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## Upcountry Educational Support

Thanks to the Nadarajah Foundation's financial support for IMHO implementing the Upcountry Educational Support project; several students and teachers in the Maskeliya area should benefit immensely meeting educational expenses including travel and 2019 teacher salaries. Students face difficulties paying for travel in this upcountry area and it should improve school attendance and better performance. There is a shortage of qualified teachers in science, math, and English to provide extra help to students.

- Annual budget for student travel for about 142 students: \$24,000
- Annual budget (2019) for teacher support: \$15,000, Travel Allowance: \$3,500

## Nadarajah Foundation Student Award Ceremony



## Zonal Education Director & Teacher Meeting: Teacher Support by Nadarajah Foundation



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## Sri Lanka Project Updates

The ongoing projects support educational, livelihood, water, sanitation, and healthcare needs across Sri Lanka with a greater focus on the remote areas of the North and East and the Upcountry region. The Program Expenses including but not limited to the following for the named regions for January- June 2019:

<b>Grand Total (Including International Relief)</b>	<b>\$198,419</b>
<b>Northern Province:</b>	<b>\$108,564</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diabetic Center</li> <li>• Jaipur Center</li> <li>• Autism Center</li> <li>• Kanderodai Health&amp; Recreation Center w/ Donor Support</li> <li>• Point Pedro Mental Health Pre-Intern, staff salary, abandoned clients' support, &amp; Other</li> <li>• Vocational Training Center</li> <li>• Disabled Access Toilets</li> <li>• Special Needs Children Project</li> <li>• Killinochi : KEDT, flood relief, Uyirilai buiding construction &amp; Nurse salary, Viswamadu bicycles</li> <li>• Kancharamodai Resettled Families Support</li> <li>• Vavuniya MHS</li> <li>• Royal College of Surgeons (RCS) NP Training</li> </ul>	
<b>Eastern Province:</b>	<b>\$25,616</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cataract Surgeries</li> <li>• Easter Tragic Event Relief- Consumables to Batticaloa TH, Child Support Center (In Progress)</li> <li>• Batticaloa West Math Books</li> <li>• Pre-Intern &amp; Staff Salaries</li> <li>• Trinco Diabetic Center</li> <li>• Mobile Clinics</li> <li>• Paddalipuram Community Water supply: Families from several surrounding villages including Elakanthai, Naloor and others benefitted. 176 families, project cost about \$15,000, implemented by Assist RR.</li> </ul>	

<p><b>Upcountry / Estate Workers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sanitation - Joint Venture Project with the Rotary Club</li> <li>• Water Supply Project</li> <li>• Education Projects</li> <li>• Co-op Society Shop</li> <li>• Caring Hands - Destitute Children Support</li> <li>• Staff Salary, Training</li> </ul>	<p>\$56,104</p>
<p><b>International (Mozambique &amp; Gaja Cyclone) Relief:</b></p>	<p>\$8,135</p>



**Ms.Dharshana Siva is participating in the opening ceremony of the renovated G.G.Ponnambalam Cancer Treatment Center in Tellippalai, Jaffna, September 14, 2019. The project was funded by Dr.Vijayalakshmi Sivaprakasapillai in loving memory of her father Mr.G.G. Ponnambalam and facilitated by IMHO**



**Livelihood Support and income generation for Women headed households through Cashew Nuts Production and Sale, in Batticaloa; an IMHO project through New Arrow (Network for Advocating Requirements for Women) for income generation and enhance entrepreneurial spirit.**

## **New Challenges in NP with Road Traffic Accidents (RTA)**

Reports indicate about 25,000 injuries occur in Sri Lanka each year, causing on average 8 deaths per day. Jaffna District health sectors have been dealing with the trauma related injuries without an accident service having facilities to provide complete care. Newly formed Trauma Registry supported by IMHO and others will help gather data related to trauma for making evidence-based decisions to address the RTA incidents and conduct awareness programs at schools, drivers, and others. This initiative is currently spearheaded by Dr.Gobyshanger as the newly appointed head of Northern Council for Road Safety.





## Save the Date -IMHO AGM 2020

IMHO AGM Saturday June 6, 2020  
Fort Myers Event Center, Florida

Details to follow

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