



CENTRE FOR MONITORING ELECTION VIOLENCE

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Incidents on election day upto 5pm

- CMEV received reports that Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP) supporters were transporting voters at around 11:45am in a van bearing the number plate 60-5212 to polling centers at Gangewatta Tamil School and Lakshapana government Tamil school in Maskeliya, Nuwara Eliya district.
- Johan Fernando, son of former minister Johnston Fernando, and other SLPP supporters were seen exerting influence on voters at the Heelogama MV polling center in Nikaweratiya at 12.15pm, in vehicles bearing the number plates PAN5005 and NC528624.
- Security entourage of Lucky Jayawardena, New Democratic Front (NDF) organiser of Yatinuwara & Sajith Premadasa supporter arrived at Welambada Muslim School polling centre and to enter by force while showing firearms. Entry was prevented by Police intervention.
- Use of chits outside polling centres remains widespread across the country for various candidates was recorded in Kantale town in Trincomalee District and near Zahira College in Mawanella, Kegalle District.
- CMEV was notified that Chandra Herath, a former SLPP contestant for Pradeshiya Sabha, exerted undue influence on voters to vote for SLPP, at around 2:30pm at the Balagolla Maha Vidyalaya polling station in Wiyaluwa, Badulla
- CMEV was notified that Manoj Sanjaya, former chairman of Bandaragama Pradeshiya Sabha influenced voters to vote for the SLPP, near Rambukkana Rajamaha Vihara around 11:50am today, along with several supporters
- Former mayor of Dehiwala MC Dhanasiri Amarathunga engaged in illegal canvassing for SLPP near polling centers at Sri Saranankara road & Sri Sudharshanarama at around 1:20pm, using vehicles bearing number plates CAJ8886 and CAB9580
- The Deputy Mayor of the Thalawakale Lindhula Municipal Council has been arrested for being in possession of 219 sample ballot papers instructing voters to vote for SLPP.

- Supporters of United National Party (UNP) minister Raweendra Samaraweera assaulted two SLPP supporters near Ohiya railway station in Haputale at around 12:30pm. SLPP supporters + one of their spouses have been admitted to Borlanda hospital for treatment for their injuries.
- SLPP Pradeshiya Sabha member Aruna Gunaratne was seen influencing voters to cast their vote to SLPP in the vicinity of Sri Poojyaarama polling center in Matara at around 1:30pm.
- A polling centre party representative for the SLPP was arrested at the Madduma Bandara Vidyalaya in Magastota, Nuwara Eliya district, for possessing and attempting to carry 5 sample ballot papers into the polling centre
- CMEV was informed that voters heading to the Sri Sunandaramaya polling centre in Hambanthota district, near the Beliaththa police station, are being coerced by a SLPP Pradeshiya Sabha member and his supporters to vote for the SLPP.
- Police have arrested a SLPP and a NDF supporter in connection with carrying 25 fake ballot papers in a Scooty bike at around 1:30AM near the Maliyadeva Vihara polling centre in Wariyapola, Kurnegala district.
- CMEV received reports that UNP Kotte UC member Harshani Sandaruwani has been intimidated by SLPP supporters at the Kotte Sri Siddhartharama polling centre in Kotte electorate, Colombo district.
- A group of people arrived by a prado jeep without number plates and forced their entry into the Dolosbage Junior School polling centre located in Nawalapitiya, Kandy
- Supporters of NDF were reported to have been distributing green color wrist bands near the Daligoda polling centre located in Pattiyapola junior school in Tangalle, Hambanthota district.

Election-Related Violations (By Type)

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Update #3 – 7:00AM-05:00PM

Violation Type	Number
Assaults	3
Bribery/Treating	3
Election office related	4
Election offences	34
Illegal Campaigning	67
Illegal Offices	1
Posters and Cutouts	11
Intimidation/Influencing	58
Misuse of state resources	2
Offering goods	2
Others	4
Poll Agent Related	3
Public officers campaigning	1
Intimidation	3
TOTAL	196



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Election-Related Violations (By District)

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Violation Type	Number
Anuradhapura	11
Badulla	4
Batticaloa	2
Colombo	8
Digamadulla	6
Galle	4
Gampaha	16
Hambanthota	13
Jaffna	3
Kaluthara	10
Kandy	10
Kegalle	11
Kurunegala	17
Matale	10
Matara	20
Moneragala	13
Nuwara Eliya	7
Polonnaruwa	3
Puttalam	15
Ratnapura	3
Trincomalee	6
Vanni	4
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Election-Related Violations (By Party)

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Update #3 – 7:00AM-05:00PM

Party		Number
	Sri Lanka Podu Jana Peramuna (SLPP)	130
	New Democratic Front (DNF)	45
	National People's Power (NPP)	3
	Party not determined	8
	Government Official	10
TOTAL		196



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