

ABSTRACT

The United Nations (UN) emerged with the commitments in exterminating war, maintaining international peace and security, securing justice and human rights and promoting social progress and friendly relations among the nations. Professionalism of the Sri Lanka Army with the victory over two decades of terrorism was the testimony of the brilliant performance mastered by the Sri Lanka Armed Forces in involving with UN peacekeeping operations. Therefore, the core objective of this research was basically to examine the impact of UN field of training conducted by the Sri Lanka Army to meet the potential multidimensional challenges in peace keeping operations. Primary and secondary data sources have been used to collect data and qualitative method was used to analysis the data. It was evident through results that the preparedness of the Sri Lanka Armed Forces for the UN peacekeeping mission was significant to face the multi-dimensional challenges in future UN environments. Moreover, the current situation of the training system of the Sri Lanka Army joining on UN peacekeeping operations, factors of building combat professionalism of the Sri Lanka Army soldiers in order to fulfil UN peacekeeping requirements and to identify the gaps between UN peacekeeping training of Sri Lanka Army and competence of troops involved in peacekeeping operations. In conclusion, this endeavour is to give measures to improve UN peacekeeping training of the Sri Lanka Army in order to minimize practical issues to provide a better service.

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