

**Webinar**  
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**Fact Check: Ontario Bill 104, (Alleged) *Tamil Genocide Education Week Act*, 2019  
Analysis of LTTE Tamil Terrorist and their proxies' misinformation and disinformation on Ontario Bill 104**

**Free Registration**

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**Abstract**

Powerful new technology makes the manipulation and fabrication of content simple. The social networks dramatically amplify falsehoods peddled by Tamil Terrorist LTTE and their proxies.

We now inhabit a world where malicious actors such as Tamil Terrorist LTTE and their proxy propagandists. Tamil Terrorists LTTE uses technologies such as 'computational propaganda,' 'sock-puppet networks,' 'troll armies.' They are capable of manipulating news, facts and also seamlessly maneuver audio and video; channel-4 documentaries are an example. Tamil Terrorist LTTE propagandists are making a living from creating fraudulent content for viral distribution on social platforms since it drives their fundraising campaigns.

These activities contribute an unprecedented threat to Canadian democracy and the political system. While Canadians are struggling to adapt COVID-19, Tamil Terrorists LTTE promotes their hate-driven imported conflict selfish propaganda alleged Tamil Genocide Bill 104.

The webinar exposes Tamil Terrorist LTTE misinformation and disinformation on Bill 104 and assists to a deep understanding of the factual accuracy about the alleged Tamil genocide.

LTTE: Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (proscribed Tamil Terrorist Group)

**Panelists**

**Keynote**

Mr. Daya Gamage, B.A.

(former Public Affairs Specialist, and Foreign Service National Political Specialist, Department of State, USA)

Dr. Chandre Dharmawardena, Ph.D. (Canada)

(Principal Research Scientist (Emeritus), National Research Council of Canada & Adjunct Professor, Universite de Montreal, Canada).

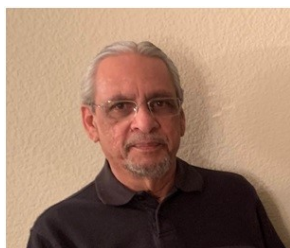
**Followed by Town hall session with**

Mr. Hasaka Rathnamalala, B.A., Barrister & Solicitor (Canada)

Dr. Isuri Dharmaratne, Ph.D. (Malaysia)

Dr. Neville Hewage, Ph.D. (Canada)

### **Mr. Daya Gamage, B.A.**



Daya Gamage had a 25-year career (1970 through 1995) at the United States Department of State, initially as a Public Affairs Specialist, and the final fifteen years as a Foreign Service National Political Specialist, worked at the U.S. diplomatic mission in Sri Lanka during two southern youth insurrections and as an investigative analyst, keen observer, and political interpreter of the separatist Eelam war launched by the Tamil Tigers (LTTE). During the volatile atmosphere in Sri Lanka Mr. Gamage assisted Washington understand the ever-changing socio-political climate of Sri Lanka which coincided with U.S. national interest.

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His deep knowledge of socio-economic-political trajectory in Sri Lanka gave him an up-close understanding of disparities in the Sri Lankan society as a whole, the misinterpretations and diabolical misinformation of 'ethnic issues', and most importantly the manner in which the 'Sri Lankan issues' were used by the LTTE propagandists within the Tamil Diaspora in Western nations during the Eelam War IV and thereafter to tarnish the image of Sri Lanka. Since his departure from the State Department, Mr. Gamage has been combating the Diasporic Eelam elements' global propaganda.

He read economics and European Political History at the University of Ceylon, Peradeniya (Sri Lanka), and had his initial education in Kandy at the Trinity College.

