

Annex 1 – Attacks against Muslims

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2013

	Date	Location	District	Brief of Incident
1.	5-Jan	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	A demonstration against Anuradhapura Malwathuoya Mosque is held by monks. The demonstrators demanded immediate removal of the Mosque and the Muslims living around the mosque. A government agent promised them that within 3 months necessary action to evacuate Muslims would be taken.
2.	6-Jan	Talawakelle	Nuwara Eliya	Talawakele Jamiul Anwar Madrasa was set on fire. The Madrasa building was totally demolished and another building was half burnt by the fire. The Police said this fire may have occurred due to an electric leakage, however people in the area suspect that a group was behind the incident.
3.	7-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	A calendar against Halal certification is distributed at a Buddhist temple by the Chief Incumbent of the Temple.
4.	7-Jan	Colombo	Colombo	Sinhala Ravaya and the Students Association of the Law College protest against the increase of Muslim students entering the Law College.
5.	7-Jan	Malwathu Oya	Anuradhapura	A group of Buddhist monks hold a protest demanding that the Muslims that have been living down Malwathu Oya lane for a long time leave the area for good.
6.	9-Jan	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	The Anuradhapura Malwathuoya Mosque is attacked for the third time. During the attack the mosque was submerged due to a flood.
7.	15-Jan	Colombo	Colombo	Posters appear on buildings in Colombo ("Sinhalese Buddhists don't need halal sacrifices to Allah").
8.	16-Jan	Jaffna	Jaffna	A group of people arrive in a white van during morning prayers to attempt kidnap a well-known Muslim business man.
9.	19-Jan	Maharagama	Colombo	Buddhist monks protest against a No Limit fashion outlet, demanding the shop to be closed immediately
10.	20-Jan	Kuliyapitiya	Kurunegala	Leaflets against Muslims and Islam are distributed.
11.	20-Jan	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	Notices and leaflets appear, warning the Sinhalese not to consume food in Muslim hotels because it causes impotence in Sinhalese men.
12.	21-Jan	Kuliyapitiya	Kurunegala	Call for a meeting styled as a Sharia 'Pooja' (devotion) regarding the Halal issue. The

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				posters state that a monk is the convenor of the meeting.
13.	22-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS declares that all newly established mosques are 'bunkers of Jihad'. It demands for information of all the mosques in the country within 7 days, failing which, the group warns, they will have to take the next course action against them.
14.	22-Jan	Paragahadeniya	Kurunegala	A tense situation is created when 10 monks openly dissuade Sinhalese people from going to Muslim shops.
15.	22-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Champika Ranawaka says that the Halal Certificate is necessary only for goods produced for consumption by Muslims and not goods consumed by others. He further states that the decision made by the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama (ACJU) is not practicable.
16.	23-Jan	Beruwala	Kalutara	A group of monks damage a Muslim restaurant in Beruwala
17.	23-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Neth FM airs a programme on: "Why Muslims are building mosques, not schools, why no support is given to poor Muslim families, and why they are slaughtering hundreds of cattle during the Hajj festival from the money they receive from Arab countries".
18.	23-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minster Champika Ranawaka states that Jathika Hela Urumaya (JHU) in collaboration with the All Ceylon Buddhist Congress is considering issuing standard certificates instead of the Halal Certificate.
19.	24-Jan	Kuliyapitiya	Kurunegala	A group of monks from the Helasihalahiru organization, led by "Matale weda hamuduruwo" parade an image ('Allah' in Arabic) around the town.
20.	25-Jan			A group called Diyasenbalakaya, led by extremist monks, were preparing posters to protest against Muslims.
21.	25-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	A Tamil newspaper refers to the on-going anti-Muslim hate campaign as a conflict between pigs and donkeys.
22.	26-Jan	Balangoda (Jailani)	Ratnapura	150 monks from the Sinhala Ravaya and BBS groups attempt to storm the Jailani mosque. Accompanied by several policemen, they clambered up the rock face, carrying Buddha statues in their hands, only to find their attempt foiled by a massive thunder-shower that caused the group to retrace their steps
23.	27-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	According to Western Provincial Council member Mujibur Rahuman, anti-Muslim leaflets are being distributed in many Buddhist Temples during the Full Moon (Poya) day. The leaflets ask the Buddhists to boycott halal products, not to sell properties to Muslims and boycott Muslim businesses.
24.	30-Jan	Galle	Galle	The Muslim Banking unit of a private Finance Institution (LOLC) was attacked by an unknown gang. The staff of the institution received threatening phone calls and one of

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				the institution's name boards destroyed. On the threatening of Monks, Hidayath group of companies was forced to remove the name board of LOLC Company.
25.	1-Feb	Kandy	Kandy	Slogans appear on the walls of mosques and surrounding areas stating: 'this is a Sinhalese country, live carefully.' Also, a road sign which read: "Siththy Lebbe Mawatha" is changed to "Vidyartha Mawatha" overnight.
26.	4-Feb	Samagiwatte	Galle	The BBS distributes leaflets against Muslims.
27.	7-Feb	Narammala	Kurunegala	An unknown gang posts blackmail letters to Muslim shopkeepers stating that if they do not close by March 2013, they will be "destroyed".
28.	7-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS announces that the year 2013 is the year of "Halal eradication", and tha they have the blessings of the President of Sri Lanka to continue their hate campaign activities.
29.	9-Feb	Warakapola	Kegalle	The 'Sinhala Ravaya' organization holds a demonstration against halal products and Muslims. Two Muslims who were videoing the demonstration were blackmailed.
30.	9-Feb	Matara	Matara	The Matara Gandara Muslim mosque is attacked and stoned at midnight by a gang, shouting and cursing as they did so.
31.	10-Feb	Narammala	Kurunegala	A Muslim on his way to the mosque for morning prayers is attacked.
32.	11-Feb	Horambawa	Kurunegala	A Muslim man on his way to work from Horambawa to Kalpitiya is attacked by unidentified persons.
33.	11-Feb	Rambukkana	Kegalle	The BBS puts up some 'anti-halal' posters.
34.	11-Feb	Narammala	Kurunegala	Muslim businessmen receive warning letters from an organization called the 'Consortium of Buddhist Associations' stating that the 'Para Muslims will be dead before March"
35.	11-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	A statement by the BBS describes Buddhists as 'the trees on a Rubber Estate' and the minorities as 'the small bushes and creepers in the estate.'
36.	13-Feb	Narammala	Kurunegala	In Siyabalagaskotuwa and Kilinpolla, around areas near the police, four Muslim shops are attacked by unidentified persons in broad daylight. No police came to their aid.
37.	14-Feb	Kandy	Kandy	The 'Keppattipola Parapuyra' gang distributes 'anti-halal, anti-Muslim' handout that say: "you have full freedom to oppose the Halal process." It advises the Sinhalese not to consume certain products until the Halal logo is removed from its packaging.
38.	14-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Champika Ranawaka requests all food producers to remove the Halal certificate before the Sinhala and Tamil New Year. He says that the ACJU has no legal right to issue certificates and that the ACJU is trying to divide the country through religious lines. He also states that the Halal certificate is violation of rights of the 91%

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				non-Muslim Sri Lankans. He warns that there will be Buddhist uprising if the Halal Certification is not abolished before the Sinhalese New Year in mid-April.
39.	16-Feb	Galle	Galle	Anti-Muslim posters appear in a few places.
40.	16-Feb	Galle	Galle	Posters and banners appear that threaten the Sinhalese to boycott Muslim businesses.
41.	17-Feb	Maharagama	Colombo	BBS General Secretary, Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thero gives an ultimatum to the government to ban Halal certification by March 31st. More than 1300 Buddhist monks and a gathering of 15,000 people attended the rally. BBS unveiled what it called a 'historic' Maharagama Declaration, a 10 point resolution that seeks to impose a ban on halal certified foods, sending Sri Lankan women to the Middle East, mosque-building with Middle Eastern funds and certain birth control methods that they claimed were aimed at stunting the Sinhalese population. The rally calls its members to be an unofficial civilian police force against 'Muslim extremism.' These so-called democrats are destroying the Sinhalese race. He also declared that "Sri Lanka is a Sinhalese country; there is a global principle that minorities must reside in a country in a manner that does not threaten the majority race and its identity." Crowds leaving the rally reacted angrily to a three-member BBC film crew shooting the rally, threatening them with violence, with police officers at the scene siding with the mob. Journalist Ahmad Roomy from Navamani and some other assistants were verbally abused in filthy language, described as traitors. Media also reported that a journalist from the Navamini Muslim newspaper was also harassed by the crowd and handed over to the Maharagama police. Police detained the reporter until 8:30 p.m. before releasing him.
42.	17-Feb	Kantale	Trincomalee	A meeting against Muslims is held at the Raja Ala Buddhist temple, where measures to damage the Muslim community's share of the economy was discussed.
43.	17-Feb	Kattankudi	Batticaloa	Kattankudi police stops a community awareness programme organized by the Sri Lanka Thowheed Jamath, despite the fact that the organizers had obtained the proper permission from the relevant authorities to hold the event
44.	19-Feb	Ruwanwella	Kegalle	The Principal of a Sinhalese school orders the Muslim female students not to come to school with their headscarf (Hijab).
45.	20-Feb	Paragahadeniya	Kurunegala	Anti-Muslim posters appear outside the Ethkanja temple.
46.	20-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS compares the Jamiyyathul Ulama to the LTTE, and claims that the organization's actions are like those of the LTTE leader, Prabhakaran
47.	21-Feb	Ambalantota	Hambantota	Three Sinhalese men enter a Muslim hardware shop and blackmail its owner, Aswer Hajiyar.

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48.	21-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS complains that Muslims, who return from Makkah after Umrah or Hajj, are spreading Islamic fundamentalism in Sri Lanka. The BBS Secretary says that Halal is a cancer; Jamiyyathul Ulama violates the rights of ordinary Muslims and spreads fundamentalist terrorism.
49.	21-Feb	Dehiwela	Colombo	Posters appear that call for an anti-Muslim propaganda gathering in Dehiwala (on February 24). It also urges the Sinhalese to be prepared to fight for the country at anytime, anywhere.
50.	21-Feb	Galle	Galle	Posters appear that call for an anti-Muslim propaganda gathering in Galle (on March 16). It invites people for the betterment of the future generation. Also says that this is the first suicide army for the race.
51.	21-Feb	Kalmunai	Ampara	In Carmal Fathima School in Kalmunai, a group of teachers ask a newly appointed Muslim teacher to remove her hijab.
52.	21-Feb	Muruthalawa	Kandy	Posters against Muslims appear saying: 'Stop Muslimization in Murathalava town. We Sinhalese don't want Muslims or Halal.'
53.	22-Feb	Hirumbura	Galle	The Galle, Hirumbura Mohideen Jumma Mosque is attacked early in the morning; its windows shattered, stones strewn all over the mosque floor.
54.	24-Feb	Mawanella	Kegalle	Rally organized against Muslims
55.	26-Feb	Horagoda-Akuressa	Matara	A drunken Sinhalese youth and two friends threaten and damage a small shop run by widowed Muslim women four days after starting it. An elderly gentleman who came to negotiate was slapped by the youth
56.	27-Feb	Matara	Matara	While on the way to an institution for a computer course, 3 Muslim school girls are attacked by Sinhalese youths, who threaten them to stop wearing their hijab and abayas.
57.	27-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS General Secretary demands for the Halal Certification to be withdrawn immediately. "We can't allow the Sharia law in this country. There is no need for Muslim Banking, Qadi (Muslim) court system, here."
58.	28-Feb	Kegalle	Kegalle	The Kegalle Jumma Mosque situated on the Colombo - Kandy Main Road is attacked, its windows damaged.
59.	28-Feb	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	Leaflets encouraging the boycott of Muslim shops are delivered by the Ethukalpura Youth Association.
60.	28-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	A media brief issued by the BBS strongly recommend that the government desists from accepting responsibility to certify products as halal, as was suggested by the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama (ACJU). The General Secretary of BBS says that the ACJU has

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				very cunningly tried to pass the halal certification off on the government.
61.	2-Mar	Melsiripura	Kurunegala	Leaflets and notices for an anti-Muslim rally are issued. The town is decorated in advance for the rally, creating tension in the town between the Sinhalese and the Muslims.
62.	2-Mar	Beruwala	Kalutara	A group of around 120 Sinhalese people try to stop a halal slaughtering in the town. They photograph the butchers slaughtering cattle.
63.	2-Mar	Beruwala & Aluthgama	Kalutara	Anti-Muslim and anti-halal posters appear
64.	3-Mar	Opanayaka	Ratnapura	A mosque is attacked in Opanayaka.
65.	3-Mar	Hambantota	Hambantota	Sinhala Ravaya organizes a public meeting where they declare that Muslims are racist and they are not.
66.	3-Mar	Mahara	Gampaha	The 60-year old Mahara mosque was defaced with images of pigs and anti-Muslim hate slogans
67.	3-Mar	Mahara	Gampaha	The superintendent of the Mahara prison (located close to the local mosque), orders the mosque administration to close the mosque down. The mosque has been in the area for over 100 years.
68.	3-Mar	Malwana	Gampaha	Anti-Muslim posters appear.
69.	5-Mar	Mahara	Gampaha	A government minister orders the removal of a mosque in Mahara.
70.	5-Mar	Panadura	Kalutara	A Panadura –Eluvila Baudhaloka principal orders Muslim students to worship teachers and not to wear their hijab.
71.	5-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Shagoda Vipassi complains that “Sri Lanka’s history is altered in grade 11 Islam book”.
72.	5-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Propaganda in websites to boycott the “Mohideen beg” songs in Buddhist Temples. Even though he was not a Buddhist, Mohidin Beg sang the most popular Buddhist theme songs in the Sinhala language.
73.	5-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	JHU publishes a book titled "Halal Facts and Lies" in Sinhala, criticizing the Halal concept. Upon receiving the first copy of the book, Dr Omalpa Thero says "We are not against Halal, but we oppose the concept being imposed on other communities."
74.	6-Mar	Colombo	Colombo	A Muslim lady doctor attached to the Colombo South Teaching hospital is attacked by a Buddhist extremist.
75.	6-Mar	Deltota	Kandy	The District Medical Officer (DMO) of the Deltota District Hospital compels the Muslim women who come for treatment to remove their headscarves.

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76.	7-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Champika Ranawaka says the Jamiyathul Ulama does not have the right to issue the Halal certificates
77.	7-Mar	Kurunegala & Galgamuwa	Kurunegala	Leaflets are issued against Muslims and Halal products, claiming that 'Sri Lanka is going to become a Muslim country'.
78.	8-Mar	Kandy	Kandy	A nurse attached to the Kandy Teaching Hospital insists for a Muslim woman accompanying a patient to a ward, to remove her Abaya and hijab.
79.	10-Mar	Malabe	Nationwide	The BBS demands the abolishment of Halal certification before 31st March in a public meeting at Malabe. The organization declares that Buddhism needs to be protected from "the fundamentalists." and that Sri Lanka "is a Buddhist country, others can practice their religion within this framework.
80.	11-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS President Rev. Kirama Vimalajothi announces "We won the Halal issue but we will continue our activities. We will deliver a special announcement at the Kandy gathering on 17th March. This is a Buddhist nation. Hence we do not need Halal."
81.	11-Mar	Angunukolapelessa	Hambantota	Sinhala Ravaya organizes a meeting under the topic of "Prohibition of the terrorist burqa (Muslim women's dress) and terrorism activities".
82.	11-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Poster campaigns start against the "Fardha" (Muslim women's dress) with statements such as "Ban burqa in Sri Lanka" "Assure the security of the country now" and "Recognise the burqa as black tiger terrorism."
83.	12-Mar	Kandy	Kandy	Posters by "Sinhala Voice" appear in Kandy, saying the Sinhalese people should buy goods from Sinhalese shops only for the coming New Year. They went on to say that Sinhalese business people should only respect Sinhalese customers.
84.	12-Mar	Maha Oya	Ampara	Leaflets are issued against the Muslims and to remove Muslims from "Maha Oya". The leaflets state: "Maha sOya is an ancient town that belongs to us. Now the Muslims are trying to buy property and dominate it. Muslims employee Sinhalese girls in their shops and rape them and drug them so that they cannot have children. We have to chase the Muslims away and protect our town!"
85.	14-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS Secretary Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thero says that they do not accept the decision taken by the ACJU, regarding the halal issue
86.	14-Mar	Bogodawatta	Kandy	An offensive epithet against 'Allah' is scrawled on a closed shop door. This type of activities are common occurrences these days, in Kandy.
87.	14-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Sri Lanka Restaurants Association announces that from 1st April onwards, they will no longer be buying products with the Halal logo.
88.	14-Mar	Kandy	Kandy	Posters appear in Kandy against Muslims ("don't go to Muslim shops!" and other

