

## **The International Presbytery 2019 Mission Project Successfully Completed**

The International Presbytery Mission Committee is glad to announce that the 2019 Presbytery Mission Project has been successfully executed and rounded up. On behalf of Presbytery, we would like to thank all who contributed so generously to this 2019 Mission Project. It is with much delight to see that the project to refurbish the washing and toilet facilities at a female ward of Mulleryiawa hospital so obviously inspired people to make an extra effort to join St Andrew's Scots Kirk in Colombo, Sri Lanka in their support for this much needed hospital and its vulnerable patients.

Special thanks go to congregations in the International Presbytery, Mr. Chandan de Silva, who mooted this idea at the Presbytery meeting in Paris with a lot of passion, and Revd. Ian Gilmour, the Interim Moderator, who steered affairs to get things done.

We hope that this success story will encourage other congregations to suggest a mission project they are particularly involved in as Mission project 2021, and remind you that the International Presbytery's 2020 project is, support for the International School of Reconciliation by Rabagirana Ministries in Rwanda, sponsored by St Columba's Church in Budapest.

Please find hereby the report on the project from St Andrew's Scots Kirk in Colombo, Sri Lanka:



### **The Colombo Mission Project 2019**

#### **The need:**

To enable a female ward in a Colombo Mental Hospital to reinstate proper washing and toilet facilities, which had fallen into disrepair.

#### **The situation:**

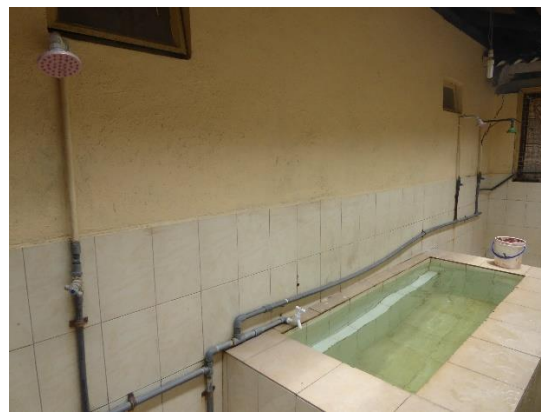
Ward 8 at Mulleriyawa Hospital had been supported by St Andrew's church for two decades, but last year they needed extra funding to allow the women in the ward to have proper baths, showers and toilet facilities after the existing plumbing had passed its prime and was no longer functioning properly.



Before



After



### **What was requested?**

To reinstate the ceilings, tiles, bath and toilets to be usable on a daily basis for the patients.

### **The Budget:**

The cost was 660 Euros. The amount actually collected was in excess of that amount. The presbytery treasurer reports that the total was achieved plus a considerable surplus, which can be used for future presbytery projects.

So the work was completed to the staff and patients satisfaction , both groups are delighted. The work with the Ward 8 community will continue for St Andrew's Scots Kirk.



The monthly visiting team from St Andrew's Scots Kirk are thanked by the Nurse in Charge.

Thanks to all who the individuals and congregations who contributed to this project.

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