### **Ontario Bill 104 and LTTE Tamil Terrorists and their proxies' misinterpretation and fabrication of facts on Sri Lanka**

#### **Abstract**

Daya Gamage takes three main issues to dismiss Tamil Diaspora misinterpretation and fabrication that the Sri Lanka has institutionalized discrimination against the minority Tamils, to present cogent evidence that the demographic structure in Sri Lanka has in fact favored the 11.1 percent Tamils, and the exposure of Tamil Diaspora's much publicized canard that the Sri Lanka's military was involved in genocide. He gives instances how the LTTE was involved in calculated ethnic cleansing of Muslims and Sinhalese. Mr. Gamage presents cogent facts and statistics to dismiss the Tamil Diaspora agents' fabrications that the Tamil minority has been singled out for discrimination. He also cites official western diplomatic documents that refute the claim that 40,000 civilians were killed during the final phase of the battle. These classified diplomatic cables – subsequently disclosed by Wikileaks – had emphasized the care the Sri Lankan military took to prevent civilian casualties while the LTTE was discriminately harming and killing unarmed Tamil civilians whom they used as 'Human Shield'. The presentation was designed by Mr. Gamage to send a message to Western governments to devise better methods to obtain factual information which will help them to formulate cogent foreign policy decisions.

### **Dr. Chandre Dharma-wardana, Ph.D.**



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Dr. Chandre Dharma-wardana graduated from the University of Ceylon in 1961 and briefly worked as an assistant lecturer at the University of Ceylon, Colombo. Then he read for a Ph.D. at the University of Cambridge, England (1966). Subsequent to that, he worked at the National Research Council of Canada, (1967-1969) and at the *Vidyodaya* University, Sri Lanka (1969-1975). He was the President of *Vidyodaya* during 1974-1975. Although primarily a scientist working in Physics and Chemistry, during his tenure as a University President, Dr. Dharma-wardana engaged in various social science and development studies, which became part of his continuing academic interests. From 1976-1978 he worked as a Research Fellow at The University of Paris-Sorbonne and Orsay. In 1979 he joined the National Research Council of Canada and retired in 2014 but continues to work as an Emeritus researcher. He was a visiting faculty member

of the University of California, Santa Barbara, the USA in 1989. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at the University of Montreal, Canada. More details about his carrier and research may be found form entries in The "Canadian Whose Who" (<https://canadianwhoswho.ca/>) and from Wikipedia ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chandre\\_Dharma-wardana](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chandre_Dharma-wardana)).

## Fact Check on Claims Associated With Bill 104

### Abstract

This presentation will briefly summarize the Bill 104, claiming a genocide of Tamils in Sri Lanka, before proceeding to a fact check of associated claims. We begin by reiterating that the alleged genocide has been rejected by the UN in 2015. To maintain the claim of a genocide, Bill 104 spins a tissue of associated falsehoods, of which three false claims are discussed in detail in the presentation. These are the following: (i) Tamils in Sri Lanka are suffering, and are homeless with no help from the Sri Lankan state. (ii) The Tamil language and the Tamil people are deliberately suppressed by the Sri Lankan state. (iii) The Sri Lankan state denied adequate food to the Tamil people held hostage by the Tigers in 2009. We show in regard to (i) that close to 300,000 Tamil IDPs rescued from the Tigers have been resettled in areas de-mined of tiger explosives and mines, with roads and other infra-structure reconstructed. We point out that it is the Sinhalese and Muslim IDPs who are suffering because the Tamil politicians who believe in an exclusive homeland, and in ethnic cleansing create obstacles to the re-settlement of non-Tamils who traditionally lived in the North and East. In regard to: (ii) we point out that Tamil language has equal status with Sinhalese as an official language since 1987; but, while Tamil can be used as an administrative language in all nine provinces, Sinhalese is allowed to be used only in seven provinces, as it is not allowed as an administrative language in the North and East. So Sinhalese is in a discriminated state. Regarding the third point, viz., (iii), we note that the Darusman report made an error in not counting the food issued by the government through the Red Cross, and took account of only the food delivered via the UN/World food program. Even though the error has been rectified, the sponsors of Bill 104 falsely re-use the erroneous report and ignore the correction. Thus the Bill 104 is based in falsehoods. The main contention of Bill 104, the alleged genocide of Tamils, has already been rejected by the UN high commissioner. We invite all those who attend the webinar to take account of these facts and convey them to their legislators and political representatives.

