

Newsletter

Help for Sri Lanka

After the tsunami disaster in South-East Asia the Juergen Wahn Foundation helps in Sri Lanka. In Veloor, a village at the east coast, homeless families are to get a new home and a new future. Collaborators of the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation ask about relief possibilities on the spot.

In the beginning of march, a delegation of 3 people flies to Sri Lanka to ask about relief possibilities. As envoyees of the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation, the members of the delegation are entitled to complete purchases and conclude contracts. Only this way relief actions could begin as fast as possible.



f. r.: Jochen Bock, Hans-Joachim Hölscher und Meinolf Schwefer will go to Sri Lanka by plane in order to help.

The group gets support from Suppiah Kamaraguruh, the brother of a Tamil citizen who lives in Soest. Suppiah K. Is workin gfor the Ministry of Health in Colombo. With his help, contacts to confidantes on the spot were established and the following project plans were developed:

Veloor, on the east coast of Sri Lanka, was almost completely destroyed by the flood. 30-40 typical houses are to be built. By putting the building material at the disposal of the potential inhabitants to build the houses themselves, we adhere to our principle "help to help yourself".

The kindergarden and school are also destroyed by the flood.

Both buildings must be rebuilt.

But the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation will not be content with restoration of the buildings. The foundation thinks about effective relief so that the village can take care of itself, with its own power and funds. Thanks to the high donations the money required is at hand.

- The fishers of Veloor have lost their boats. 5 boats, nets and related equipment are aquired.

- The farmers need implements and seeds. They will be given the necessary so that they can till their fields again.

- Solitary women will get sewing-machines and day labourers will receive bicycles. With this, both groups get the possibility to build up a basis for work.

For these extensive relief actons, we are glad that the collaborators of the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation can rely on extensive experiences.



The map shows the location of Veloor at the east coast of Sri Lanka.

Thanks for your confidence

After the tsunami disaster of December 26, 2004, the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation received a veritable flood of donations.

Within a few weeks more than \in 100,000 were paid in. The collaborators at the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation have had all their hands full with booking the donations and sending letters of thanks and receipts.

With these donations the donators show their lasting solidarity with the victims of the flood. That so many people of Soest chose the Juergen-Wahn-Foundation shows the wish that we participate in a comprehensible and effective relief, and everybody can be sure that the money is used for the purpose it was donated for.

We thank you very much for this overwhelming sign of confidence. For us, it is a commitment as well as stimulation for the future!

We will carefully and entirely employ the money entrusted to us for the purpose planned.

Kind regards Your Klaus Schubert Chairman



People still living in tents are waiting for help.