## Postal voting peaceful, barring two incidents

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Overall situation of the first day of postal voting was peaceful but a few incidents were reported in some areas, according to local election monitoring organisations.

The People's Action for Free and Fair Elections (PAFFREL) said that overall situation had been peaceful on the first day other than two assault incidents at Gomarankadawala in the Trincomalee District and Labuduwa in Galle.

According to polls monitors a UPFA member of the Gomarankadawala Pradeshiya Sabha, Sandun Hemantha, had been injured in a clash.

Postal voting was suspended due to a clash between M. K. D. S. Gunawardena MP who defected from the UPFA with Maithripala Sirisena and Sandun Hemantha around 9.00am.