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Termination of donations collection procedure established for the importation of essential items

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) wishes to extend our appreciation to all well-wishers who sent donations to Sri Lanka to purchase essential items, in response to our request made in April 2022. As you are aware, this donation collection process was initiated by CBSL on the request of the Secretary to the Treasury, in response to numerous requests made by the Sri Lankan expatriates and well-wishers expressing their willingness to support our motherland through CBSL.

As at 31st December, 2022 a total of USD 107,818.19 (approximately) has been received to the respective bank accounts. These donations were utilized to purchase medical supplies as given in Table 1 below based on requests made by the Ministry of Health to the Ministry of Finance.

Date	Item	Supplier	Amount (USD)
01/07/2022	VDRL Stabilized Reagent KIT	Canoe Medicare (Pvt)	11,693.39
	and CPT Carriage Paid to Juela	Ltd	
	via DHL		
	Providine Iodine Solution BP	Himata (Pvt) Ltd	43,900.00
	10% W/V 500ml		
13/10/2022	Heparin Sodium Injection USP	M/s Chengdu Hepatunn	49,680.00
	25000IU/ml, 5ml – Ampoules	Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd -	
	"Solaxin" (18,000 Vials)	China	
Total			105,273.39

Table 1 – Utilization of Donations

The amount remaining as at 31st December, 2022 is USD 2,544.80 and AUD 50.38. Currently action is being taken to utilize this amount also to purchase some medical supplies required by the Ministry of Health on their request.

As communicated at the beginning, balances in the respective accounts, utilization of funds, audited accounts for the period ended 30th June 2022, list of donors who consented to publish their names, etc. have been published on the CBSL website. The remaining audited financial statements will also be published in due course.

The Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka has decided to conclude this donation collection procedure with effect from 31st December 2022 with the concurrence of the Secretary to the Treasury.

Therefore, while thanking all donors for your generous donations made so far and all others who facilitated us in this effort, we wish to inform that this donation collection process initiated by the Central Bank is terminated.

All well-wishers are welcome to continue your donations to Sri Lanka through other initiatives in place upon due verification of their authenticity.

Season's greetings and best wishes for the new year!

Dr. P Nandalal Weerasinghe Governor Central Bank of Sri Lanka 10 January 2023