

Nepalese Flood Victims Urgently Need Basic Necessities, Household Goods, and School Supplies



Buddhist Relief Mission is extremely grateful for the generous donations which we received for Nepal flood relief. Those funds were essential for immediate emergency relief activities. The remarkable rescue of survivors after many days has been heartening. As we can all see from the news reports, however, the tragedy continues, the disaster remains, and the danger lingers. Some areas have been cleaned, but others must be abandoned. It is not yet clear where thousands of the displaced villagers will be able to resettle. In the interim, they require urgent assistance. It is also necessary to get the children back into school. Of course, all of the educational material and supplies they had were lost.



Buddhist Relief Mission has been able to contact a local organization, Lumbini Social Services, which is working very diligently and conscientiously to address these issues. Furthermore, all of their relief supplies are purchased locally, which keeps money in the hands of Nepalese merchants who are themselves recovering. We appeal to our donors to help us support their programs. In one photo, you can see the students from a girls' school helping pack the supplies.



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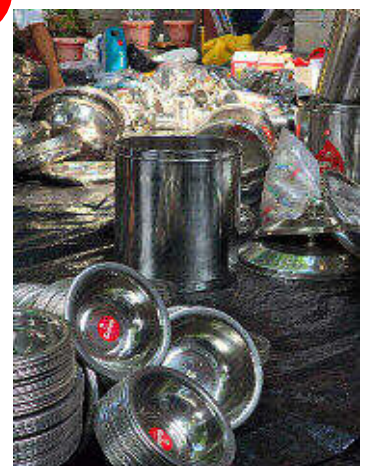


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Sunday, September 13, 2026

**An International Dana
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Relief for all Who Are Suffering**



**Celebrating birthdays of
Ven. Mettajiva, Visakha, Joyce,
Bonnie, Mike, Lily, Susan,
Nedra, Cindy, and many more**



**Sharing merit with
departed friends and relatives
and with friends far and near**

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and, if you can, join us on that day.
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Dana in Aniwatte, September 13, 2026

In Memory of:

Roberto and Alba Selli
In Chariyarat

Sergey

Victims of the flood in Nepal
All departed friends and relatives

May they have auspicious rebirths

With wishes for a happy birthday for

Ven. Mettajiva
Visakha Kawasaki
Joyce Otto

Bonnie Kawasaki
Mike Fronczak
Lily Attanayake

Susan Brandom
Nedra Kawasaki
Cindy Kawasaki

With wishes for good health for:

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Barbara Kaye and her sister, Carol
Joe Stornello
Damyathi Gamage
Chathurika Senanayake
Dean Kawasaki
Vivi VanderPoorten

Judy Nagy and Steve
Rosemary Arnold
Valerie King
Menusha Gunasekara
Calvin Malone
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Charlene Catherine King
Laura Kawasaki
Sam Ewalt
Frank Chase
Gamini Rajapakse

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Joshua Behan

Evgeny Adyanov

Sharing merit with:

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Ven. Paññasami
Ven. Paññananda
Ven. Gong Pa
Dr. Kyaw Thet Oo
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Linda Mrowicki
Paula Kawasaki
My To
Gabriele Uras
Dushyanthi Mendis
Nancy Rubenson
Bonnie Rinato
Tracy Kawasaki
Shih Y. Chen
Daw Mu Khi
T.K.K. Ananda
Sudath Herath
Kira Elliss
Adrian Cichecki
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Robert Svensk
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All friends far and near
Everyone here today

Food preparation by:

Lily Attanayake
Sujata Attanayake



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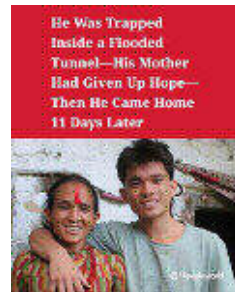
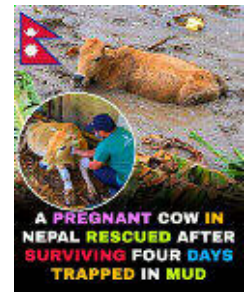
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International Dana, September 13, 2026, Visakha's Birthday and More



