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The Army had killed a senior LTTE intelligence cadre, lieutenant colonel Maduman alias Malli in a clash north of Kokkuthuduwai in the Mullaithivu district last week.

Defence Ministry spokesman Brigadier Gemunu Kulathunga identified the dead LTTE'er as one of the

most senior men killed by the military in the recent past.

Troops were able to recover a T-56 assault rifle, 29 rounds of 7.62 ammunition and a cyanide capsule when they shot dead Maduman about 800 metres off the Kokkuthuduwai forward defence lines.

Brigadier Kulathunga said that troops had gone beyond their positions to conduct the

operation.

The LTTE leader was believed to have been involved in monitoring military positions when troops trapped him and killed him.

Meanwhile, troops shot one more LTTE'er at Mevandankulam, Batticaloa on Monday (21) morning. "We were able to recover 120 rounds of 7.62 ammunition and one

40mm grenade," Brigadier Kulathunga said.

Senior military commanders said that they had not been informed of any government decision to declare a ceasefire. All detachments and camps had been placed on a heightened state of alert fearing LTTE attacks to avenge the killing of lieutenant colonel Maduman.