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# Feel the Impact

**RAMADAN REPORT**

**2024**





# Bismillah

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# CAMPAIGN SUMMARY

The Annual Ramadan Project of 2024 achieved remarkable success, making an impact of **22.95 million**. The project has been successfully concluded, benefiting numerous individuals in need.

2024 saw our biggest impact during Ramadan to date.

Our reach spanned across thirty countries, each facing unique challenges and circumstances. In Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Lebanon, Pakistan, Palestine, Togo, Turkey, and Ye-men, our team worked tirelessly to deliver aid and support to those in need.

We focused on the needs of various communities and tailored our distributions to ensure our delivery targeted their specific needs. We provided various relief items, including but not limited to Food Packs, canned food, iftar meals, blankets and rice bags. By doing so, we ensured that we reached and helped those who needed it most.

Your Zakat gave countless people a chance at a new life with its transformative power and made all the difference.

Our team worked around the clock to ensure effectiveness and Ihsaan in all aspects of our delivery from project planning and implementation to delivering vital support in times of conflict.

None of this could have been possible without you. You made it a Ramadan with impact, rising to the occasion whenever our brothers and sisters in need called for help. And today, because of you, they feel relief. Thank you for your continued generosity.



*Thank you!*







"Your contributions have not only made a tangible impact on the ground but have also ignited hope and resilience in the hearts of those we serve." - Mahmoud Ismail

## A WORD FROM THE CEO

Assalamu Alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuhu,

As we mark the end of another blessed Ramadan, I am filled with gratitude for you and your generosity. Every single dollar, pound and euro from you made a world of difference in someone's life. This Ramadan, we witnessed a humanitarian crisis. But it was also marked by the transformative power of your generosity, collective action and compassion. Amid global challenges and uncertainties, we at MATW Project decided to dedicate ourselves to providing critical relief and support to communities in need across the globe. Through our unwavering commitment and your generous contributions, we have made a tangible difference in the lives of millions of individuals and families, offering them hope, sustenance, and resilience in times of adversity. This Ramadan was challenging considering the plight of our brothers and sisters in Palestine. The situation is so dire but our volunteers in Palestine have been brave and resilient as they head out every single day to ensure relief reaches those in need. Our team is constantly working to support as many people as possible and that means exploring multiple avenues to amplify our reach and impact in Palestine by finding more and more ways of sending relief trucks.

Alhamdulillah, so far we've sent 90+ relief trucks. Right before Ramadan started, we went to Egypt and Jordan to ensure every possible means of relief for the people in Palestine. We focused strongly on sending as much food aid as possible, considering the looming famine and the severe hunger gripping the population.

What matters is not just the number of people we are assisting, but also the long-term impact of our work and what the communities we serve think of what we are doing.

As you delve into this report, you will witness the profound impact of our projects, initiatives, and distributions in countries spanning from Afghanistan to Yemen. Each section provides detailed insights into our efforts to address hunger, poverty, and deprivation, showcasing the resilience and adaptability of our team in the face of unprecedented challenges. From food aid programs to orphan support initiatives, and clean water projects to Masjid Iftar programs, your support has been instrumental in driving positive change and uplifting communities in need.

A huge Jazakallahu Khairan to each and every one of you for your unwavering support and dedication. Your contributions have not only made a tangible impact on the ground but have also ignited hope and resilience in the hearts of those we serve. Together, we are creating a brighter, more compassionate world for all with our acts of kindness.

With gratitude

*Mahmoud Ismail*

**CEO MATW**

# ZAKAT

**"...they observe regular prayers, pay their Zakat and obey Allah and His Messenger..." (9:71)**

At MATW, we treat your Zakat as our Amanah. 100% of what you give, we give to the right-ful beneficiaries, following Islamic guidelines and principles with integrity and Ihsaan to ensure your Fard is fulfilled in the right manner.

MATW takes Zakat management very seriously for many important reasons, especially since it is one of the pillars of Islam, the special regulations and guidelines of this type of donation and the huge impact that Zakat potentially has in changing the lives of those who are eligible to receive it

This Ramadan, we used your Zakat to fund projects aimed at alleviating hunger and supporting vulnerable communities. This Ramadan, your Zakat:

- Fed orphans in Bangladesh
- Saved lives in Palestine
- Provided rice bags and food packs in Pakistan
- Delivered Iftar meals in Togo
- Distributed clean water in Yemen
- And did so much more!

Through your Zakat, we were able to make a tangible difference in the lives of countless individuals and families. By providing essential relief and support, we helped make their Ramadan one of hope and happiness.

Your Zakat Al Mal was a ray of hope and your Zakat Al Fitr became a source of joy for countless people as it helped them celebrate their Eid with dignity.

## **Zakat in Palestine**

While your Zakat helped countless people in need across the world, it especially made a significant difference in Palestine. In a place riddled with conflict and famine, no clean water to drink and no place for shelter, your Zakat was literally the difference between life and death and still is. It provided food packs, hot meals, clean drinking water, hygiene kits and many more essentials to orphans and families in Palestine.