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				hurtful messages). The posters warn that Kandy cannot be changed into a Muslim town, like Akurana was
89.	15-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Champika Ranawaka launches his book: “Islamic fundamentalism Past, Present & Future and Al Jihad & Al Qaida”, an analysis of how Muslim fundamentalism is impacting the country. At the book launch, he calls for the deportation of any Arabs who have come to Sri Lanka to teach Arabic in Madrasas, immediately. He accuses them of being the cause of some of the recent disputes in the country such as the ‘Halal’ issue. According to Ranawaka, Madarasas are responsible for promoting extremist ideas such as the abaya for Muslim women. He also claims that because of problems in the Maldives, thousands of Maldivians are now in areas such as Dehiwela, Ratmalana, Nugegoda seeking political protection, who present a tremendous problem to Sri Lanka in the near future, as will the fleeing Muslims from Burmese army attacks, who are also coming to Sri Lanka seeking political protection.
90.	15-Mar	Colombo	Colombo	4 Muslim students are forced to remove their Hijab at the Pettah Rail Station by two Sinhalese extremists.
91.	16-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS President declares that Muslim women wearing black abayas are insulting other ethnic groups.
92.	16-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS Secretary urges Sinhalese Buddhists to “reject jobs in the Middle East” and states “are you not ashamed to earn money by giving your women to Arab men?!”
93.	16-Mar	Suduampola	Kandy	Kandy city and its environs are being saturated with posters announcing the BBS rally. Leaflets have also been distributed at Sinhala owned business establishments and Buddhist Places of worship and schools. Leaflets are also distributed to houses. Letters have been sent by post. Sinhala Buddhists are asked to dress in all-white, creating a “white sea” in Kandy on Sunday. Apart from the rally related posters, there are fresh posters stirring racist sentiment, for example “Remove slaughterhouse from the Kandy town”, “Kandy will not be allowed to be turned into another Akurana” and “Don’t purchase things from Muslim shops” creating a mental state of fear among the Muslim people of the area, who do not know what is in store for them. Posters also appear thanking the Kandy mayor Mahendra Ratwatte for closing the animal slaughterhouse in Kandy. This abattoir was in existence for 148 years
94.	17-Mar	Kandy	Kandy	The BBS holds a massive rally to announce their "victory" against halal certification. BBS General Secretary claims the Defence Secretary had provided an assurance that the Halal logo would be withdrawn in the country and a special police unit would be set up to carry out inspections in shops around the country that might be still carrying

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				Halal products.
95.	17-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	A Sinhalese website states that Rizvie Mufthi, president of the ACJU “should be arrested”.
96.	17-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Sobhitha delivers a speech against Muslims in “Pitipena purana maha vihara.” You Muslims can circumcise for yourself, but don’t try to do it for us Buddhists.
97.	17-Mar	Kandy	Kandy	The BBS announces that their next aim is to "free" Kurugala from Muslims. Muslims should leave “Kurugala” (Jailani) before 31st April and that this year the Vesak festival will be celebrated in Kurugala.
98.	18-Mar	Mannampitiya	Polonnaruwa	A Muslim female employee attached to the Mannampitiya post office is assaulted, with attempts made to remove her fardha. She was warned by a group of youth a few days before the attack not to wear her fardha
99.	18-Mar	Matara	Matara	A group called 'Matara Sinhelayo' puts up posters on the day of the opening of the Matara branch of Fashion Bug -'If you are Sinhalese don't enter the shady-abode Fashion Bug, which digs the graves of the Sinhalese people'
100.	18-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	JHU Parliamentarian Ven. Omalpe Sobitha Thero says 'Go to Allah’s country if you need Halal.'
101.	19-Mar	Thiththawella	Kurunegala	Anti-Muslim posters appear on the walls of a mosque in Thiththawella. It was brought to the notice of the OIC and the posters were removed.
102.	19-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Bodu Bala Sena accuses a Muslim extremist group of the recent assault on Sri Lankan Buddhist monk in India. However, the CCTV in the railway station proved the actual attacker was not a Muslim
103.	20-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS Secretary claims "Thawheed Jamath" was the first Islamic movement which was against them when they started their campaign last year
104.	20-Mar	Thiththavalgala	Kurunegala	Posters appear on a Masjid (Mosque) wall before the start of the "Fajr" (dawn) Prayer.
105.	21-Mar	Poojapitiya	Kandy	A Sinhalese man snatches the cap off of a Moulavi's head, and tramples it.
106.	23-Mar	Hendala	Colombo	In Hendala Junction, a Buddhist group harasses some pedestrian Muslim women wearing abaya.
107.	24-Mar	Panadura	Nationwide	The BBS urges the Sinhalese to “protect the nation and not let other races or religions to take over.” The monk also urged Sinhalese families to have at least 5-6 children so that the Sinhalese Buddhist population grows in order to protect the Sinhala race and Buddhism in Sri Lanka. The country should be ready to rally against Christian and Muslim extremist groups operating in the country. BBS General Secretary states: “We have now become the police of this nation. We must help the police arrest people

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				bringing down heroin in Sri Lanka who are mostly Muslims.” He also claims that the Ministry of Defence had assured the group that the halal issue will be resolved and warns that if the ACJU goes against its commitments to the Ministry of Defence and the Buddhist clergy then BBS will take appropriate action.
108.	24-Mar	Panadura	Nationwide	The BBS Secretary demands that the High Commissioner for Sri Lanka in Singapore, Mrs. Ferial Ashroff, be terminated immediately and that she be recalled from Singapore. He states that the BBS had received reliable information from Singapore that Mrs. Ashroff was working against the interests of Sinhalese Buddhists.
109.	25-Mar	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	Posters have come up against Muslims in the Kurunegala town. A group called “Ethukalpura Sinhalese” claimed responsibility for the posters.
110.	25-Mar	Galle	Galle	At an anti-Muslim rally organized by the Sinhala Ravaya, the organization's president, Rev. Akmeemana Dayaratne, states that the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama members should be arrested for extortion.
111.	25-Mar	Gampola	Kandy	In Gampola town, CCTV Camera revealed anti Sinhalese posters were pasted by Buddhist extremists trying to create disturbance, and not Muslims.
112.	25-Mar	Mawanella	Ratnapura	The movement “We Sinhalese” distributes leaflets against Muslims in the Mawanella area
113.	26-Mar		Kalutara	A Muslim teacher who is working in a Sinhalese school is asked to remove her "Hijab" by a Buddhist monk who is one of the school's supervisors.
114.	26-Mar	Dehiwela	Colombo	A private bank puts up a notice near their ATM machines stating: "Muslims, please don't come to take cash from ATMs by covering your face".
115.	27-Mar	Dickwella	Matara	In Dickwella town, a group of Buddhists in a three-wheeler attacks 47 year old N Inshaf on his way to the mosque for the evening prayer.
116.	27-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	The JHU claims in a statement that the South East region is being devoured by Muslim fundamentalism and extremism and that "the concept of a separate Muslim Home Land is gaining popularity amongst the Muslim community" in those areas.
117.	27-Mar	Warakapola	Kegalle	Buddhist flags are displayed in Sinhalese shops so that Muslim shops are easy to identify and avoid.
118.	27-Mar	Peradeniya	Kandy	A Muslim woman was forced to remove her abaya at ward No. 3 in the Peradeniya teaching hospital.
119.	28-Mar	Maggona	Kalutara	The heads of two pigs are displayed on Muslim women's property, which are located close to the Maggona Main Road.
120.	28-Mar	Pepiliyana	Colombo	A warehouse belonging to Fashion Bug (a leading Muslim owned textile establishment),

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				is attacked by a mob as police stand by and watch. A group of 20 led by a few monks, quickly swelled to 300, damaging the building, merchandise and a vehicle. The excuse used to attack the complex was that a 15 year old Sinhalese girl employed by Fashion Bug had been raped inside the building by a Muslim colleague
121.	28-Mar	Badulla	Badulla	Anti-Muslim leaflet published in Badulla town
122.	28-Mar	Kekkirawa	Anuradhapura	BBS organizes a public meeting against Muslims at the Mahajana ground in Kekkirawa.
123.	29-Mar	Elpitiya	Galle	13 Muslim shops are approached by the BBS and are ordered not to extend their leases, even though the Muslim shop owners have been paying their rent dutifully to their Sinhalese landlords, who normally renew the legal agreements every year. Now, however, the Sinhala landlords are demanding that the Muslim businessmen vacate their shops, upon making the last rent payment for the year. Elpitiya will then be “liberated” according to BBS.
124.	29-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	MP Champika Ranawaka states at a Buddhist commission: "The Muslim population was 35,000 and now it is 2 million.
125.	30-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	A 'Haram' Certificate logo appears on products sold in the market, identical to the ACJU's 'Halaal' certificate.
126.	30-Mar	Dematagoda	Colombo	The Dematagoda mosque and Islamic bookshop are sent a letter to shut down immediately. The letter was written on the BBS's letterhead and used indecent words.
127.	30-Mar	Maharagama	Colombo	Stones are thrown at a 'Fashion Bug' vehicle in Maharagama.
128.	30-Mar	Dematagoda	Colombo	A warning letter on the BBS letterhead goes to the "Nithavul Khair", a Muslim welfare organization, ordering it to terminate its activities.
129.	31-Mar	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	People shopping in a Muslim-owned shop have rotten eggs thrown at them. A Facebook page, called 'Athugal Pura Sinha Pataw' shows images of a man and a woman after being pelted with rotten eggs holding No Limit bags, with the caption: “If you go to No Limit or Fashion Bug we will attack. If you have their bags in your hands we will attack. And that is not all. Those who betray the race, even if they have police protection will be attacked with rotten eggs today, faces tomorrow.”
130.	31-Mar	Weligama	Matara	A leaflet is circulated in the Weligama area against Muslims. It mentions the details of businesses owned by Muslims of the area and strictly warns not to purchase goods from those businesses.
131.	31-Mar	Badulla	Badulla	Anti-Muslim posters appear in Badulla town
132.	31-Mar	Negombo	Gampaha	A group of Muslim men taking part in religious activities is attacked. The attacker, a

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				Sinhalese three-wheeler driver fled the scene immediately. Afterwards, a complaint was made at Kochikade Police and the accused was arrested
133.	1-Apr	Kelaniya	Nationwide	The Secretary of the BBS claims that 'Wahabism' should be eradicated before it swallows the country. He also declares that the Fashion Bug Pepiliyana incident was orchestrated by Muslim Fundamentalists and that politicians who do not promote the best interests of the Sinhalese community should be chased out from temples.
134.	1-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Champika Ranawaka strictly opposes the halal mechanism which was proposed by Muslim ministers. The latter argued that halal is one of the rights of Muslims and measures need to be taken to sustain this right. Ranawaka, however, claims that Muslims should not consume halal products and it should not be provided by ACJU.
135.	1-Apr	Monaragala	Badulla	Anti-Muslim leaflets are issued. Some Muslim business organizations are listed in this leaflet.
136.	2-Apr	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	Some notices intending to persuade Tamil people to participate in a hartal against Muslims are distributed in the Batticaloa district via post. The notice mentions the following issues: "Halal concept can affect people's unity and have a great impact on children", "Tamil people from the east were massacred by Muslims" and "The hartal carried out by Muslims on 23rd March is proof of the division between Muslims and Tamils"
137.	3-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary Rev. Galagoda at the Gnanasara states that they are going to establish a Muslim division in BBS and that "Traditional Muslims are asking us to protect the society and country from Muslims fundamentalists
138.	3-Apr	Jailani	Ratnapura	Muslims' shops and residences are attacked and invaded by the 'Sinhala Rawaya'. This attack took place after mutual agreement by both the group and the Defence Ministry on 28.03.2013
139.	3-Apr	Weligama	Matara	BBS conducts a meeting in the Weligama town against Muslims
140.	3-Apr	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	A Muslim Sunday School in Dickson Road, Malwatu Oya, Anuradhapura is ordered by the BBS to be removed immediately. In the event the order is not obeyed, the BBS personnel will forcibly remove them from the premises. To avoid any clashes between the two communities the Director of the Police intelligence service Mahesh Senaratna requested the courts to issue an order to remove it immediately without further incident.
141.	4-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS states that Muslim ministers are trying to encroach on lands in the Northern

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				Province and hand them over to Muslim fundamentalists. This is the reason for the delay in the resettlement process of the Tamil people.
142.	4-Apr	Mawanella	Kegalle	Handbills issued instructing people not to buy from Muslim shops
143.	5-Apr	Pottuvil	Ampara	JHU media spokesman Nishantha Warnasinghe issues a notice blaming Muslim saboteurs for the sudden fire which had broken out at the 'Muhudu Maha' Viharaya in Pottuwil.
144.	7-Apr	Kotikawatta	Colombo	A group of Sinhalese people demand that a mosque is closed, saying that failure to do so will result in their return with a Buddhist monk, to demolish the place. This mosque is registered with the Colombo Municipal Council
145.	7-Apr	Negombo	Nationwide	Negombo municipal council ruling party member Dayal Nilanga makes a racist speech during a council session, claiming that: "70% of Sinhala Buddhist and Sinhala Christian are living in Sri Lanka. Muslims came as traders to Sri Lanka," causing the Muslim members of the council to oppose his speech.
146.	8-Apr	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	Leaflets are distributed in Valaichchenai, Batticaloa district, stating that "Muslim business men should leave the Tamil's Mother Land before April 08th". These leaflets are issued by 'Dravidan Sena.'
147.	10-Apr	Jaffna	Jaffna	An unknown gang attacks the Jaffna University Muslim student's prayer room with crude oil. The prayer room was opened on 22nd March with the university administration's approval. Within a few days after the opening, its name board, which included the subtitle "Muslim Students Association" was also damaged.
148.	10-Apr	Weligama	Matara	BBS enters Weligama and stages a public rally near the Pradeshiya Sabha Office. The walls in Weligama and its environs are plastered with red and white posters announcing the BBS rally. Widespread distribution of a leaflet in Sinhala targeting the community upsets the Muslims
149.	10-Apr	Colombo	Nationwide	Former Army Commander, General Sarath Fonseka congratulates the BBS for its successful campaign to withdraw the Halal certification, as it has led to the creation of an atmosphere of peace in the country
150.	12-Apr	Bulathsinhala	Nationwide	JHU leader Omalpe Sobitha Thero addresses a public gathering, speaking against Islam and its customs, in particular stating that the entire halal process should be banned; it is not possible to produce halal and non halal products in the same factory. He adds that according to Buddhism, Muslim's circumcision is also bad and vulgar
151.	12-Apr	Bulathsinhala	Nationwide	JHU parliamentarian Athuraliye Rathana Thero states that sending women to the Middle East for employment is the main cause of problems for families in Sri Lanka and

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				that the “Cultural encroachment of Muslim terrorists has still not ended”.
152.	13-Apr	Colombo	Colombo	The mother of a child who was being treated for dengue at Lady Ridgeway Hospital says that she was asked to remove her ‘abaya’ (cloak) when she visited the hospital to see her child. According to her, the nurse on duty at the Admission desk had asked her to remove her abaya if she wanted to enter the hospital premises
153.	15-Apr	Malwana	Gampaha	A Muslim man is attacked by some drunk Sinhalese people and admitted to hospital with injuries.
154.	16-Apr	Gampola	Kandy	A Muslim-owned textile store 'The Lucky Emporium', is attacked in broad daylight by a gang of hoodlums numbering about a dozen. Details of the attack remain scanty but apparently the glass panes of the shop as well as the showcases are broken, and debris of broken glass is strewn inside and outside the premises.
155.	18-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	President of BBS Rev. Kirama Vimalajothi postulates that Islamic terrorist groups such as Al-Qaeda and 'Jihad activity' are active in Sri Lanka. He claims that these terrorists groups are mainly active in the Eastern province, through the Jamiyyathul Ulama.
156.	1-May	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Athuruliya Rathna of Jathika Hela Urumaya states that Muslim employees who are working in the following hospitals; Kalpitiya district hospital, Puttalam base hospital, Mampuri rural hospital and Alankuda central hospital are wearing Muslim garb instead of their hospital uniforms. They are therefore, under the influence of Islamic fundamentalist groups. If this continues it will create serious issues amongst communities, so proper action should be taken.
157.	5-May	Colombo	Nationwide	JHU media spokesman declares that "Muslim racists have interfered in the country's general laws. Due to their activities the entire country is faced with a crisis."
158.	8-May	Balangoda (Jailani)	Ratnapura	The BBS demands the removal of all buildings from Kuragala (Jailani) by 18th May, failing which they will "come with 5000 people and surround the area."
159.	8-May	Nationwide	Nationwide	Together with the JHU national organizer, Nishantha Warnasinghe, JHU leader Rev. Omelpe Sobitha proclaims that Muslim fundamentalist activities are more horrific than LTTE terrorism and are increasing day-by-day. He cited the birth control vaccinations imported by a Pakistani, illegal cigarette imports and the Kalpitiya Hospital uniforms issue as examples
160.	10-May		Gampaha	Principal and some of the teachers of Minuvangoda - Purulappitiya Sinhala Maha Vidyalaya ordered not to wear Hijabs. School children ordered not attend Jumma prayers on Fridays
161.	8-May	Nationwide	Nationwide	JHU leader Dr. Omalpe Sobitha Thera, admits that they are racist and religious

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				fanatics but that they are not the authors of racism and religious fanaticism in Sri Lanka. He accuses Muslims of being behind the drug trade, (pills, birth control vials and heroin) in the country.
162.	14-May	Kolonnawa	Colombo	Methota Kolannawa mosque is stoned by some drunkards
163.	16-May	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS states that Sri Lanka is not a multiracial or multi-religious country but a Sinhalese Buddhist country and that "there is no place for those who do not accept this."
164.	17-May	Madawela	Kandy	Racist handbills issued
165.	24-May	Kollupitiya	Colombo	The monks of Sinhala ravaya and a gang of goons entered the Kollupitiya municipal people's market and attacked the meat stalls. They have forcibly taken out the meat and goods that were there and thrown them out
166.	27-May	Dambulla	Matale	Matale District Secretary, claims that there are no mosques in Dambulla town. "There is no need to talk about it."
167.	28-May	Padeniya	Matale	Padeniya Muslims are ordered by the Matale GA to move from their homes after their area is declared 'sacred', without any compensation or alternative arrangements.
168.	28-May	Nationwide	Nationwide	The current Minister of Agriculture, Agrarian Development, Irrigation, Trade and Environment in Western Provincial Council and JHU party member Udaya Gammanpila justifies the hate campaign against Muslims, saying "(on Madrasas) There is a law in this country. Just because you are religious institution, you cannot abuse or disobey the law. Secondly, for the last 500 years they have been eating Halal food; we have never grudged this. But when they try to force us also to eat Halal, of course we have to resist. As much as we respect their values and beliefs, they should respect ours...In 1597, there were only 4,000 Muslims in this country. Now they have grown to two million because of religious conversions. If we didn't allow them to marry Sinhala Buddhist girls, the scenario would have been a lot different. This is why I say we are too innocent and too tolerant. Unfortunately, instead of appreciating that, they abuse it."
169.	28-May	Badulla	Badulla	Protest by BBS
170.	1-Jun	Palagala	Anuradhapura	Palagala Divisional Secretary K.P.S. Kaluwaratchi orders the Muslim women employees of the DS office not to come to work with Abaya.
171.	4-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	Kalmunai Subathraramaya Viharadhipathi Sagaratna Thero writes that 'Sri Lanka is only for Buddhists.'
172.	6-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS claims that Madrasas are bases for Islamic fundamentalism and that they are not registered under the National Education Policy. The BBS also alleges that Muslims

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				create Islamic fundamentalism through the Shura Council and that members of the Sri Lankan Jamiyyathul Ulama recently met with a Muslim 'terrorist' in Qatar.
173.	6-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS proclaims that after 'winning' the Halal issue they are going to oppose the establishment of an Arabic college dedicated to teaching Sharia Law. The group argues that the Muslim community has survived without implementing Sharia law so far and that by introducing Sharia law, Muslims are trying to create a separate law, like the LTTE tried to create a separate nation. By establishing the Shura (Consultative) Council, Muslims are going to introduce "Wahabism" to Sri Lanka. The Government should take action against the establishment of Sharia Law in Sri Lanka.
174.	6-Jun	Colombo	Nationwide	The BBS urges the government to introduce a national policy on Islamic religious education in the country. The BBS General Secretary claims Madrasa schools had been established throughout the country to spread Islamic extremism by certain NGOs.
175.	8-Jun	Ampara	Ampara	BBS conference in Ampara
176.	9-Jun	Katunayake	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary announces that Muslim doctors are working against the Sinhalese Buddhist community and that therefore, the Sinhalese should totally reject being treated by Muslim doctors.
177.	9-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS launches an online petition calling for the ban of the face veil (burqa and niqab).
178.	9-Jun	Grandpass	Colombo	A temporary mosque in the Grandpass area of Colombo is forced to relocate in one month due to an intense protest campaign by the "Ravana Balaya" (Ravana Force). The monks had staged a protest in front of the mosque and disturbed prayer on July 5th.
179.	10-Jun	Peradeniya	Kandy	JHU protests against two Muslim Medical interns at Peradeniya Hospital, accusing them of forcing the Sinhalese to undertake family planning.
180.	11-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary requests the government to immediately stop the building of the proposed University for Ulama.
181.	11-Jun	Ampara	Ampara	BBS General Secretary vows to take revenge on MP Harees for requesting the President's intervention in shifting the venue of their first meeting in the East from Kalmunai to Ampara.

