

**Joint Seminar on
Political and Diplomatic Challenges Faced by Nations During and After Conflict Confined to Borders
Organized by the Lakshman Kadirgamar Institute of International Relations and
Strategic Studies (LKIIRSS)
In collaboration with
The High Commission for Islamic Republic of Pakistan in Sri Lanka**

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Venue : The Auditorium, LKIIRSS, No. 24 Horton Place, Colombo 7

Time	Topic	Speakers
0900	Registration and Refreshments	
0930	Inaugural Session	Moderated by: Mr. Asanga Abeyagoonsekera, Executive Director, LKIIRSS
0930	Lighting of the Oil Lamp & National Anthems	
0935	Welcome Address	Mr. Asanga Abeyagoonsekera, Executive Director, LKIIRSS
0955	Introductory Address	Hon. Prof. G. L. Peiris, M.P., Minister of External Affairs, Sri Lanka
1015	Address by the Act. High Commissioner for Pakistan in Sri Lanka	HE Ms. Amna Baloch, Acting High Commissioner for Pakistan in Sri Lanka
1035	Keynote Address	Mr. Gotabaya Rajapaksa, Secretary to the Ministry of Defence and Urban Development, Sri Lanka
1100	Session I: Diplomatic and Economic Challenges Faced by Nations in South Asia	Moderated by: TBC Mr. V. Krishnamoorthy, Director General, South Asia and SAARC Division, Ministry of External Affairs
1105	Strategic Environment in Asia with Emphasis on South Asia	Mr. Riaz Khokhar, Former Foreign Secretary, Pakistan
1120	Conflict Resolution in South Asia : Challenges faced by Pakistan and Sri Lanka	Mr. Nihal Rodrigo, Former Sri Lankan Foreign Secretary SG/SAARC, Ambassador to China
1235	Learning from Sri Lankan Experience	Dr. Pervaiz Iqbal Cheema, Senior Analyst, Pakistan
1255	Recent Economic Progress, Opportunities and Challenges faced by countries in South Asia	Prof. H D. Karunaratne, Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Colombo
1310	Q & A and Panel Discussion	
1330	Lunch	
1430	Session II: Political and Security Challenges Faced by Nations in South Asia	Moderated by: Dr. Mariam Saeed (Ms.), Second Secretary (Political Affairs), High Commission for Pakistan
1435	TBC	Prof. Rohan Gunaratna, Head, Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, Singapore
1455	Challenges during and after Conflicts within Borders	Lt. Gen. (Retired) Hamid Khan, Defence Analyst, Pakistan
1515	SAARC Convention on Suppression of Terrorism: Prospects and challenges	Dr. Prathiba Mahanamahewa, Attorney-at-Law, Dean, Faculty of Law, Kotelawala Defence University, Commissioner, Sri Lanka Human Rights Commission, Senior lecturer, University of Colombo
1535	TBC	Resource person from Sir John Kotalawala Defence University TBC
1555	Q & A and Panel Discussion	
1625	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Asanga Abeyagoonsekera, Executive Director, LKIIRSS
1630	Refreshments and Networking Session	