



Centre For Handicapped, Kundasale

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"Feed the Hungry"

Successive waves of Covid-19 and the consequent lockdowns and restrictions on travel and gatherings have had a devastating effect on the lives and livelihoods of many Sri Lankans, a substantial number of whom are daily paid workers, wage workers, or the owners of small family businesses. The closure of their businesses or the loss of their wages has meant that many have found it difficult to afford even one square meal a day for themselves and their families. A one-off, joint project between the Centre and the Inner Wheel Clubs of Kandy and Katugastota and the Zonta Club of Kandy, which reached out to affected families in the vicinity of the Centre in early July, served to underline the desperate need for assistance to the poorest families and resulted in our current humanitarian initiative – "Feed the Hungry" which is being carried out with the support of the Rotary Club of Kandy & other generous donors who responded to our appeal for support. While the project with Inner Wheel and Zonta provided dry rations worth Rs. 3,645.00 to 150 families in the Grama Niladari Division of Ambakotte, the first two phases of the current project have donated dry rations to 128 families in Unuwinna Grama Niladari Divisions 1024, 1025, as well as in Ma-Oya, Ihakatiya, Kappettiyawa and Ambathanna at a cost of Rs. 3,200.00 per family. We hope to be able to continue these efforts in the months to come.



A Very Special Celebration

On the 4th of July 2021, Mr. & Mrs. Ramawickrama celebrated their 47th Wedding Anniversary at the Centre. Each year they visit the Centre and make generous donations to mark this special occasion. This year they donated mobility aids to 5 limb users who were at the Centre being trained on how to use their artificial limbs.



Bee Keeping Programme

A training programme in bee keeping and honey production was conducted on the 24th of July 2021 for 12 limb recipients at Vijaya Bee Resource Center, Augustawatta, Kandy. They will be receiving all the equipment needed for the production and sale of honey in order to generate an income and improve their standard of living. This was the 1st Bee keeping training programme of the project on Economic Empowerment of Abused & Amputee Girls & Women of Central Province in Sri Lanka funded by the German Embassy in Sri Lanka. The project's objectives are to provide good quality artificial limbs to abused & amputee girls & women of the Central Province, and to help them fully integrate back into society, by empowering them through personal development and through vocational training which would give them marketable livelihood skills.



Neelan Tiruchelvam Trust Project 3 Concludes successfully

After the successful completion of Project 2 between the Neelan Tiruchelvam Trust and the Centre For Handicapped which provided Rs. 50,000.00 worth of funding for each of the seventy five people with disability involved, a 3rd Project was launched in June 2021. The project's objective was the provision of prosthetic limbs & orthotic devices to people with disability who were most vulnerable to the Covid-19 pandemic. 118 recipients in the Central & North Central Provinces of Sri Lanka benefitted from this project with 76 of them receiving prosthetic limbs & 46 receiving orthotic devices. The project was completed in August this year.



Donations

Many people visit the Centre to make very welcome donations and we thank them most warmly for their kind donations. Their generosity makes an immense difference in the lives of needy recipients.



Mrs. Chrishani Perera

Donated artificial limbs to:
Miss D D Hewawitharana



Mrs. Loise De Silva

Donated an artificial limb to:
Miss I L Dombagahawatte



Miss Sunethra Dharmawardhana

Donated an artificial limb to:
Miss Y Prabodhani



Mr. Jonathan Kandall & Mr. Nirukshan De Alwis

Donated an artificial limb to:
Mr. A S Senarathne



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Donated an artificial limb to:
Mr. T B N B Gunarathne



Postal Training Institute Kandy 2019

Donated an artificial limb to:
Miss Sithumi Navodya



Ms. Selvi Jayaraman

Donated a wheelchair to:
Mr. N G D Perera



Wider Horizons

Scholarship Programme

The CFH/ Zonta Club of Kandy joint project to support poor children from Dharmavijaya College, Wattegama Balika Vidyalaya, Wattegama Central College, Wattegama Nursery as well as children with disability has enriched the lives of the 33 students concerned. This was possible because of the generosity of our donors: Zontians Jeeva Rajan, Deanne Dallas, Rose Marie Greve, and Alison Gray, as well as Mr. Gehan Bandaranayake, Ms Sharmila Paranagama, and Mr. Mayura Rupathunga.

Jolly Youngsters

Successive waves of the COVID-19 pandemic and the consequent restrictions on gatherings and travel has meant that the Jolly Youngsters Club for children with disability could not meet this quarter. Their usual yoga, music and dancing classes will start as soon as the situation in the country improves.



Members of the Jolly Youngsters in action (Photographs from the previous quarters)

Success Story of the Quarter

Thirty five year old Ruwan Chamara was a three-wheeler driver before he lost both his legs to vascular disease. Discovering a small wound on one leg he treated it at home until it started swelling. A visit to a nearby hospital confirmed that he was suffering from vascular disease and that his leg would have to be amputated to prevent the disease from spreading to other parts of his body. History repeated itself three years later and he lost his other leg to the disease. His future, and that of his young family, looked bleak until he learned about the Centre from a friend. A visit to the Centre confirmed his hope of help and very soon after a donor was found to gift him the limbs he needed. He is now walking again and is able to live a near normal life and to provide for his family.