Vietnam, two monks; Myanmar, one monk and one nun; Sri Lanka, one monk and one nun; China, one monk. Seventeen laypersons, many attending for the first time. Chanting in Pali, Vietnamese, and Chinese. Delicious food, delightful conversation, joyous giving, and inspiring Dhamma. Here is Ven. Silacara's summary of his Dhamma talk: "Practicing moral discipline simply means taking responsibility to ensure that no one is harmed because of you. Before reaching for high spiritual goals like Nibbana, we must first learn to fulfill our everyday responsibilities. Whether one is a doctor, a teacher, a student, a leader, a monastic, or a citizen, fulfilling one's own responsibility is the very foundation of being a good person."



Generosity is always the best way to celebrate a birthday. These recent donations have brought great joy. We honor the donors who have assisted in providing a fishing net for a Rohingya in Panadura and mosquito nets to 120 Rohingya families in the camps in Bangladesh.

High tea to the residents of the Kandy Cancer Home on the fifteenth of every month. This month, in addition to reading the names of deceased friends, those in ill health, and those who made donations, the residents sang a song. Please join next month with a dedication of your own.

We remembered those who perished in the catastrophic flood in Nepal, and we express our deepest appreciation to all who made generous donations. We can be sure that our donations made possible heartening escapes like these. Let us hope that continued rescue operations will result in more happy endings.



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and the wedding anniversary of
Ken and Visakha**

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Rohingya Refugees in Bangladesh Need Assistance—A Forgotten Genocide!



This Myanmar Buddhist monk, Ashin Wirathu, is the leader of the extremist 969 Movement and the Ma Ba Tha (Committee to Protect Race and Religion). Beginning in 2001, he and other monks gave fiery speeches, preaching hatred and prejudice against the Rohingya Muslims, an ethnic group which had, for generations, suffered discrimination in Rakhine State (a.k.a. Arakan). Their aim was to instill fear among the Buddhist majority that Buddhism was threatened by these "Bengali immigrants." In August 2017, this fear and hatred erupted. The Myanmar military and the Arakan State Army, a Buddhist armed force, launched a pogrom against the Rohingya, burning entire villages, killing thousands, and sexually assaulting the women. Hundreds of thousands of Rohingya fled to Bangladesh. Within a short time, the camp complex in Cox's Bazar swelled to more than one million refugees, creating the largest refugee camp in the world.



These atrocities led the Gambia and other nations to file a lawsuit in the International Court of Justice, accusing the Myanmar Government of genocide. The defense was led by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the Nobel Peace Prize laureate and once champion of democracy and human rights. In the Hague, in spite of well-documented evidence, she denied the charge of genocide and declared that it was the Buddhists who had suffered in the violence perpetrated by the Muslims.



Now, almost ten years later, the Rohingya are still subsisting under squalid conditions in overcrowded camps where diseases—tuberculosis, measles, dengue, malaria, and more—are rampant. For the first year or two, the media and some organizations visited the camps, revealing the appalling conditions and decrying the humanitarian crisis these refugees were facing. After 2018, however, the silence has been deafening. It seems that the world has forgotten the Rohingya. The UN and international NGOs continue to provide basic assistance, but, recently, funds have been severely cut. Medical care has been reduced, and the food allowance from the UN World Food Program has been decreased to \$6 per person per month!



Refugee leaders are well organized and are able to procure much of what the refugees need—such as food, medicine, mosquito nets, and educational material for the schools,—cheaply, but they need the funds for these things. It is almost impossible for any of them to earn money.



Until the United Nations and the governments involved work out a solution, these refugees are completely dependent on relief aid. It is particularly incumbent on Buddhists around the world to step up and to assist the Rohingya, because this genocide is being carried out in the name of Buddhism, which puts us all to shame!

