

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT

Year 2025



— COLOMBO —



World Memon Organization – Far East Chapter
24th Annual General Meeting

Colombo, Sri Lanka

WMO FAR EAST CHAPTER REGIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE & MEMBERS



THE REGIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2023/2026

NAME	Membership	B O M Position
Mr. Eliyas Abdul Kareem	Trustee	BOM
Mr. Ashraf Sattar Sayani	Trustee	Chairman BOT
Mr. Farook Kassim	Trustee	BOM
Mr. Aslam Omar	Trustee	BOM
Mr. Mukthar Haji Anver Ahmed	Patron	BOM
Mr. Afthab Bhadelia (Japanwala)	Patron	BOM
Mr. Ameen Bhaila	Life Member	Regional President
Mr. Hassan Siddique	Life Member	Regional Secretary
Mr. Razzak Osman	Life Member	Regional Treasurer
Mr. Iqbal Sathar	Life Member	BOM
Mr. A C Mahmud	Life Member	BOM
Mr Ismail Gadit	Life Member	BOM
Mrs. Shazia Sangani	Life Member	Regional Ladies Chair
Mrs. Anila Altaf	Life Member	Regional Ladies Secretary
Mrs. Gulshan Ashraf	Life Member	Regional Ladies Treasurer
Mr. Aqib Ashraf	Youth Member	GYW Vice Chairman

The Far East Chapter had a total membership of 240 as at 31-12-2025

Membership Category	Number of Members
Trustees	04
Patrons	02
Apex Bodies	01
Individual Life Members	100
Individual Members	62
Friends of WMO	02
Young Memon	01
Global Youth Wing	68

Our membership numbers have grown with the increase of Life members and Individual Membership category. Youth member numbers also continuing to grow as they are the future of WMO.

Details of Members Activities of Far East Chapter during the year ended 31 December 2025;

- 4 BOM meetings (RMC Meetings)
- 1 General body meeting

ZAKAT COMMITTEE AND ZAKAT PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES



PERMANENT ZAKAT COMMITTEE

The **Permanent Zakath Committee**, established through the collaboration between the **World Memon Organisation (WMO) Far East Chapter** and the **Memon Association of Sri Lanka (MASL)**, continued to play a pivotal role in strengthening the collection, assessment, and distribution of Zakath during 2025. The Committee remains one of the Chapter's greatest strengths, ensuring that Zakath funds are administered with fairness, diligence, and complete transparency.

TRUSTEES OF THE ZAKAT COMMITTEE

Janab Haji Elias Abdul Kareem	Janab Haji Abdul Gaffar Abdul Latiff Sayani
Janab Haji Abdul Sattar Kassim	Janab Haji Anis Abdul Sattar Sayani
Janab Aslam Omar	Janab Haji Dr. Haroon Aboobucker Admani
Janab Haji Abdul Cader Mahmud Hadfa	Janab Mohamed Ameen Haji Ahamed Bhaila
Janab Haji Ismail Abdul Latiff Admani	

ZAKAT WORKING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name	Designation
Mr. Jafar Abdul Sattar Katliya	Chairman
Mr. Abdul Razzak Abdul Sattar Katliya	President-MASL
Mr. Abdul Gani Ahamed Fathani	Secretary
Mr. Mohamed Yaseen Ahamed Bhaila	Treasurer / Medical – Team Leader
Mr. Mohamed Iqbal Sattar Khiyani	Housing / Self Employment - Team Leader
Mr. Abdul Razzak Osman Hingora	Education – Team Leader
Mr. Anis Abdul Sattar Sayani	
Mr. Abdul Cader Mahmud Hadfa	
Mr. Mohamed Azeem Ismail	
Mr. Mohamed Hassan Haji Siddique	
Mr. Ismail Sattar Gadit	

Meeting on a **fortnightly basis** at the MASL office, the Committee devotes several hours during each session to reviewing applications, conducting detailed interviews with prospective beneficiaries, assessing individual circumstances, and making informed decisions on the allocation of assistance. This structured approach ensures that every application is evaluated consistently and that Zakath reaches those who are genuinely eligible and most in need.

