



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **SPECIAL HUMANITARIAN COLLECTION**

#### **Typhoon Rai in the Philippines**

The Rahmatan Lil Alamin (Blessings to all) Foundation (RLAF), in collaboration with Mercy Relief, is organising a collection to address water, sanitation and hygiene needs of communities affected by Typhoon Rai in the Philippines.

2. Also known as Typhoon Odette, the Category-5 typhoon, the highest classification in the Saffir–Simpson hurricane wind scale, was the deadliest tropical cyclone to have struck the Philippines in 2021. It first made landfall on Siargao Island and has caused severe and widespread damage throughout several provinces in the Philippines. To date, it has resulted in at least 405 deaths, 82 reported missing and 1,147 injured. More than 660,000 residents had been displaced and 2 million lives affected.

3. For this reason, the RLAF is conducting an online collection via multiple platforms starting **Monday, 17 January to 22 January 2022** to assist in providing access to safe drinking water, better sanitation and hygiene to communities affected.

4. Members of the public can make their donation via online :

a. **PayNow** – you would need to key in **RLAF's UEN: 200910530ZCHQ** and indicate under remarks – **Rai** (Refer to **Annex A** for QR Code)

b. **Giving.SG** – campaign at [giving.sg/rlafoundationsg/typhoonrai](https://giving.sg/rlafoundationsg/typhoonrai)

c. **Muslim.SG** – RLAF – Typhoon Rai in the Philippines

d. **Interbank transfer** via RLAF (Rahmatan lil Alamin Foundation) – Transfer to

OCBC Current Account at a/c no: 601313315001 or

Issue a **cheque** payable to 'RLAF'. State on back of cheque: donor's name, contact number and indicate "**Typhoon Rai**". Mail your cheque to RLAF (Masjid Yusof Ishak, No 10, Woodlands Drive 17, Singapore 737740) or to MUIS (No. 273 Braddell Road, Singapore 579702)

5. All collection will be channeled through Mercy Relief which is in contact with their ground partner, Citizens' Disaster Response Centre Foundation (CDRC), to ascertain the appropriate aid required and stand ready to expand immediate relief operations where necessary. For more information, please contact Ms Irdawaty Abdul Kadir at 9155 0065 or email at [irdawaty@rlafoundation.org.sg](mailto:irdawaty@rlafoundation.org.sg). Alternatively, you may contact Ms Maryam Marhim at 9652 1474 or email at [maryam\\_mohd\\_marhim@muis.gov.sg](mailto:maryam_mohd_marhim@muis.gov.sg).

## ANNEX A- QR CODE FOR PAYNOW

Note: There are 2 ways to PayNow :

1. Scan or retrieve screenshot of the above QR Code using your digital banking's Scan & Pay. You will see "RAI" in the Reference. Proceed to transfer.
2. Choose PayNow to RLAF's **UEN NO. 200910530ZCHQ** then indicate "RAI" under Reference before transfer.



# **RAHMATAN LIL ALAMIN FOUNDATION (RLAF)**

## **ANNEX B**

### **ABOUT THE RAHMATAN LIL ALAMIN (BLESSINGS TO ALL) FOUNDATION**

The Rahmatan Lil Alamin Foundation (RLAF) was launched by Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong in July 2009 coinciding with the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (Muis) and the official opening of the Singapore Islamic Hub.

'Rahmatan Lil Alamin' is the Arabic for 'Blessings To All' which is the inspiration behind the establishment of the RLAF. It seeks to fund activities that bring blessings to all irrespective of creed, race or religion including the environment.

The Foundation was established by Muis to provide grants for humanitarian and community development projects and initiatives. The Foundation aims to spread the message of compassion for all humanity and concretising, within the Singapore Muslim community, the ethos of being a community that is a blessing to all. Through the grants, the Foundation hopes to build capacity and deeper interest amongst youths, and empower them to have the skills, capabilities and passion to volunteer and participate in humanitarian work locally and beyond.

## ANNEX C

Over the past 17 years, the mosques and RLAF have collected over **\$11 million** from the community for international **humanitarian relief projects**.

- 1) 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami (Aceh)
- 2) 2005 Kashmir Earthquake
- 3) 2006 Java Earthquake
- 4) 2007 Lebanon Conflict
- 5) 2007 Jakarta Flood
- 6) 2008 Cyclone Nargis (Myanmar)
- 7) 2008 Sichuan earthquake
- 8) 2008 Yemen Cyclone
- 9) 2009 Gaza Humanitarian Conflict
- 10) 2009 Typhoon Ketsana (Philippines)
- 11) 2009 Earthquake in Sumatra
- 12) 2009 Typhoon Morakot (Taiwan)
- 13) 2009 Earthquake in West Java
- 14) 2009 Karachi Flood
- 15) 2010 Sumatra Earthquake and Tsunami
- 16) 2010 Haiti Earthquake
- 17) 2011 Japan's Tohoku and Miyagi Earthquakes/Tsunami
- 18) 2011 East Africa Drought (Somalia)
- 19) 2011 Floods in Thailand
- 20) 2011 Floods in Cambodia
- 21) 2011 Philippines Floods
- 22) 2012 Victims of Conflict in Myanmar
- 23) 2012 Victims of Conflict in Gaza
- 24) 2012 Philippines Floods
- 25) 2013 Philippines Floods
- 26) 2013 Philippines Typhoon Haiyan
- 27) 2014 Syrian Refugees in Turkey
- 28) 2014 Victims of Conflict in Gaza
- 29) 2014 Kashmir Floods
- 30) 2014 School Project in Syria
- 31) 2015 Floods in Malaysia
- 32) 2015 Earthquake in Nepal
- 33) 2015 Floods in Myanmar
- 34) 2015 School Upgrading Project in Gaza
- 35) 2015 South India Floods
- 36) 2016 Lighting of Gaza
- 37) 2016 Earthquakes in Ecuador and Japan
- 38) 2016 Aceh Floods and Rakhine Violence

- 39) 2017 Winter Collections and Educational Outreach Programmes for Syrian Refugees in Jordan and Lebanon
- 40) 2017 Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen
- 41) 2017 In Aid Of The Survivors Of The Humanitarian Crisis For South Asia Flood
- 42) 2017 Special Collection For Refugees Fleeing To Bangladesh
- 43) 2018 Earthquake in Lombok
- 44) 2018 Floods in Laos
- 45) 2018 Floods in Kerala
- 46) 2018 Earthquake and Tsunami in Sulawesi
- 47) 2019 Sunda Strait Tsunami
- 48) 2020 In Aid of Survivors of Floods in Jakarta and Fires in Australia
- 49) 2020 In Aid of Survivors of the Tragic Explosions in Beirut
- 50) 2021 Humanitarian Aid for Gaza
- 51) 2021 Yemen Humanitarian Appeal