Annual Report Netherlands Sri Lanka Foundation 2024

The board of the foundation met 4 times last year. 3 newsletters were sent to donors and interested parties.

These newsletters can be read on our site.

In January/February, 2 board members went on a working visit. They visited all the homes and discussed with Sister Amatha what maintenance needs to be done in the coming year. It was very nice to see the children again and play games, and sing and dance together. It was also good to talk to the sisters again about all the ins and outs. We are very happy that everything is going well with the children. The board members stayed in the homes and participated in daily life. They saw how happy and relaxed the children were. Very nice!

The ambassador of the Netherlands in Sri Lanka and the consul of the Dutch embassy came to visit. It was nice that they showed involvement and that they were interested in the work that the sisters do in Sri Lanka, and what we do in the Netherlands. They were very impressed.

Last year, 5 new girls were admitted.

The economic crisis in Sri Lanka is unfortunately not over yet. Everything is still very expensive and some food and medicines are scarce. Electricity, gas and petrol are still incredibly expensive. In the past year, a new president was elected, on whom all hope now rests.

In October and November, there was a lot of rain and people suffered from several storms. This caused damage to the homes. The worst has been remedied, but due to the persistent rain, many activities could not be carried out.

In December, we were able to give an extra donation so that Christmas presents could be bought, and school supplies for the children for the new school year.

This year, we built our sales stall in Kloetinge: at the Mother's Day Fair, the King's Market and at the market on Monument Day, and also at the "Colijnse" day in Colijnsplaat and 9 times at the tourist market in Oostkapelle. This raised quite a nice amount.

Churches regularly collected for us and we were allowed to describe the foundation and Sri Lanka, or they projected photos of the children and the homes. We are also regularly endowed with wonderful donations.

We continue our fundraising. We do this by, among other things, giving Power Point Presentations and being present at markets where we sell (mostly handmade) items and hand out flyers.

The number of donors has decreased slightly. Mainly due to the loss of older donors and the choice of other charities by donors.

As of 31-12-2024, the board consists of:

Chairman:

Treasurer:

Secretary:

Board

member:

E. Sanderse-van den Berg J.B. Uitterhoeve

T. Uitterhoeve-Geene

E. J. Gubbels-Heijnsdijk

Drawn up in Kloetinge on 16-01-2025.

Chairman:

Secretary:

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