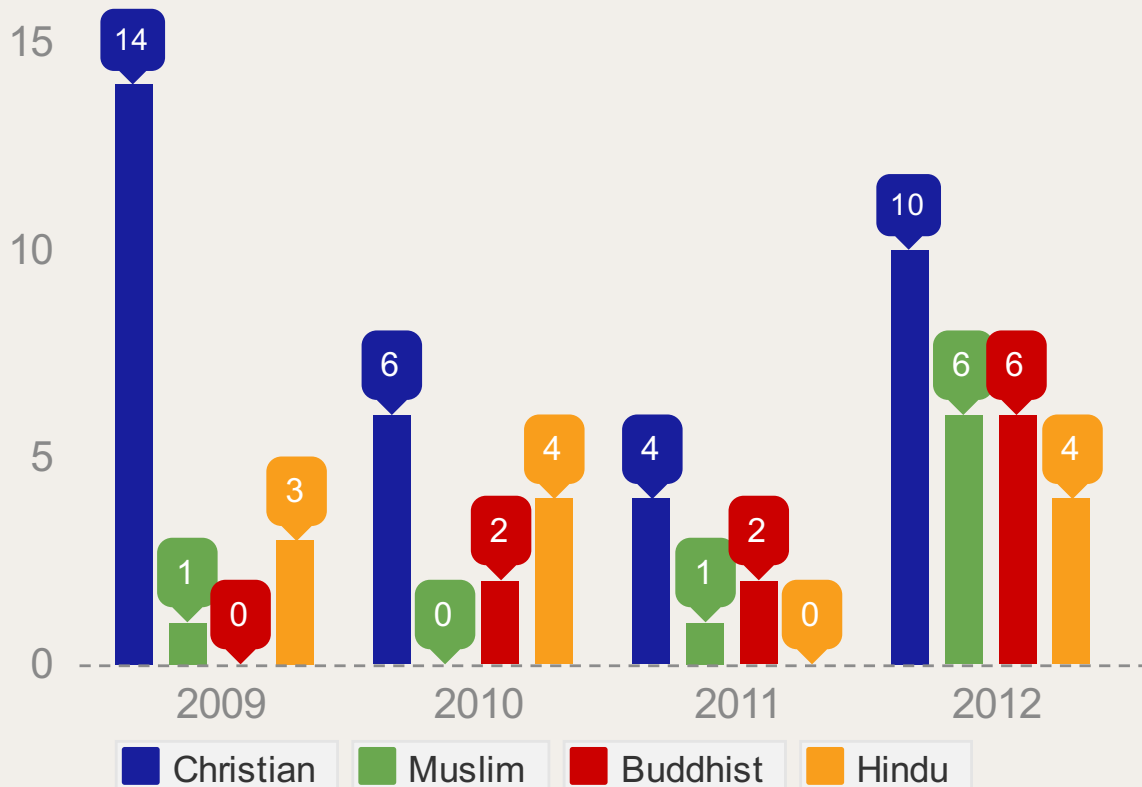


# RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE IN POST-WAR SRI LANKA: INCIDENTS AND ATTACKS

**BETWEEN MAY 2009-JANUARY 2013**



CPA recorded a total of 65 attacks on places of religious worship.

Recorded attacks highlight widespread religious tensions across Sri Lanka.

All religious communities face various forms of violence.

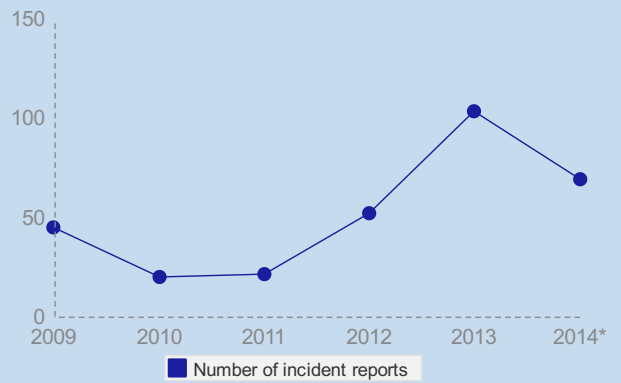
An 'attack' is defined as: Physical violence against a religious place and includes damage to building/s, theft of and/or damage to items within the building, injury or death of persons within.

CPA's record of numbers of incidents is conservative.

# INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE & INTIMIDATION AGAINST THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

## The National Christian Evangelical Alliance (NCEASL)

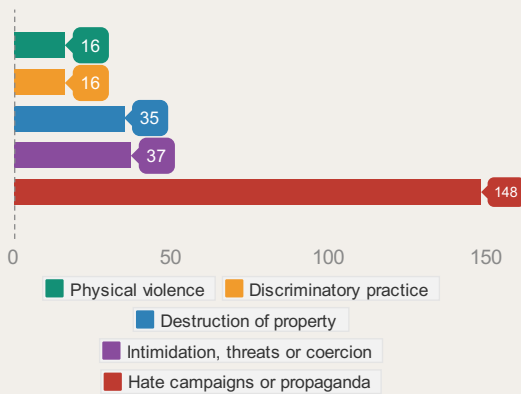
Recorded 103 incidents in 2013 and 69 incidents in 2014.



\*Data up to August, 2014

## The Sri Lanka Muslim Congress (SLMC)

Reported 241 anti-Muslim attacks in 2013.



SLMC also reported of 69 anti-Christian attacks in 2013.

# INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE & INTIMIDATION AGAINST THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY

## The Secretariat for Muslims

Recorded 284 incidents of threats, attempted attacks, harassment, incitements and provocations directed at Muslims in 2013.

# 2014 JUNE: VIOLENCE IN ALUTHGAMA & BERUWALA

Widely believed that on 15th June, violent attacks followed a speech made by Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thero.

<b>3</b> Muslims and	<b>88</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>1</b> Tamil were killed.	people were injured.	of Muslim homes and businesses were destroyed or partially damaged.	million rupees allocated by the government for reconstruction work.

**3 months after the incident, the high-level panel to investigate the incidents, promised by the President, is yet to be appointed.**

**Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thero to date has not been indicted for incitement of violence.**

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