

A study of three life stories of Pioneers who dedicated their Service to the Tamil Journalisam in Sri Lanka (Arumuga Navalar, Mohammadhu Siddi Lebbe, kodandarama Nedesaiyar)

Abstract

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The core theme of this composition is to inquire how Tamil journalists have served the improvement of their journalism .In this context such an improvement could be seen during the time from 1841 to 1924 AD in this country. So, in this remarkable period it could be observed that the literacy as well the education of Tamils ,Muslims ,and plantation workers could reach its progress. It also brought a spreading of their religions too. Infact their journalism could bring the development of their social strata also.

The study that I have completed with the works of Arumuga Nawalar, Mohammadhu Siddhilebbe and Kondarama Nadesaiyar who are pioneers led me to inquire the improvement of journalism as well as the development of the social groups of Tamils, Muslims and plantation workers.

I would like to note down here that three main sources have helped this task .The primary source that I could reach there is infact the newspapers and other writings of journalists and I could study resourceful facts found in newspapers indicated by these journalists and I could analyze data which are coming in their works as well, I could see the way and track of some leaders emerged in some social groups.

In this study many literatures submitted in different angles by aforesaid journalists have been reviewed by me.They have enriched my findings.

Further, many periodicals penned and issued on the aforesaid journalists have been reviewed by me and I also could recognize their ideas.Their ideas also have enriched my views too. So their writings have become a remarkable support to my study.

The source materials earned from the readings of aforesaid journalists clearly prove the fact that their contribution paved the way for the present development of journalism.Therefore we are convinced that the above mentioned three leading journalists are pioneers of the social groups;Tamils, Muslims and Plantation workers.in Sri Lanka.

Key words : pioneers, Arumuga Nawalar, Mohammadhu Siddhilebbe and Kondarama Nadesaiyar, public opinion leaders, journalists.