



World Memon Organization WMO – Africa Chapter

COVID19 & RAMADAN 2020 REPORT

SA MUSLIMS STAND UNITED IN THE COVID19 RESPONSE

South Africa is faced with fighting COVID19, an infectious disease spreading rapidly amongst our people and an indefinite lockdown. Sadly, those less fortunate are not by the means to protect and take care of themselves. They are faced with challenges beyond our understanding and imagination. Breadwinners are struggling to feed their families, social distancing is almost impossible in certain homes, actually shacks, a structure made up of 4 walls and up to 5-7 residents per structure, the homeless has no shelter, the abused are forced to endure further abuse and simple pleasures such as just being in the company of your loved ones has been taken away from us overnight. Yet WMO KZN refuses to let these circumstances dictate our destiny as a country. We continue to push forward by trying to make a difference as Muslims and as fellow South Africans. We are playing our role by supporting those in need and providing them with the necessities to help them survive.



Various activities are coordinated by the WMO KZN Team partnered with our sister organization; Jama'atun Nisa and the WMO Gauteng Team. We would like to thank the working teams involved and our supportive donors who are pulling together for the upliftment of those in need.



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To our everyday ESSENTIAL WORKERS –
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Our world needs you and we appreciate you**



As South Africa moves into the coming weeks of an extended lockdown, our fellow South Africans are becoming anxious and we fear a devastating impact on our economy. The majority of our people cannot be categorized as middle-class level and the severe conditions of unemployment and poverty does not help the situation at hand. WMO Africa Chapter is fuelled by this incentive and even more driven in combating the problem of hunger.



Much needed and appreciated warm meals are provided on a daily basis to the homeless.



Grocery hampers filled with essential items are packed, distributed or delivered directly to the homes of our recipients.

Keeping someone warm during the cold days of winter is also a priority and with our Blanket Drive Project, we are meeting that much needed necessity as well.



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WMO Africa Chapter would also like to take a moment to acknowledge Dr Taheera Hassim [current ASG] working hand in hand with Gift of the Givers conducting daily COVID19 testing, Dr Ridwan Mia, Dr Khudaija Suliman, Dr Haroon Gutta [Members of the Regional Management Committee] and other members who are also in the medical field. These are the fearless human beings holding down the fort and risking their own lives as our frontline heroes. We are blessed to have such selfless and dedicated members within our organization.



SPONSOR A BAG OF MIELIE MEAL FOR ONLY R60 AND FEED MILLIONS

Some of the founding members of the The Meal SA Project are our very own WMO Members, Yunus Suleman, Moosa Carrim and Shiraz Gany. A drive to fund over 1 million Mielie Meal Bags providing over 5 million meals to lower income households. When an appeal was made WMO Africa once again stepped up to the plate with the VP of Africa chapter Mr Feizul Ayob, immediately pledging and the Africa Chapter contributing towards this initiative.

Our dedicated sisters from WMO KZN - Jama'atun Nisa under the supervision of Fazila AK Ismail, hand in hand with her husband, AK Ismail worked tirelessly towards this project and raising the necessary funds. The generous donations received were ONLY LILLAH funds ensuring that we were able to assist EVERYONE in need, despite religion, race and culture. In addition to this they also initiated a Food Hamper Drive headed by Shireen Arbee for other food items which was distributed together with the maize meal .This hamper drive was fully supported by Yusuf Kamdar.

The distribution was facilitated by the Natal Memon Jamaat who are in the frontline on the ground making a difference and ensuring that this relief aid reaches the most vulnerable far & wide. Halima Abdulla coordinated the logistics of the distribution process with Sister Shaheeda from “Being Muslim”, overseen by Shireen Arbee and Fazila AK Ismail with the NMJ Welfare Team led by Brother Ahmed Osman

Yunus Suleman, Moosa Carrim together with Shiraz Gany and the Mealsa Team coordinated their efforts partnering with various organizations nationally to work united for the same goal of uplifting humanity and for the pleasure of Allah SWT. Showing acts of kindness during a time when the people of South Africa are facing a crisis and are feeling helpless.

May Almighty Allah (SWT) in His infinite mercy protect the people of South Africa and people throughout the world and may He grant us the means and ability to continue offering assistance to our fellow South Africans. AAMEEN

Consistent appeals and motivations are made, however the need is so much greater than we thought and we can never say we have done enough so the fundraising will be an ongoing appeal from WMO and Jama' Atun Nisa as well as all the other partner organizations of Meal SA.





