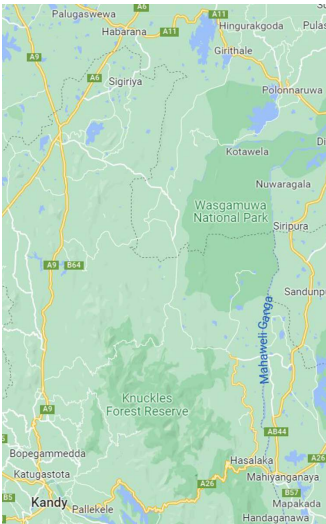


# BRM Continues Relief Work During the Crisis in Sri Lanka

## Polonnaruwa



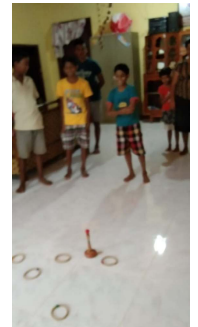
On August 31, Mohan Samarakoon, the Director of the Kandy Cancer Home (where we offer High Tea on the 15th of every month), went with a team of doctors, nurses, and staff to Polonnaruwa to distribute food, medicine, and other supplies and to offer out-patient treatment. Although we did not accompany them on this overnight trip, we contributed funds from our generous donors to help make their trip a success. In Central Province, we operate mainly through a network of friends and local groups, but, in cooperation with the Cancer Society, an official non-profit organization, we are able to extend our relief projects island-wide.



This special wheelchair was ordered from Colombo and donated to this boy.

The economic crisis in Sri Lanka continues unabated. Shortages of food, medicine, and fuel have caused many businesses to close, and many people have lost their jobs. Since the beginning of the year about 3000 doctors have left the country. Relief funds are still greatly needed.

## Ambepussa



On September 9, Lily went with Tissa, the driver who has worked with us for more than ten years, his son, and his daughter to a private orphanage, established many years ago by a senior monk in Ambepussa, between Kandy and Colombo. They carried 100 kgs of rice, in addition to lots of dry rations and a box of school supplies. There are fifteen boys staying there at present in this small institution which is completely dependent on donations. We had visited the orphanage several years ago, and this was our second donation of food this year. We also sent a ring-toss toy which we had brought from Japan. The boys had a delightful time learning how to play with it, and we hope they continue enjoying this safe and non-violent game.



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