

## FEDERATION OF MALAYSIAN SRI LANKAN ORGANISATIONS (FOMSO)

PERSEKUTUAN ORGANISASI SRI LANKA DI MALAYSIA

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Your Excellency Selvi J Jayalalithaa Honourable Chief Minister Tamil Nadu India

Your Excellency

The Federation of Malaysian Sri Lankan Organizations (FOMSO) wishes to extend its heartiest congratulations to you on the recent landslide Tamil Nadu State election victory. With this clear mandate and with Your Excellency's leadership, we are confident that Tamil Nadu will further develop, prosper and progress for the benefit of its people.

FOMSO is a non-political umbrella body that has 18 Malaysian Sri Lankan Organizations as its members. Its main aims and objectives are to unite, coordinate and work towards the advancement and betterment of the community in the context of national development.

As part of FOMSO's community services, we have been helping hundreds of displaced Sri Lankans who arrived in Malaysia as refugees. We liaise with the Indian, Sri Lankan, Australian, Canadian, British, German and Norwegian embassies in Malaysia to find needy solutions to a multitude of problems the displaced people face after fleeing their motherland.

Apart from providing humanitarian help to the displaced Sri Lankans in Malaysia, FOMSO also extends humanitarian assistance and is involved in rehabilitating and rebuilding work for the war-affected Tamils in Sri Lanka. Their needs are indeed vast. FOMSO has, so far, undertaken 5 humanitarian missions to Sri Lanka and on each of these missions the representatives of FOMSO have handed over directly to the displaced people and to relevant institutions in the Northern and Eastern territories various forms of humanitarian assistance in the nature of medication, medical equipment, computers, shoes, books and other equipments for various schools, 300 bicycles to displaced persons, 4,000 books to the Jaffna Library and various other forms of assistance. The total amount expended on such humanitarian assistance in the course of these 5 missions is in excess of RM1 million (equivalent to about INR15 million).

Additionally, FOMSO is now helping to facilitate Investment and Industry in Sri Lanka, with particular emphasis on the North and the East so as to create employment opportunities for the people in those territories.

Both the humanitarian and facilitation of investment and industry activities are on-going.

We are confident that the new Tamil Nadu Government under the leadership of Your Excellency will help the Tamils in Sri Lanka find a permanent solution to their problems so that they can live a life of dignity, peace and honour as they have for centuries. Needless to say, the thousands of needy Tamils in Sri Lanka need Your Excellency's support and assistance.

May we, in conclusion, extend our warmest wishes to Your Excellency and the new Tamil Nadu Government for a successful and inspiring tenure in office.

With our best wishes and regards,

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Yours sincerely

Dato' S Kulasegaran President

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