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182.	15-Jun	Badulla	Nationwide	The BBS General Secretary calls for a ban of the Niqab, saying that several local banks had contacted him and complained that conducting business with veiled clients is problematic and is of great inconvenience to them. He also accuses Islamic fundamentalists of attempting to turn Sri Lanka into an Arabian country, ominously adding that if the fundamentalists continue to follow these practices, the moderate Muslims will suffer punishment as well. Building on the General Secretary's argument, BBS Spokesman Dilantha Withanage, claims that their opposition to the Niqab is not an attack on the Muslim community but goes beyond difficulties faced by local banks. "When these veiled individuals walk on the road, people do not know who they are, and that affects their personal security". According to him, the Niqab is not a custom that all Muslim's follow, and therefore it is unnecessary, and should be banned as it has been in France and other countries. Once it is banned, Sri Lankans can walk on the road sans fear of the veiled individuals who cannot be identified.
183.	15-Jun	Multiple	Moneragala	The Sinhala Ravaya organization marches from Kataragama Kirivehera in Hambantota district to Colombo against cattle slaughter, causing confrontations with Christians and Muslims alike along the way. Upon reaching Temple Trees they hand over their petition against cattle slaughter to the President. (15-26 June).
184.	17-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary announces in a public meeting that "the Muslims cannot change our country into a Middle Eastern country" and also that "they (Muslims) have to stop wearing niqab (veil)"
185.	18-Jun	Badulla	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary claims "Sri Lanka belongs to Buddhists. Other religious people should not have any rights. Muslim people can wear Abaya in Saudi Arabia, but we cannot accept that dress in Sri Lanka." He also claimed that Muslims were only brought to Sri Lanka to do business and construct roads.
186.	19-Jun	Tangalle	Hambantota	During the Sinhala Ravaya's anti-cattle slaughter march, the group sets a Muslim owned beef stall ablaze in full view of the police, who make no arrests
187.	19-Jun	Tangalle	Hambantota	A Muslim camera man asked by Police to cover the event is also assaulted during the Sinhala Ravaya march.
188.	20-Jun	Mammunai South	Batticaloa	The Tamil Makkal Viduthalai Puligal (TMVP), led by former Eastern Province chief minister and current Provincial councillor and Advisor to the President, Sivanesathurai Chandrakanthan (alias Pillaiyan), has been engaging in anti-Muslim propaganda in a bid to counter the popularity of the Tamil National Alliance (TNA), who is in favour of building close relations between Tamils and Muslims in the province. Several posters and leaflets attacking Muslims have been issued. Some leaflets have asked Tamils not

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				to patronise Muslim businesses. Muslims have also been threatened to vacate their dwellings in areas with a mixed Tamil-Muslim population and go back to traditional Muslim enclaves such as Eravur and Kattankudy.
189.	20-Jun	Urukaaman	Batticaloa	A provision store-cum-eatery owned and run by Mr. Seeni Mouhammadu Fareed is burnt down by a gang suspected to be the anti-Muslim outfit calling itself 'Dravida Senai' or Dravidian Army, regarded as a front of the TMVP
190.	20-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	Newspaper article in response to an article that questions whether racism is a social/political problem, denies that Sinhalese-dominated political parties are racist and claims that the Muslim political parties are racist.
191.	22-Jun	Mallawaptiya	Kurunegala	The BBS is reported to be forcefully occupying a house belonging to a Muslim in Mallawapitiya and refusing to obey the court order to return the house
192.	24-Jun		Kalutara	A mosque in Kalutara is stormed by the Sinhala Ravaya marchers.
193.	25-Jun	Kalutara	Kalutara	Concurrently with the protest march against cattle slaughter in Hambantota, a mob including the BBS monks gather near a Mosque in Kalutara, provoking Muslims and creating tension in the centre of the town.
194.	28-Jun	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary issues a public warning that the minorities will be attacked within the next month, stating that the government has to take action against the minority organisations before the July full moon day, failing which the BBS as the unofficial police force will attack the minority organisations. He also informs that in future a 'Buddhist Security committee' will be formed in every Sinhalese village to prevent other races from entering said villages
195.	30-Jun	Oddamavadi	Batticaloa	A Buddha statue is placed in Oddamavadi Al Azhar school ground.
196.	1-Jul	Nawaladi	Batticaloa	Unidentified people break into the Masjuthul An-Noor mosque in on the Colombo – Batticaloa main road. Tills inside and outside were broken and the collections were missing. In addition the cupboards were broken and things were scatted everywhere
197.	1-Jul	Katunayake	Nationwide	BBS Secretary Gnasara thero warns the Sinhalese not to take contraceptive pills. According to him Muslims in Sri Lanka are increasing their numbers and covertly developing in every field including business. He further states that Muslims are trying to lead the country towards Islamic fundamentalism, therefore the Sinhalese should not use contraceptive pills. He also appeals to boycott Muslim businesses and reject Muslim doctors. Gnasara thero also states that 400 fundamental religious organizations are operating in Sri Lanka, among which 10 are Muslim fundamental groups. The most affected are the Buddhists and Catholics. In order to safeguard the country from

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				Muslim & Christian extremists, traditional Catholics should join hands with the BBS. People who can safeguard this right should be elected at the parliament. If not, in 10 years time this country will face another war.
198.	4-Jul	Grandpass	Colombo	Buddhist Monks oppose the opening of the newly built mosque. Muslims were compelled to build this mosque in a new location on the same road, as the earlier one had been earmarked for the expansion of the canal by the Urban Development Authority (UDA).
199.	4-Jul	Nilaveli	Trincomalee	Tamil parents and children of Nilaveli Tamil Vidyalayam protest against Muslim children wearing hijab. The school administration forbids the Muslim children wearing the hijab from entering the School premises
200.	5-Jul	Grandpass	Colombo	Monks stage a protest in front of the mosque and disturb prayers. A temporary mosque in the Grandpass area of Colombo is forced to relocate in one month due to an intense protest campaign by the "Ravana Balaya" (Ravana Force).
201.	8-Jul	Badulla	Badulla	Posters appear in Badulla city against the blood donation campaign organised by the Jamiyyathul Ulama Badulla branch. Also, the BBS organises a protest campaign near the Nimal Siripala de Silva postal building in the city.
202.	9-Jul	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS launches an online petition calling for the ban of the face veil (burqa and niqab), urging the Secretary to the Ministry of Defence to ban the Burqa and Niqab in Sri Lanka. The petition states: "The Secretary of Defence Mr. Gotabaya Rajapaksha: Ban the Burqa and Niqab in Sri Lanka"
203.	9-Jul	Colombo	Colombo	Ravana Balaya holds a protest outside the Department of Buddhist Affairs demanding the removal of a mosque in Grandpass which the movement alleged was an illegal construction. Ravana Balaya and the Muslim representatives from the Mosque in Grandpass, then settled the dispute and came into an agreement to move the mosque to a suitable location within a month.
204.	11-Jul	Mahiyangana	Badulla	A mob of masked individuals stones the Mahiyangana Mosque, assaults the mosque trustee, breaks in and throws pig's head, flesh and blood into its precincts. To further reinforce the mood of terror, the power was switched off during the attack. The incident took place at 11.30 p.m. as the Muslims of Mahiyangana offered special Ramadan Tharaweeh night prayers. Many of the windows were broken. The onslaught lasted up to 20 minutes before the power was restored and the aggressors made to leave. No one has been arrested. Prior to the attack, the mosque trustee had been attacked with chilli powder and threatened against continuing Friday prayers in the mosque and warned that the worst was yet to come. Disregarding the threats, the mosque conducted the

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				Friday prayers undeterred. Additionally, Mahiyangana Provincial Council Member, Chief Incumbent of the Mahaweli Maha Viharaya Ven Watareka Vijitha thera while speaking at special ceremony organised by the Upcountry Muslim Council revealed that Ven Gnanasara thera and some others had come to the Maha Viharaya in Mahiyanganaya and had a discussion the day before the attack.
205.	13-Jul	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary says "we are not against the Tamils or Muslims. We have presented our policy on Muslim Fundamentalism. Many small groups have formed in this country to spread Muslim fundamentalism." He denies the allegation that the BBS is behind the mosque attacks. But reiterates that it is "against the Niqab, this should be banned, there is no injustice in this." He says that the majority of crimes such as smuggling, avoidance of income tax, trafficking of drugs, etc. are perpetrated by Muslims.
206.	14-Jul	Dewanagla	Kegalle	At a meeting held against Muslims in Uyanwatta village, the BBS discusses ways in which to forcefully evacuate the Muslims living closer to the Devanagala area.
207.	16-Jul	Dematagoda	Colombo	Seven Buddhist monks in robes and 5 civilians set fire to a lorry belonging to a Muslim parked near the Baseline road at dawn at around 3.40 a.m. This lorry arrived there with a government approved license to collect beef from a government abattoir in Dematagoda. Owners of the lorry that transports beef to the stalls at Kotte, Madiwela, Nugegoda , Mirihana, Battarmulla, and Thalawathugoda had duly obtained licenses from the local bodies.
208.	17-Jul	Kegalle	Kegalle	Buddhist extremists attack two Muslim youth on Gampola Road. The injured youth were admitted to Mawanella hospital.
209.	17-Jul	Hemmathagama	Kegalle	3 People (2 Muslims & their tamil Driver) were attacked in Hemmathagama by a mob.
210.	17-Jul	Grandpass	Colombo	Sinhala Ravaya monks storm a temporarily constructed mosque in Grandpass, laying claim that the building was an illegal construction. The mosque is a makeshift space for conducting prayers during the month of Ramadan. The original mosque in the area, which was built in the 1960s, was to be relocated as per urban development plans, as 15 feet of the mosque area was required for expanding a canal. As a result, with the approval of the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs, a temporary structure was setup for Muslims in the area to conduct their Ramadan prayers until the main mosque is shifted to a new location.
211.	19-Jul	Mahiyangana	Badulla	Mahiyangana mosque closes down for the first time in 40 years. Uva Province Minister, Anura Vithanagama, allegedly threatened the trustee of the Mahiyangana Masjidul Araba Mosque against holding Jumma prayers. During the past few months there

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				have been repeated threats demanding the trustees to stop Friday Jumma prayers and remove the mosque.
212.	21-Jul	Thoppur	Trincomalee	Armed forces try to stop the renovation of Muhaideen Jumma Mosque of Allai Nagar in Thoppur (Muttur area). They demand to see the approval for the mosque. They leave the premises after being shown the documents belonging to the mosque trustees for 50 years.
213.	22-Jul	Kurunegala	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary states at the Kurunegala BBS District Committee meeting that even though there are plenty of universities in this country, Hira Foundation of Saudi Arabia is planning to construct a university in Kalmunai. "The purpose of this university is to produce a great number of ulama within a year. The King of Saudi Arabia is the head of the Hira Foundation. That means the NGOs also can start universities in this country. If this goes on there will be a request for the implementation of Sharia law and ultimately there will be a demand for the Arabic language as one of ours." He states that 31 students selected for universities from Ampara District out of which only two were Sinhalese and two were Tamils. "Is this not racism?" he asks.
214.	23-Jul	Kurunegala	Nationwide	BBS Secretary says that Muslim fundamentalists are behind the sale of drugs and that this is "worse than the effect of the 13th amendment to the constitution of Sri Lanka. Institutions that are formed under Sharia law function in the share market and soon the details of the institutions will be revealed. 65 Interpreters were appointed to the courts in 2013 and among them 51 are Muslims, out of which 35 are Muslim women. This shows the law has been badly affected in the country."
215.	25-Jul	Dambulla	Matale	UDA that comes under the Ministry of Defence, requests through letters to remove the buildings surrounding the Dambulla Mosque.
216.	27-Jul	Nationwide	Nationwide	Chief Incumbent of the Mahiyangana Raja Maha Viharaya Venerable Urulahwaththe Dhamma Rakkitha thera, criticizes minister Rauf Hakeem for making false allegations about an attack of the Mahiyangana mosque and therefore promoting religious unrest. He proclaims that as a responsible minister Hakeem should prove the allegations by providing authentic evidence and that measures should be taken against him. The monk denies the existence of the mosque named Jumma Mosque in the vicinity of Mahiyangana.
217.	28-Jul	Kolonnawa	Colombo	BBS conference in Kolonnawa
218.	29-Jul	Wadduwa	Kalutara	Unidentified people set fire to a Muslim beef stall in the public market, at around 5 a.m, destroying the equipment and the stall. A poster was found in the premises saying that

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				you will be killed if you do not stop selling beef hereafter
219.	30-Jul	Nationwide	Nationwide	Galagodaaththe Gnanasara thero says that the BBS will recommence its battle against the Halal Certification to root it out entirely from the country. He says that although the group had stepped away from the battle against Halal because of the intervention of the Maha Sanga, the problem has not yet been resolved. He says that although the ACJU had promised to remove the Halal logo from products in the Sri Lankan market that promise has been broken
220.	30-Jul	Dewanagla	Kegalle	The BBS visits the Dewanagala rock mountain and temple in Uyanwatte Mawanella and marks 72 acres as 'sacred land.' Even though the Muslims of the area possess 130-year-old deeds for their properties, the BBS tells the Sinhalese residents that the Muslims have no right to live there, that they should be removed from the vicinity and their lands given to traditional Sinhalese soon. They also warn the Muslim residents to vacate the place as soon as possible and pay compensation for living there. Despite appealing to the government, local politicians were unable stop the BBS from holding a meeting on the Dewanagala rock summit. However, the use of loudspeakers was prohibited by the police and much of the hate speeches were not heard by those at the bottom of the rock. Buddhists and Muslims have been living around/on the Dewanagala rock for centuries. Approximately 75% of the habitants are Sinhalese
221.	2-Aug	Mahiyangana	Badulla	BBS rally in Mahiyangana
222.	3-Aug	Attidiya	Colombo	A group of ten men led by the Chief Prelate of the Bellanwila Rajamaha Viharaya enter the Masjidul Hiba mosque while the devotees are about to break their fast, and threaten them to close down the mosque immediately. The prelate alleges that the Muslims started it as a Madrasa and then converted it into a mosque, saying: "If this mosque is not closed down we will gather people and organise a big protest and take action to close it down." This mosque was registered with the authorities and the papers were shown to the police who visited the mosque at the complaint of the Trustees of the mosque. The Police allowed the Trustees to continue the activities.
223.	4-Aug	Colombo	Colombo	Several small clashes held in Colombo area (Puthukkada & Dematagoda)between sinhala and muslim youths. Since the 4th of August night was 27th of Ramazan, there were special arrangements and religious activites held in the masjids for whole night.
224.	4-Aug		Kegalle	BBS meeting in Devanagala
225.	10-Aug	Grandpass	Colombo	A Buddhist mob attacks the mosque in Grandpass, leaving at least five people injured. Buddhists and Muslims clashed after the attack, and police imposed a curfew in the area. Several houses were also damaged during the clashes. A Muslim resident of the

