



## **Global Human Rights**

### **Introduction**

1. The Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/680) (the Regulations) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (“the Sanctions Act”) and provide for the imposition of financial sanctions, namely the freezing of funds and economic resources of persons who are or have been involved in an activity which, if carried out by or on behalf of a State within the territory of that State, would amount to a serious violation by that State of an individual's right to life, right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, or right to be free from slavery, not to be held in servitude or required to perform forced or compulsory labour, whether or not the activity is carried out by or on behalf of a State.
2. On 24 March 2025 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on GOV.UK. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. A link to the UK Sanctions List can be found below.
3. Following the publication of the UK Sanctions List, information on the Consolidated List has been updated.

### **Notice summary**

4. The following entries have been added to the Consolidated List and are now subject to an asset freeze:
  - Jagath AYASURIYA (Group ID:16833)

- Wasantha KARANNAGODA (Group ID: 16831)
- Vinayagamoorthy MURALITHARAN (Group ID: 16834)
- Shavendra SILVA (Group ID:16830)

### **What you must do**

#### 5. You must:

- i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice and any entities owned or controlled by them;
- ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;
- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or economic resources or making them available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of designated persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) or if an exception applies;
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based. Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.

6. Information received by OFSI may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with provisions set out in the Information and Records part of the regulations and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.

7. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

### **Further Information**

8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Global Human Rights financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>.

9. The Consolidated List can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>.

10. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>.

11. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do>.

12. For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs>.

### **Enquiries**

13. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation  
HM Treasury  
1 Horse Guards Road  
London  
SW1A 2HQ  
[ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk](mailto:ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk).

14. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to:  
[fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk).

15. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.

16. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

## ANNEX TO NOTICE

### FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS

#### THE GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS SANCTIONS REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/680)

#### ADDITIONS

##### Individuals

##### 1. **AYASURIYA, Jagath**

**Title:** General **DOB:** 03/01/1959. **POB:** Sri Lanka **Nationality:** Sri Lanka **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GHR0150. (UK Statement of Reasons):Jagath JAYASURIYA is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis that JAYASURIYA has been and remains responsible for an activity that amounts to a serious violation of an individual's right to life and right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, Jagath JAYASURIYA was Security Force Commander of operations in the Vanni region from 2007 to 2009, during this time those under his command responsibility in the Sri Lankan Army, committed extrajudicial killings and activity amounting to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 24/03/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 24/03/2025 **Last Updated:** 24/03/2025 **Group ID:** 16833

##### 2. **KARANNAGODA, Wasantha**

**Title:** Admiral **DOB:** 22/11/1952. **POB:** Sri Lanka a.k.a: (1) JAYADEVA, Wasantha, Kumar (2) KARANNAGODA, Wasantha, Kumar, Jayadeva **Nationality:** Sri Lanka **Position:** Admiral of the Fleet **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GHR0149. (UK Statement of Reasons):Wasantha KARANNAGODA is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis that he has been and remains responsible for an activity that amounts to a serious violation of an individual's right to life and right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, KARANNAGODA was the Commander of the Navy between September 2005 and July 2009 and during this time the Sri Lankan Navy under KARANNAGODA's command responsibility committed human rights violations including illegal killings and engaged in activities amounting to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 24/03/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 24/03/2025 **Last Updated:** 24/03/2025 **Group ID:** 16831

##### 3. **MURALITHARAN, Vinayagamoorthy**

**DOB:** 22/06/1966. **POB:** Kiran, Sri Lanka a.k.a: AMMAN, Colonel, Karuna **Nationality:** Sri Lanka **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0151. (UK Statement of Reasons): Vinayagamoorthy Muralitharan, also known as Colonel Karuna Amman, is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis that he has been and remains responsible for an activity that amounts to serious violations and abuses of an individual's right to life and right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, LTTE forces and a breakaway pro-government fraction of the LTTE 'Karuna Group', under Vinayagamoorthy Muralitharan's command, were directly involved in illegal killings and

torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, during Sri Lanka's 26-year-long armed conflict. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 24/03/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 24/03/2025 **Last Updated:** 24/03/2025 **Group ID:** 16834.

**4. SILVA, Shavendra**

**DOB:** 22/06/1964. **POB:** Matale, Sri Lanka **a.k.a:** SILVA, Shavendra, Lokugan, Hewage, Chandana **Nationality:** Sri Lanka **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0148. (UK Statement of Reasons): Shavendra SILVA is an involved person within the meaning of The Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis that Shavendra SILVA has been and remains responsible for an activity that amounts to a serious violation of an individual's right to life or right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, Shavendra SILVA was the Commander of the 58th Division of the Sri Lankan Army and during this time the 58th Division committed human rights violations including illegal killings and activities amounting to torture or cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment. Shavendra SILVA also ordered that LTTE leaders attempting surrender should be killed and was present at the frontline in the final days of the war when troops under his command responsibility executed surrendered LTTE. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 24/03/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 24/03/2025 **Last Updated:** 24/03/2025 **Group ID:** 16830.

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation

HM Treasury

24/03/2025