A distinguishing feature of the Committee is that all its members serve entirely in a **voluntary capacity**, contributing their time, expertise, and experience without any remuneration. Furthermore, the members are themselves valued contributors to the WMO Zakath Fund, reflecting their deep personal commitment to the objectives of the programme. Their unique perspective as both donors and custodians of the fund promotes a culture of integrity, accountability, and responsible stewardship.

The Regional Management Committee of the WMO Far East Chapter records its sincere appreciation to every member of the Permanent Zakath Committee for their unwavering dedication, professionalism, and countless hours of voluntary service throughout the year. Their collective efforts continue to ensure that every Zakath contribution entrusted to the Chapter is utilised effectively, responsibly, and in accordance with the true spirit and principles of Zakath.

ZAKATH COLLECTION & DISBURSEMENTS

The details of Zakat Commitment, Collection and utilization for 2025 as given below;

Year	Pledges /Commit		Collection		Utilization	
	LKR	US\$	LKR	US\$	Locally LKR	International
2025	363,140,000	1,210,000	325,900,000	1,086,500	220,489,000	\$0

Utilization of Zakat – Year 2025

Zakat Disbursed			No. of Recipients
Education Aid	63,845,557	\$212,819	425
Medical Aid	20,603,475	\$68,678	112
Housing Aid Rent & Own	49,210,803	\$164,036	72
Housing - Construction	60,000,000	\$200,000	16
Self - Employment	1,429,219	\$4,764	5
Ditwah Disaster Relief	25,400,000	\$84,667	220
Total Zakat Disbursed	220,489,054	\$734,964	850

Zakath Collection and Distribution

The WMO Far East Chapter continued its unwavering commitment to serving the less fortunate through the effective collection and responsible distribution of Zakath funds during 2025. Despite the prevailing economic challenges, the generosity and trust of our donors enabled the Chapter to make a meaningful impact on the lives of hundreds of deserving beneficiaries across Sri Lanka.

During the year, the Chapter secured **Zakath commitments amounting to LKR 363.14 million (USD 1.21 million)** and successfully collected **LKR 325.90 million (USD 1.087 million)**, during the financial year 2025, and the balance were collected before Ramadan. This remarkable achievement was made possible through the continued support of approximately **80 generous Zakath donors**, whose confidence in the Chapter's transparency and accountability remains the foundation of our humanitarian efforts.

A total of **LKR 220.49 million (USD 734,964)** was disbursed during the year, with all distributions directed towards carefully identified beneficiaries in accordance with the principles of Zakath. The remaining balance has been earmarked for approved projects and beneficiary assistance to be implemented in the subsequent financial year.

Education remained the Chapter's highest priority, with **LKR 63.85 million** allocated to support the education of **425 students**, reaffirming our long-term commitment to breaking the cycle of poverty through access to quality education. Housing continued to be another key focus area, with **LKR 60 million** invested in the construction of **16 permanent homes** under our Housing Colony Project, in addition to **LKR 49.21 million** provided as housing assistance, repairs and rental support benefiting **72 families**.

Recognising the importance of healthcare for vulnerable communities, the Chapter disbursed **LKR 20.60 million** towards medical assistance, providing life-changing support to **112 beneficiaries**. Financial assistance for self-employment initiatives amounting to **LKR 1.43 million** enabled several deserving individuals to establish sustainable livelihoods and work towards long-term financial independence.

The Chapter also responded promptly to humanitarian emergencies by allocating **LKR 25.40 million** towards disaster relief efforts, extending assistance to **220 affected individuals and families**. This timely intervention demonstrated the Chapter's readiness to support communities during times of crisis while upholding the core values of compassion and service.

Overall, the Zakath programme directly benefited **850 recipients** during 2025, reflecting the Chapter's continued dedication to ensuring that every contribution reaches those most deserving. The diversity of programmes supported—ranging from education, healthcare and housing to livelihood development and disaster relief—demonstrates a balanced and impactful approach to Zakath utilization, creating lasting improvements in the lives of beneficiaries.