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				area said that a mob threw stones at the mosque when worshippers were performing evening prayers. Buddhists monks had reportedly protested on July 5th and 17th against the presence of the mosque but had agreed to allow Muslims to continue praying there until the end of the Islamic fasting month of Ramadan. But area Muslims say Sri Lanka's religious affairs ministry (Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs) had given them permission to continue using the site and had also provided special police security due to the threat of possible attacks.
226.	11-Aug	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	BBS rally in Kurunegala
227.	11-Aug	Panadura	Kalutara	A beef stall in Panadura is set on fire
228.	11-Aug	Kolonnawa	Colombo	Hand bills are distributed stating that the spread of the Muslim population has led to the destruction of Buddhism. Hence an initiative has to be taken to stop this situation. Two months before it was a collective battle by the Muslims & Sinhalese in Kolonnawa to clear the piled up garbage in that area. The BBS organized a gathering very close to the Jumma Masjid in Kolonnawa during the month of Ramadan, while the Muslims were praying.
229.	11-Aug	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	Referring to a sign board stating “Silence please” close to the Paragahadeniya Masjid in Mawathagama, the BBS states “We cannot allow these activities by extreme Muslims.”
230.	12-Aug	Grandpass	Colombo	The new Grandpass mosque is closed after the attacks. The Sri Lanka Muslim Council said that the Muslims had agreed to move to the older place of worship which the Urban Development Authority had earlier earmarked for demolition as part of the city’s development.
231.	13-Aug	Kurunegala	Nationwide	The BBS states at a gathering at the Satyawathi Grounds in Kurunegala that they have requested the Defence ministry to investigate the Thawheed Jamaath “extremist group” which was involved in the Grandpass incident and “chase them out of the country”. There are enough places to worship, stated the BBS, and hence they request the President to stop granting permission to build Masjids, Temples & Kovils. Muslims are not following the country's law. Representatives further stated that “we are telling them not to bring the Arabic law to our country. If the Defence unit of the country doesn't take action against the Thawheed extremism, we will control them.”
232.	22-Aug	Muttur	Trincomalee	13 shops owned by Muslims were damaged by an unidentified group in Mutur
233.	23-Aug	Mawanella	Kegalle	The Sinhala Ravaya stops the President’s convoy, which was returning to Colombo from Mawanella, and complains about their plight in Devanagala. According to the Ven. Magalkande Susantha thero’s version of the crisis in Devanagala, “a „millionaire” Muslim businessman has bought over the sacred place in Devanagala and fenced off the

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				land, chased off the monks, scribbled Tamil filth in front of the temple and destroyed the statues.” (Please see incident no.194 and no. 204.) He further stated to the press later on that he has trust in the President and that the President himself had assured him that he would take necessary steps to deal with this situation.
234.	25-Aug	Galle	Galle	BBS conference in Galle
235.	1-Sep		Nationwide	Bodu Bala Sena (BBS) secretary Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara states in an interview to the Australia based Global Mail that “Any Muslims, they are very bad people here. They are creating all problems here.” According to the article the BBS members make unsupported claims, on scant evidence, that Muslims dominate Sri Lanka’s business community and provoke religious fundamentalism, and that Muslim doctors secretly sterilise Sinhalese women.
236.	1-Sep	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	A masjid katheeb from Kurunegala escaped from a gang attack who were shouting "Muslims cant live this country"
237.	2-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Jathika Hela Urumaya (JHU) states that many banned goods are smuggled into Sri Lanka through a Muslim business channel. The JHU also alleges that there had been several instances where Muslims have tried to smuggle drugs into the country. These remarks were made by the national organizer of the JHU Mr Nishantha Sri Warnasinghe in a media announcement issued by him regarding the confiscation of a container which contained more than 250 KG of Brown sugar narcotic drugs concealed inside machine lubricant (grease) cans.
238.	4-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapaksa stated that the emergence of hard-line groups among the Sinhalese had caused further fragmentation of post-war Sri Lanka. He emphasised that the country was faced with the uphill task of tackling Sinhala hardliners as well as Muslim extremists. He was addressing the Defence Seminar in Colombo on September 3. The Defence Secretary said: "It has been observed that there are some foreign groups that wish to encourage Sri Lankan Muslims to identify themselves more with the global Muslim community, thereby reducing their integration with the rest of the population. It is a known fact that Muslim Fundamentalism is spreading all over the world and in this region. This is a situation that our law enforcement agencies and security forces are concerned about particularly as there have been instances where extremist elements have been in transit in Sri Lanka prior to arrest and handing over to appropriate authorities. The possibility that such extremist elements may try to promote Muslim extremism in Sri Lanka is a cause for concern."
239.	4-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Executive Committee of the Bodu Bala Sena hails remarks made by Secretary to

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				the Ministry of Defence Gotabaya Rajapaksa at a Defence Seminar about the threat to Sri Lanka from rising Muslim Extremism as a courageous statement from a national leader and says it was an „important victory“ for the Bodu Bala Sena in its yearlong ideological battle. In a media statement BBS further stresses that it is the nation“s good fortune that Muslim extremism has been identified and exposed now before it could bring about another 30 years of war with devastating consequences in 20 years“ time.
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241.	22-Oct	Kegalle	Kegalle	BBS motorcade to Kandy against Halal certification and rally at Kegalle. A public rally is to be held in Kegalle town at 1:30 p.m. The Adishtana Pooja is to be conducted at 3:30 p.m. in Kandy.
242.	8-Dec	Moratuwa	Colombo	The face veil worn by female Muslim students was banned within the Moratuwa university premises.
243.	13-Dec	Kadawatha	Colombo	Kohuwela Police Officers ordered that the Kadawatha mosque be closed down
244.	18-Dec			Masjidhul As Shafee Mosque was stoned around 11.30pm and the police didn't arrive until 12.30am
245.	29-Dec	Pottuvil	Ampara	A Muslim shrine at Potuvil, belonging to the Suffi sect was attacked by a fundamentalist Islamic group, with the promise that a mosque would be built on that spot within three months.
246.	31-Dec	Akurana	Kandy	Ambathenna - Akurana Mosque was attacked by a Mob and the Muslim youth from that area, who had come out hearing the attack sound, also had been attacked by the mob.
247.	5-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	In a media conference Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara charges that the Muslims are smugglers of contraceptive pills and drugs into the country. He blames Muslims for destroying the demand on the international tea trade. He states that all the Muslim women prisoners are drug offenders whereas the majority of the Sinhala and Tamil women prisoners are there because their crimes are related to family problems. He says that there are over 1,000 Pakistanis and Afghanis living in the Negombo area and

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				requests an investigation as he finds their presence in a Sinhala Buddhist country to be suspicious. He accuses the Muslims for selling “Babul” (a narcotic containing ingredients such as tobacco, areca-nut, clove and betel leaf) to Sinhala students. He warns the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulema that the public will take the law unto their own hands if they continue with Halal Certification.
248.	10-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara announced at a press conference in Kirillapone that an important Muslim minister and a leader of a Muslim organisation were having close contact with Yusuf al-Qaradawi who funds Islamic extremist organisations like al-Qaeda and Hamaz. He thanks the Secretary of Defence for acting based on the advice of BBS with regard to the Muslim extremism. He further stated that some Muslim extremist groups were creating religious polarisation among the people of this county. According to him there are more than ten Muslim extremist organisations functioning in Sri Lanka and they receive funds from Islamic countries. He also mentioned that the leader of Sri Lanka Muslim Congress Rauf Hakeem and Ameen of the Muslim Council of Sri Lanka secretly met Yusuf al-Qaradawi in Qatar, and they are maintaining a close relationship and that Yusuf al-Qaradawi is also trying to fund the Shura (consultation) Council which will control all the Ulama councils. The Rev. Gnanasara stated further that he is ready to reveal information related to these issues when the need arises.
249.	10-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Magalkantha Sudhantha of Sinhala Ravaya and the secretary of the National Campaign to Protect Devanagala, Buddhika Dias stated at a media conference that the non-Buddhist community (Muslims) residing within the Devanagala historic sacred land should be removed. They stated that they wanted the 72 acres of land belonging to the Department of Archaeology to be surveyed in an appropriate manner by the government and the boundaries marked before the 25th of September. They threatened to commit suicide by leaping from the summit of the rock if the government failed to do so within the stipulated time. They further stated that the sacrifice of life was for the sake of “our nationality” and that the president and the government should take responsibility for the sacrifice. This communiqué was signed in the presence of media personnel and arrangements were made to deliver it to the president.
250.	11-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara says that due to the activities of the Muslim extremism sale of drugs have increased in the country. He urges the government to take action against this phenomenon. He says “many Muslims are coming from various Muslim countries but no one here looks into who they are and what their background is”. He stated that drugs are brought to Sri Lanka from Afghanistan and Pakistan and

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				are destroying the Sinhala and Tamil races
251.	11-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Jathika Hela Urumaya (JHU) Leader Ven. Omalpe Sobhitha commended the Defence Secretary's recent speech highlighting the existence of Muslim Extremism in Sri Lanka. He criticized Muslim ministers Rauf Hakeem and Rishad Bathiudeen for asking in Parliament for further clarifications about the speech and asked if they either defended these elements of extremism or feared that the defence secretary's statement would lead to the revelation of hitherto hidden information. The Ven. thero went on to state that the political activities of Muslim leaders who worked closely with the LTTE have not been forgotten by the people, that the people do not need to be reminded of the fact that Muslim leaders sent wreaths to LTTE deputy head Tamil Chelvam's funeral, and that they took measures to topple the government at crucial times during the war with the LTTE. The thero further stated that there was Islamic extremism spreading all over the world disturbing the peaceful existence of people.
252.	14-Sep	Devanagala	Kegalle	The Sinhala Ravaya Organization stated at a press conference today that the meat stall at Devanagala sacred area has been removed with the intervention of the Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapakse. The beef stall has been operating under the license issued by the Mawanella Pradeshiya Sabha. Participating in a media conference at Devanagala, the National Organizer of Sinhala Ravaya Rev. Magalkande Sudantha said "we came here to take a historical decision. We were here to start a protest to death. There is a meat stall started at the sacred area without permission. We made the Defence Ministry aware of this. Nothing was done by the provincial council members to stop this. We were personally informed by the Defence Secretary that this will be closed". This beef stall was run by a Muslim and the Sinhala Ravaya claims that the land where the stall is, comes under the „Temple and Devala“ Act.
253.	15-Sep	Pulmoddai	Trincomalee	More than 1,500 acres of land belonging to Muslims and the state have been surveyed and will be acquired for the purpose of constructing a Buddhist temple, establishing a sacred zone, for archaeological exploration, and for expanding the camps of the security forces. Arisi Malai, 13th Mile Post, Ponmalikuda are the areas that come under the survey.
254.	15-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Bodu Bala Sena (BBS) threatened to resume its campaign against the „Halal certification“ process on the basis that the Government had failed to keep to its promises on this issue. Bodu Bala Sena Secretary stated that he hoped to meet Defence Secretary Gotabaya Rajapakse soon and thereafter would take a decision on the re-launch of the campaign against the Halal certification process. He further stated that

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				Bodu Bala Sena intended to start a fast-unto-death campaign in Kandy at the end of September. It was in Kandy that BBS stopped the campaign against Halal certification after assurances from the Government.
255.	16-Sep	Thoppur	Trincomalee	According to former parliamentarian M Mahroof 50 acres of land was “grabbed” to construct a Buddhist vihara at Thoppur or Akkarai, a Muslim village in Chelva Nagar GS division. Residents alleged that the divisional secretary of Seruwila has instructed the village (GS) officer to acquire and hand over the lands evicting 60 Muslim families living on the said lands. They said at the beginning six acres of lands were allocated but later the extent of land has been increased. There are no Buddhists in the above village; Muslims have been living there for generations.
256.	16-Sep	Viyangala	Kalutara	More than ten Buddhist Monks surrounded the Viyangala abattoir in the Agalawatta Pradeshiya Sabha on the morning of September 16th. There was no slaughtering of any cattle but the butchers and others started calling the Colombo politicians for help. On hearing of the incident the local police rushed to the scene and brought the situation under control. Although the neighbouring Mattugama Pradeshiya Sabha has banned cattle slaughtering in its jurisdiction such activities remained legal within the Agalawatta Pradhiya Sabha. The local parliamentarian who arrived there at that time has told the butchers that he is with them and to continue their business. No one has rights to interrupt a legally functioning business, the politician stated.
257.	17-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	A large gathering of Buddhist Monks, patrons and donors to the local temple held a protest walk on 16th against the burning of the Paramitha Vishwa Samadhi Dharmayathanaya situated in Egaloya, Bulthsinhala. According to the National organiser of the Maha Sanga Sabha Ven Pahiyangala Ananda Sagara, a group had thrown a party to celebrate the burning of the Dharmayathanaya. President of the Sinhala Ravaya Rev. Akmeemana Dayartana says “today Muslim mosques are being constructed, praying halls are being constructed, restaurants and brothels are being constructed but nobody takes steps to burn them, yet there are groups to burn the Buddhist Temples”. He urged the authorities to find the people responsible for the incident
258.	19-Sep	Hirimpura	Galle	Muslims of the Joseph Estate in Hirimpura were attacked on September 13th around 1.30 a.m. by a group of people carrying weapons including iron-rods and swords. The mob was using provocative language for Muslims to retaliate, but Muslims neither responded nor came out of their houses instead they called the police. Then the angry mob damaged the houses. The tense situation prevailed until the police came to the

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				scene by 2.30 a.m. and brought the situation under control. According to the newspaper the Muslim people of the area continue to live in fear and asked the police to provide security
259.	19-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara says in a press conference held in the Buddhist Centre, Kirillapone that the headquarters of the Islamic Wahhabi and Salafi movements operate in the east to spread the philosophy of Yusuf al-Qaradawi. He stated that he plans to destroy the Muslim extremism that is spreading in the east and that very soon the BBS will enter Akkaraipattu and Tirukkovil area at the request of the people. He said that he plans to bring all the Buddhist movements together under a two year plan and fight against Muslim extremism. He also warned that everyone will be affected if the youth attracted by the Wahhabi and Salafi ideologies start fighting among themselves.
260.	19-Sep	Nationwide	Nationwide	Brigadier Ruwan Wanigasooriya sent an email to media personnel with the subject line 'We are not alone in the current dialogue'. Contained in the email was an article that appeared in the UK based Independent newspaper about the on-going debate in Britain about the Muslim dress code. The article relates to race relations in the UK after a judge asked a veiled woman to remove her burqa in order to give evidence at a trial. The "current dialogue" in Sri Lanka with regards to the Muslim dress is led openly by the anti-Muslim Bodu Bala Sena and other hard line organisations and is seen as part of the groups' on-going campaign of intolerance against the country's Muslim minority community
261.	27-Sep	Dambulla	Matale	Hindus and Muslims evicted from Dambulla on the grounds that they were occupying land sacred to the Buddhists, say that they are still waiting for alternative accommodation as promised by Prime Minister D. M. Jayarante during his visit to the area prior to the recently concluded Provincial Council Elections. Prime Minister Jayaratne had visited the place and assured the Chief Priest of the Hindu Temple and the evicted Muslims from their lands more than a year before, that they would be resettled in Polwatte, Dambulla.
262.	3-Oct	Kuragala	Ratnapura	Jailani, including the Mosque and the surrounding area, has been declared as an archaeological site and all buildings except the Mosque have been demolished by the civil defence force. The imam's (priest) room and the office were removed last week. Bodu Bala Sena (BBS) had previously vowed to remove the mosque from Kuragala.

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263.	5-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	A statement made by Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara of the Bodu Bala Sena at the Rajarata Conference of the Bodu Bala Sena held at the Salgado Stadium in Anuradhapura: 'The time has come to show who the rightful race of this country is'. He further mentioned 'Rauf Hakeem wants the East, Vigneswaran wants the North and in a few days they will say that Colombo is ours. Tamils say the North is theirs the Muslims extremists claim that the east is theirs. Now it is time for us to show who the rightful owners of Sri Lanka are and who are foreign. Before we build roads and the tallest tower in Asia we should show who the historic nationals of this country are'. He also stated that when different missionaries visit your homes, it is no use informing the police. 'The police cannot do anything about it, as these are not mentioned in the law books. We have to make our own laws.. when such things happen we should use the broom'.
264.	12-Oct	Valaichchenai	Batticaloa	A Buddha statue was planted in a private land at Kumburumoolai Division on Pasikuda Road, Valaichchenai that belongs to a retired Muslim teacher Hayathu Muhamadu Muhamadu Ibrahim on 4th October, without prior consent of the owner. However this statue was removed from the place on 11th October. According to newspaper reports the same statue had been placed for a few days and then removed from several places in the area, allegedly by the Buddhist Monk attached to the Valaichchenai Sri Buddha Jayanthi Temple.
265.	12-Oct	Elpitiya	Galle	Rev. Akmeemana Dayarathana of Sinhala Ravaya, a group of around 1,000 residents of the area, as well as members of the Sinhala Ravaya staged a protest against a Muslim businessman who was to open a gold jewellery shop in the town. The Muslim businessman had leased the shop from a Sinhalese businessman, paying Rs 500,000. Minister of Resettlement, Mr Gunaratne Weerakoon intervened and has ordered the Sinhala Ravaya, out from Kurundugahahethekma. The monk had allegedly abused the minister in lewd language when the latter had pleaded with the prelate not to whip up racial disharmony. The incident was triggered off by the Chairman of the Kurundugahahethekma Pradeshiya Sabha, Gamini Amarawansa, who had joined the procession and said, "We have won today" implying that the battle to get the Muslim businessman out of the vicinity had succeeded. The Minister had lodged a complaint with the Elpitiya Police.
266.	15-Oct	Kottikawatta	Colombo	A W M Sihan, United National Party Member of the Kottikawatta Pradeshiya Sabha says that Bodu Bala Sena has taken away 11 cattle by-force that were brought for the Hajj animal sacrifice (qurban) on 14th mid-night. Out of 11 cattle the Pradeshiya Sabha

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				has given approval for five and the rest were awaiting approval. Sihan also said the cattle traders were also attacked by the Bodu Bala Sena. He further stated that these incidents happened even after the chief Minister of the Western Province had warned the Pradeshiya Sabha chairman not to disturb qurban activities.
267.	15-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	The National Organizer of the Bodu Bala Sena (BBS), Rev. Vitharandeniya Nanda, says the halal struggle that was deflected and halted, will resume on 22 October. Though the Defence Secretary and the Mahanayake Theras had intervened and stated that the dispute would be resolved, no measures had been taken so far in this regard, while the BBS had become a victim of deceit, the monk said. He also said a motorcade will start from Colombo and proceed to the Dalada Maligawa in Kandy on 22 October and after paying homage to the Maligawa, action will be initiated to boycott products labelled as halal.
268.	16-Oct	Kandy	Kandy	Swarnamali Vidyalaya in Kandy closed school on the 15th of October due to a teacher development program and made up for this day by opening school on the 16th of October, on the day the Haj festival was celebrated by Muslims. Some of the staff and parents had protested against the school functioning on Haj festival day. Principal of the school stated that the school functioning on the 16th was with the consent of the Zonal Education Director
269.	16-Oct	Kannathota	Kegalle	Muslims in this area were prevented from performing the animal sacrifice (qurban) until the day of the Haj festival. In spite of early requests made by the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council member and the president of Kannathotta Jumma mosque Nihal Faruk, the Pradeshiya Sabha, the Medical Officer of Health and the Public Health Inspector delayed the issue of permits due to pressure from extremist elements. It was only after the people of the area contacted Mr Basil Rajapaksha (The minister of Economic Development and the President's brother) the permit was issued, that too on the day of the Haj festival
270.	16-Oct	Ruwanwella	Kegalle	Qurban ritual to be held in celebration of the Hajj festival in Ruwanwella yesterday, by the Kannattota and Bulathkohupitiya mosques, had to be cancelled due to the Ruwanwella Pradeshiya Sabha failing to issue a permit on time to slaughter 41 cattle. Opposition Leader of the Pradeshiya Sabha, Mohommad Shiyam, said they had sought a licence since it involves a religious practice. When inquiries were made by Ceylon Today, Ruwanwella Police Officer- In-Charge said, Ven. Badalkumbura Wimalaratane of Lenagala Rajamaha Viharaya had lodged a complaint against the planned cattle slaughter.