*May Allah reward you*

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





# FOOD AID

**“They feed food to the needy, to the orphan and to the captive despite the scarcity of food and their love and need for it.”  
(76:8)**

Our goal this Ramadan was to ensure food reaches those most in need and that they can focus on their worship rather than worrying about where their next meal will come from. Through our dedicated efforts, we were able to reach millions of people with vital food support.

This goal could only be achieved with the support of our donors. Throughout Ramadan, we employed various strategies to ensure the effective delivery of food, including the distribution of food packs, hot meals, Iftar meals in Masjids and to Orphans. Each of these initiatives played a crucial role in providing immediate relief and support to those in need, ultimately contributing to feeding the hungry in the countries where we operate.

## FOOD PACKS:

We provided essential food packs across various communities before Ramadan started so families had the means to fast with nutritious meals. Each of these food packs were equipped to produce 50 nutritious meals.

## HOT MEALS:

Recognising the immediate need for nourishment, we also implemented hot meal distributions in Egypt, Lebanon, and Palestine. Through this initiative, we provided with warm, nutritious meals, offering comfort and sustenance to those facing food insecurity.

## IFTAR MEALS:

Through our Iftar Meals initiative, we reached thousands of people going through Ramadan hungry and ensured they had a meal to break their fast with. Our commitment to supporting vulnerable communities extended to specific groups, such as those attending mosque-based Iftar meals and orphaned children. In Bangladesh, we provided Iftar meals to individuals through Masjid Iftar programs and supported orphaned individuals through dedicated Orphan Iftar initiatives.





## FEED AN ORPHAN INITIATIVE:

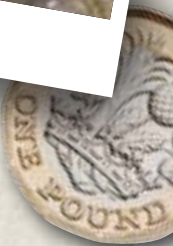
Every Ramadan, we at MATW Project feed orphaned children who have no one to take care of them. We ensure that these orphans don't feel left out in this blessed month..

In Palestine, these food packs and meals became the source of life as they fought against a famine in the blessed month along with other difficulties brought on by the conflict.

Halima, a 35-year-old woman in Palestine, now lives alone with her 7 children after her husband passed away. She had been struggling every single day trying to fill their stomachs and hers. She had to wait in queues for hours to get food, but that would also not guarantee enough food for all of them. "We had nothing, but now we have this." - Halima

The Ramadan Food Pack allowed her and her family to eat filling meals throughout the month and became their source of survival.

Through the generosity of our donors and the dedication of our team, we continue to make strides towards a world where every individual has access to the food and resources they need to thrive.





# ORPHANS

**“I and the one who sponsors an orphan shall be in Paradise like these two” (holding two fingers together) - Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)**

At the heart of MATW is Orphan Care. No matter what, we always strive to do the best for orphans in our care and around the world. This Ramadan, through the dedication of our team and the generosity of our donors, we facilitated essential services that not only nourished bodies but also uplifted spirits and provided hope for a brighter future for these children.

This is how we made sure Orphans were cared for this Ramadan,

- Coordinating logistics to ensure timely and efficient delivery of Ramadan Iftar services to orphanages across Bangladesh.
- Collaborating with local partners to identify orphaned children in need and tailor our services to meet their specific requirements.
- Implementing robust monitoring and evaluation systems to track the reach and effectiveness of our orphan programs, ensuring transparency and accountability.

When you support us, we can do so much more!

- Donor contributions provided nutritious meals and essential supplies to orphaned children during Ramadan, giving them a sense of belonging and dignity.
- Our clean water initiative in Palestine made a profound impact by providing clean and accessible water to individuals, addressing a fundamental human need and improving overall health and well-being.

How does our Orphan Program break the shackles of poverty?

- When you support these orphaned children, you give them an environment to learn and thrive and acquire education and skills that open up doors for a bright future for them, away from the grips of poverty.
- When you invest in their future, it enhances their quality of life and it also improves the socio-economic balance of our society.

Through our Orphan Programs, we are making a great difference in the lives of these young orphans and building a beautiful future for them. Your support throughout is instrumental in transforming their lives. Together, we are building a world where no child is left behind and has an opportunity to thrive regardless of their circumstances.





# CLEAN WATER

## “And We made from water every living thing.” (21:30)

One of our goals is to address one of the most fundamental needs for human survival: access to clean water.

In Palestine alone where clean water has become scarce, we navigated the challenges of delivery to make a tangible impact on the lives of thousands of people. The generosity of our donors played a pivotal role in enabling us to execute these distributions effectively, showing us the power of united action in transforming lives.

How do we execute Water Projects?

