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LTTE terrorists numbering 25 or more attacked a police post inside Wilpattu game sanctuary and escaped with weapons on Thursday afternoon, military sources said. A policeman and a civilian called Ajith were killed when the terrorists set fire to the police post, before mounting their assault on the villagers. According to the sources, fifteen others were injured and transferred to the Colombo General Hospital. A.H.M. Azwer, State Minister for Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs and MP for Puttalam, has sent an urgent plea to the Defence Secretary, Air Marshal Walter Fernando and JOC Commander Hamilton Wanasinghe to strengthen security along Illavankulam village, which is the northern border of Puttalam and adjacent to the Wilpattu sanctuary. Azwer said he had asked for reinforcements to the Illavankulam army camp, as security had become lax after the area was flushed out of terrorists two years ago.