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Dear Members of the Sri Lankan Community in Thailand

**Immediate Flood Relief Assistance Appeal**

As you are aware, due to the heavy rains prevailing during the last week in Sri Lanka, over 500,000 people have been affected, with 156 deaths and 95 injured while more than 100 presumed missing as of last evening. Adding to the disaster caused by flood water, the devastation has been aggravated by earth slips. The relief and rescue operations are being conducted by the Ministry of Disaster Management with the support of the tri forces and other agencies. A copy of the situation report as of 28<sup>th</sup> May is annexed (Annex A).

The immediate relief assistance necessities that have arisen due to this natural disaster as identified by the Ministry of Disaster Management are also listed in annex B. A committee has been appointed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to coordinate the immediate responses to collect emergency relief from abroad.

While magnanimous gestures of providing the required relief items are appreciated, it may be kindly noted that the cost for its conveyance to Sri Lanka will have to be borne by the donors. Therefore, monetary donations are encouraged. Such assistance would also be more expedient and economical as most of the urgent relief items can be purchased locally and provided through such funds made available.

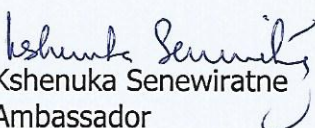
Monetary assistance received will be deposited in the official bank account of the Embassy and a receipt with the title "Contributions to Flood Relief" will be issued in this regard. The collected monies will be credited to the General Deposit Account (GDA) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Funds, so collected, will be transferred to the Flood Relief Fund of the Ministry of Disaster Management. The monies to be donated could be handed over in person at the Embassy premises or deposited directly to the Mission account, while advising the Embassy of same, by transmitting a copy of the deposit advice with the name and contact information of the donor, for which details are as follows.

Account Name	: Embassy of DSR of Sri Lanka
Bank	: Bangkok Bank
Branch Name	: Bang Kapi
Account Number	: 105-3-07098-1

In view of the emergency humanitarian needs that have arisen due to the natural disaster unfolding in our Motherland, I kindly request you to contribute in whatever manner possible to assist our brethren in Sri Lanka. For any further information required in this respect, please contact Mr. J. Jayasundera, Minister Counsellor of the Embassy on [jayananda.jayasundera@mfa.gov.lk](mailto:jayananda.jayasundera@mfa.gov.lk) or 0617059075. I am confident that you would wish to assist the victims back home, which would be a noble gesture in their hour of great need.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

  
Kshenuka Senewiratne  
Ambassador