

Shavendra Silva, has said that some diaspora Tamils are spreading false propaganda against the army, during his visit to Jaffna yesterday.

He highlighted the help that the Sri Lankan army does for the Tamil community and noted the house provided for a woman who lost her husband in the armed conflict.

“The Sri Lanka Army has not only provided the house but also all the necessities for the house including a refrigerator and provided financial assistance, school equipment for a student in the family and we are ready to assist the student in further educational activities.”

The Sri Lankan Army is a humanitarian/humane army and is well known as such by the Tamil people living in Jaffna. All the Tamil people living in Jaffna are well aware of the humanitarian operations that the Sri Lankan army officers are carrying out and other Tamil people also understand that very well. But those who come here from abroad or those living here who are sent money by foreign parties are the face of chaos here as they carry out false propaganda against the military. They state that the army is cruel and that it is not needed. However, Tamils will know very well that they have benefitted from the Sri Lankan army. We will provide them with the necessary facilities and as such on the eve of Tamil New Year we have built this house. Today we are visiting Jaffna District to enquire about the current security situation in Jaffna as well as the COVID-19 outlook. In the coming days I will evaluate the issues pertaining to COVID-19 and how to manage it. With the upcoming Sinhala and Tamil new year, I urge the public to celebrate in a peaceful manner.”