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271.	20-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara of the Bodu Bala Sena (BBS) alleges that the controversial „Halal“ logo was once again being printed on certain products and released to the market and accused the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama (ACJU) of going back on its earlier promise to ensure that no new products were released to the market with the logo. Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara claims that new products released to the market also carry the Halal logo. Thus the BBS will once again take up its fight against the Halal issue. However the ACJU official commented that after discussions it was decided that the Halal logo was optional and it was up to the companies to decide if their products should carry the Halal logo.
272.	21-Oct	Dambulla	Matale	S Y M Saleem, Member of the Board of Trustees of Dambulla Mosque told Sudaroli Newspaper that around 10.30 p.m. a mob had thrown pig meat into the mosque compound and lit crackers. Even though the mosque is provided police protection such activities continue to take place, he stated. According to Mr Saleem this is the second such incident in recent days. He also mentioned pig's blood has been sprayed on the mosque premises recently. As a result, the Muslim residents of the area live in fear
273.	22-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Bodu Bala Sena believes its anti-Halal agitation is far more important than taking up the Government's move to create casino zones in the capital Colombo, the group's Chief Executive Officer Dilantha Withanage tells the media. Withanage also criticized the letter released by Governor of the Western Province Alavi Moulana requesting all the heads of the local governments in the province to cooperate and assist with the annual Hajj cattle sacrifice (qurban). He pointed to the fact that the letter was written on a letterhead that features the Dharma Chakra, a Buddhist symbol.
274.	23-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	Dilantha Withanage the CEO of Bodu Bala Sena says that the BBS has declared the oncoming year starting from October 23rd as the "Anti-Halal year". The members of the BBS have made vows yesterday (October 22) before the sacred tooth relic that they are going to fight with their lives against the spreading of the Halal concept.
275.	25-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	Who gave authority to All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama (ACJU) to issue halal certificate, who are these Ulama, asked Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara of the Bodu Bala Sena. According to the report featured in the Tamil language Virakesari Newspaper Rev. Gnanasara vowed to fight continuously if the ACJU doesn't completely withdraw Halal certification. He blamed the ACJU for cheating some Buddhist monks and feeding Halal food to Sinhala Buddhists. Sri Lanka is a Buddhist country, they cannot cheat us always, he stated. Our motorcade protest to Kandy which was meant to raise awareness among the Sinhalese was a success, the Rev. Monk stated

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276.	30-Oct	Nationwide	Nationwide	We also have a right to boycott what is certified as halal, Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara says in an interview with Ceylon Today. He further says that the halal issue has divided society and many people felt hurt, directly or indirectly. The halal process is a part of the Sharia law, which is not a part of the legal system of this country, he stated. He goes on to say that the Muslims in Akurana speak the Arabic language, but the Sri Lankan Muslims do not traditionally speak Arabic. He suspects that later the Muslims will want the Arabic language also recognized as an official language. The halal issue is like a monster and it is more serious than casinos, he said, and vowed to continue the fight against the halal certification
277.	31-Oct	Colombo	Colombo	The members of the Bodu Bala Sena descended upon the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs in large numbers today and blamed the ministry for not taking action against the unethical conversion in the country. The Ven. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara told the secretary to the Ministry that the Christian and Muslim Fundamentalisms are increasing in the country and the Buddhist and Hindus are brainwashed and forcefully converted to their religions. He stated the domination of the Muslims and Christians has been increased in the country; particularly the Muslim fundamentalism has become stronger. He queried why the Ministry is not doing anything to stop these developments. He further said that the Muslims have only 600 years history in this country and able to establish 58 Quadi courts around the country, but there is not a single court for the Buddha Sasana and also more than 400 organisations are functioning against Buddhists.
278.	4-Nov	Dompe	Gampaha	Dompe Pradeshiya Sabha decided to close all beef stalls in the Dompe electorate. The proposal to close the beef stalls was brought by Member of UPFA Aminda Rajapaksa. Nine voted for the closure while five voted against it. The butchers and the owners of the beef stalls who are Muslims lose their business, while the people who want to eat beef are deprived.
279.	6-Nov	Thoppur	Trincomalee	While a farmer was preparing his land for cultivation a group of people from the Majority community have arrived there with a surveyor and started surveying his and the neighbouring lands without the owners' permission. When the farmer tried to stop them surveying his land there was an altercation. The Seruvila Police arrived on the scene shortly thereafter and resolved the quarrel and requested the group to temporarily stop surveying the land. Local Muslims claimed that Buddhists of the neighbouring areas were trying to acquire land owned by Muslims to build Buddhist temples. Muslims have ownership documents to their lands but still feel that the very

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				existence of their village is threatened.
280.	6-Nov	Nationwide	Nationwide	General Secretary of the BBS, Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara said at a press conference that they protested against both halal and casinos but they consider Halal a greater threat. He said, Halal makes divisions within the society and it affects the country in more serious ways than the casinos. Rev. Gnanasara wants Halal to be banned immediately. During the Tsunami Sinhalese gave food packs to Muslims and no one was bothered about halal or haram, he stated. According to him Halal is a myth created by the Jamiyyathul Ulama. “Recently we organised a motorcade to oppose the Halal. We met with the Chamber of Commerce and they assured us that they would find a reasonable solution. If there is no proper response from the Chamber we will go to court to find a solution” he said.
281.	8-Nov	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Registrar General A M Gunasekera has instructed all the Muslim Registrars around the country not to register any marriages between foreign Muslims and local Muslims. In his circular the Registrar General elaborates that there is no provision in the Muslim personal law to register foreigners. Therefore do not register any marriage involving foreigners. If both parties are Muslims, their marriage cannot also be registered under the normal marriage law or upcountry marriage law.
282.	8-Nov	Izzadeen Town	Matara	The Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs cancelled the registration of the Issadeen Town Masjid Al-Taqwa (Mosque). The director of the above ministry informed the Wakf Board about the cancellation of the registration. In his letter he points out that the chief monk of the Issadeen Town Ashokarama Temple Rev. Dr Kanathakoda Satharaja, registrar of the Matara Sasana, and the chief inspector of Matara claim that the mosque is a threat to local peace as there are three mosques in the 1.5 sq. km area where a large number of Buddhists live.
283.	17-Nov	Kekirawa	Anuradhapura	A Jumma Mosque situated on the A9 Main Road in the Kekkirawa Police Division came under attack by an unidentified gang. Trustees of the Mosque say glass panes of the Mosque have been shattered in the course of attack.
284.	21-Nov	Nationwide	Nationwide	The Jathika Hela Urumaya (JHU) spokesman accuses in his press statement that a Sri Lanka Muslim Congress politician was behind the tense situation in Ninthavur. He alleges that the SLMC Eastern Provincial Council Politician gave leadership to the 36 hours protest, which was finally dispersed by the anti-riot squad.

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285.	25-Nov	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Champika Ranawak of Jathika Hela Urmaya in an interview to Daily Mirror tells the Muslims not to create social segregation the way Prabakharan of LTTE did. The way the Muslims dress, eat and act are the reasons for their segregation, he stressed. He says that no Muslim leaders have ever asked their youth to join the forces to defeat the LTTE despite the harassment of LTTE for the Muslim community, but now they are talking about the harassment of Bodu Bala Sena. He also warned the people about the Muslim expansionism and existence of Wahabism in the country
286.	28-Nov	Devanagala	Kegalle	The Ven. Magalkande Sudantha, the Convenor of the Sinhala Ravaya and four other Monks have begun a fast unto death campaign near the clock tower in Mawanella since the morning of the 28th of November. These Monks are urging the archaeological department to survey the land around the Dewanagala Raja Maha Viharaya (Buddhist Temple). According to these Buddhist monks, intruders (Muslims) are carrying out illegal mining and construction activities in the area. They claim that this is a security risk to the religious site and that it also damages the archaeological value of the location. Hundreds of Muslim families are living in approximately 72 acres of this land and the priests called upon the department to remove these Muslims from this area and takeover the land. The fast unto death was begun by the Monks claiming that the survey was being delayed.
287.	3-Dec	Devanagala	Kegalle	Surveying the controversial land of Dewanagala commenced today (December 3). The Department of Archaeology has informed nearly 100 Muslim families to vacate the Dewanagala area in Mawanella. These families were living here for over 200 years and they have necessary documents in their possessions to prove that they are lawful owners of the lands they live in. These families were asked to leave reportedly due to the pressure from the Sinhala Ravaya, the extremist Buddhist group which has been agitating to chase the Muslims away from this area. The Sinhala Ravaya launched many campaigns including staging a fast unto death (see November 25) to make Dewanagala a Buddhist Sacred area sans minorities. In August 23, 2013 the Presidential motorcade was brought to a halt by the Sinhala Ravaya in Mawanella while President Mahinda Rajapaksa was returning after attending a ceremony in Mawanella. They handed over a petition to the President urging him to take steps immediately to protect the sacred land of Dewangala. They alleged that the area has been encroached by Muslims. The President assured that he would order an inquiry into the matter and take appropriate action. However, the reason given by the Department of Archaeology ordering the Muslims to leave from there is that they have

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				earmarked the land surrounding the Dewanagala rock for Archaeological excavation. In the meantime Ven. Anuradhapura Amitha Dhamma who was present at the site aggravated the already tense situation. The monk wanted the archaeological site to be extended beyond the 400 meters as currently planned and have all houses and mosques in the vicinity demolished. He allegedly claimed that he had destroyed the mosques in Anuradhapura, and vowed that he would destroy the ones in Kegalle in the same way.
288.	7-Dec	Ridigama	Kurunegala	The Land Reform Commission takes measurers to transfer the ownership of 6.5 acres of private land in Thagaspittiya Morawak watte to the Paththiny Devalaya (Temple) in Kandy. This land belongs to 40 Muslim families and 2 Sinhala families. The Muslims are highly disturbed due to the fact that these lands were given to them officially in 1976 by the government under the rural development scheme and they have built their own houses and established livelihoods. They were asked to leave their lands without any prior notice, compensation or provision of an alternative land.
289.	10-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	Bodu Bala Sena has sought to bring to the Governments notice that some government institutions headed by Muslims recruit only Muslims for the highest positions and no opportunities were given to the Sinhalese, says the Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara of the Bodu Bala Sena in a media conference held in the Buddhist Centre in Kirullapone. He wants the government too to take responsibilities for the Muslim Fundamentalism that destroys the Sinhala Buddhists and Tamils. He asks the President, Prime Minister, Ministers and their advisors to learn the history and the culture of this country. The Rev. Gnanasara blames the government for not listening to the advice given by the BBS to not allow the extremists and separatists of the Middle East into the country. He goes on blaming the Government advisors who he thinks are introducing some culture that are not existing anywhere in the world. He expressed his anger over the letter issued by the governor of the western province to the local governments to allow the cattle slaughtering (sacrifice) during the Hajj festival. Muslim extremism increases and the birth rate of the Muslims are many times more than that of the Buddhists and Tamils in this country, he says.

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290.	12-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	Those who slaughter animals cannot call it a sacrifice. There is no place for animal sacrifice and Muslim extremism in a Buddhist country, Bodu Bala Sena announces. In the name of religion animals are slaughtered in this country and the Muslims perform it in their festivals according to their religious belief, which we cannot accept as a sacrifice, Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara says. He further says that sacrifice is the core principle of the Buddhist religion. He states that Sri Lanka is a Sinhala Buddhist country; it should be governed according to Buddhist principles. Rev. Gnanasara says, Muslims should not spread their policies in the areas where the Sinhalese and Tamils live and insult the Buddhist religion. If the Government doesn't take notice of these, we may have to destroy everything, he warns.
291.	13-Dec	Kohuwala	Colombo	A handbill has been circulated in the Kalubowila area stating that the activities of the Muslims of the area constitute a "public nuisance." It further says that there will be a meeting on December 15 at the Sunantharama temple under the leadership of the General Secretary of Sinhala Ravaya, Rev. Akmeemana Dayarathana to discuss the problem.
292.	15-Dec	Dehiwela	Colombo	Police officers visited Aththidiya Masjid Ul Hifa (Mosque), Dehiwala and order the mosques Trustees to stop prayers services. This mosque has been facing threats since the Ramadan fasting period and the residents of the area believe that the Buddhist monk from the majority community works behind such activities
293.	15-Dec	Dehiwela	Colombo	Police Officers entered the Darul Arkam (mosque) in Dehiwala and ordered the mosque trustees to stop prayers and the call to prayer five times a day. The Muslims of the area expressed fear over such activities of the Police. It is the Buddhist Monk and some Buddhist people of the area who complained to the police about the Mosques being unauthorised, which led the police to take such action, the Muslims of the area alleged.
294.	17-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	"Completely wipe out hijab from Sri Lanka," the BBS Executive Committee Member Dilantha Withanage says. Speaking of the regulation to obtain the new electronic National Identity Card, he stated that the Muslims should not be permitted to wear their traditional hat or hijab. According to him this country considers the hijab a dress that is used to smuggle drugs and commit robberies, therefore he stressed that it should be wiped out. He stated that he wanted people to stop pointing at the Buddhist monks unnecessarily on every issue and comparing the monks and their saffron robes with others. According to him the Buddhist priests are living peacefully in this country and he warns those who bring the Buddhist monks into every issue that they will have to face dire consequences

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295.	18-Dec	Kurundaga	Galle	A Muslim owned jewellery shop in Kurandaga in Karandeniya electorate in the Galle District was burnt late last night by an unidentified gang.
296.	19-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	According to the information from sources within the higher authorities of the Government, Muslims will not be allowed to wear caps and hijabs for the new electronic Identity Cards that will be issued in 2014. This misleading report has no base in mentioning that the Muslim extremists are requesting for caps, hijab and face cover for their ID pictures. The Muslims think that laws preventing Muslim men and women from wearing caps and hijabs (head cover) for their identity card photographs were signs of the government working against the Muslim community of the country.
297.	20-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	Bodu Bala Sena in a media conference at its headquarters stated that the government too is responsible for destroying Sinhala Buddhism and Tamils and spreading Muslim extremism in the country. The organisation further claimed that “in a day we can change the government and clean the country, but we follow just path in our fight because we are guided by Buddhism.” Rev. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara says to the media that today several try to promote the policies of the Muslim extremism at the cost of insulting Buddhist philosophy. He stated that from food items to every activity the Muslim policies are followed and that the country has transformed to an extent where it is ready to issue Halal certificate for drugs too. Rev. Gnanasara says that, today, the birth rates of the Muslims are many times more than that of Buddhists and Tamils and Muslim extremism is spreading. He also says that over thousand families have arrived from the Middle East with an objective of spreading their extremist ideologies among the Muslims in Sri Lanka and make them separatists. He advises the President to understand this situation and rule the country accordingly and not to rule the country to his whims and fancies.
298.	23-Dec	Devanagala	Kegalle	Sinhala Ravaya in posters have called on Sinhala youths to join “the first suicide army” to go to Dewanagala today. A group of persons (not locals) mobilised by Sinhala Ravaya entered Dewanagala and staged a protest creating fear among the Muslim residents. The group was asking the Muslims to leave the area immediately. In recent days the Sinhala Ravaya has staged several protests, claiming that Dewanagala is the traditional sacred land of the Sinhala Buddhists. Around 30% of the inhabitants are Muslims living there for centuries. Some of the inhabitants are in the possession of two hundred year old land deeds. Due to the extreme fear situation some Muslim politicians had to bring the attention of the President and defuse tensions. The organiser of Sinhala Ravaya Rev. Magalkantha Suthantha made a statement to media that if the