The WMO Far East Chapter expresses its heartfelt appreciation to every donor whose generosity has made these initiatives possible. We remain committed to maintaining the highest standards of governance, transparency and accountability in the management of Zakath funds and pray that Allah (SWT) accepts the contributions of all our donors and volunteers, granting them abundant rewards in this life and the Hereafter.

Housing Colony Project

One of the most significant milestones achieved by the WMO Far East Chapter during 2025 was the successful completion of our flagship Housing Colony Project, reaffirming our commitment to providing safe, dignified, and permanent housing for underprivileged families.

Alhamdulillah, the Chapter successfully completed the construction of 16 modern two-storey housing units on a 68-perch parcel of land situated in Wellampitiya, Greater Colombo, Western Province. Each house has been thoughtfully designed with a floor area of approximately 1,100 square feet, providing families with comfortable living spaces that promote security, stability, and a better quality of life.

The project was completed at a total cost of approximately LKR 200 million (USD 600,000), funded entirely through the generous Zakath contributions received from our donors. This landmark initiative reflects the trust placed in the WMO Far East Chapter to utilise Zakath funds effectively in creating long-term, sustainable benefits for deserving families.

Following a comprehensive beneficiary selection process conducted by the Chapter's Zakath Committee, the completed houses are scheduled to be officially handed over to the selected beneficiaries in March 2026.

The joy and gratitude expressed by the recipient families upon seeing their new homes have been truly heartwarming. For many, this marks the beginning of a new chapter in life—one with greater dignity, security, and hope for the future. This project stands as a testament to the unwavering dedication of our Zakath Committee, Housing Project Team, volunteers, donors, and well-wishers whose collective efforts transformed a vision into reality.

We pray that Allah (SWT) accepts this humble endeavour as Sadaqah Jariyah for all those who contributed towards its success and grants immense barakah to every family that will call these houses their home.

NON – ZAKAT PROJECTS

AND

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES



WMO-FC PROJECTS

1. MICRO FINANCING.

Far East Chapter – Micro Finance Scheme

Empowering Livelihoods, Building Sustainable Futures

The **Micro Finance Loan Scheme** continues to be one of the WMO Far East Chapter's flagship community empowerment initiatives, providing interest-free financial assistance to aspiring entrepreneurs and small business owners. Now in **Phase VIII**, the scheme continues to promote self-employment, financial independence, and sustainable economic growth within the community.

2025 Highlights

- **175 beneficiaries** have been assisted since the inception of the scheme.
- **250 interest-free loans** have been disbursed, with **65 beneficiaries** receiving repeat assistance to expand their businesses.
- **LKR 14 million** has been advanced under the current phase.
- **30 beneficiaries** have successfully achieved financial independence, demonstrating the long-term impact of the programme.

Overall Programme Statistics

- **Total Phases Completed:** 08
- **Total Fund Disbursed:** LKR 22 million
- **Maximum Loan Amount:** LKR 1 million
- **Total Loans Granted:** 250
- **Total Beneficiaries:** 175

The continued success of the Micro Finance Loan Scheme reflects the Chapter's commitment to empowering individuals through sustainable livelihood opportunities rather than short-term financial assistance. By enabling beneficiaries to establish and expand their businesses, the programme continues to strengthen families, create economic resilience, and contribute to the long-term well-being of the community.

"More than financing businesses, we are investing in dreams, restoring dignity, and creating lasting economic independence for our community."

2. GIFT OF SIGHT PROJECT

Restoring Vision, Transforming Lives

The **Gift of Sight Project** is a unique humanitarian initiative undertaken by the WMO Far East Chapter in partnership with the **Sri Lankan Eye Bank Society** and the **WMO Pakistan Chapter**. Through this collaboration, healthy donated corneas are provided at cost by the Sri Lankan Eye Bank Society and sent to Pakistan, where they are transplanted free of charge into financially disadvantaged patients through leading eye hospitals.

