





Providing Food and School Supplies to the Needy in Sri Lanka February 2025



As often as possible, we distribute parcels of dry rations to those in need around Sri Lanka. Sometimes, as in the accompanying photos, <u>Jagath</u> finds needy families on his tours around the island. Other times, our contacts–monks, doctors, three-wheeler drivers, and others–inform us of urgent cases in and around Kandy, and we provide the required assistance. Once in a while, we also receive requests for help with medication or medical tests. We do as much as we can, and try never to say, "No." Buddhist Relief Mission has a special relationship with several institutions, such as the Kandy Cancer Home, Blue Rose Special School, and Methasevana Youth Drug Rehabilitation Center, and we provide regular assistance to them.

Hunger is the greatest disease; Conditioned things are the greatest suffering. For one who understands this as it really is, Nibbāna is the greatest bliss. –Dhammapada 203



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On February 26, Mahasivarathri (Shiva's birthday), Lily and her family, representing Buddhist Relief Mission, accompanied members of the Ayappa Society of Kandy to distribute gift bags to all 400 students of the school on the Queensberry Tea Estate, near Nuwara Eliya. Each student from Grade 1 to ll received a large exercise book, pens, pencils, colors, and drawing instruments. One girl, on opening her cloth bag, was overjoyed when she found a compass for drawing circles. She had never seen such an instrument, let alone owned one. In appreication for the much-needed supplies, the school faculty held a special ceremony for the donors, and two high school students performed an Indian dance (*Link to the video below*). At the conclusion of the ceremony, the Ayappa Society presented an award to Lily for her outstanding service to the social programs of the Society. Of course, Lily is also indispensible to Buddhist Relief Mission.

"Since you get more joy out of giving joy to others, you should put a good deal of thought into the happiness that you are able to give. –Eleanor Roosevelt

"Not until the creation and maintenance of decent conditions of life for all people are recognized and accepted as a common obligation of all people and all countries—not until then shall we, with a certain degree of justification, be able to speak of humankind as civilized." –Albert Einstein







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Click this image to watch a video of the dance which the two students performed

