

Video report from funeral of Sri Lankan protester Chaminda Lakshan killed by police

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The following video includes a brief interview with the wife and daughter of Chaminda Lakshan who was shot dead by Sri Lankan police on April 19 during a protest in Rambukkana, about 95 kilometres north-east of Colombo. Twenty-four other people were injured, three of them critically, in the vicious police attack on demonstrators opposing high fuel prices and shortages.

Protests are taking place throughout the island over acute shortages and high prices for food, fuel, medicines and other essential items.

Lakshan's wife, R.N. Priyanganee, and her daughter, Piyumi Upekshika Lakshan, spoke to WSWs reporters before the last rites at her house at Karandagasthane, Naranbedda in Rambukkana on April 23. The video also includes an eyewitness account of the police assault and a short speech to the funeral meeting by Socialist Equality Party Political Committee member W.A. Sunil.



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