

ABSTRACT

In a foundation where Sri Lanka continues to grow economically, socially, politically and developmentally, it is a tedious task to confront issues in an agreeable way. As Sri Lanka is of now void of terrorism, the co-existence of society permit increased Military Aid to Civil Authority. Subsequently, it is beneficial to choose the subject of "contribution of Sri Lankan Army (SLA) in disaster management through civil-military coordination". Since rapid deployment strategies of SLA alone can't support the activity, it calls for cooperation by the civil entities. While literature shows the significance of such a collective administration to guarantee viable reactions to common dangers and calamities, this paper examines the findings to the research problem: "Is there a relationship between military coordination structures, advocacy of humanitarian principles and issues, ground training, and resource coordination & civil military interaction and the civil-military coordination in Sri Lanka".

Accordingly, the study analyses the relationship between common military coordination through four independent variables namely: military coordination structures, advocacy of humanitarian principles and issues, ground training, and resource coordination & civil military interaction on the dependent variable namely: civil-military coordination. In doing so the study dissects the level of common military coordination in operational and strategic levels. Using correlation tests, the research shows that there is a significant relationship between the 4 independent variables, and the dependent variable. The study also concludes that while there is a relationship is present, there is also room for the civil-military coordination to improve within Sri Lanka. The paper therefore recommends interventions such as, improved civil-military coordination training, regular analysis of data recorded by the Disaster Management Center (DMC) and improved tool usage and capacity training etc.

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