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Tamil Solidarity:
For the rights of workers & all oppressed in Sri Lanka

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THE SRI LANKAN army killed and injured tens of thousands of Tamil civilians earlier this year in their brutal war against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE). This was/is a war on the whole tamil people Hundreds of thousands more have been rounded up and imprisoned in Nazi-style concentration camps. Over 250,000 people are suffering in appalling conditions, crowded into tents, with inadequate water and sanitation, and a chronic lack of food and medical supplies.

Deteriorating conditions

At least 40 people die every week in the camps. Even by the government's own admission, at least 31,000 children are being kept in these camps. There is only one toilet for every 200 refugees. 30% suffer from malnutrition. There are no adequate medical facilities available and diseases, such as jaundice, are spreading fast. The possibility of an even greater humanitarian catastrophe looms with the monsoon season threatening flooding and the overflowing of the primitive sewage systems, spreading deadly diseases throughout the camps. This is an outrage.

Despite the horrific conditions there are reports of riots against the authorities in the camps. Recently Médecins sans Frontières treated three and six year old children, wounded when soldiers, claiming they posed a risk, attacked. Nobody has been brought to justice.

THESE PRISON CAMPS MUST BE SHUT DOWN AND ALL INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPS) MUST BE FREED IMMEDIATELY.

- **Shut down the detention camps immediately.**
- **No economic or military aid to the Sri Lankan government.**
- **All humanitarian aid to be under the control of elected, accountable representatives of local communities.**
- **For the right of Tamil-speaking people to self-determination.**
- **For united campaigns of the working-class and all oppressed people in Sri Lanka against the brutal and divisive policies of the Rajapakse regime.**

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