

Project Proposal

Educational Support for Students of Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya Affected by Cyclone Ditwah

Project Date: 27 December 2025

Project Venue: Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya, Bambarapana, Sri Lanka

Organized by: Sukhita Welfare Foundation in Sri Lanka

**Sponsored by: Tisarana Sri Lanka Buddhist Association of Norway,
Sumaga Welfare Organization of Norway**

Project Patron and Coordinator:

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1. Introduction

Cyclone Ditwah caused severe destruction in several regions of Sri Lanka, including the Maspanna area, leaving many families devastated. Houses, household items, school materials, and sources of income were destroyed or severely damaged. As a result, children in this area are facing significant challenges in continuing their education due to the lack of basic school necessities.

Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya, located in Maspanna, serves a large number of children from these affected families. Many students attending this school come from households that are still struggling to recover from the disaster.

Recognizing this urgent need, Sukhita Welfare Foundation, under the guidance of Venerable Bhante Maniratana, is organizing a welfare project to support these students by providing essential school supplies. This project is made possible through the generous main sponsorship of the Tisarana Sri Lanka Buddhist Association in Norway, whose compassionate support plays a vital role in addressing the educational needs of disaster-affected children. This initiative aims to help children continue their education with dignity, motivation, and hope.

2. About Sukhita Welfare Foundation

Sukhita Welfare Foundation is a charitable organization committed to social welfare, humanitarian relief, and educational support, particularly for underprivileged and disaster-affected communities.

The foundation is led by Venerable Bhante Maniratana, the Founder and President, who is also the Head monk of Sri Lanka Buddhist Vihara in Norway. Through compassionate service and community-centered initiatives, the foundation has continuously worked to uplift vulnerable populations in Sri Lanka and abroad.

3. Background of the Project

The aftermath of Cyclone Ditwah has created long-term difficulties for families in Maspanna. Children attending Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya have lost school books, uniforms, bags, shoes, and stationery due to flooding and house damage.

A list of 153 students from Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya who are directly affected by the cyclone has been identified by the school administration. These students urgently require educational materials to continue their studies without interruption.

This project is designed as a timely intervention to reduce the educational impact of the disaster and to encourage students to remain engaged in learning.

4. Objectives of the Project

The main objectives of this project are:

- To provide essential school items to students affected by Cyclone Ditwah
- To support the continuity of education for children from disaster-affected families
- To reduce the financial burden on parents and guardians
- To motivate students by showing community care and solidarity
- To promote child welfare and equal access to education

5. Beneficiaries

- **Primary Beneficiaries:**
Approximately **153 students** of Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya, from Grade 1 to Grade 13, identified as cyclone-affected.
- **Secondary Beneficiaries:**
Families of the students and the school community as a whole.

6. Project Activities

The following items will be distributed to the selected students:

- School bags
- Exercise books
- Stationery items (pens, pencils, rulers, erasers, etc.)
- School shoes
- Other essential learning materials as required

All items will be distributed directly to students at Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya on 27 December 2025.

7. Budget Plan (Estimated)

Total Project Budget: LKR 992,200.00

Item	Quantity	Unit Price (Rs.)	Amount (Rs.)	Notes
School Bags				
Grade 1 – 2	5	1,400.00	7,000.00	
Grade 3 – 5	38	1,300.00	49,400.00	
Grade 6 – 10	91	2,300.00	209,300.00	
Grade 11 – 13	19	2,000.00	38,000.00	
Vouchers for Shoes	153	3,000.00	459,000.00	Each student receives one voucher
Study Materials	153	1,500.00	229,500.00	Includes books, lunch boxes, water bottles, erasers, geometry boxes, pens & pencils, pastels
Total Budget			992,200.00	

8. Funding and Contributions

The main financial sponsorship for this project is generously provided by the Tisarana Sri Lanka Buddhist Association of Norway. Their committed support enables the successful planning and implementation of this educational assistance program.

Sumaga welfare organization of Norway focusing on school and vocational education in Sri Lanka supports this timely welfare project which enables 153 school children to continue their studies conveniently.

In addition, contributions for this project are welcomed from individuals, organizations, and well-wishers. All funds collected will be used solely for the welfare of students affected by Cyclone Ditwah, ensuring transparency and accountability.

9. Project Implementation

The project will be implemented with the coordination of:

- Sukhita Welfare Foundation
- School administration of Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya
- Local community representatives

Venerable Bhante Maniratana will personally oversee and coordinate the activities during his stay in Sri Lanka.

10. Conclusion

Education is one of the most powerful tools for rebuilding lives after a disaster. Through this welfare project, Sukhita Welfare Foundation aims to restore hope, confidence, and stability to children affected by Cyclone Ditwah.

By supporting the students of Thuppitiya Maha Vidyalaya, this initiative contributes not only to their education but also to the long-term recovery and resilience of the Maspanna community.

We kindly invite compassionate donors and supporters to join hands with us in making this meaningful project a success.