



GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF INDIA

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STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church of India (PCI) has come to learn about the bomb blasts which took place this morning around 08:45 A.M (Colombo Time) in Sri Lanka, Colombo and its suburbs targeting Hotels and Churches while having their Easter Worship Services whereby more than 180 precious human lives were killed and 600 critically injured. Today, being Easter Sunday in which Christians all over the world celebrate the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ more than 2000 years ago and yet, allegedly suicide bombers had planned and carried out their dastardly attacks to disturb peace and tranquility, cut short lives of innocents and revive suspicion and distrust.

We convey our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to the bereaved and also pray to the Almighty for comfort and strength as well, healing and recovery to the injured. We empathize with all who suffered from this physical, mental and spiritual trauma. We urge upon the Sri Lankan Government to do its very best to stop further heinous and dastardly acts and that it should not escalate and spread like a contagious disease. Obviously, we strongly condemn such acts to occur not only in Sri Lanka but anywhere in the world and instead, unitedly work for Peace and Harmony.



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