Sri Lanka: Regional 'GotaGoGamas' mark 50 days as new sites crop up

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The "GotaGoGama" protest site in Kandy entered its 50th day yesterday (5), the "GotaGoGama" protest sites in Galle and Matara marked 50 days of protests last Saturday (4), and the Anuradhapura protest site marked its 50th day last Wednesday (1), while new "GotaGoGama" protest sites have emerged in Ja-ela and Ratnapura, *The Morning* learnt.

Various events were held yesterday to mark 50 days of protests at the Kandy protest site, including a motorcycle rally from Digana, an Inter-University Students' Federation (IUSF) convention, a street drama by actor Jehan Appuhami, and a musical show.

Crowds of supporters converged towards **Torrington** Park in Kandy in solidarity. Nuns, monks, priests, and Imams (Islamic priests) made their presence known as they joined in to add their voices to the protest. Protestors from the "GotaGoGama" protest site in Colombo's Galle Face Green also participated in the event to demonstrate their support to the movement.

Meanwhile, the Matara "GotaGoGama" protest site marked 50 days of protests last Saturday, joined by local fishermen who were unable to go to sea due to fuel shortages. The "GotaGoGama" protest site in Galle also marked 50 days of activity last Saturday.

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