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### **ABSTRACT**

In Sri Lankan context, Civil Security Department is a militarily trained force and established in 1985 for provide the security for threatened villages and protect main supply roads during the Sri Lankan conflict period. Civil Security Department personnel immensely contributed defend and protect the any given tactically important areas. However, after the Sri Lankan conflict, since may 2019, Civil Security Department was utilized for earn money by utilizing them in money earning projects by the ministry of defence. During last 10 years of period of Civil Security Department personnel were engaged on money earning activities heavily, without giving priority for security related duties. After, the Easter Sunday attacks on employment of civil security personnel for national security related duties were arisen drastically due to shortage of military trained personnel.

This dissertation is a qualitative study on present employment of Civil Security Department personnel in money earning venture activities. The study focused on effective utilization of Civil Security Department personnel for strengthen national security in post conflict era. Secondary data was collected from the officially published annual reports, performance reports from 2008 to 2018 from Civil Security Department. A survey was conducted among the sample selected from the target population of 221 Civil Security Department personnel who are performing money earning projects in the Vavuniya region. Analysis and findings were supported for consider the core argument of the research as acceptable. Finally, this study provides feasible recommendations to re structure the present system and how Civil Security Department personnel should effectively utilise for national security requirement in Sri Lanka.

**Key words:** Threatened villages, Money earning projects, National security, Easter Sunday attacks, Feasible recommendations, Effective utilization, Conflict period