

**“REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION IN KORRALAI
PATTU NORTH DIVISIONAL SECRETARIAT DIVISION AFTER
TSUNAMI DISASTER”.**



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Abstract

26th December 2004, coastal areas of countries around the Indian Ocean, including Sri Lanka were hit by a tsunami, caused by an earthquake off the coast of the Indonesian island of Sumatra. It killed over 3000,000 people in Asia, and Africa, about 40,000 in Sri Lanka alone.

The coastal areas of the North and east were the hardest hit. The people here were already in difficulty due to the civil war that had raged for nearly 20 years. The Vaharai D.S division in the Batticaloa district had extremely affected more than 395 people had deceased and more than 168 people have injured. It destroyed homes, building roads, and other infrastructure facilities. Thousands of people who were directly affected by the tsunami hundreds of fishing boats and more than 1500 acre of paddy land were lost in the Vaharai D.S division. And shore fishers have lost their nets.

The Paddy cultivation and Fisheries are major important income sources in Vaharai D.S. division. It has had a considerable contribution to the economy of the area and on the total production of the country. But there is no improvement and development of their Standard of living at expected level it may induce due the Tsunami in this division. So we must analysis plan for rehabilitation, reconstruction and recovery on social, economic and infrastructure and problems identification on each factors after tsunami.

Data on impact due to the tsunami such as livelihood, Education, Health, house, water and sanitation, nutrition, self-employment and infrastructure and were collected through the questionnaires of 100 involving every G.S, Samurdhi and D.S officers. That were randomly selected from 13 divisions in Vaharai D.S. division. It is recommended, that, in order to improve paddy cultivator and fisheries' standard of living, government and non-governmental organization and their activities should be mainly focused on these community.

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