

Executive Appointments for the 2nd Term of the Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE)

"Next five years might witness birth of Tamil Eelam"

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- 1) Expansion of Prime Minister's office.
- 2) Inclusion of external experts.
- 3) Establishment of task oriented units.

I am delighted to extend my warm 'thai pongal' greetings to all Tamil people on behalf of the Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE).

The dawn of the month of 'thai' brings in fresh hopes and renewal of prosperity for all according to Tamil tradition. It gives me great pleasure to announce on this auspicious day the new Executive of the TGTE for its second term of office.

I am duty bound to inform that the new Executive structure has been shaped using our experience of the past three years, inputs received from Members directly and through the working sessions held during the recent



inaugural sessions of the Assembly, and the advice received from numerous interested citizens and experts alike from the Tamil community.

The second term of office for the TGTE shall be for period of five years. This will also be the second and final term of office for me as the Prime Minister, in accordance with the TGTE's Constitution. The five years ahead augurs to be a crucial period in the path of the Tamil freedom struggle. This might indeed be the period when we will witness the birth of the independent State of Tamil Eelam.

Therefore, it is our paramount duty to build up TGTE during this term as a viable and effective organization capable of concerted action towards the goal of our freedom. It has become critical at this juncture that we look beyond the performance of the Members of the TGTE Parliament, and create a number of novel organizational units with external expertise to support them, in order sustain the efforts of the TGTE. It is also urgent that we strengthen the work and effectiveness of the Prime Minister's Office for it to guide the activities of the TGTE into the future.

With this in mind, the size of the Cabinet has been reduced for this term. Instead, a number of portfolios held by Ministerial appointments previously are being transformed into task-oriented

Centres. Furthermore, by way of widening the scope and performance of the Prime Minister's Office, a Chief Executive Secretary has been appointed with responsibility for all administrative matters of the TGTE on the Prime Minister's behalf. Likewise, the work of building up the country level presence, the infrastructure and activities of the TGTE, is to be performed by a number of new Prime Minster's representatives to be appointed in the different diaspora countries.

While the task-oriented Centres will function on par with the Ministries, their work will be coordinated and guided by the Prime Minister's Office. We have also created working groups within the Prime Minister's Office in order to formulate the strategies and tactics of the TGTE over the coming period.

The structure of the Executive announced here will be subject to revision and expansion as required. The details about the various new and individual projects to be undertaken by the TGTE will be made available in due course.

Working groups consisting of Members of Parliament will be formed to support the functioning of the Ministries and the special task-oriented Centres.

I call upon all elected Members of the TGTE, irrespective of whether they are Ministers or not, to come forward and attach themselves to a project and be prepared for dedicated action.

We have resolved to take forward the work of the TGTE in an efficient and effective manner, through periodic performance reviews on an annual basis.

The Executive Structure of the TGTE is as follows:

Prime Minister: Mr Visvanathan Rudrakumaran

Chief Executive Secretary: Prof. Nadarajah Sriskantharajah Deputy Prime Minister: Mr. Kanakaratnam Manoranjan

Minister - Finance: Mr. Kanagaratnam Jayanthan

Minister - International Affairs : Mr. Kanagenthiram Manickavasagar Minister - Homeland Development : Mrs. Balambikai Murugathas

Minister - Diaspora Affairs: Mr. Nimal Vinayagamoorthy

Minister - Media and Public Affairs : Mr. Sutharsan Sivagurunathan Minister - Youth and Cultural Affairs: Ms. Karthika Vigneswaran

Head: Centre for Prevention and Prosecution of Genocide-Prof. Muthukumarasamy Sornarajah

Head: Center for Refugees Welfare and Resettlement- Mr. Ratnarajah Muthukumarasamy (Santhan)

Head: Center for Women, Children and Elderly Mrs. Rajanithevi Sinnathamby

Head: Centre for Welfare of the Families of Cadres and Martyrs- Mr. Selvarajah Jeyam

Head: Secretariat/United Nation Representative- Mr. Sukinthan Murugiah

'Thirst of all Tamils is Tamil Eelam'

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