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				unauthorized structures on the Dewangala historic land are not demolished and the preparations to survey the land are not made within the next three months, the Sinhala Ravaya will undertake the responsibilities to do so. Although there is police to protect the Muslims the fear among the people remains heightened
299.	27-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	According to a report in the Virakesari Dilantha Withanage the CEO of the Bodu Bala Sena had stated that the Muslim leadership tries to get the sympathy votes of the Muslim community by showing that the Buddhists are separatists and majority extremists. “When we raise our voice to protect the policies of Sri Lanka and Buddhism this is what the Muslim leadership is showing to their people”, says Dilantha Withanage. He had asked everybody to keep in mind that certain important leaders were spreading extremism by keeping the Muslims hostage. According to him Middle East extremism is spreading here as well. He says it will not be allowed to make Sri Lanka a Muslim country by maintaining relationships with Middle East. He stated that the Bodu Bala Sena will never permit Sri Lanka to become a Muslim country. There is an effort by ministers like Rauf Hakeem to amalgamate north and east together and form Tamil Eelam.
300.	27-Dec	Maligawatte	Colombo	Several Muslims in the Maligawatte area staged an agitation campaign against an allegedly illegal transfer of lands belonging to the Muslim burial ground in Maligawatte. The protestors claim that the 19 perch block of land was transferred with the help of governing party members in the area to a private company. They want the construction work on the site stopped and the land returned, otherwise the protests will continue until the authorities intervene and return the land belonging to the burial ground, to the mosque and the people, they said.
301.	27-Dec	Nationwide	Nationwide	a cartoon depicting a handcuffed bearded Muslim man wearing a Muslim dress (male salwar kameez) and cap accompanied by a police officer was published in the “Ada” newspaper (Dec 27). The title of the cartoon is “measures are taken to bring the Pakistan drug suspect to Sri Lanka, News.” The police officer in the cartoon is asking the suspect “shall we go to look for weapons.”
302.	31-Dec	Poojapitiya	Kandy	Mullegama Masjithul Falahq Mosque at Ambatenna in the Poojapitiya area came under sudden attack by an unidentified group. A group of people who arrived in a vehicle around 10 p.m. have pelted stones and caused heavy damage to the glass panes of the Mosque, the shocked area residents say. The attackers have entered the mosque by breaking the doors and caused further damage to the building as well. Sinhala and Muslim communities live peacefully in this village. Buddhist clergies and area

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				politicians who visited the site immediately are stunned over the attack.
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1.	2-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Fundamentalist Muslims accused of having constructed unauthorised houses and shops in Devanagala and issuing death threats to Mr B. U. Dias, secretary of the National Organisation to Protect the Historic Devanagala Lands
2.	4-Jan	Devanagala	Ratnapura	Muslim families around Dambulla mosque evicted by the Urban Development Authority for road development. 74 out of the 107 families in the area around the Dambulla mosque have been evicted within 3 months. Locals believe that the authorities' aim is to 'demolish the mosque by evicting the Muslim population'.
3.	5-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Secretary of BBS Rev. Gnanasara claims that Muslim extremism is the reason that Sri Lanka has become a hub for drug dealing. 'Farda' has become a national dress for trafficking drugs. If Niqab is not banned it will be a problem for the country. In Sri Lanka drug trafficking is taking place with the help of Muslim women's dress such as Abaya and Fardha. Using religion and religious identity for any unlawful activities should be banned. National security is more important than religious sentiment. Also Muslim extremism is the main reason for the seizure of many containers of drug and political disturbances. Sri Lanka should not become one among the list of the Middle East countries due to Muslim extremism'
4.	7-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS plans to re-launch its campaign against Halal certification after the All Ceylon Jamiyyathul Ulama (ACJU) announces that Halal certification will be brought under the purview of a new organisation. BBS demands a ban on Halal certification and the ACJU for leading the country towards separation and cheating the entire country by giving false promises. Rev. Gnanasara also stated that the Defence Secretary should take responsibility for this issue although he was too cheated by the ACJU, and that Cardinal and the Moulavis could meet the President whenever they wish, those Sinhala Buddhist representatives who brought Mahinda Rajapakse to the power could not do so.
5.	9-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary Rev. Gnanasara states at a media conference at the National

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				Buddhist Centre in Kirillapone that in the name of Halal the country is once again facing separatism, and accuses the ACJU of cheating the country. He also states that if there are orders to remove the VIP and VVIP labels and stickers pasted on the windscreen of vehicles, there should be a ban on Burkha and Nikab of the Muslims.
6.	12-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary Rev. Gnanasara claims that the ACJU was misleading the society and that Halal certification was not required for local products. "Religious organizations cannot decide what people should consume. In order to ensure the safety of the food, there are certifications such as SLS and ISO", he noted.
7.	12-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	The National Freedom Front (NFF) sends a letter to the ACJU, emphasizing that issuing Halal certification was totally for commercial purposes and not for religious purposes. NFF media spokesman Mohommad Musammil, in his letter, said that giving the authority of issuing Halal certifications to a private company confirms the commercial nature of it. "This can be seen as an attempt to continue Halal certification despite the protests by the public. Changing the institute, which issues Halal certification, is not a solution to the issue. Instead of Halal certification, mentioning the items contained in a food product is sufficient," he said. He further said that the concept of Halal was completely based on the trust. Therefore, it was not a sin for a Muslim person if he eats non-Halal food unintentionally. The NFF further questioned the ACJU about the benefit that the Muslim community gained by bringing back the Halal issue to the forefront.
8.	12-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	In an interview with a Sinhala language newspaper, the BBS General Secretary states 'We are trying to protect the traditional Muslims from the Wahabis; we are against the ACJU for trying to issue Halal to the general consumers. We want the country to have one law; the religious leaders cannot issue certificates for consumer items. This halal law comes under the Sharia law. If there is a violation of this law by someone then will the punishment be under Sharia law? This is the reason why we reject this'. The BBs is concerned as to why Muslims are permitted to wear the Niqab and the Burqa when others are required to remove their helmets and caps when entering a bank. 'Students sitting exams cannot be identified when in Niqab. If there is a law to remove tinted glass from the vehicles the Muslim women should also do away with the Niqab and Burqa'.
9.	13-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Dilantha Withanage, Coordinator of the BBS, says that the BBS has re-launched their anti-Halal campaign from Mahiyangana and in mid-February it will organise a massive campaign against Halal in Colombo. He criticised the ACJU for handing over the Halal

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				certification to a company, which he perceives as encouraging separatism in the country and states “We are not against the Muslims consuming Halal, but we don't want Halal to be imposed on to other communities.” He indicated that the BBS will go from house to house and temple to temple to canvass against Halal until the Halal is completely wiped out from this country.
10.	14-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS continues to agitate against Halal certification and 'Muslim extremism that comes in with the Halal process'. Rev. Gnanasara Thero states that 'Up until now we have managed to establish a level of governance to stop any unrest that could possibly occur and while we have listened to elders and conducted our protests with certain restraint and control, now our time of patience is over'. He accused the government as fooling and deceived everyone including BBS, and asked the government's ruling authorities and governing bodies whether they are going to allow these people and their organizations to dance to their own tune. 'When such a controversy has taken place in our society because of this Halal business and if the authorities have not been able to solve this problem affecting the Sinhalese Buddhists, the government must think about whether they are going to listen to the 90% majority or the 9% minority', he stated.
11.	18-Jan	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Gnanasara, responding to the statement of the Young Men's Muslim Association (YMMA) to the UNHRC regarding the harassment of Muslims, states that there is a link between the draft resolution to the UNHRC by the Americans and the complaints of the YMMA, and that international Muslim fundamentalists are behind these initiatives. “We are deeply suspicious of the ACJU, YMMA and the Muslim organisations” he further said. He stresses that the hijab and face cover are threats to national security.
12.	19-Jan	Mawathagama	Kurunegala	Two sign boards in two mosques in Mawathagama town were set on fire using tyres, causing damage to an electricity transformer nearby. BBS had demanded the Mawathagama police to remove these boards last year. When the police attempted to remove them on 12.08.2013 the people of the area opposed it, thus creating tension between the police and Muslims. Following this incident the trustees of the mosques had filed cases in the Mawathagama Magistrate court and the Kurunegala High court and the cases are still pending.
13.	21-Jan	Colombo	Colombo	Around 100 Muslim families living in Ashroff Mawatha (Colombo 7) are to be evicted as the Government has promised the Russian embassy that the land in this area will be cleared under the city beautification project. A mosque in the area will also be destroyed. The UDA claims these are unauthorized settlements.

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14.	2-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	In response to Nisha Biswal, Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asian Affairs in the United States Department of State, Prof. G. L. Peiris claims that a wave of attacks on churches and mosques were community reactions to unauthorised facilities. He points out that in many instances the facilities concerned were not mosques or churches but makeshift prayer centres whose operations had irked relevant communities, and that those violating the law will be apprehended and charged in court.
15.	13-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	Minister Wimal Weerawansa refers to Minister Rauff Hakeem and MP Hassen Ali as traitors, as the SLMC, an ally of the UPFA, provided information to UN Human Rights Commissioner Navaneetham Pillai against the UPFA Government
16.	13-Feb	Colombo	Colombo	The prayer room on the 41st floor of the National Hospital was forcefully shut down by a Buddhist monk and his supporters attached to the Buddhist temple of the same hospital. The Buddhist Monk has instructed the Director of the hospital to close the prayer hall immediately. This hospital has seven Buddhist temples and Christian worship places. Over 350 Muslims work in this hospital.
17.	16-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	Lankdeepa newspaper writes that the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Navaneetham Pillay uses Minister of Justice Rauff Hakeem's report to accuse Ministers.
18.	16-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	Statement by the National Coordinator of the Sinhala Ravaya, Rev. Magalkande Sudantha Himi: 'If they can understand this country's religious values and within this protect their religious values and coexist we have no issues. Yet it is a known fact that they are spreading their radical thinking throughout the world. The pundits in our country are the ones who do not understand this. Our rulers have no backbone to take action against these. In countries like Burma, France, England, Russia and Japan they have opposed Muslim fundamentalism and banned them because there is a true problem throughout the world. We do not ask Muslims not to eat beef; we are against them slaughtering cattle here. If they wish they can bring from anywhere and consume. If we can bring sweets from abroad it is not difficult to bring beef from abroad. Thereby our fight will not be unreasonable to Muslims'.
19.	19-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary Rev. Gnanasara states 'If Sri Lanka is defeated at the United Nations Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva, we will be blamed and branded as nationalists for speaking out on national issues when in reality it is certain Muslim ministers and Islamic organizations that are attempting to cause conflicts in the country'.

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20.	19-Feb	Kandy	Kandy	The Sathyagraha organised by the Sinhala Ravaya against the slaughter of cattle intensifies to a Fast-unto-death campaign, with members of Sihala Ravaya threatening self- immolation if the government refrains from banning cattle slaughter. National Organiser of Sinhala Ravaya Rev. Yakkalamulle Pavara stresses that they are pleading only to abolish the slaughter of cattle and not stop people who wish to consume beef - 'When 93% of the country rejects the consumption of meat it is against the law to satisfy the needs of a section of the population (Muslim)'.
21.	19-Feb	Kandy	Kandy	A gang of fourteen individuals entered the Jinnah Mosque at D. S. Senanayake Street in Kandy and caused damage to the building and its property. The suspects were from Mawanella area and they claimed ownership of the mosque.
22.	25-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	The National Organizer and Media Spokesman Nishantha Sri Warnasinghe of the Jathika Hela Urumaya (JHU) refers to Minister of Justice, Rauff Hakeem's interventions in the legal education system as an attempt to bring about the 'Muslimization' of the legal sphere, adding that this insidious plan was a conspiracy on the part of the Minister. He added that the Minister's racist policies had not only affected the handing over of positions at the Ministry of Justice, but also interfered with the appointment of Justice of the Peace positions. "Compared to all other years, in 2012 there was an exponential and unbelievable increase in the number of Muslim students being eligible. There have been irregularities in the marking scheme and in the marking of papers. How did this happen? There is a hidden agenda here. We call for an immediate independent inquiry into these injustices and human rights violations," Warnasinghe said.
23.	26-Feb	Nationwide	Nationwide	President Mahinda Rajapaksa states 'No harm has been done to mosques or churches. We are bound and committed to safeguard the rights of all religions and treat all on an equal footing as specified in the constitution. Some political parties identified by race or religion are giving wrong information to the world about our country...Which catholic Church and which Muslim mosque have we damaged?'
24.	3-Mar	Nawala	Colombo	Two students in Grade 7 of Janadipathi Balika Vidyalaya, School Lane Nawala, were ordered to kneel down and worship the Principal of the school after being forced to remove the traditional attire worn by Muslim school girls in Sri Lanka. Despite the assurance of the Governor of the Western Province, the two girls who attended school with the Muslim dress were punished.
25.	3-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	JHU media secretary Nishantha Sri Warnasinghe accuses the SLMC of having a 'backstabbing policy' by sending an anti-Sri Lanka report to the UNHRC in Geneva. The

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				JHU alleges that the SLMC leader is misusing his ministerial privileges to Muslimise the ministry and to work against the country. The JHU requests the President to take stern action against the SLMC leader for this policy adopted, while being a member of the Cabinet.
26.	4-Mar	Kalubowila	Colombo	The Gangodawila Magistrate issued an injunction against the Kadawatha Road mosque in Kalubowila Dehiwala, demanding the cessation of all religious activities on the premises. The order follows a case filed by the Kohuwala Police on 20 February that the mosque was a “public nuisance” and was an unregistered place of religious worship. However the mosque trustees contend that the mosque is legally registered with the Wakf Board and does not use a public address system. On March 7, three days after the closing order, the Gangodawila Magistrate reversed its order and permitted the reopening of the premises, following an appeal lodged by the trustees of the mosque.
27.	12-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	In a statement at the interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief, Heiner Beilefeldt, at the 25th session of the UN Human Rights Council, the Sri Lankan delegation insisted that attacks on some places of worship are isolated incidents and are not a sign of religious hatred or intolerance.
28.	12-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS condemned the intervention of Western Province Governor, Alavi Mowlana, in the issue regarding the school uniforms of two Muslim girls at the Janadhipathi Balika Vidyalaya recently. BS CEO Dilanthe Withanage, said, "This is an ordinary issue which had been dealt in a proper manner. The school was functioning upon Buddhist norms and students must adhere to the uniform in the school. We condemn the actions of the Governor in making this a religious issue. There are 30 Muslim students in the school. There is no reason to have Muslim students in a Buddhist school, if they cannot abide by the school's rules in the first place. However, of the 30 students, only two had been reprimanded, which shows that there was no religious sentiment wrongly advocated."
29.	Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	In a meeting held in connection with Nawala Janadipathi Balika Vidyalaya uniform incident, CEO of the BBS Dilantha Withanage states that Muslim fundamentalist groups are treacherous, and that Muslim groups are a danger to the educational sector. 'The small issues in schools have been exaggerated at national level and the image of the country is brought down by these separatist groups'.
30.	13-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary Rev. Gnanasara states “Sri Lanka Muslim Congress is a political prostitute. It will join any party coming to power. It is the SLMC that assists to spread Muslim extremism and separation in the east”. He claims that more than sixty thousand Sinhala and Tamil women migrant workers were converted to Islam.

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				Similarly the Tamil women in the east were converted to Islam and destroying the social structure, and the SLMC gives leadership for all these activities. If the Sinhala race is destroyed there won't be a place for the Muslims to live in this country, he warned.
31.	14-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev Gnanasara declares that the President of the country in future will be decided by the BBS, preparation for this is already underway; 'If the government takes action against the preparation committee working against religious tolerance and if it does not take any measures to eradicate the religious separatism we will have to enforce unofficial police status and wipe out all these extremes'.
32.	17-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS General Secretary on Minister of Justice Rauff Hakeem: 'Minister of Justice, Rauff Hakeem is a traitor. He owes the Sinhalese of this country an apology handing over a 50 page document to UN High Commissioner for Human Rights... We request the All Ceylon Jamiyatul Ulama to leash their dogs. If not, they will get beaten by us.' Referring to the report provided by Minister Rauff Hakeem to UN Human Rights High Commissioner, he stated 'Rauff Hakeem, who's acting like a rabid dog, wants to create an ethnic split in the country and stay in power forever. For that, they are not afraid to betray the country and its people. We cannot allow Hakeem to dance anymore'. He asked to prove if there is any complaint made by Muslims against Bodu Bala Sena, anywhere in the country.
33.	19-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS states that they could stop Muslims having access to the Sinhala market in retaliation for a report handed to the UNHRC by the SLMC. It is correct to call Rauff Hakeem a pariah as he is clearly serving other masters and carrying tales to Geneva for LTTE money, despite being paid with public money for being a cabinet minister, BBS says.
34.	20-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	Rev. Gnanasara of BBS at a press conference: 'Sack those Muslim ministers who while staying in the government involved in treacherous activities against the country, immediately. We won't allow unauthorised Muslim settlements in this country. The Sinhala Buddhist race is declining in Sri Lanka. The Muslims are not only involved in converting the Sinhalese, they created a situation to grab the lands belong to the Sinhalese and Tamils. Muslim ministers of this government encourage this action. Muslim settlement in Mannar district has been actively taking place. Minister Rishad Bathiudeen is engaged in settling Muslims from Mannar to Wilpattu...Several ministers in this government support the plan of the Muslim extremists of the Middle East to spread the Islamic extremism in Sri Lanka and make Sri Lanka as a member country of

