



ESTABLISHING OF A DELIMITATION COMMITTEE

- The criteria for selecting members to the National and regional Committees could be announced by the minister and there should be provisions to elect representatives from minority groups.
- The Minister could appoint the Committee by following the guidelines but must not have the powers to dismiss / remove the members from the Committee. This Committee should be an independent body.
- District Delimitation – There should be Tamil and Muslim representatives specially in the Eastern and Northern provinces and in districts such as Ampara, Badulla and Kandy etc where there are large Estate sectors.
- A proper system of appeal to decisions taken by the Committee should be included.
- All powers to change should be vested with the National Committee and not with the Minister.
- There should be a clear definition of the criteria for delimitation and this should be published.
- We strongly recommend considering the preparation of a 2011 census report or a forecast.
- We suggest that the existing number of members be considered for the delimitation for the specific local authority area when making the ward.