### Town hall session with

#### Mr. Hasaka Ratnamalala B.A., Barrister & Solicitor



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Hasaka Ratnamalala is a practicing Lawyer in the province of Manitoba in Canada. He also practiced law in Sri Lanka. He is a graduate from Sri Lanka Law College and had his legal education in Faculty of Law at University of Manitoba. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from University Sri Jayewardenepura in Sri Lanka. His studies were focused in Political Science, Economics and Sociology. He worked as a freelance journalist to “RAWAYA” one of the popular political newspapers in Sri Lanka, and also worked as the News editor for “RASHMIYA” another political journal in Sri Lanka. He currently doing a column in one of the major Sri Lankan weekend newspaper “SILUMINA”.

In the year 1993 he along with three other Journalists managed to enter Jaffna peninsula at a time when the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) was controlling the Jaffna peninsula. He managed to interview LTTE Theoretician late Anton Balasingham, & Political Leader late Tamil Chelvam during this tour. He again went to Jaffna in 1995 during the peace talks between Sri Lankan government and LTTE to report the event. He has a remarkable knowledge on the LTTE and how it operates overseas in the diasporas.

**Dr. Isuri Dharmaratne, Ph.D. (Malaysia)**



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Dr. Isuri Dharmaratne was initially from the Apparel Industry and served as the Country Manager of Tomen Hot-Line (H.K.) Limited, Sri Lanka, for a period of 12 years, exclusively representing Nike Inc., USA. She currently continues to serve in the Directorial Board of Ranaviru Apparels as a consultant which comes under the purview of the Sri Lanka Army. Dr. Dharmaratne is currently the Academic Advisor for the PhD programme, from The Management and Science University, Malaysia, which is a Commonwealth University. She is also the Associate Dean of the Business School at BMS (Business Management School) in Sri Lanka, representing Leicester University UK, Edinburg Napier and Northumbria University-UK.

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Presently Dr, Dharmaratne is the Consultant/Managing Director of Samutthana, The King's College London Resource Centre based in Colombo, a project which was initiated by the UK-Sri Lanka Trauma Group in 2006. Dr Dharmaratne represented Sri Lanka in 2009 in the Strategic Management Program sponsored by the Swedish Development Agency (SIDA) in Sweden, a three-week intensive program focusing on Strategy Implementation in Organizations.

Serving in the forte of the Deputy Director at the Secretariat for Co-ordinating the Peace Process (SCOPP), Dr. Isuri was unequivocally associated with the assembly of all activities relating to the Peace process between the Sri Lanka Monitoring Mission in 2007-2009. Also served as a visiting lecturer at the Kotelawela Defence Academy which is directly under the purview of the Ministry of Defence. Dr Dharmaratne possess a Commonwealth Master of Business Administration awarded by the Commonwealth of Learning, Canada in 2009 and she obtained her PhD in Business Administration at the Management and Science University of Malaysia (MSU) in 2014.

**Dr. Neville Hewage, Ph.D. (Canada)**



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Dr. Neville Hewage, is a Senior policy analyst with Ontario Centre for Policy Research. He obtained Ph.D. from Laurentian University, Canada. He is also an adjunct professor and Research fellow at the International Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Law at Laurentian University.

He is a managing editor for OIDA International Journal of Sustainable Development indexed in SSRN, EBSCO, DOAJ , AMICUS Canada Library and Archives databases. He involved in a wide variety of international development projects across the world.

Dr. Hewage continues his work with multi-stakeholders, including government agencies, for rehabilitating and repatriating of Rohingya refugees. He worked tirelessly with many organizations to bring justice for the Rohingya racial group (Request for the indication of provisional measures) under the authority of Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide to the International Court of Justice, Hague, Netherlands.

Dr. Hewage is a conference co-chair for International Conference on Sustainable Development; a multi disciplinary forum discusses all issues related to human development organized by the Ontario International Development Agency (OIDA). He is a member of the Law Society of Ontario and licensed to provide legal services. He is a senior partner of the Hewage Law Group.