Sri Lankan government has said that political reforms in the country are more crucial than economic reforms at this stage.

Delivering a speech at the release function of 'State of economy’ report in Colombo today, Deputy Minister of policy planning and economic development Harsha De Silva asserted that winning peace is more important than accelerating growth in the short term.

His comments came as the report has projected a dim view of the Sri Lankan economy if political indecision is not corrected.

Sri Lankan economy has grown by around 4 percent in recent times while the target is to increase it to around 8 percent to put it in a high middle income country.
The Minister said that political reforms to wipe off the tears of thousands affected from three decades long war is more important for which his government is focused.

He said the war period shaved off at least 2 percent GDP growth and cannot be allowed to recur at any cost.

De Silva said that the present government inherited the prospects of economic sanctions and isolation on foreign policy front which has been tackled through freedom of expression, bringing of 19th amendment and setting up of anti-corruption bodies.