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				the Middle East. In the name of Mosques thousands of centres are in operation to propagate religion. Religious extremism is worse than the armed extremism. Muslims are using this to destroy the Sinhala Buddhist. He further stated that 'although the Sinhala representation is high in the southern part of the country considerable number of Muslims is living among them. They enjoy all the rights and live without any fear. But the Sinhalese cannot live freely in the north or east, particularly there is no place for the Sinhalese in the Muslim populated areas. This has to be changed. Sinhalese should get all their rights.'
35.	21-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS criticises Minister of Industry and Commerce, Rishad Bathiudeen, for building separate Muslim zones and villages for the internally displaced people by desecrating the sanctity of the Wilpattu National Park. They allege that he has entered into secrete contracts with Middle Eastern NGOs. The BBS states 'This building of new Muslim villages is the origin of a future problem. When a government minister signs a contract on behalf of the government, how does the money end up with a NGO? Muslim extremists have had talks locally and internationally to engage in an international conspiracy to acquire our coastal belt and this attempt in Puttalam - Mannar is a threat to both national and regional safety and security. This is a problem with government policy'.
36.	22-Mar	Mawanella	Kegalle	Following a rally filled with anti-Muslim rhetoric in the town, the BBS and its supporters marched to a road sign that read "Hassan Mawatha" and pasted a sign over it to read "Anagarika Dharmapala Mawatha." The BBS said road names in Sri Lanka should reflect the country's Sinhala Buddhist roots. During its rally, the BBS warned that the Muslims had seized control of Mawanella and that the state of affairs would no longer be tolerated. "If the measures were not taken to control the Muslim extremists in the government like Hakeem the Bodu Bala Sena will not hesitate to shake the royal thrones," said Rev. Gnanasara Thera.
37.	23-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	At the Conference of Organisation of Islamic Countries in Geneva, Minister Mahinda Samarasinghe claims that the report produced at the UN Human Rights Council about religious disunity in Sri Lanka has no truth
38.	24-Mar	Nationwide	Nationwide	A letter identifying itself as being from the Peace Loving Moderate Muslims in Sri Lanka (PLMMSL), and addressed to the UN Chief, UN Human Rights High Commissioner, Sri Lankan President, diplomats and many others, called on the Government to ban without delay the Thawheed Jamaat an Islamic religious movement. There was no record of the existence of such an entity before the publication

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				of this letter.
39.	26-Mar	Dambulla	Matale	Two hand grenades were hurled at a mosque in Dambulla on the night of the 25th by a group of unknown persons, according to a member of the Mosque Trustee Board M Rahmathullah. He pointed out that two grenades were thrown into the backyard of the mosque around 8.45 p.m., but only one had exploded resulting in minor damages to the mosque. This incident happened despite two police officers having been assigned to guard the mosque on a daily basis.
40.	1-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	BBS claims that a housing project has come up in Wilpattu National Park with funds received from an NGO based in a Middle Eastern country. The BBS accused Minister Rishard Bathiudeen of being behind this project in resettling Muslim IDPs and lashed out at President Mahinda Rajapaksa and government officials for keeping mum about this. Ven. Gnanasara said “we already exposed the destruction of Wilpattu jungle and the Muslim settlement that is taking place there. Wilpattu is not only a tourist site, it is also considered as a Buddhist Archaeological site. Who has given permission to destroy the Buddhist artefacts? This housing project reflects only one ethnicity. By destroying the Sinhala Buddhist they are trying to prove that the Sinhalese are illegal migrants to Sri Lanka...If the President fails to take action we will directly intervene.”
41.	1-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	In a media interview to the Daily Mirror Ven. Gnanasara of the BBS says “Muslim society is entailed with the tragedy called Wahabism – Muslim extremism. It is the person called Alavi Moulana who has spoken to the Asian Tribune and India Today magazines about it. In addition, Mr Azad Salley’s brother has also spoken about it. It was in 2012, that the question of Muslim extremism arose. There are about 400 Christian fundamentalist organisations. There are reports about it. Some Muslim brothers also spoke to me about conversions. They live in fear in some parts of the country.” He further said “We have not attacked any religious place. We are not involved in the Dambulla incident. They are not religious places - they are places created in the name of religion.”
42.	3-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Sihala Ravaya claims they will back Janadhipathi Balika Vidyalaya Principal's decision to disallow the donning of shawls and trousers. Sihala Ravaya National Convener, Ven. Magalkande Sudhaththa Thera said “Politicians are behind this extremism. We shall be announcing the names of these extremist politicians soon. If this student wants to wear what she wants to wear she must go to a Muslim school.”
43.	9-Apr	Slave Island	Colombo	BBS storms a media conference organized by the Jathika Bala Sena. Rev. Gnanasara Thero of BBS verbally abused and threatened Muslim clerics present, and JBS General

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				Secretary Vatareka Vijitha Thera. The press briefing was organised to brief the media against allegations that a new resettlement was being constructed inside the Wilpattu National Park. The BBS said that no Buddhist Monk has the right to speak on behalf of Muslims and threatened to disrobe the Ven. Watarekke Vijitha Thero in front of the media. The incident took place in the presence of police officers.
44.	10-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	At a press conference held at the JHU party office in Battaramulla, Udaya Gammanpila calls on the government to initiate legal action against Commerce and Industry Minister Rishard Bathiutheen over the alleged resettlement of Muslim people in Wilpattu irrespective of his positions, party or religious differences.
45.	12-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Ven. Gnananasara Thero of the BBS falsely stated that the concept of 'Thaqiya' in the Holy Quran allows Muslims to defraud people of other faiths and acquire properties and wealth of non-Muslims by cheating them. This occurred outside the Slave Island Police Station in the presence of the police officers, the media and the public.
46.	22-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Ven. Gnanasara of BBS said 'The Tamil Nadu Tawheed Jamath is planning to come to politics as ascertained from their activities in the Maligawatte flats in Maradana, which we revealed. For those who accuse us of insulting the Quran, we ask the police to immediately arrest these Tawheed Jamath men before trying to lay a finger on the robe because if not the whole place will go up in flames. Minister of Industry and Commerce, Rishad Bathiudeen, is the one who created the environment for the Sri Lanka Tawheed Jamath to foster and provided government protection for them. Hiding behind ulterior motives they even protested the US sponsored resolution against Sri Lanka at the UNHRC, in front of US embassy'. The Rev. Gnanasara was of the view that people like this including Minister of Justice, Rauff Hakeem, must be stoned according to the Sharia Law. 'They are pushing their political agendas by trying to be the heroes of the Muslim society. They say that a god exists, we are ready to debate and prove their fallacy' he added.
47.	23-Apr	Colombo	Colombo	A group of BBS members raided the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, which falls under the purview of Minister Rishard Bathiudeen, in search of Watareka Wijitha Thera. Despite the police presence, the group who were accompanied by members of the media were allowed to enter the ministry premises and were allowed by ministry officials to search the ministry complex. Deputy Financial Secretary of the BBS, Ven. Wellampitiye Sumanadhamma Thera said, 'Ven. Mohamed Vatareka Vijitha Thera is a fake character. We had reliable information that he was in the ministry. He is a parasite destroying the nation. We ask Bathiudeen not to use the robe to solve problems

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				concerning the Muslims, mosques or Maulavis. We ask Bathiudeen to release him to us. Don't continue this deception. We will not stop until we find this fake character and take him to meet the Mahanayakes to enact the monks' law and monks' discipline according to the monks' constitution.'
48.	23-Apr	Gampola	Kandy	BBS members including several Monks arrived in two vans to the Masjidul Ilham Bebila Mosque in the Gampola town area while the Muslims were at the noon prayer. The intruders started photographing and videoing the mosque in different angles, and alleged that the main hall of the mosque has been illegally built by encroachment of the Bebila Road.
49.	24-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	At a media conference organised by BBS, Ven. Gnansara said “We have begun a just war against the religious extremism. Several activities are carried out in this country against Buddhism. While Muslim extremist organisations are involved in converting Buddhist to their religion a minister carries out an illegal settlement. Some Muslim ministers and NGOs are using Buddhist monks to take forward their separatist ideology. The LTTE never used the saffron robes (Monks) during the 30 years of war, but the Muslim ministers are doing it. We raised our views against this. Instead of taking action against these we have been blamed. There is no need for us to apologise to anyone for what we are doing. If we have to protect ourselves from being converted to other religion or stop land grabbing every Buddhist should become a policeman'.
50.	24-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Ven. Omalpa thera, President of Jathika Hela Urumaya states 'After capturing the country from the Tiger terrorists, Muslim extremism with new faces operate within the country. There are two forces of enemies operating in this country that put the government in trouble. One of them is an enemy showing a friendly face to the government, the other is a Minister who puts the government in trouble by grabbing state lands'.
51.	28-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	Ven. Akmeemana Dayarathana, President of Sihala Ravaya and several other monks have lodged complaints with four police stations against the General Secretary of the Sri Lanka Thawheed Jamath (SLTJ), Abdul Raseek for allegedly having issued statements insulting the Buddha and Buddhism. Further, Ven. Akmeemana Dayaratna urged the government to arrest the members of the Sri Lanka Thawheed Jamath immediately, confiscate their passports, announce the SLTJ as fundamentalist organisation and punish them in public.
52.	30-Apr	Nationwide	Nationwide	The BBS says its predictions for the past two years about the existence of Muslim terrorism in Sri Lanka have become true. The arrest in India of a Muslim terrorist

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				<p>group leader with links to Kandy confirms BBS claims, stated its CEO Dilanthe Withanage. He claims that this particular incident has taught a lesson to all Sri Lankans and especially to those who had attacked BBS and its general secretary Ven. Gnanasara, chauvinistically. The warnings by the defence secretary, the western province governor and a mosque trustee Riaz Salley about Muslim terrorism in Sri Lanka have proven correct, he said. Muslim terrorism has become a serious threat to the security of Sri Lanka as well as the region, he said, adding that steps should be taken by the Sri Lankan Government and the defence authorities in collaboration with the Asian region to rescue the country from peril and to nip the threat in the bud. He added that the groups operating in the eastern province and the Puttalam - Mannar zone should be investigated and peace in the country restored.</p>
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Annex 2 – Attacks against Christians

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	Date	Location	District	Brief of Incident
1	6-Jan	Welikanda	Polonnaruwa	40 persons and a Hindu priest disrupt 60 Christians (Assembly of God church) gathered for prayer. Physical violence resulting in 4 injuries. Both parties presented at the magistrate court were advised to refrain from further conflict.
2	21-Jan	Karukkupane	Puttlam	Mob of around 75 persons protests the renovation of a pastor's residence, claiming that he was building a church.
3	29-Jan	Ratnapura	Ratnapura	Three Buddhist monks damage name board of the New Life Church.
4	3-Feb	Wennappuwa	Puttlam	Group of Christians (Independent Church) at a prayer meeting threatened by a group of ten persons and the parish priest of the Mudukatuwa Catholic church, and told to stop the prayer meeting or face assault.
5	10-Feb	Malabe	Colombo	The Bodu Bala Sena publicly threatens individual that rents space for prayer meetings of the Calvary church. Property was defaced and owner stopped renting the space out for the meetings.
6	14-Feb	Grandpass	Colombo	Death threats to pastor of Gospel Tabernacle Church.
7	17-Feb	Ingiriya	Kalutara	Threats to church pastor at the Christian Prayer Centre to discontinue prayer meetings claiming that they are unlawful. Perpetrators identified to be members of BBS who are also police and government officials.
8	17-Feb	Hatharaliyadda	Kandy	200 people with 2 Buddhist monks threatened pastor of the Light House Church to discontinue prayer meetings claiming it to be illegal. Pastor lodges a complaint with the police.
9	20-Feb	Hatharaliyadda	Kandy	(Related to incident 8) Pastor confronted with and threatened by 3 bus loads of people and 20 Buddhist clergy when requested to be present at the police station
10	22-Feb	Hatharaliyadda	Kandy	(Related to incidents 8 and 9) Buddhist monks complain to Assistant Government Agent that prayer meetings are illegal. After being informed of a plan to attack the pastor and worshippers, Police claim that if such an incident takes place, a case will be filed against the pastor.
11	24-Feb	Wennappuwa	Puttalm	(Related to incident 4) Assault of pastor and disruption of prayer meeting by a mob of

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				villagers. Following a complaint made to the police, the group was advised to temporarily stop meeting.
12	24-Feb	Wennappuwa	Puttlam	Disruption of church service in Jesus Good News Ministry, and assault of pastor and congregation members who were later evicted from the premises used for the service.
13	3-Mar	Morakottanchenai	Batticaloa	Living voice of Life church burnt down, following threats and a case being filed against the pastor for breach of peace.
14	3-Mar	Yakkala	Gampaha	The police question renovation of a pastor's residence following which the Pradeshiya Sabha revokes authorization for renovation. Police later claim his prayer meetings (Emmanuel Prayer Centre) are illegal and a disturbance to the village.
15	4-Mar	Hatharaliyadda	Kandy	Christian individual taken away from her home during a prayer meeting and threatened with a beating for being Christian. The pastor who informed the Police about the incident was instructed not to disturb the peace.
16	8-Mar	Wennappuwa	Puttlam	(Related to incidents 4 and 11) Police OIC informs church to discontinue prayer meetings
17	9-Mar	Hatharaliyadda	Kandy	(Related to incident 15) A protest against prayer meetings was discussed, resulting in the police informing the pastor to discontinue them
18	10-Mar	Angunukopalassa	Hambantota	Pastor warned by police officer to stop worship services at Assembly of God church following a BBS meeting that discussed eradication of churches in the village.
19	13-Mar	Galkulama	Anuradhapura	Christian couple attacked physically and verbally by 6 Buddhist monks at their daughter's school
20	16-Mar	Bulathkohupitiya	Kegalle	Divisional Secretary orders Assemblies of God church to close down claiming that it is illegal
21	16-Mar	Watapola	Galle	Mob led by Buddhist monks disrupts worship service at Gethsemane Church and demands services are discontinued
22	17-Mar	Suriyawewa	Hambantota	Mob with monks disrupt worship service at Harvest Church and threatens pastor with death; worship services suspended by police few days after the incident. Stones thrown at homes of congregation members
23	18-Mar	Weerakatiya	Hambantota	Mob led by Buddhist monks attack the residence of the pastor of the Jeevana Alokaya church resulting in injury, destruction of property and eviction. Demands were made to discontinue Christian practices in the area.
24	19-Mar	Sevanapitiya	Polonnaruwa	Buddhist monks intimidate 2 female congregation members of the I am the Way (Margaya) Church and threaten the pastor claiming the services being illegal
25	19-Mar	Wallasmulla	Hambantota	Police orders prayer meeting of Assemblies of God church to be discontinued

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26	21-Mar	Kurunegala	Kurunegala	Police orders worship services at Heavenly Vision Church to stop temporarily, subsequent to complaints by Buddhist monks.
27	24-Mar	Kottawa	Colombo	Monks stage public protest against Assemblies of God church and assaults worshippers
28	24-Mar	Ambalanthota	Hambantota	Prayer meeting of Believers Fellowship church disrupted by members of the BBS, pastor and worshippers assaulted, property of approximately Rs. 100,000 damaged.
29	6-Apr	Walasmulla	Hambantota	(Related to events 4, 11 and 16) Police orders discontinuation of prayer meetings. Also the prayer meeting host's neighbours were threatened to inform the police of any connections the host makes with a pastor
30	24-Apr	Suriyaweve	Hambantota	Premises of the residence of pastor of Assemblies of God church set on fire by unidentified persons
31	27-Apr	Aralaganwila	Polonnaruwa	Pastor of Believers Church set up and falsely accused of hiding explosives
32	27-Apr	Deniyaya	Galle	Pastor questioned about registration of the HBI Opma Ministry church and ordered to discontinue ministry by police
33	4-May	Suriyaweve	Hambantota	Anti-Christian and Muslim rally organized by Sinhala Ravaya, Buddhist clergy and local businessmen verbally attack churches in the area. Police advise pastor of Assemblies of God church to close down the church.
34	10-May		Hambantota	Hambantota District Secretariat calls a meeting with religious leaders of the area. Dominated by Buddhist clergy, the meeting resulted in threats to close down several local churches on the basis of being 'illegal'.
35	27-May	Angunukopalassa	Hambantota	Door of a location used for prayer meetings of Assembly of God church set on fire
36	5-Jun	Angulana	Colombo	Break in, desecration of St. Francis Xavier Roman Catholic Church, attempted arson.
37	7-Jun	Ingiriya	Kalutara	Anti-Christian posters in public spaces and threat of attack made to local pastor of Kings Revival Church
38	15-Jun	Gangavereliya	Kegalle	Meeting of Buddhist monks, and villagers held against Christian activities.
39	16-Jun	Sugankerni	Batticaloa	Violent mob attack resulting in several injuries and destruction of church building (Methodist Church of Sri Lanka)
40	16-Jun	Ambalanthota	Hambantota	Assembly of God pastor falsely accused of spying on a Buddhist monks' (Sinhala Ravaya) meeting.
41	17-Jun			Pastor's residence surrounded by mob and pastor threatened to discontinue worship services
42	23-Jun	Neluwaththuduwa	Colombo	Pastor of New Life Church physically and verbally assaulted in public by a Buddhist monk and chased to his church. Church also attacked by a mob, resulting in injuries and destruction of property.