“Yunus Suleman said that it was necessary for civil society formations to band together to ensure that communities across SA have food, water and sanitation to ensure human dignity.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:

WMO President (Solly Noor), VP of AFRICA (Feizul Ayob), Yusuf Kamdar and AK Ismail & Fazila AK Ismail for the support and encouragement.

MEMBERS OF THE NATAL MEMON JAMAAT, President (Mohammed Gany), Vice President (Kim Jooma), Head of Welfare Committee (Ahmed Osman), our NMJ team member Asif AK Ismail and all the NMJ Exec & Committee Members. And especially those who were in the forefront on the ground distributing on our behalf in KZN under strict supervision of the authorities and abiding by all the rules of lockdown.

Sisters of WMO KZN/JAMA'ATUN NISA; Shereen Arbee, Halima Abdulla, Jameela Joosub, Fatima Essa Hasshim, Fazila Kamdar, Feroza Mohammed, Shireen Abdulla and every member of this ladies organization who have been supportive and offering assistance during the most challenging times of providing relief aid to those in need.

Haabul Falaah led by Imraan Ismail who assisted with door to door deliveries in KZN.

Sister Shaheeda from “Being Muslim” for her generous contributions in the coordination of deliveries in order to reach the various areas where the most vulnerable in South Africa lived

WRITTEN BY FAZILA AK ISMAIL

**LETS WORK TOGETHER TO FEED SOUTH AFRICA YOUR DONATION
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The WMO AFRICA CHAPTER Welfare Committee located in various regions continues to provide the necessary assistance to those who are in need on a monthly basis. Amid this outbreak we have extended our services to the broader community and a variety of projects are rolling out each day headed and overseen by core members of the organization.

The demand for warm meals grows daily and we are currently averaging between 14-17 dhegs, ranging from R1500 – R1800 per dheg. This is cooked daily and distributed to hundreds of people, not only MuslimS but non-Muslim recipients as well. Groceries are daily provided to the community members of Vrededorp Pageview and bread & food donated to the residents of Jan Hofmeyer Old Age Home.



Cde Moosa Carrim

We want to thank you so much for helping the community with food parcels during this difficult time.

On behalf of the ANC, Gandhi Mahlangu Branch, Ward 58, We really appreciate what you have done. May Allah bless you and your family. Thank you my leader.

Regards

Branch Chairperson

Zonal Chairperson

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SA MUSLIMS - COVID19 RESPONSE CONTINUES INTO THE BLESSED MONTH OF RAMADAN



Overseen by Anver Carrim - Door to door food hampers delivered to those less fortunate amongst the people of Potchefstroom.



WMO facilitated a feeding scheme and donated additional groceries to the residents at an Old Age Home in Klipspruit. This Madressa [An-Noor] has been supported and uplifted by WMO for many years and the partnership formed between this organization and WMO has strengthened over the years.



Mattresses and cash donations were donated to a project overseen by Mr Yusuf Abramjee



In partnership with FYMO - Mielie Meal & Baked Beans Drive delivered to the residents of Riverlea, Madressah Ihya Uloom as well as the community members who are unemployed of the Rasooli Centre.

RAMADAN PROJECTS



WMO AFRICA CHAPTER Welfare Committee, coordinated by Dr Taheera, Hassim, Dr Ridwan Mia, Mr Abdul Kader Baba & Yasmin Gani visited the Al Hudaar Orphanage on Saturday, 09th May 2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID19 outbreak our access to the orphans was very restricted and we tried to adhere to strict COVID19 protocols. We struggled with a permit and Gift of the Givers came to our rescue, whereby transporting our packs and escorting us safely to Al Hudaar Orphanage and back.

One of our donors, Mr Shafique Cassim generously donated 25 windbreakers, 25 fabric face masks and a 2nd face mask in order for hygiene to be maintained. He was so inspired and touched by this drive, he then took it upon himself to personalise each beanie with the children's individual names to make them feel special.