Funded through Zakath, this project restores vision and transforms lives by enabling beneficiaries to regain their independence and improve their quality of life.

<i>Project Snapshot</i>	
- Project Period: 2020 – 2025	- Cost per Cornea: USD 450
- Projected Corneas to be Donated: 500	- Donations Received (up to 2025): 355 corneas
	- Corneas Sent to Pakistan: 345 corneas

The WMO Far East Chapter remains grateful to all donors, volunteers, and partner organisations whose continued support has made this life-changing initiative possible, bringing the priceless gift of sight to hundreds of deserving individuals.

3. EDUCATION PROJECTS

WMO Far East Chapter's Strategic Investment of Non-Zakath Funds

The World Memon Organisation – Far East Chapter (WMO FC) continues to invest its **Non-Zakath Funds** in sustainable community development, with education remaining one of its highest priorities. Through these long-term investments, the Chapter aims to enhance educational opportunities, improve learning environments, and empower future generations to become productive members of society

a) Darussalam College (DC) Project

As part of its ongoing commitment to educational development, WMO FC continues to support **Darussalam College**, a century-old institution serving more than **1,225 students**, the majority of whom come from underprivileged backgrounds. The Chapter's assistance focuses on enhancing educational standards, improving student facilities, and supporting the overall development of the school. **Annual Project Cost: Approximately LKR 3 million**

Key Support Areas:

- Extra classes for students preparing for major exams
- Sports development (equipment, practice sessions, coach salaries)
- Full-time WMO coordinator based at the school

b) Al Hijra Muslim Vidyalaya

One of Colombo's oldest Muslim schools with only 385 students. WMO provides salaries for volunteer English and IT teachers.

c) Al Hidayah Muslim Vidyalaya

Al Hidayah is a Muslim girls' school in Colombo 10, with 900 students. WMO assists this school by providing, an English and IT teacher.

d) Alighar Muslim School, Kalleliya

We have identified this deserving school as a high-performing Muslim school in the Muslim village of Kalleliya and with the aim to improve university entrance rates. We provide extra classes materials and resource person, in order to increase the pass rates of this school.

e) Fathima Muslim Ladies College, Colombo 1

We support Fathima Muslim Ladies College with the aim to produce more professionals – doctors, accountants, lawyers – by providing targeted academic support and resources.

f) Hamza College

Hamza college is assisted by WMO with provision of 2 volunteer teachers (English & IT).

Donation of School Books

As an annual program, WMO continued to distribute 750 packs of exercise books worth approximately LKR 2.5 million to needy children in rural Sri Lanka, mainly covering the North and East provinces. Beneficiaries included all communities in Colombo, Gampaha Mannar, Nawalapitiya, and Trincomalee areas.

SUMMARY OF EDUCATION PROJECTS

<u>School</u>	<u>Funded for</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Darussalam College	Education & EC Activities	2,884,900
	Coordinator Salary	852,000
Fathima Muslim Ladies College	Education	540,000
Alighar Muslim College	Education	1,237,300
Al Hijra – Kuppiyawatte	Volunteer Teachers	1,020,000
Hamza College - Mutwal	Volunteer Teachers	720,000
Presidents College - Kotte	Islam Teacher	240,000
Al Hidayah Muslim Vidyalaya	Volunteer Teachers	480,000
School Kits Distribution	Rural Schools	2,500,000
Total for WMOFC Education project		10,474,200

LADIES WING ACTIVITIES

Annual Review of Activities

The year 2025 was a remarkable period for the Ladies Wing of the World Memon Organisation (WMO) Far East Chapter, characterized by events that strengthened community bonds, promoted women's empowerment, and encouraged healthy, active lifestyles. The Ladies Wing successfully executed two major events during the year.

