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Jaffna MP Suresh attacks the LTTE

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A STRONG and joint political action could only defeat the LTTE in order to find a durable settlement to the ethnic question, Mr. Suresh K. Premachandran, the Jaffna District Member Parliament and the Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front (EPRLF) General secretary said.

Mr. Premachandran told *The Observer* that the LTTE has not given up its military strategies. "The recent attacks which took place at the Wilpattu jungle and in Welioya region in the North has shown that the LTTE has gained some strength. "If the war continues in this manner we cannot reach a settlement at all for an ethnic issue," he said. "The Tamil political parties had expressed their willingness to reach a political settlement and now the

authorities should make use of the opportunity" Mr. Premachandran said.

"We appeal to all political parties to speed the political activities, otherwise the LTTE will continue their blood thirsty atrocities," he said.

All of us should hide our faces in shame because we could not bring about a lasting solution during the last 10 years, he added.