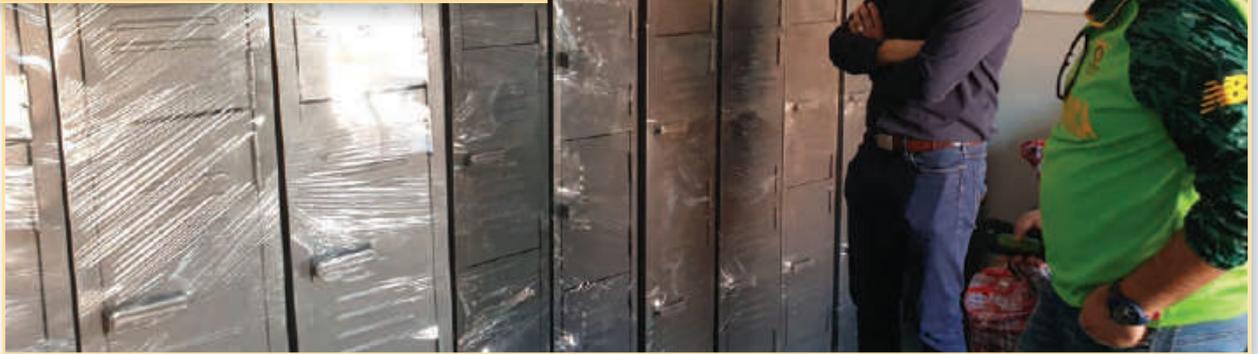
WMO donated bags filled with items the children required, this included: underwear, winter socks, vests, pyjamas, gowns, slippers, pumps, beanies, hats, gloves and jackets.

RAMADAN PROJECTS

The Islamic Medical Association of South Africa (IMASA) donated extra fabric face masks to ensure that all the children were adhering to lockdown rules and regulations should they leave their premises and go out in public.



The orphanage where the children are residing had non-functioning taps. We felt it necessary to then also donate 2 kitchen mixers, 4 taps and an additional 10 oil heaters for the cold and wintery days ahead.



The cupboards were broken and in a poor condition but alhumdulillah, Mr Mohseen Moosa from Momar Capital generously sponsored and delivered 30 lockers after hearing about the drive to revamp the orphanage.



Each child was gifted with a toiletry pack according to their age consisting of soap, lotion, toothbrush, toothpaste, roll on, body wash, sanitary towels, sweets, chocolates and biscuits.



“Whoever relieves a believer’s distress of the distressful aspects of this world, Allah will rescue him from a difficulty of the difficulties of the Hereafter. Whoever alleviates [the situation of] one in dire straits who cannot repay his debt, Allah will alleviate his lot in both this world and in the Hereafter. Whoever conceals [the faults of] a Muslim, Allah will conceal [his faults] in this life and the Hereafter. (Muslim)



**Grocery hampers provided to the people of Swaziland.
Overseen by Samad Essa**



Our annual Ramadan contribution to Hadjie Lutife in Newclare – Westbury, donating 300 food parcels worth R100,000.00 to zakaat eligible families just before Eid celebrations.

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The WMO AFRICA CHAPTER WHEELCHAIR CAMPAIGN is an ongoing project. We would like to thank Yusuf Kamdar, AK Ismail and Fazila AK Ismail for sponsoring standard and specialized wheelchairs.



On the 25th May 2020, under the supervision of Mr Ahmed Gani and members of World Islamic Organization [WIO], we donated Ramadan hampers to the needy at Masjud Quba in Carolina, which was purchased by Hajee Kaka Hajee Hassim, founder members of WIO. In addition to these deliveries were made to Muslim homes at the Waburton Masjid Hadhrat Aboobaker Sidique RA centre and Masjid Shuhada Badr RA centre.



Purposeful Giving in collaboration with WMO collected R100,000.00 as a contribution to the Islamic Relief South Africa's aid of Yemen Orphans "Food & Water" project.



Partnership with Lajpaal Foundation distributing warm uniforms to the needy during winter.

ADDITIONAL DONATIONS

R50,000.00 donated to Rizq Humanitarian Relief

R50,000.00 donated to the Imam Development Fund

R100,000.00 donated to the "Million Masks Campaign"

Halaal meals provided to Muslim prisoners

NOTE: Our monthly monetary assistance offered to zakaat eligible widows, orphans and needy Muslim families continues, however with the impact of the lock-down and many finding themselves unemployed and small businesses running at a loss, we have decided to increase our contributions by R1000 for each recipient during the month of Ramadan. We hope this gesture may offer some form of relief to our Brothers and Sisters in Islam.

WMO KZN & JAMA'ATUN NISA



MAIZE MEAL DISTRIBUTION



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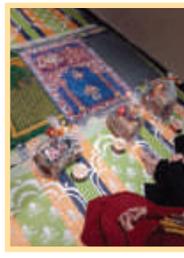
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ALL CONTRIBUTIONS GO TO MIELIE MEAL PURCHASES
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AND
JAMAYATUN NISA



World Memon Organization Gift of the Givers FITRAH PROJECT

The Prophet of Allah said, “The fasting of the month of fasting will be hanging between earth and heavens and it will not be raised up to the Divine Presence without paying the Zakat al-Fitr.” To purify those who fast from any indecent act or speech and to help the poor and needy.

