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| <b>Country/<br/>entity</b>           | Sri Lanka  |
| <b>Region</b>                        | Asia and Pacific   |
| <b>Agreement<br/>name</b>            | Meeting of the sub-committee on immediate humanitarian and rehabilitation needs in the North and East (SIHRN)  |
| <b>Date</b>                          | 28 Feb 2003  |
| <b>Agreement<br/>status</b>          | Multiparty signed/agreed   |
| <b>Interim<br/>arrangement</b>       | Yes  |
| <b>Agreement/<br/>conflict level</b> | Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Sri Lankan Civil War (1983 - 2009) )  |
| <b>Stage</b>                         | Pre-negotiation/process  |
| <b>Conflict<br/>nature</b>           | Government/territory   |
| <b>Peace process</b>                 | Sri Lanka LTTE 2002 onward process   |
| <b>Parties</b>                       | Government of Sri Lanka, headed by Mr. Bernard Goonetilleke; Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, headed by Mr. Tamilselvan   |
| <b>Third parties</b>                 | Royal Government of Norway, represented by Ambassador Jon Westberg; Ambassador Seiichro Otsuka of Japan participated on behalf of Mr. Yasushi Akashi, principal advisor to the Sub-Committee                     |
| <b>Description</b>                   | Short press statement issued by Norwegian Government announcing a list of approved development projects and the establishment of a resettlement project for Manar district, headed by members from both parties. |

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## Groups

Children/  
youth No specific mention.

Disabled  
persons No specific mention.

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|------------------------------|---|
| Elderly/age                  | No specific mention.  |
| Migrant workers              | No specific mention.  |
| Racial/ethnic/national group | No specific mention.  |
| Religious groups             | <p>Groups→Religious groups→Substantive</p> <p>Page 1, Under the overall resettlement program, the Sub-Committee agreed:<br/> ... 2. that the Mannar district will be assessed by five Assessment Teams comprising the following members<br/> GOSL - 02 (at least one member to represent the Muslim community)</p>  |
| Indigenous people            | No specific mention.  |
| Other groups                 | No specific mention.  |
| Refugees/displaced persons   | <p>Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive</p> <p>Page 1, The Sub-Committee decided to initiate a programme for the resettlement of displaced persons in the Mannar District. The programme will respond to the needs and interest of all communities in the Mannar District. The Secretariat has been requested to initiate a Needs Assessment for the resettlement of internally displaced persons from the district.</p> <p>Under the overall resettlement program, the Sub-Committee agreed:<br/> 1. to establish a resettlement program for the Mannar District in order to meet the needs of all displaced communities;</p> <p>Page 1, Under the overall resettlement program, the Sub-Committee agreed:<br/> ... 3. that these Needs Assessment Teams should as part of their work ensure that original residents, displaced outside the district of Mannar are also consulted,</p> <p>Page 1, SIHRN, to accommodate the urgent needs of the people, gave its final approval to the following projects that will be implemented as soon as the finances has been made available by the donors through the World Bank:<br/> ... *Resettlement of 8 villages, one in each of the eight districts in the North East</p> |

Social class No specific mention.

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## Gender

Women, girls and gender Page 1, SIHRN, to accommodate the urgent needs of the people, gave its final approval to the following projects that will be implemented as soon as the finances has been made available by the donors through the World Bank: ... \*Centre (located in Kilinochchi) for mentally traumatized women

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

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## State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/  
unification No specific mention.

Border  
delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-  
border  
provision No specific mention.

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## **Governance**

Political  
institutions  
(new or  
reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral  
commission No specific mention.

Political  
parties  
reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/  
religious  
leaders No specific mention.

Public  
administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

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## Power sharing

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|---------------------------|---|
| Political power sharing   | Power sharing→Political power sharing→Other<br>Sub-state level<br>Page 1, Under the overall resettlement program, the Sub-Committee agreed:<br>... 2. that the Mannar district will be assessed by five Assessment Teams comprising the following members<br>GOSL - 02 (at least one member to represent the Muslim community)<br>LTTE - 02<br>UNHCR - 01;<br><br>... 5. That an implementation proposal is to be developed based on the reports of the Assessment Teams.<br>The implementation proposal shall be developed by a team comprising 2 members each from the GOSL and the LTTE and the UNHCR; and that the work of the Assessment Teams shall be coordinated by the UNHCR |
| Territorial power sharing | No specific mention.  |
| Economic power sharing    | No specific mention.  |
| Military power sharing    | No specific mention.  |

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## Human rights and equality

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| Human rights/RoL general | No specific mention. |
| Bill of rights/similar   | No specific mention. |
| Treaty incorporation     | No specific mention. |

Civil and political rights      No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights      No specific mention.

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### **Rights related issues**

Citizenship      No specific mention.

Democracy      No specific mention.

Detention procedures      No specific mention.

Media and communication      No specific mention.

Mobility/access      No specific mention.

Protection measures      No specific mention.

Other      No specific mention.

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### **Rights institutions**

NHRI      No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions

No specific mention.

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## **Justice sector reform**

Criminal justice and emergency law

No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions

No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts

No specific mention.

Prisons and detention

No specific mention.

Traditional Laws

No specific mention.

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## Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction      Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction  
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\*Construction of ice plants in Thirukovil and Saintthamaruthu in Ampara District

In addition 10 further projects were approved subject to certain clarification from the Director of the Secretariat of SIHRN:

Emergency care unit in Kilinochchi, improvement of Mullaitivu Hospital, irrigation project in Kalmadu, irrigation projects in Miyankallukulam Kiran in Batticaloa, resettlement and rehabilitaion project in all districts, skill and capacity development in Mullaitivu, Amparai and Mannar districts, milk chilling and processing facility in Kilinochchi, construction of ice plant in Mullaitivu District, construction of ice plant in Jaffna District and rehabilitation of Pottuvil Hospital in Ampara District.

National economic plan      No specific mention.

Natural resources      No specific mention.

International funds      Page 1, SIHRN, to accommodate the urgent needs of the people, gave its final approval to the following projects that will be implemented as soon as the finances has been made available by the donors through the World Bank:  
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\*Centre (located in Kilinochchi) for mentally traumatized women  
\*Renovation of paddy storage facility in Mannar district  
\*Construction of ice plants in Thirukovil and Saintthamaruthu in Ampara District  
\*Resettlement of 8 villages, one in each of the eight districts in the North East



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Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

Land reform/  
rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/  
nomadism  
rights No specific mention.

Cultural  
heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or  
riparian  
rights or  
access No specific mention.

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## Security sector

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| Security Guarantees                           | No specific mention.   |
| Ceasefire                                     | No specific mention.   |
| Police  | No specific mention.   |
| Armed forces                                  | No specific mention.   |
| DDR   | No specific mention.   |
| Intelligence services                         | No specific mention.   |
| Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces | Page 1, Under the overall resettlement program, the Sub-Committee agreed:<br>... 2. that the Mannar district will be assessed by five Assessment Teams comprising the following members<br>... - LTTE - 02 |
| Withdrawal of foreign forces                  | No specific mention.   |
| Corruption                                    | No specific mention.   |
| Crime/ organised crime                        | No specific mention.   |
| Drugs   | No specific mention.   |
| Terrorism                                     | No specific mention.   |

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## **Transitional justice**

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

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## **Implementation**

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

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