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field **REPORT**

**The Hand of Hope to
the next generation**

Sri Lanka
Economic Collapse

*Soaring prices, petrol shortage & rampant hunger create an
urgent food need for the innocent and most vulnerable.*



Crisis Update: Sri Lanka

In 2022, Sri Lanka's political and economic crisis has reached its peak. Building over several years, a series of government policy changes left the nation vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic.

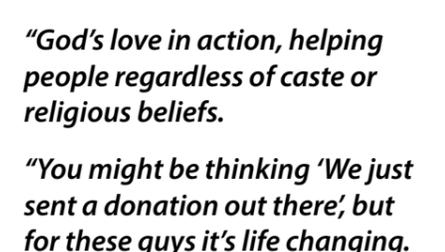


Unprecedented inflation and depletion of foreign exchange reserves left the nation without enough money to purchase fuel for transport or gas for cooking.



Hundred of vehicles line up outside petrol stations waiting for the next shipment. Customers waiting up to two weeks to get a full tank.

Thanks to your generosity we were able to send food packs to thousands of families across the nation through our local distribution partner, **Child Action Lanka.**



"God's love in action, helping people regardless of caste or religious beliefs."

"You might be thinking 'We just sent a donation out there', but for these guys it's life changing."

"So I'd just like to say a huge thank you for helping thousands of hungry families here in my home."

~ Debs Edrinsinge



INTERVIEW

Scan the QR code to watch a discussion between **Benjamin Evans** and **Debs Edirisinghe**, the founder of **Child Action Lanka.**



Debbie is the recipient of multiple global awards for her humanitarian work. Most recently recognised by Queen Elizabeth II as the 211th **Commonwealth Point of Light.**



Child Action Lanka

Focused on ensuring that vulnerable children everywhere have a chance at a better future.

Child Action Lanka commenced 16 years ago, operating out of a tin shed with just eight street kids on the streets of Kandy, Sri Lanka.

From these humble beginnings they now work with nearly 2,000 vulnerable children across the country, in eight different districts under the leadership of founder, **Debs Edringsinge**.

The journey of Child Action Lanka has been amazing, every step of the way.

Many people have seen the stories that have come out of Child Action Lanka. Children have gone from living on the streets and not having anything, to having a life of fulfillment.

For Child Action Lanka, the vision is to have a future of equality and wellbeing for every child.

The leaders of Child Action Lanka understand the opportunities that children are missing out on, because of the lifestyle they've been born to, so they strive to create equality for them.

"While it's great to expand," says Deb, "being able to play a small part in transforming the life of a child is what has really been our goal."

"We've had kids who've grown up to become nurses, teachers, architects. But most of all, it is being able to see a child going from living on the streets to not going back to that place", says Deb. "They are able to contribute to society instead of being the next set of gangsters. We've been able to show them a different kind of life."



Child Action Lanka operates through three holistic components that children need to thrive - **education; health and nutrition; and child protection.**

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