

## Chain Migration: Implication for Developing Sri Lankan Diaspora

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### Abstract

As a result of the geographical location of Sri Lanka, the island faced numerous external arrivals and aggression's since ancient time. Also, migration patterns of Sri Lankans can clearly identify since this period. Due to the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam LTTE war these irregular and regular movements enhanced quickly and continuously. As a result of COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis mostly youth, educated group started to migrate western countries. Sri Lanka is a country where society and community gives huge respect and attention own culture and traditions. As a result of that Author found, Sri Lankans prefer to relocate in a safer destination where they can maintain the Sri Lankan cultural and traditional values in new land. Therefore, Sri Lankans tend to settle with their own relatives, friends and flock. These factors mainly working as both push pull factor on migration and author analyses this trend under the chain migration movement of Sri Lankans. Especially diaspora activities make huge impact on both host and home countries. Such as China town, Little India, Mini Italy these kinds of suburbs are visible in most of the European countries and all other major cities. Since mid-20 century Sri Lankans connecting together in western countries and trying reestablish Sri Lankan cultural and social practices in respective destinations. Paper explains the emerging trend of Sri Lankan diaspora in Europe and the way characteristics of chain migration worked on it. Further, author used secondary data to develop the argument of the research.

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