ABSTRACT

Policy framework for Community Policing act in Sri Lanka.

Community Oriented Policing (COP) is modern concept that being used by law enforcement agencies in most of the countries. On early 18th century this concept was introduced by Sir Robert Peel to overcome increased of crime rate which erupted due to industrial revolution in London in UK. Community policing is an approach that was developed to help police in the society tackle crime in an alternative manner rather than simply initiating repressive responsive-based tactics. The Sri Lanka Police is the prime organization of the law enforcement, and charged with responsibility for upholding the rule of law, ensuring the safety and public peace of Sri Lanka. This concept being applied by the Sri Lanka Police Force (SLPF) but not in proper, and formal way, There is no similar procedure or mechanism which to apply all over the island, I have observed that it has to make proper obligation of SLPF and public, making the law which identified are should be covered. The main objective of this thesis is to introduce proper legal procedure for improving existing COP system for sustainable peace. It has emphasized the importance of the implementation of the Community oriented policing act to the Sri Lankan legal procedure. This survey is an empirical analysis which based on primary data collected through the structured questionnaire from the selected Police Officers, Government Officers, Social Leaders and Civilians in all 9 provinces in Sri Lanka. The targeted sample size was 360 each of Police Officers, Government Officers and Social Leaders and target sample size of Civilians was 500 based on the Random sample selecting technique. This sample covered 33 police stations of island wide. The Simple random sample technique has used to draw the sample among total population of each district. The researcher has included the situations of community policing process of the other countries of globe and history and development of community policing in Sri Lanka. Discussion and suggestions are forwarded and finally it has contended the framework for Proposed Community Policing Act of Sri Lanka.

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