

Buddhist Essential Support Trust

BEST - NEWSLETTER

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HTI donation for the Ghandhara Pagoda marking 19th Anniversary of BEST (2002-2021)



Daw Theingi Hlaing (BEST Myanmar) donating to Abidhamma Yatnar Covid-19 Medical Centre, Bahan, 2020

Dear friends



This past year has been an extremely difficult year for the world with the COVID pandemic and particularly difficult for Myanmar since the coup of February 2021. The in-person donations we normally do in December/January had to be postponed due to COVID restrictions and with the banking crisis following the coup, it became almost impossible to get the funds to Myanmar. The U Nay Win Sunshine Memorial Fund donations have unfortunately been delayed, as with essential donations to parahita schools and other donations in Myanmar. We are determined to make up for this when the situation improves.

In spite of all these challenges, we did manage to continue our donations here in the UK, and also make a few donations in Myanmar including to Abidhamma Yatnar Covid-19 Medical Centre in Bahan for Daw Tin Ohn Myint in November 2020 and working through Sayadaw U Gandhamala, we were able to donate to the Mingun water project and much needed oxygen supplies to help COVID patients in Myanmar. We also succeeded to send funds to start the essential monastery and meditation caves repair work on Taungtha mountain with the help of BEST trustee U Aung Kyaw Johnson Moe. To mark the 19th Anniversary of BEST, we were able to make a special HTI donation for the Ghandhara Pagoda in Sagaing earlier in the year and I would like to thank Dr. Ko Ko, Daw Molly Ko and U Thura Ko for their help in this unique opportunity for a HTI donation.

We say farewell and pray for much loved Daw Amy Khaing and Daw Tin Tin San (Rose) who always helped and attended BEST annual gatherings as well as other friends and family who have departed us. We also pray for peace and wellbeing of everyone in our beautiful country and beyond. Thank you all for your continued support and resilience in a difficult year. Stay strong and loving kindness to you all.

Daw Khin Win Mya, President - BEST



Working with Tipitaka Sayadaw U Gandhamala, donating much needed oxygen for COVID patients

BEST DONORS (2020-2021)	£
Professor Robert H. Taylor	2 000
Dr Khin Maung Thaung and Dr Tin Ohn Myint	600
Daw May Yi Yi Sein and family	200
Dr Robin Kyaw Kyaw and Mrs S S Kyaw Kyaw	100
U Aung Kyaw Thu, Daw Hla Hla Win, Kaythi, Kalya and Naythan	600
Daw Leilei Win, Dr Min Sein, Daw Zarni Win & Win Lemmers family (Jos, Aye Aye, Zina, Petra, Olivier)	1 000
Daw Leilei Win	1 000
Sunshine Gardens Limited	6 000
U Yan Myo Kyaw and Daw Yee Yee Htay	80
U Ye Min Shwe, Daw Mon Mon Tun and family	100
U Moe Moe Zaw Soe and Daw Thin Thin Soe	100
Dr Marlar Aye	120
	11 900

2020-2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY (GBP)

Bank Balance (1st April 2020) 56 458

Income

Donations 11 900
 Gift Aid 1 938
 Rental Income 11 003

Total Income 24 841

Expenditure

Donations (Myanmar) 14 716
 Donations (UK) 300
 Rental Expenses 4 187

Total Expenditure 19 203

Bank Balance (31st March 2021) 62 096

BEST PATRON

Professor Robert H. Taylor

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 U Mg Mg
 U Thaung Myint
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