1. Eid Milan Lunch

Date: Wednesday, 9th April 2025

Venue: Taj Samudra Hotel, Colombo

To celebrate the festive spirit of Eid, the Ladies Wing hosted an elegant Eid Milan Lunch, providing a wonderful platform for the women of our community to reconnect, network, and celebrate together. The event saw an enthusiastic turnout, with more than 30 ladies participating. It proved to be a highly enjoyable and memorable gathering, fostering a strong sense of unity and sisterhood within the chapter.

2. Memon Ladies Badminton Tournament

Theme: "Smash Your Way to Victory"

Date: Saturday, 30th August 2025

Time: 8:00 AM onwards

Venue: Mercantile Badminton Association

In alignment with our ongoing commitment to women's empowerment, health, and wellness, the Ladies Wing organized the highly anticipated Memon Ladies Badminton Tournament 2025. This sports initiative aimed to give women and young girls a dedicated space to showcase their athletic talents, build team spirit, and embrace physical fitness. The tournament was structured across four distinct age categories to ensure inclusive participation

The response from the community was overwhelming, drawing a total of 54 vibrant participants competing across 27 teams. The tournament was a resounding success, marked by intense, high-spirited matches and immense support from spectators. To honor the dedication and hard work of our players, beautiful custom trophies were awarded to the outstanding achievers of the day.

Conclusion

The Ladies Wing extends its deepest gratitude to the WMO Far East Chapter management, our generous sponsors, volunteers, and the community members whose continuous support made the events of 2025 a grand success. We look forward to reaching greater heights and launching more impactful initiatives in the years to come, Insha Allah.

YOUTH WING ACTIVITIES

Ifthar Program

On **25th March 2025**, during the blessed month of Ramadan, the Youth Wing arranged its annual **Orphanage Iftar Program** at an orphanage in **Aluthgama**. The event was attended by nearly a seventy children, who were provided with a warm meal and shared in the blessings of breaking fast with the community. This program has become a meaningful tradition, reinforcing our commitment to social service and compassion for the less fortunate.

08 Ball Pool Tournament

The WMO Far East Chapter **Youth Wing (GYW)** successfully organized the **08 Ball Pool Tournament**, bringing together youth from across the community in a spirit of healthy competition, friendship, and camaraderie. The tournament attracted **30 participating teams**, all competing for the championship trophies, and was well supported by an enthusiastic gathering of spectators.

The event provided an excellent platform for fostering interaction among young members while promoting sportsmanship and strengthening community ties. The Chapter extends its sincere appreciation to the **Recreational Management Committee (RMC)** and all our generous sponsors whose support was instrumental in the success of this event.

Throughout **2025**, the WMO Far East Chapter Youth Wing continued to organize a diverse range of sporting, social, and community engagement initiatives. These activities played a significant role in promoting youth participation, leadership, and volunteerism, while further strengthening the unity and cohesion of the Memon community in Sri Lanka.

Conclusion

Alhamdulillah, as we reflect on the achievements of 2025, we are filled with gratitude to Allah (SWT) for His countless blessings and guidance throughout the year. The accomplishments highlighted in this Annual Report are a testament to the collective dedication of our members, donors, volunteers, office bearers, and well-wishers, whose unwavering support has enabled the WMO Far East Chapter to make a meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of those we serve.

From strengthening our Zakath initiatives and expanding educational support to delivering sustainable housing projects, humanitarian assistance, and youth development programmes, every milestone has been achieved through the spirit of unity, compassion, and selfless service that defines our organisation.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to upholding the highest standards of transparency, accountability, and excellence while continuing to serve our community with sincerity and purpose. We pray that Allah (SWT) accepts our humble efforts, blesses all those who have contributed to these noble causes, and grants us the strength and wisdom to accomplish even greater service in the years to come.

May Allah (SWT) continue to unite us in service, strengthen our community, and make our efforts a source of lasting benefit for generations to come. Ameen.

Ameen Bhaila

Regional President – WMO Far East Chapter

Hassan Siddique

Regional Secretary – WMO Far East Chapter

Razak Osman

Regional Treasurer – WMO Far East Chapter