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43	29-Jun	Kokkawila	Puttalam	Anti-Christian meeting and threat of protest, accusations levelled against pastor of Gethsamane Church
44	5-Jul	Naula	Matale	Intimidation of pastor of Assemblies of God church by Police officers in civilian attire
45	26-Jul	Medawachchiya	Anuradhapura	Disruption of prayer meeting and threat of assault to the host if prayer meetings were continued at Gospel to the World church.
46	1-Aug	Kandalama	Matale	Court order to discontinue worship services at Power Gospel Mission church
47	4-Aug	Padukka	Colombo	Forced closure of Calvary Worship Church by state authority
48	5-Aug	Agunukolapalassa	Hambantota	Fire crackers thrown into pastors premises (Assemblies of God Church)
49	11-Aug	Medawachchiya	Anuradhapura	(Related to incident 45) Police together with Buddhist monk threatens host of prayer meetings to discontinue.
50	25-Aug	Pitipana	Kalutara	Christian lady threatened to remove religious material from business premises and to recant her faith
51	26-Aug	Ratmalana	Colombo	Police officers give an ultimatum of 2 weeks to shut down Praise Prayer Lanka church on the claim that it is illegal.
52	27-Aug	Pitipana	Kalutara	Prayer meeting of Calvary Church disrupted and pastor prohibited by the police to enter Pitipana
53	2-Sep	Agunukolapalassa	Hambantota	Attempts of arson on Assembly of God Church pastor's house
54	7-Sep	Ratmalana	Colombo	Threat of attack on Praise Prayer Lanka church planned by Bodu Bala Sena, prevented by police protection
55	8-Sep	Kadjugahadeniya	Colombo	Pastor of Jeevana Diya Church assaulted and church property destroyed
56	30-Sep	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura	Buddhist monks and police threaten Christian member to discontinue hosting prayer meetings
57	6-Oct	Kandalama	Matale	Pastor's premises attacked (Gospel Power Mission Church)
58	11-Oct	Kegalle	Kegalle	Complaint to the Municipal Council against Church of Glory by villagers
59	12-Oct	Sevanagala	Monaragala	Pastor of Four Square Church verbally attacked at a meeting organized by villagers and Buddhist priests.
60	13-Oct	Galmuruwa	Puttalam	Church service of Golathwaye Church disrupted by two Buddhist monks and another individual and asked to discontinue. Pastor of church accused of desecrating Buddhist statues
61	14-Oct			Arson against Christian family
62	4-Nov	Kandalama	Matale	Pastor's premises attacked (Gospel Power Mission Church)
63	10-Dec		Western province	Pastor's residence shot at

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64	21-Dec	Ahangama	Galle	Petrol bombs hurled at pastor's premises (Samaritan Church)
65	24-Dec	Agunukolapalassa	Hambantota	Assemblies of God church surrounded by mob demanding Christmas services to stop
66	24-Dec	Hikkaduwa	Galle	Fire crackers thrown into Assemblies of God church and pastors premises
67	24-Dec	Hikkaduwa	Galle	Stones hurled at Light House church
68	27-Dec	Buttala	Monaragala	Protestors stop construction of Methodist Church
69		Nationwide	Nationwide	Approximately 12 pastors been visited and questioned about their ministry by unidentified persons - Mostly in Kandy and Polonnaruwa districts

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	Date	Location	District	Brief of Incident
1	5-Jan	Rathgama	Galle	At a meeting held at a school, a Buddhist monk stated over the loudspeaker that the Rathgama Christian Church was an unauthorized place of worship and falsely accused the pastor of unethically converting those in the village. Later a group of unidentified assailants attacked the glass windows of the pastor's premises with poles. The pastor immediately alerted the area police station; the police officers arrived at the location and recorded a statement given by the pastor.
2	7-Jan	Hikkaduwa	Galle	5 police officers and an officer from the Divisional Secretary's Department arrived at the premises of the pastor of the Assemblies of God Church and demanded that prayer meetings held at the premises be stopped. The officers further requested the pastor to come with them to the area police station for an inquiry.
3	8-Jan	Hikkaduwa	Galle	(Related to incident 2) While the OIC was conducting the inquiry, 2 Buddhist monks present began to shout at the pastor demanding that the prayer meetings should stop with immediate effect and attempted to assault the pastor as well. The OIC stressed that the pastor needs to register his church with the Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs Ministry.
4	12-Jan	Homagama	Colombo	The house where Christians of the Church of the Foursquare Gospel gather together for prayer was set on fire by unidentified persons during the early hours of the morning, at approximately 2.30 a.m. The fire was doused before serious damage was caused.

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5	12-Jan	Homagama	Colombo	(Related to incident 4) A threatening note was found hanging on the gate of the premises warning the Christians of dire consequences.
6	12-Jan	Hikkaduwa	Galle	Assemblies of God and the Calvary church attacked by mobs led by monks from Hela Bodu Pawura and monks from Hikkaduwa and nearby temples. Protestors obstructed the Galle-Colombo road. Police were unable to disperse the mob until a senior police officer promised the monks that the churches will be closed for two weeks.
7	13-Jan	Warakapola	Kegalle	Two police officers visited the premises of the pastor of the Church of Grace and questioned him as to why he had not stopped the worship services held in his premises after being warned to discontinue the services. They informed him that a petition had been submitted to the area police station claiming the religious worship activities taking place in his premises were unauthorized. The pastor was requested to attend a police inquiry on 13th January 2014, where the police insisted that worship activities held at the premises should be stopped. However, upon the pastor's refusal to accept the request, the Officer in Charge (OIC) requested the pastor not to hold services only on 19th January 2014, due to information received by the Police of a threat of attack against the pastor and his congregation. The OIC informed the pastor that a case will be filed in the Magistrates Court against the pastor based on breach of peace in the community.
8	16-Jan	Bibile	Moneragala	The Officer in Charge (OIC) of the area police station visited the pastor's premises and questioned him on the legal validity of the Suveya Doratuwa Church and if the church was registered.
9	17-Jan	Bibile	Moneragala	(Related to incident 8) A meeting was convened by the Bodu Bala Sena in the village. The pastor received information from a verified source that the Buddhist monks declared to the villagers and all others present at the meeting that they will ensure the church is closed within one month
10	17-Jan	Bibile	Moneragala	(Related to incident 8) A group of unidentified persons uprooted the church name board from the church premises.
11	21-Jan	Vavuniya	Vavuniya	Officers from the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) telephoned and visited two pastors of the Pastors Fellowship Vavuniya and requested them to hand over details of their church and the church members in their fellowship.
12	2-Feb	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	A mob of around 80 villagers led by the committee members of the Hindu temple in the village forcibly entered the property of the pastor of the Jesus Touch and Healing Ministry and questioned him on the new construction on his property. The pastor responded that he intended to build a shop in order to support himself and his family.

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				The mob refused to believe the pastor and continued to shout stating that it was a church that he was constructing in the village. Police officers arrived and dispersed the crowd.
13	8-Feb	Sevanagala	Moneragala	4 villagers led by a Buddhist monk visited the pastor's premises and demanded that the pastor stop all prayer meetings of the Foursquare Church. The Buddhist monk threatened the pastor of serious consequences if the prayer meetings were not stopped.
14	9-Feb	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	A mob of around 150 villagers together with the Grama Sevaka of the area surrounded the Fire of Revival Foundation Mission Church premises while the Sunday service was in progress. The mob began to shout at the pastor and congregation in derogatory language. After a while the mob forcibly entered the premises and began to take pictures of the pastor and congregation members further intimidating them. Police officers arrived and dispersed the crowd, and informed the pastor that his church was an unauthorized place of worship.
15	10-Feb	Warakapola	Kegalle	Buddhist monk threatens villager who signed a petition in support of a local pastor who was attacked in 2012. The petition was drafted by the pastor stating that the villagers do not object the religious worship activities. The monk demanded the villager to take off his signature from the petition immediately. Subsequently, the villager visited the pastor and requested to take his name out of the petition. The Buddhist monk later telephoned the pastor and told him not to create problems in the village. Buddhist monks have also been visiting homes in the village providing false information to the villagers stating that the pastor is planning to construct a church in the village and not to support him in any manner. The pastor has also received information that the monks intend on drafting an affidavit falsely accusing the pastor and getting the villagers to sign the affidavit to be submitted in court.
16	11-Feb	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	(Related to incident 13 on 2 Feb, Batticaloa) A mob of around 100 villagers forcibly entered the pastor's property and demolish the shed which the pastor built for his livelihood. Some of the members in the mob also physically assaulted the pastor and his pastor's mother-in-law. The pastor was hospitalized for a day following the attack.
17	16-Feb	Asgiriya	Kandy	A mob of around 250 villagers led by a group of 11 Buddhist monks of the Bodu Bala Sena stormed a pastor's premises (Holy Family Church), demanding that worship services conducted at his premises be stopped immediately. The pastor and his wife were forcibly dragged out of the premises and physically assaulted by the mob. The pastor's 18-year-old daughter was verbally. Subsequent to the incident, the General Secretary of the Bodu Bala Sena gathered the villagers outside the pastor's premises

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				and warned them against traitors such as the pastor and his family. The monk went on to threaten that even Buddhist villagers will face the same consequence in the future if they continue to encourage such religious worship activities in the village. A Christian member in the vicinity immediately called the police emergency hotline. The police officers subsequently arrived at the scene and took a statement from the pastor and his spouse.
18	16-Feb	Sevanagala	Moneragala	(Related to incident 14 on 8 Feb) 2 Buddhist monks and a group of 5 villagers forcibly entered the premises while the Sunday worship service was in progress. The monks demand that prayer meeting be stopped immediately. Some members from the group then intimidated the members of the congregation by taking pictures of them. The area police station was alerted of the incident. The police officers who arrived on the scene spoke against the Buddhist monks' action and requested both parties to be present for an inquiry on 17th February 2014.
19	16-Feb	Sevanagala	Moneragala	(Related to incident 19 on 16 Feb) Following the incident, at around 12.10 a.m. a group of unidentified persons pelted stones at the pastor's premises. Some of the windows of the pastor's premises were damaged in the attack.
20	17-Feb	Kolonnawa	Colombo	A 6-year-old Christian student of Somadevi Balika Vidyalaya was punished by the school principal for refusing to observe sil (Buddhist ritual). The school principal demanded that all Christian children attending the school must follow the Buddhist rituals or they should leave the school. On 18th February 2014, the principal requested all Christian parents also to attend the sil programme organised by the school.
21	20-Feb	Balangoda	Ratnapura	The pastor of the Ceylon Evangelical Mission received a letter from the area Divisional Secretary requesting him to stop all religious worship activities conducted since prior approval from the Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs Ministry had not been obtained. A letter dated 06th February 2014 issued by the Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs Ministry was also annexed to the letter sent by the Divisional Secretary, stating that all churches need to be registered. The letter gave the pastor an ultimatum of 2 weeks to stop all activities of the church.
22	24-Feb	Mamadalla	Hambantota	The pastor of the Assemblies of God Church is requested to appear at the police station for an inquiry. At the inquiry 2 Buddhist monks demanded that the pastor stop all religious worship activities. The Officer in Charge (OIC) also demanded that the pastor stop all religious activities since the area Buddhist monks were not in favour of the church. The OIC quoted the 2008 Circular issued by the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs and stated that the pastor did not have Ministry approval to

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				continue religious worship activities
23	25-Feb	Naula	Matale	Buddhist monks held a protest against the Assemblies of God Church, where they held banners saying “do not send your children to the Sunday school.” Handbills were distributed labelling Christians as fundamentalists. One week prior to the protest, the pastor received information of a threat of an attack on his church. The pastor also received information that village Buddhist monks were visiting houses encouraging people to attend the protest and to rise up against the activities of the pastor. The pastor received a phone call from an official of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) that day informing him of the protest.
24	2-Mar	Panchankerni	Trincomalee	A mob of around 30 people led by members of the Hindu temple committee and the Rural Development Authority forcibly entered the premises of the Foursquare church while the Sunday worship service was in progress. Previously, leaders of the Hindu temple committee had requested Christians in the village to hand over Rs. 1500.00 as a donation to the Hindu temple fund. The mob, however, was angered that village Christians were not contributing towards the fund and accused the pastor of influencing the Christians to do so. The mob demanded that each Christian family should mandatorily contribute toward the Hindu temple fund. The pastor immediately alerted the area police station about the incident. The Officer in Charge of the area police station then arrived and stated that no person should be forced to contribute money towards any fund.
25	3-Mar	Bulathkohupitiya	Kegalle	A police officer visited the pastor’s premises and questioned the pastor regarding the registration of the Christian Fellowship church.
26	4-May	Moragahahena	Colombo	A Christian in Moragahahena received a letter from the Divisional Secretary of the area claiming that prayer meetings held at his premises were unauthorized and giving him a 30-day ultimatum to register the prayer meeting. The letter stated that prior approval from the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs was necessary to hold prayer meetings at his premises.
27	4-Mar	Pavatkodichenai	Batticaloa	During a Christian funeral service, 4 Hindu villagers who were at the funeral home raised objections stating that only Hindu rites should be performed for burials in the public cemetery. This led to an argument between the Christians at the funeral house and the Hindu villagers and Christian man was slapped by one of the Hindu villagers. The area police station was alerted of the incident. Subsequently, 2 police officers arrived and advised the pastor to allow the burial ceremony to be conducted according to Hindu rites. Later, when the pastor and the Christians attempted to enter the public

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				cemetery for the burial, they were obstructed by a large group of Hindu villagers. The burial was then carried out according to Hindu rituals.
28	7-Mar	Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte	Colombo	The pastor of the Apostolic Church received a letter dated 07th March 2014 from the Divisional Secretariat stating that they had received information that the pastor was leading an unauthorized place of worship and instructed the pastor to submit registration documents to the Divisional Secretariat for further inquiry.
29	9-Mar	Warakapola	Kegalle	While the pastor of the Church of Grace and a few other Christians were praying, 2 police officers visited the pastors' home and questioned the pastor as to what was going on in his premises. The police officers then informed the pastor that they had received a complaint about prayer meetings conducted at his home. The police officers then took statements from the Christians who were present and questioned them as to why they had gathered at the pastor's home.
30	9-Mar	Mahiyangana	Badulla	A mob of around 60 people led by 6 Buddhist monks gathered outside the pastor's premises while the Sunday service of the Good News Church was in progress demanded that the pastor shows proof of the church's registration. When the pastor stated there was no registration, the Buddhist monk began to scold the pastor and demanded that the pastor stop all religious activities, stating that, "this is a Buddhist village; you have to stop these prayer meetings". The pastor was also falsely accused of unethical conversions and assaulted by the monks. Police officers arrived on the scene only after the mob had dispersed.
31	10-Mar	Mahiyangana	Badulla	(Related to incident 31 on 9 Mar) 50 Buddhist monks and a group of villagers were present for the police inquiry. The monks demanded that the pastor stop all religious worship activities, claiming that villagers did not want a church in the village. Following the inquiry, the SI informed the pastor that he can only conduct prayer meetings for his family members and not for any outsiders. The pastor was also instructed to register his place of worship in the event he wanted to continue with religious worship activities.
32	31-Mar	Kalutara	Kalutara	The principal of Welapura Maha Vidyalaya complained to a pastor that his 13 year-old son was defying school regulations by refusing to observe Buddhist rituals. During the meeting the principal also stated that the child could not go on learning Christianity in school. The pastor was advised to remove the child from the school if he was not willing to observe Buddhist rituals and follow Buddhism as a subject.
33	26-Apr	Sapugaskanda	Gampaha	While a group of 5 Christians was gathered for prayer at the Assemblies of God Church, 5 Buddhist monks from the BBS forcibly entered the premises and started to verbally

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				abuse the Christians. The monks shouted death threats, falsely accused the Christians of engaging in unethical conversions and attempted to physically assault one of the Christians gathered for prayer. A vehicle of a Christian was also attacked in the incident. The Buddhist monks told Christians that they would be killed if they were to enter the village again. No police complaint has been lodged on the incident.
34	27-Apr	Bandaragama	Kalutara	While a group of 30 Christians was engaged in prayer at the New Life Living Church, a mob of 30 persons led by Buddhist monks stormed the premises they were praying in, and demanded that prayer meetings be stopped. The Christians immediately informed the area police station about the incident. The Office in Charge (OIC) of the area police station arrived on the scene and instructed the Christians to stop the prayer meetings. The OIC asserted that prayer meetings cannot be held in the village without prior approval and the Christians needed approval from the Ministry of Religious Affairs to gather for prayer meetings.
35	28-Apr	Valaichenai	Batticaloa	Pastors from Margaya Fellowship of Sri Lanka and Gospel Grace Church received letters from the Divisional Secretary of Koralaipattu, Valaichenai requesting detailed information on church registration documents, bank details, documents relating to land, account details, pastors details and some other confidential information of the church.
36	11-May	Madu	Mannar	4 Christians travelling back after a prayer meeting were accosted by a mob of 30 villagers. The mob warned the Christians to never enter the village again, stating "this is our village, you don't belong here!" The Christians were threatened with assault in the event they continued to come to the village for prayer meetings and specifically instructed to not visit the premises in which prayer meetings were being held. The Christian family who hosts the prayer meeting in the village alerted the area police station about the incident.
37	12-May	Madu	Mannar	(Related to incident 37 on 11 May) The police informed the Christians that they would come to the family's house at 4 p.m., for a meeting. The police, however, did not arrive on time. While the Christians were waiting for the police to arrive, the Catholic Church in the village began to ring the church bell and summoned villagers to the church through an announcement on a public address system. A few minutes later, around 150 villagers surrounded the home where the Christians were gathered and began to verbally abuse them. 40 people from the crowd broke through the fence surrounding the premises and forcibly entered the home. The crowd then pelted rocks at the pastor's vehicle which was parked in the premises and smashed it with poles. Few persons from

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				the mob physically assaulted the pastor and his wife. The police officers arrived at the family's home 10 minutes after the mob dispersed. The pastor and the Christians were then taken to the police station where they lodged a police complaint on the incident. The Christians were kept at the police station and questioned for approximately 7 hours. None of the attackers were questioned or arrested.
38	15-May	Waththegama	Kandy	A female Christian worker attached to the Light House church in Kandy, along with a Christian family she was visiting, were assaulted by 5 Buddhist monks and 20 youth from the village. The mob then forcibly led the Christian worker to the Buddhist temple in the village and snatched her Bible and National Identity Card. At the temple, she was drenched with water, verbally abused by the mob, and threatened with death by a youth who strangled her and warned her to never to enter the village again. The police later arrived at the temple and dispersed the mob. Following the incident, the Christian woman was informed by the police that a case was filed against her in the Magistrate Courts for unethical conversions.
39	29-May	Nuwara Eliya	Nuwara Eliya	2 officers from the Assistant District Secretary's office visited the pastor of the Gospel for All Nations Church and questioned him on whether the church was registered with the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs. The pastor was also informed that the Assistant District Secretariat had received a petition against the church and that the pastor was being questioned on the basis of this petition
40	6-Jun	Angunukolapalassa	Hambantota	Pastor of the Assemblies of God Church questioned by OIC of the area as to whether prayer meetings were still being conducted at his premises. The pastor responded in the affirmative and subsequent to the pastors' response, the OIC began to shout at the pastor demanding him to stop all religious worship activities. The pastor was asked by the OIC to leave the village if he was not willing to stop prayer meetings at his premises.
41	12-Jun	Bulathkohupitiya	Kegalle	2 officers from the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) question the pastor of the Christian Fellowship at his premises about the legality of prayer meetings held at his premises. The CID instructed the pastor to obtain approval from the Divisional Secretary to continue with the prayer meetings.