## Annual Report 2019 Netherlands Sri Lanka Foundation

The foundation held 4 board meetings last year and 3 newsletters were sent to the donors and interested parties. These newsletters can be found on our site: www.stichtingnetherlandssrilanka.nl

Two members of the board paid a working visit to the homes in Sri Lanka in January.

All four homes were visited and viewed.

The home in Ja Ela was still not connected to the water supply in January.

They were using water from the adjacent church.

The board decided to have a water pump installed on the grounds to ensure their own water source supply.

Lanka, one of the first girls to be admitted to the children's home in Pamunugama, now works in a hotel near Negombo. She lives in a hostel belonging to the hotel, along with 12 other girls. They may stay there free of charge. Lanka is very happy there. She now earns her own money. Sister Amatha still has regular contact with her. Lanka also visits the children's home regularly.

Two new girls were admitted to the home in Katupotha.

There were problems with the toilets in the home but these have now been solved.

In Kelaniya 6 new girls were admitted, including a 4-year-old twin.

Here the sisters have set up a nursery. The youngest children attend and also children from poor families in the neighbourhood. But only to the age of 6, after which they go to school. The parents of the children who are not from the home pay a minimal fee. Quite a nice initiative of the sisters.

Some of the girls have even had judo lessons in the past year.

As in previous years, we will continue our fundraising activities.

We will do this by giving Power Point Presentations and being present at markets selling items and handing out flyers.

The number of donators has decreased slightly in 2019.

As of 31-12 2019, the board consists of:

## **Chairman / Treasurer:**

M. Schouwenaar

## Secretary:

T. Uitterhoeve-Geene

## **Board member:**

E. Sanderse-van den Berg

Established in Goes: 16-03-2020