"As the world watches this humanitarian disaster unfold, what can we do to alleviate the suffering of the Rohingya, whom the UN calls one of the most persecuted minorities in the world? An estimated US\$1 billion in aid is required. Refugees need food, medicine, and shelter against the monsoon in Bangladesh. Rains turn their camps into a morass of mud. Children need education, almost non-existent in the camps. We encourage each of you to take the Rohingya people into your hearts; to give and act in ways that let them know their cries are heard, that they will no longer be adrift in this sea of suffering, and that we will continue to respond."

—The late Alan Senauka, Clear View Project, USA, 2017



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Urgent and Continuing Appeal for Donations to Assist Rohingya Refugees with Healthcare and Basic Needs



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In Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, more than 1.1 million Rohingya refugees are crowded into 33 camps with only 12 small hospitals. There are health posts, clinics, and mobile units, but services there are limited. The loss of USAID has forced one hospital to close and almost all healthcare programs have had to cut back.

A recent survey revealed that 95% of the refugees find the healthcare inadequate. Major problems included a lack of imaging facilities, laboratory tests, and specialized doctors. Refugees also mentioned mistrust, unpleasant behavior by medical staff, the lack of free medication, and expensive treatment. Less than one fourth of the refugees are able to seek better healthcare outside the camps.

Buddhist Relief Mission frequently receives urgent requests for financial assistance from the refugees. It pains us greatly that, too often, we do not have the funds to help them. Here are some examples:

My daughter has cancer, and I am struggling with her treatment, which is very expensive. Now another tragedy has happened. In the recent fire, my sister's shelter was completely burned down. She lost everything. Her children have no food, no clothes—nothing! My heart feels very heavy seeing my daughter's pain and, at the same time, my sister's family suffering like this. Please pray for my sister's family and my daughter.



I'm writing to ask for your support for a poor Rohingya father and his son who were injured in a traffic accident. They urgently need medical tests and pain-relief medicine, but they are struggling to afford the necessary treatment. If you are able to help with some emergency funds, it would mean a lot to them during this difficult time.



This elderly woman's condition is very serious. She has undergone surgery and now urgently needs medication. If you are able, please consider trying to support her with the cost of her medicines. In the Rohingya refugee camps, many people are suffering from different illnesses because the NGO hospitals cannot provide the treatment and care they need.



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My father was diagnosed with TB, and the doctor prescribed a six-month course of medication. I would be very grateful for any assistance you could provide toward his medication.



I would like to share a humanitarian concern from the Rohingya refugee camp. Many children have no decent clothes to wear every day. Also some elderly women cannot afford to buy clothes, and they are ashamed to go about the camp without proper clothing.



Peace Winds America

DW <https://www.dailywaadaa.com/bangladesh/2026/10/06/six-children-among-10-dead-as-dengue-sweeps-through-rohingya-camps>

Daily Waadaa
(excerpted)

Shahidul Islam
06 Oct 2026



Two Rohingya children playing in a refugee camp in Cox's Bazar. Photo: Photo

Six children among 10 dead as dengue sweeps through Rohingya camps

Cases in Cox's Bazar camps reach 2,882 as Bangladesh's dengue toll climbs to 271 and hospitals struggle with surging admissions

Ten Rohingya refugees, including six children, have died from dengue in the sprawling camps of Cox's Bazar this year, as Bangladesh faces an accelerating outbreak that has already killed 271 people nationwide.

Between January 1 and October 5, at least 2,882 dengue cases were detected among Rohingya refugees, according to the latest report from the Cox's Bazar Civil Surgeon's Office.

The camps, which accommodate more than one million Rohingya refugees in an exceptionally dense settlement, have repeatedly experienced dengue outbreaks during and after the monsoon.

The Rohingya camps remain particularly vulnerable because of their extraordinary population density, limited space, drainage problems and the difficulty of eliminating mosquito breeding sites during the monsoon.

And despite the rains beginning to recede, health experts warn the danger does not disappear with the monsoon.



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Buddhist Relief Mission was pleased to be able to donate 120 mosquito nets, but that is certainly not enough for one million refugees. We would like to provide more.



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