MUSLIMS AROUND THE WORLD

ZAKAT

IMPACT REPORT



2024

HOW MATW STARTED

The *inspiring* story of Ali Banat

Muslims Around The World - MATW Project is Ali Banat's Legacy and embodies his spirit of compassion and selflessness.

Ali Banat was born and raised in Sydney, Australia, where he led a short but successful life. He was a self-made businessman who had everything going for him when, suddenly, at the age of 29, he was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer and given only 7 months to live.

With Ali's remarkable mindset, he embraced his illness as a "gift" from Allah SWT seizing it as an opportunity to add more meaning to his life.

As a result, he founded the MATW Project to help eradicate poverty and empower these communities with a more sustainable future.

MATW is not just an organisation; it's a testament to the transformative power of one man's compassion.

He ignited the flame, but today it continues with every single one of you and us.

10 MILLION+ VIEWS







Ali Banat sold all his possessions and funded the beginning of MATW Project



DID YOU KNOW?

We have a 100% Zakat policy. So what you give, we give.





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A WORD FROM THE CEO



Assalamu' Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wabarakatu,

In the face of unprecedented calamities and catastrophes, your kindness and generosity have been a source of relief for countless individuals and communities around the world. Your compassion and dedication have made a profound difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Despite various challenges, your support has enabled us to overcome adversity and continue our vital humanitarian work. From providing food to displaced families in Palestine to supporting orphaned children in Bangladesh and delivering clean water to communities in need in Yemen, your contributions have made a difference.

For that, we are truly grateful.

Your donations have not only provided immediate relief but have also planted seeds of hope and resilience for a brighter tomorrow.

Let us continue to stand with those in need and strive towards a world where no one is left behind.

May Allah SWT accept from you and us.

JazaakAllahu Kheiran

Mahmoud Ismail,
CEO - MATW International

MANAGING ZAKAT

Your Zakat is our Amanah. We at MATW are committed to delivering 100% of your Zakat with Ihsan (excellence) in accordance with Islamic guidelines and principles. Your Zakat continues to have a profound impact on the lives of those in need around the world.

From families in distress and need in Palestine to those suffering from the effects of poverty in Africa, your Zakat lays the foundation of our process and aim in ending cyclical poverty.



There are eight categories of beneficiaries who are eligible to receive Zakat, which are clearly stated in the Quran (Surah At-Taubah:60)

The eight eligible categories of beneficiaries to receive Zakat are:

1. **The Poor**

2. **The Needy**

3. **Those that work in collecting and distributing it**

4. **Those whose hearts are inclined towards Islam**

5. **Freeing Slaves**

6. **Those in crippling debt**

7. **In the way of Allah**

8. **Wayfarers (travellers with essential needs)**

At MATW, we diligently observe these regulations under the guidance of scholars.



PROGRAM PURPOSE

Zakat is one of the pillars of Islam that must be met by the Muslims who meet certain criteria.

The word Zakat has two different connotations:

- Linguistical, Coming from the root ‘Zaka’ which means pure and clean.
- Islamically, Zakat means a particular amount that need be paid from particular categories of wealth, to particular categories of beneficiaries, with a particular criteria.

This means that Zakat is a blessing, purity, kindness, and a contribution to the development of entitled recipients.

ASPECTS OF ZAKAT MANAGEMENT



Zakat management is important to help Muslims perform the third pillar of Islam and establish its primary function as a means to alleviate poverty. Zakat management has been argued as the most critical aspect in determining the direction of the Zakat institutions as a systematic and efficient management would ensure optimization of the Zakat.

Generally, management of Zakat has been understood to involve two activities, which are:

- Collection
- Distribution of Zakat funds

One main objective of Zakat management is to achieve the best possible outcome in the timely collection and distribution of zakat as ordained in Islamic Shariah.

This main objective includes the assurance that the Zakat donations are disbursed to humanitarian aid projects that are eligible to receive Zakat donations, i.e. where the beneficiaries fall under one of the eight categories listed above.

Your Zakat

reached the rightful beneficiaries and transformed their lives.

Your Zakat

was literally the difference between life and death in Palestine.

Your Zakat

was what fed the orphans around the world.

Your Zakat

helped the people in Morocco and Afghanistan recover after the earthquakes.

Your Zakat

was what made a difference!

Thank you!




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Alhamdoulillah

MATW is spreading its reach and impact through your Zakat!













ZAKAT SUMMARY

At MATW, we follow a 100% Zakat Donation Policy.
So what you give, we give.

