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## Covid Catastrophe - Let's help our Motherland

Assalaamu alaikum dear USMAA Family,

Coronavirus infections are surging to catastrophic levels in Sri Lanka and the country's state-sector health service is reeling under the strain. Hospitals are overcrowded and some patients are dying at home without treatment.

Early last week, the Consular General of Sri Lanka, Kapila Fonseka, appealed to USMAA and the Sri Lankan diaspora in Australia to assist with the purchase of some vital medical equipment for the hospitals in Sri Lanka.

In response, two fundraising initiatives have been formed namely **Australian COVID appeal for Sri Lanka** and **Sri Lanka Covid Aid**. Both these appeals are being spearheaded by some active community welfare groups operating in Australia. USMAA was invited to partner with both these initiatives. Bro. Nazeem Yakoob, from USMAA's Community & Sri Lanka Affairs Advisory Group (CSLAAG), graciously agreed to represent USMAA for the above fundraising efforts.

Alhamdulillah, we are indeed lucky that we have not experienced this bleak situation here. As Muslims, it is ingrained in us to help our brethren in a time of need.

Our fellow Sri Lankans need us now.

The funds raised will be disbursed to the two initiatives (based on the recommendation of the CSLAAG) as a contribution from the Sri Lankan Muslim Community in Australia in shaa Allah. Rather than us Muslims making sporadic donations, it is always good to present our contribution as a community under one banner.

Here are the details:

[Account Name: USMAA](#)

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**Closing date:** Midnight on Monday, 7 June 2021

Your donation, however small, will definitely make a difference.

May Allah reward you in abundance for your generosity and contribution to alleviate the suffering of our fellow brethren.

Jazakallah khair

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