The wife of the missing Jaffna political activist Kugan Muruganandan has sought his release in view of Christmas.

The appeal by Muruganandan Chanda came at a media briefing today (Dec. 25) convened by relatives of Kuganand Lalith Kumar Weeraraju, who disappeared several days ago.

Chanda said her husband had abandoned the LTTE in 2010 and has sold firewood to make a living for the family, also including a daughter aged eight years.

She said Kugan loves the poor and together with Lalith, was involved in helping locate missing persons.

Chanda said she was a heart patient and cannot work, and that without him, she cannot thing about a future for her family.

Also speaking here, Lalith's father R. Mugan Weeraraj said his son was a university employee, who later got involved in politics in Jaffna .

An estate labourer, he said he had told his son to stop political involvements, but he refused to do so, saying there is no life for northern people at present.

Their children go missing, they do not have jobs or places to live and mothers go to the police and the Army to look for their missing children, but there is no one to speak up for them, Lalith h as said, noting that he was doing politics for their sake.

Although being Christians, Mugan Weeraraj said they do not celebrate this time and their homes are like funeral homes, and appealed for his son's release.

Also speaking at the media briefing, coordinator of the Movement For People's Struggle Dumin da Nag amuwa said they would continue their struggle for the release of the two

Jaffna
activists.

Not only that, it would be a struggle for democracy, rule of law and against abductions and murders, against which there needs to be a strong voice raised in society, he said.

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