This year we spent

$4,302,107.25

of your Zakat in helping those in need

BY PROJECT

PRODUCT	AMOUNT
Libya - Emergency	$77,883.32
Orphan Support	$1,230,487.30
Palestine - Emergency	$2,993,736.63
TOTAL	**$4,302,107.25**

Within the above categories, food, shelter, care, medicine and water were provided.

BY REGION

PRODUCT	AMOUNT
Bangladesh	$45,994.92
Jordan	$93,322.95
Lebanon	$118,808.20
Libya	$77,883.32
Palestine	$3,378,802.35
Togo	$24,762.44
Turkey - Syrian Refugees	$261,335.82
Yemen	$301,197.25
TOTAL	**$4,302,107.25**

THE PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED WITH YOUR ZAKAT

EMERGENCIES

MATW has been instrumental in utilizing donors' Zakat to provide critical aid during emergency situations, such as the devastating floods in Libya in 2023 and the ongoing crisis in Gaza since October 7th, 2023.

In Libya, the catastrophic flooding caused by Storm Daniel led to widespread destruction, with thousands of lives lost and many more displaced.





MATW swiftly responded by allocating Zakat funds to deliver essential supplies, including food, medical aid, and temporary shelter, to the affected communities. Similarly, in Gaza, where the humanitarian situation has been dire, MATW has been providing continuous support to those impacted by the conflict.

The organization has focused on delivering food, medical supplies, and other necessities to ensure the well-being of the most vulnerable. Through these efforts, MATW has demonstrated the profound impact of Zakat in alleviating suffering and providing hope to those in desperate need.

BABY MILK



MATW (Muslims Around The World) utilized donors' Zakat to provide baby milk to those most in need, ensuring that vulnerable infants received essential nutrition in crisis-stricken areas. This initiative is part of their broader mission to alleviate poverty and support disadvantaged communities globally.

MATW's commitment to transparency and efficiency means that the Zakat contributions from donors are meticulously allocated to maximize impact. In regions where poverty and displacement have left families struggling to meet their basic needs, the provision of baby milk has become a lifeline. This support not only addresses immediate nutritional needs but also fosters hope and resilience within these communities.



By prioritizing the health and well-being of the youngest and most vulnerable, MATW demonstrates the profound effect that collective generosity can have. The baby milk initiative highlights the crucial role that proper nutrition plays in early childhood development, setting the foundation for a healthier future. Through this effort, MATW has shown that small acts of kindness, when pooled together, can lead to significant positive change.

As this program continues to expand, it reflects the enduring spirit of compassion and solidarity among donors who trust MATW with their Zakat. Every contribution is a step towards a more just and compassionate world, where every child has the opportunity to thrive.

ORPHAN SUPPORT



At MATW, we have seen the profound impact of Zakat in transforming the lives of orphans. With a 100% Zakat donation policy, every contribution goes directly to those in need.

Your Zakat enables us to provide comprehensive support to orphaned children, including food, clothing, education, and medical care.

Through carefully curated programs, we ensure that Zakat funds are utilised efficiently and effectively, maximising their benefit to these orphans.



Through your Zakat, we offer orphaned children the opportunity to thrive and build brighter futures, empowering them to break the cycle of poverty and achieve their full potential.

This year, your Zakat helped orphans across Bangladesh, Lebanon, Palestine, Togo, Yemen and Jordan.

2024 ZAKAT AL MAAL

Zakat Al Maal is the 3rd pillar of Islam. It is compulsory upon every male and female Muslim who meet the following conditions:

1) Possessing the required Nisaab (the minimum amount of wealth that one must have before Zakat is payable).

2) And have had the Nisaab for one whole year.

If the above conditions are met then according to Islamic regulations, you must pay 2.5% of one year's total cumulative wealth.

This year we were encouraged to calculate Zakat according to the Silver Nisab (Zakat Threshold) as it's in the best interest of the Zakat recipients in particular the poor and needy.

According to SILVER: 595 GRAMS of 100% pure Silver obtained from the listed price on the Commodities Market as from the 10 February 2024, Per 1 Gram is $1.11 AUD. (595 Grams X $1.11 = $660.45 AUD)



595 Grams of 100% pure Silver
1 Gram is $1.11 AUD
Therefore the Nisaab
of Zakat Al Maal is:

$660.45 AUD

*** For cash money, your Nisaab will be the Nisaab of Silver**
Nisaab for Gold and Silver is calculated as at 10th February 2024

Click here to calculate your Zakat

May Allah reward you
and bless your wealth

Pay your Zakat today

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