WMO AFRICA CHAPTER collaborated with GIFT OF THE GIVERS and raised R30 000 - donating X1000 @R30 each Fitrah parcels to those less fortunate. The contents included; fish, baked beans, tea, stork, dates, cappucino, vegetables and sweets for the children.

We would like to thank Dr Taheera Hassim and Dr Ridwan Mia who drove this project, made the appeals and ensured that WMO played their part in serving the community and being present to distribute. The distributions took place at Image Lifestyle Conference Centre in Fordsburg where recipients observed social distancing, collected their parcels and expressed sincere appreciation and accepted the donation made by Gift of the Givers & WMO.



WMO Africa visited Tarbiyatul Aytam Foundation – Orphanage in Robertsham during the month of Ramadan. This facility homes 32 children of whom 10 are little infants. Each baby was provided with a full layette which included a few baby-grows, socks, vests, hats, clothing, towels and blankets. We also donated additional cots and bottles as they were short of this. The bathrooms were in a dismal condition and the taps were not functioning. An anonymous donor generously sponsored taps and a shower head for the facility. The older children were in need of winter wear, underwear, socks, jackets, school windbreakers, hat, beanies, gloves and pyjamas which were bought and personalised with their names branded by WMO. Some of the children did not even have school bags so the clothing was packed into back packs which they could now use as school bags when they returned to school again.

Thank you once again to our sponsors, such as; Shafiq Cassim and a special thank you to Muhammed Hassim and Dr Zaheera Soni who assisted us.



The Al Hudaar Orphanage runs a Madressah of which there are young ladies as students who are zakat eligible. This institute depends solely on donations for their month to month running expenses and since the lockdown there has been insufficient funding to pay their staff, rates, taxes as well as the running costs. We then proposed an “Empowerment Project”, whereby the young ladies could play a vital role in generating an income for themselves as well as the institute. We offered to purchase industrial sewing machines and training, which would enable them to learn and produce garments that could be sold to bring in a sustainable income for the facility. The committee immediately saw this as a worthwhile project and approved the purchasing of 4 sewing machines and 1 overlocker.



Thank you to Mr Mohseen Moosa who donated towards this project.



Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown, many people have been stranded and left without an income and many have been in dire straits. They have turned to the Imams of masjid for assistance. The Imams of the Imam Development Program have been approached by members of their communities who need food, electricity vouchers and other forms of assistance. Although community assistance is outside the official mandate of the Imam Development Program, we felt that assisting the Imams to assist their communities would enhance the position of the imams. Walhumdulillah the World Memon Organization joined hands with us in supporting imams to support their communities.

The World Memon Organization transferred R40,000.00 to the Imam Development Program and this was subsequently distributed amongst a group of imams who satisfied the needs of desperate community members. The World Memon Organization has been a dear supporter of the Imam Development Program and we ask Allah Subhanallahu Ta'ala to bless them and reward them. This assistance is in keeping with the mission of the World Memon Organization in uplifting communities.

Bilal Ismail [Alkauthar Institute Instructor & Imam Development Program Director] www.alkauthar.org / www.imamdp.org

MESSAGE FROM TAHEERA HASSIM [ASG]

The COVID-19 pandemic has become one of the greatest economic calamities since the Great Depression placing a significantly worse toll on the poorer and vulnerable segments of society. This pandemic has not only placed a level of disproportionate impact on low income workers but has raised income inequality and hurt employment prospects of both those with only a basic education as well as the employment of people with advanced degrees. It has affected everyone.

Between strict confinement, curfews and a ban on any public gatherings, the fasting month has been unlike most other years, yet the World Memon Organization Africa Chapter and its donors has never failed humanity. Despite trying times, every donor dug deep into their pockets and our great duty to help and support those less fortunate still remained priority.

Communities that had no access to food were provided for and funds were raised for zakat, lillah and fitrah to accommodate all the needs.

“ When Allah SWT talks about giving to those who are in need of money, food, clothing, etc. in Surah Al-Isra, He doesn't refer to it as “helping the miskeen” or “giving charity to the miskeen” Allah SWT refers to this act as giving them what is their right and what they deserve. It is their right upon me and you and Allah is watching – Nouman Ali Khan.

No one has ever become poor from giving and the best charity is by those who have little.

Just as ripples spread out when a single pebble is dropped into water, the combined effect of every cent has far reaching effects.



We would like to thank all our sister organizations with whom we have been working very closely to ensure that the needs of the people are met and the Memon community is playing a vital role in making a difference.

