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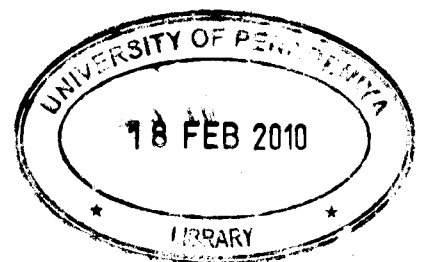
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By 1990, the LTTE ordered all the Muslims in the North and the East within an hour to evacuate. Therefore, thousands of Tamil speaking Muslims came for safer areas, outside the war. Thus, people of Jaffna, crossing the lagoon via Kilinochchi, and Mullaitivu came to Mannar and overland proceeded to the Puttalam as well. Those who were in Mannar directly came to Puttalam by the sea. Those who were in Vavuniya also came over land to Anuradhapura and Puttalam. Thus, Puttalam, Anuradhapura, Kurunagala, Dambulla became their final destinations and having arrived, they made severe changes on these societies, specially on the host communities of the destinations, socio-economically, culturally and politically. It has both good and bad repercussions. In this study it is expected to find out, as to what sort of changes have been done and as to how they have affected with the local community in each area to change its local socio-economic and political situation. And also, it is expected to identify the particular behavior of this sort of phenomenon in a situation like this and as to how the sudden influx of a larger number of the IDPs could change and affect with the locals. Especially those who came from Mannar settled in Kalpitiya and the government located them temporarily. Later on, in Alankuda, these IDPs were relocated under the Relocation program established in so many Welfare Centers. Hereby, in order to find the above mentioned changes, the study based on the Alankuda which is a village situated in Kalpitiya.