

Continuing and Expanding Relief during the Crisis in Sri Lanka



Since launching our appeal last month, Buddhist Relief Mission has been able to distribute packets of dry rations to hundreds of families, as well as temples, orphanages, schools, and other institutions in and around Kandy, but the situation grows more dire every day. We are happy to report that our project is expanding to include three new recipient groups.

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| rice | onions | soya protein | ginger biscuits |
| dhal | garlic | dried sprats | laundry soap |
| salt | potatoes | curry powder | hand soap |
| tea | chick peas | chillie pieces | |
| sugar | cooking oil | chillie powder | |



Veddas

The Veddas are the indigenous people of Sri Lanka. They are an impoverished and often neglected community. Through the Kandy Cancer Society we were able to contact the leader of the village near Mahiyangana. Food will be delivered to 100 families there on June 16. Here is an excerpt from the letter we received:

Dear Buddhist Relief Mission,
 We Sri Lankans have no words to thank you for your generosity in assisting the less fortunate people of this beautiful Island. May good health and cheer be with you. My sincere greetings to all those near and far who assist in this operation.
 The Vedda chief suggests we come with the rations on Thursday, his 75th birthday. We are arranging to take a parcel of dry rations and 5 coconuts fo 100 families. I have invited a few Doctors to travel on this day to examine some patients who need urgent medical treatment.
 We must not stop at this. Let us collectively assist whenever and wherever we can and to practice the idea of "Caring and Sharing."
 With metta, Mohan



Veddas: The First People Of Sri Lanka
 by Thiva Arunagirinathan
<https://roar.media/english/life/culture-identities/veddas-the-first-people-of-sri-lanka>

Tea Estate Workers

With the tea industry suffering a setback during the crisis, the Tamil workers on the estates are in dire straits. Our first distribution to 30 families in this group will be on Sunday, June 12.



Families of Prisoners

Through a Kandy policeman, we have been able to identify in the Kandy area about 30 families of whom the breadwinner is currently incarcerated. That policeman is arranging for dry rations to be delivered to each of those families.



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