in shape bearing in relief on the obverse in the centre comprising of the Sovereign's symbolic Heraldic Lion depicted along with the legend 'Abhimanaya' in Sinhala language on a submerged map of Sri Lanka surrounded by a motif of circles (ARIMBU) as the whole surrounded by a sheaf of paddy designed by using "Waka Deka" motif. On the reverse in the centre in relief the legend 'Abhimanaya' in Sinhala language below the National Emblem of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka along with the dates 26.02.2007 —18.05.2009 the period of which the Humanitarian Operation lasted and the phrase "North Humanitarian Operation" shall be depicted in Sinhala, Tamil and English languages on the circumference surrounded by motif of circles (ARIMBU) and the whole surrounded by a sheaf of paddy designed by using 'Waka Deka' motif.

THIRDLY

Ribbon. — It is ordained that the Medal shall be worn on the left breast suspended from a ribbon of 3 cm in width and 5 cm in length which shall be comprised with, a dark blue stripe, a red stripe, an orange stripe and a green stripe representing colours of the flag of the Northern Province, in that order each of 0.75 cm in width.

FOURTHLY

Eligibility :

Medal.— It is ordained that the decoration shall be awarded to the Minister of Defence, Deputy Minister of Defence, Secretary Defence, Service Commanders, Inspector General of Police and all Military Personnel on active service along with civilian doctors and their staff, Police personnel, civilians who were employed by the services and took part actively in the execution of the NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION during the period of 26th February, 2007 to 18th May, 2009, subject to the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter made.

Clasp.— It is ordained that the clasp shall be awarded to the Minister of Defence, Deputy Minister of Defence, Secretary Defence, Service Commanders, Inspector General of Police and Military Personnel subject to the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter made.

FIFTHLY

Registration.— It is ordained that the names of all those to whom the Medal or Clasp is awarded shall be published in the respective Service Orders and a register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commanders, in respect of Police personnel register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the Inspector-General of Police and in respect of civilians such names to be maintained under the direction of Ministry of Defence.

SIXTHLY

Order of Wear.— It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which Orders Decorations and Medal are to be worn, the NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP shall be worn immediately after the EAST HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL.

SEVENTHLY

Miniatures. - It is ordained that reproductions in miniature known as miniature Medal which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of the award and a sealed pattern of the miniature Medal shall be kept in the Headquarters of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police.

EIGHTHLY

Forfeiture and Restoration. - It is ordained that the President may cancel and annul the award of the Medal or the Clasp to any person but it shall be competent for him to restore an award so forfeited under the Regulations hereinafter made. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the respective service orders.

Given at President's House under the public seal of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on this 17th day of December, Two Thousand and Nine in the Thirty First year of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

By His Excellency's Command,

LALITH WEERATHUNGE,
Secretary to the President.

NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP

REGULATIONS made by the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to grant forfeit restore and other matters in amplification of the provisions set out in the Presidential Warrant.

By His Excellency's Command,

LALITH WEERATHUNGE,
Secretary to the President.

Office of the Secretary to the President,
Colombo,
17th December, 2009.

North Humanitarian Operation Medal and Clasp

1. The **NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP** shall be awarded as follows:—

(a) The Medal shall be awarded to —

- (i) The Minister of Defence, the Deputy Minister of Defence, the Secretary Defence, Service Commanders and the Inspector General of Police by virtue of their appointments ;
- (ii) All Military Personnel who were on Active Service during the specified period and have been recommended by the Commander of the Army, Commander of the Navy and the Commander of the Air Force.

(b) The Medal may also be awarded to :

- (i) Police personnel who served in the Northern Region during the specified period and recommended by the Inspector General of Police ‘
- (ii) Civilians employed by the Services who served in the Northern Region during the specified period and have been recommended by the relevant authority ;
- (iii) Civilian doctors and their staff employed by the Services who were physically available in the Northern Region for a minimum period of 21 days during the specified period and have been recommended by the relevant authority.

(c) The Clasp shall be awarded to —

- (i) The Minister of Defence, the Deputy Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence, Service Commanders and Inspector General of Police by virtue of their appointments ;

- (ii) All military personnel who have taken part in Combat, Fire Support, Logistics, Medical, Planning, Direction or any other combined activities during the NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION in the Northern Region and other areas as per the operation orders for not less than 90 days during the specified period. In the case of Combat casualties of the Army, Navy and Air Force the time stipulation of 90 days is not applicable provided however that the person became a casualty within the specified period.
- (iii) In the case of Air Force and Navy Personnel who were physically not available in Northern Region ; the period to be decided by the respective Service Commanders and be restricted to combat or logistics flying of Air Force personnel and operation and logistics sailing by Naval personnel.

2. The under mentioned categories of Military Personnel shall not be eligible for the Medal or the Clasp :—

- (a) Military personnel who were undergoing basic training during the specified period ;
- (b) Those who were absent without leave or deserted the Services during the specified period ;
- (c) Those who have malingered caused self inflicted injuries and deliberately avoided duties during the specified period.

3. The award may be made posthumously and received by the lawful next-of-kin of the recipient or by a person nominated by the next-of-kin.

4. Every recommendation shall include the Number, Rank and Name in full of the person recommended together with all relevant details.

5. The names of persons upon whom the Medal and the Clasp are conferred shall be published in the respective Service Orders. Register of all such recipients shall be maintained with regard to Military personnel under the direction of the respective Service Commanders, and in the case of Police personnel under the direction of Inspector General of Police and in the case of civilians under the direction of Ministry of Defence.

6. Every officer of the Army, Navy and Air Force who is cashiered, dismissed or who has been called upon to resign or retire his Commission, in the Army, Navy or Air Force shall forfeit the Medal and the Clasp conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

7. Every soldier, seaman, and airman who has been discharged from the Army, Navy and Air Force with disgrace or with ignominy shall forfeit the Medal and the Clasp unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

8. When a person who is a recipient of the Medal and Clasp is convicted of an offence of the following nature : that is to say, treason, sedition, mutiny, cowardice, desertion or disgraceful conduct of an unnatural kind or is dismissed or discharged or who is called upon to resign his Commission by His Excellency the President for misconduct or who whilst subject to Military, Naval or Air Force Law, is convicted by the civil power, shall forfeit the Medal conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.

9. A Medal or the Clasp forfeited by any person may be restored by His Excellency the President at his discretion.

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| (d) “Army” means | - The Sri Lanka Army, |
| (e) “Navy” means | - The Sri Lanka Navy, |
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| (l) “Police Personnel” means | - Also includes a Police Woman, |
| (m) “Specified Period” means | - 26th February, 2007 to 18th May, 2009. |

NORTH HUMANITARIAN OPERATION MEDAL AND CLASP

