

Programme Schedule

Training cum Workshop on

‘Statelessness and Indian Origin Sri Lankan Refugees’

Organised by

Tata Institute of Social Sciences and

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Date: 30th & 31st October 2017

Venue: Hotel Raj Palace Sundar, Chennai-28

Day 1 (30 th October, 2017)		
Time	Session/ Activity	Resource Persons
09.30 am	Registration	
10.00 am	Ice breaking session and programme facilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Devakumar Jacob (Assistant Professor, TISS)
10.30 a.m -11.45am	Inaugural Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome note Dr. Parivelan, K.M. Associate Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences , Mumbai Inaugural address Mr. R. Karpoora Sundra Pandian , former special commission for Rehabilitation Tamil Nadu Special address Mr. S. Muthiah, Renowned Historian and writer Felicitation address Prof. Arvind Tiwari, Dean School of Law, Rights and Constitutional Governance, TISS Vote of Thanks M. SatchithanandaValan, Associate Repatriation Officer , UNHCR Chennai
12:00- 01.15 pm	Working Session I	<p>Panel discussion on contextualizing statelessness and Indian origin Sri Lankan refugees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair : Prof. Bernard D’ Sami, Coordinator LISSTAR, Loyola College Dr. Parivelan, K.M. , Associate Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences , Mumbai Prof. V. Suryanarayanan, Founder and former head of South and South East Asian studies, University of Madras
01.15 pm -02.15 pm	Lunch break	
02.15 pm -03.30 pm	Working Session II	Experience sharing on the Repatriation and Rehabilitation of Hill country Tamils

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. V. Jaya Kumar, Former Deputy Director for Rehabilitation, Government of Tamil Nadu • Dr. Ashik J. Bonofer, Assistant Professor, Madras Christian College
03.30 pm -03.45 pm	Tea Break	
03.45 pm - 05.30 pm	Working Session III	<p>Group work on identifying challenges and issues pertaining to Indian origin Sri Lankan refugees Facilitated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Devakumar Jacob (Assistant Professor, TISS) • Mr. Suresh Mariaselvam (VIT)
Day 2 (31st October, 2017)		
Time	Session/ Activity	Resource Persons
09.00 am - 09.30 am	Working Session IV	<p>Presentation on Durable Solutions for Sri Lankan refugees by UNHCR by :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. SatchithanandaValan, Associate Repatriation Officer, UNHCR
09.30 am-10.30 am	Stakeholder presentation	<p>Chair: Prof. Samuel Asir Raj, Department of Sociology, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University Presentation by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative from NGOs: OfERR, JRS, ADRA, Lebara Foundation
10.30 am -11.30am	Stakeholder presentation	<p>Chair: Dr. A. Louie Albert, SJ, Department of Sociology, Loyola College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharing by Indian Origin Sri Lankan refugee representatives
11.30am- 11.45am	Tea Break and venue change – Hall to restaurant	
11.45am-1.00 pm	Group work presentations from day-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Devakumar Jacob (Assistant Professor, TISS) • Mr. Suresh Mariaselvam (VIT)
01.00 pm- 02.00 pm	Lunch Break	
02.00 pm - 03.00 pm	Working Session V	<p>Strategies & Way forward Facilitated by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Sankar (Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University) • Mr. Antony (JRS) • Dr. Ramajayam Assistant Professor, Bharathidasan University
03.00 pm - 04.00 pm	Valedictory Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief Rapporteurs report sharing: (Ms. Kaveri, Research Scholar, TISS) • Valedictory address: T. Rama Krishnan Associate Editor, The Hindu • Vote of thanks
04.00 pm - 04.30 pm	Tea and Closing	