Our Products and Services

Prosthetics

The Centre initially fabricated aluminum limbs but subsequently switched into HDPE (High-Density Poly Ethylene) mobile limbs by using a more modern technology. This apart, the Centre has now introduced ICRC Polypropylene technology, which is a modular endoskeleton design and more comfortable for the limb users.

Orthotics

Since January 2006, the CFH has been fabricating lightweight custom-made polypropylene orthoses for people with physical disabilities brought on by Polio, Muscle Paralysis and Arthritis.



Physiotherapy Services

The Centre for Handicapped offers physiotherapy services before and after the fitting of prostheses. It employs trained Rehabilitation Therapy assistants working under the guidance of a qualified physiotherapist. The department is well equipped with manual exercise facilities. It is now also open to a wider clientele.



Wheelchairs

The Centre also provides wheelchairs to the needy. There are five types of wheelchairs available for persons with physical disabilities, addressing their different requirements.



Audiometry Screening Unit

Audiometry Screening Unit provides free complete screening and testing of ears for identification of possible condition and requirement for the use of hearing aids and our beneficiaries are provided with free hearing aids.



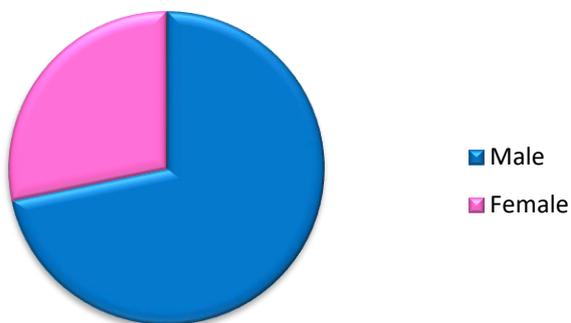
Ophthalmology

The newly equipped ophthalmology unit provides complete screening and eye tests with a view to checking for cataracts and other eye diseases and providing spectacles.



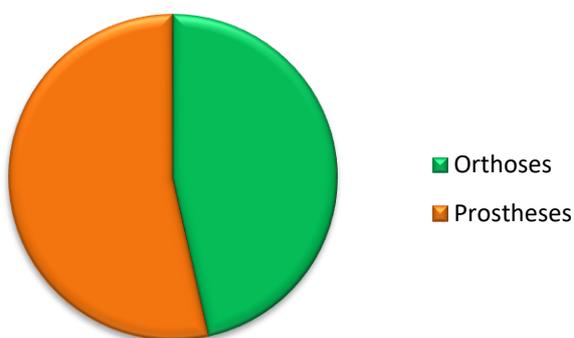
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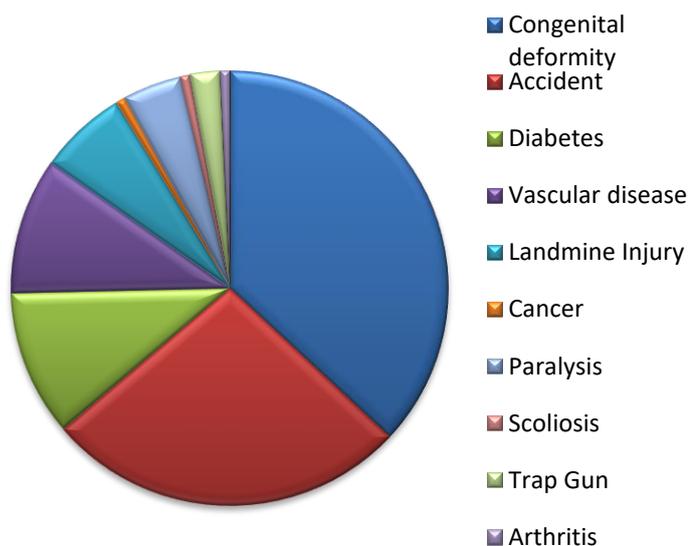
Male	99
Female	39
Total	138

Devices



Orthoses	79
Prostheses	91
32 recipients received two devices each	

Cause of Disability



Congenital deformity	51
Accident	37
Diabetes	15
Vascular disease	14
Landmine Injury	9
Cancer	1
Paralysis	6
Scoliosis	1
Trap Gun	3
Arthritis	1

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About Us

The Centre for Handicapped is a nonprofit, charitable organization registered and approved by the Government of Sri Lanka under Registration No. MSS/7/8/NSPD/R/123 – Section 20 – of the “Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities” – Act No. 28 of 1996. Centre for Handicapped is an approved charity by Gazette Notification No. 2144/23 of 09.10.2019.

The Centre has been working towards the rehabilitation of people with disabilities since 1971, under different names such as the Kandy Orthopedic Centre and the “Colombo Friend In Need Society, Kandy Branch.” It acquired its present identity as the “Centre for Handicapped” in 2001. The centre receives technical and financial support from national and international governmental and non-governmental bodies. It also receives funds through corporate and individual donations.

Our Vision

To be a Centre of excellence in the provision of artificial limbs and rehabilitation service to persons who need them.

Our Mission

To enable persons who are physically handicapped, irrespective of race religion, ethnicity, caste or status to lead near normal lives

Help them Walk Again

We need your help to provide mobility devices to fellow human beings. Please join us and share in this beautiful experience of giving a new lease of life to those who despair.

Bank Information

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