

Tamil Sovereignty Conference declaration on principles

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT on this day the representatives of the collective Eelam Tamil youth organisations around the world and Tamil youth movements in Tamil Nadu adopted the following declaration as guiding principles in the Eelam Tamils' national question.

The principles are as follows:

1. Awareness of Eelam Tamil identity and the promotion of the same among the mainstream International polity and society are vital for our authentic cultural life in their respective as well as for the restoration of our sovereignty in the occupied homeland of the Eelam Tamils.
2. We welcome the Tamil Sovereignty Cognition as a principled approach in resolving the national question of Eelam Tamils in the island of Ilankai and recognize the declaration as a milestone following the Vaddukkoaddai Resolution of 1976 and the Thimpu principles of 1985.
3. It is due to the global injustice that the genocidal war was made possible on the Eelam Tamils. The same global injustice prevails, politically privileging the perpetrator, the Sri Lankan state. Addressing this is a step to restore the lost power of balance between the Sinhala and Eelam Tamil nation.
4. The struggle of the Eelam Tamils, who are subjected in their homelands to a protracted, intended genocide carried out in various ways and kept under a system of colonization, militarization and Sinhalisation, is an international struggle, with over a million of the Eelam Tamil nation being in the diaspora, and thus, a solution from a purely local approach is not only impossible but also unproductive.
5. We uncompromisingly uphold the legacy of the Tamil Eelam liberation struggle and its martyrs and shall endeavour to promote its political and cultural symbols, the Tamil Eelam national flag, national festivals, national culture, national traditions, to both local and global audiences and what we shall promote the ideals of the resistance and the freedom fighters in all spheres of Tamil life.
6. We reject the occupation of Tamil Eelam by the genocidal Sri Lankan state and we reject the imposition of the 'Sri Lankan' identity, politically and culturally on the Eelam Tamils.
7. We will not compromise on the principles of Homeland, Nation and Self-determination, rejecting any collaboration of any bodies that lends legitimacy to the unitary state of Sri Lanka.
8. As a practical next step to the Tamil Sovereignty Cognition declaration, we call on a new generation of Tamil leaders from Tamil Eelam, the Diaspora and Tamil Nadu to challenge the international community to re-evaluate its approach to self-determination for unrecognized nations and peoples and to build solidarity with other nations living under occupation to challenge the present geopolitical order.

9. We will resolve to raise awareness and educate Tamils and non-Tamils about the ongoing internationally abetted genocide of the Eelam Tamil nation. We will also seek to educate the international community on the legitimacy of the Eelam Tamil liberation struggle.
10. An international mechanism is vital in the process to stop the ongoing genocide and is necessary that it starts to work for a political solution of the national question. This must respect the will of Eelam Tamil nation which is only possible through the implementation of the right to self-determination, via an internationally monitored referendum.

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