

## Post-war Jaffna (Jaffna Police Division) and T.S. Eliot's Waste Land: A Comparative Study

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**Abstract:** Jaffna is considered one of the more affluent districts in comparison to the other districts in the North. Unfortunately, the present situation of Jaffna creates a lot of criticisms. The moral and spiritual degradation of the younger generation reminds *The Waste Land* of T.S. Eliot. Thus a Comparative study is done under the following sub-divisions: Lack of faith, Lack of communication, Corruption of Life, Corruption of Sex, Laziness, Infertility of both land and people, Abuse of Culture, and Conclusion. Objectives of this study are: (i) To identify the threats encountered by the Jaffna society and (ii) To be warned and to take remedial steps to protect the land. According to the data, Jaffna did resemble in many aspects, 'The Waste Land' written after 1st World War by T.S. Eliot. The intellectuals, activists, media and social well-wishers should take necessary steps to rescue the present society from such dangerous situation. More researches can be done in future.