Annual Report Foundation Netherlands Sri Lanka 2022

The board of the foundation held 4 meetings this year. Three newsletters were sent to donors and other interested parties.

These newsletters can be found on our website.

Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 epidemic, we were again unable to go on a working visit.

More earnest, however, is that an economic crisis has hit Sri Lanka this year. Everything became very expensive. Food became scarce. There was only electricity for a few hours a day. Petrol and gas were almost not available or very expensive. Schools were regularly closed. The sisters and children have been very busy creating vegetable gardens and planting fruit trees. Sister Amatha kept us updated on this sad situation. Fortunately, she was always able to buy enough food for the children.

We have, because of the crisis, increased the quarterly contribution for one year. After that year we will see if we can continue with this increased amount.

We have given an extra donation so that Christmas presents could be bought for the children. They celebrated Christmas all together in Kelaniya.

We also transferred an extra amount of money to enable the purchase of necessary school supplies, which have become very expensive. The children must be able to go to school, we find that very important.

No new children have been admitted to the homes as a result of the economic crisis.

Necessary maintenance needs to be done on the buildings and grounds in Kelaniya, Katupotha and Ja-Ela. Unfortunately, they have not been able to start yet, because workers and materials are scarce. And because everything is extremely expensive. The first steps have now been taken to have the repairs carried out.

This year we attended the Mother's Day fair in Goes (NL), the Pentecost fair in Ouddorp (NL) and for ten weeks in a row, the tourist market in Oostkapelle (NL). We were also present with our stall at the Christmas market in Colijnsplaat (NL) and at the Christmas market at the primary school "De Zandplaat" in Ovezande (NL).

At the "De Zandplaat" school we also presented PowerPoints to all classes.

As in previous years, we will continue our fundraising. We do this, among other things, by presenting Power Points and attending markets where we sell (mostly handmade) goods and hand out flyers.

The number of donors has decreased slightly. Mainly due to the passing away of senior donors and the choice for other charities by donors.

As of December 31st, 2022, the board consists of:

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