- Overcome logistical challenges and bureaucratic hurdles to ensure the smooth implementation of water projects in Palestine.
- Collaborate with local stakeholders, including community leaders and government authorities, to identify areas with the greatest need for clean water infrastructure.
- Implement innovative technologies and sustainable practices to maximise the efficiency and longevity of our water projects, thereby ensuring lasting benefits for beneficiaries.

How do we help people in need with clean water?

Access to clean water changes everything! It protects one from diseases saving them from medical expenses and giving them health to attend schools and pursue livelihood opportunities.

Saima, a 10-year-old girl in Uganda could never attend school because she had to walk several miles every day just to fetch some water. But then MATW reached her village and we built a water well for them and alhamdulillah, that has made all the difference.

“I always wanted to be a scientist, but I never went to school because there was no time. But now that we have the well, I can go to school.”

*May Allah reward you*





# MASJID IFTAR

**“Whoever gives food for a fasting person to break his fast, he will have a reward like theirs, without that detracting from their reward in the slightest”.**  
**- Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)**

During Ramadan, we strived to provide nourishment and community support through our Masjid Iftar program. Through the dedication of our team and the generosity of our donors, we provided Iftar meals for people in Bangladesh. As much as it fills their stomachs, it also brings together the entire community for a shared meal and strengthens community unity.

This is how we deliver Masjid Iftars in collaboration with local mosques and community leaders to identify areas with the greatest need for Iftar meal distributions. Overcoming logistical challenges and coordinating delivery schedules to ensure timely and efficient distribution of Iftar meals to beneficiaries.

Implementing strict quality control measures to only provide nutritious, hygienic, and culturally appropriate meals for the communities served.

## **How Does Your Support Make it Better?**

Your contributions play a critical role in delivering the Masjid Iftar meals. You make access to hot nutritious meals possible for a community in need and make their Ramadan glorious.







# EMERGENCY RELIEF

## PALESTINE - 2024

### DISTRIBUTION REPORT

#### FOOD PACK

MATW Distributed food packs in Palestine, providing families with essential sustenance to combat hunger and food insecurity. Despite logistical challenges, our team ensured the timely delivery of food packs to communities in need, offering a lifeline to those facing famine and deprivation.

#### FLOUR BAGS

In response to the urgent for staple food items, MATW distributed flour bags to Palestinian families. These flour bags provided families with the means to prepare nutritious meals and sustain themselves during the holy month of Ramadan and beyond, offering a source of nourishment and resilience amidst adversity.

#### CLEAN WATER

MATW's water service initiative impacted beneficiaries in Palestine, providing clean and accessible water to communities facing water scarcity and contamination.

#### IFTAR MEALS

Recognizing the importance of breaking fast together as a community, MATW distributed iftar meals in Palestine. These meals not only provided nourishment but also fostered a sense of solidarity and unity among Palestinians, reminding them that they are not alone in their struggles.



# WAIT, THERE'S MORE...

## Family Resettlement

In addition to providing immediate relief, we also supported refugee family resettlement efforts in Egypt, offering displaced families the opportunity to rebuild their lives and secure a brighter future. Through housing assistance and livelihood support, we empowered families to regain stability and self-sufficiency, providing long-term solutions.

## Truck Deliveries

Our delivery operations in Palestine relied on a fleet of trucks to transport relief and supplies to remote and hard-to-reach areas. Despite challenging terrain and logistical constraints, our dedicated team of drivers ensured the timely and efficient delivery of supplies, reaching communities in need with compassion and efficiency. During Ramadan, two trucks containing 45 tonnes of rice entered Palestine. Since October 2023, we have sent over 96 relief trucks.

## Major Features

Our delivery operations in Palestine were characterised by efficiency, compassion, and dedication. From the distribution of food packs and flour bags to the provision of clean water and Iftar meals, every aspect of our delivery was meticulously planned and executed to maximise impact and reach those most in need.

*This Ramadan,*

our efforts in Palestine reached the epitome of our commitment to delivering hope and assistance to those facing adversity. Through your support and the team's dedication, we made a tangible difference in the lives of thousands of people in Palestine, offering them sustenance, support, and resilience in times of hardship. As we continue providing relief in Palestine, we only hope for a better tomorrow for all.

*May Allah  
reward you!*



This year, *together*, we made an impact in  
**12 countries around the world**

*May Allah reward you!*



### **Palestine**

In Palestine, we operated every single day and we reached out to a significant number of people with various forms of relief, including flour bags, hot meals, Iftar meals, & other essentials.

### **Togo**

We supported people in Togo by distributing food packs, Iftar meals, rice bags, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Myanmar**

We supported people with food packs, Iftar meals, Eid Gifts, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Yemen**

The food crisis in Yemen is truly devastating. Hence, we provided as much food as possible in Yemen. We supported people with food packs, Iftar meals, Eid Gifts, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Pakistan**

The hard-to-reach remote locations in Pakistan house some of the people who have no clue about the world outside. This Ramadan, we assisted people with food packs, Iftar meals, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Lebanon**

We assisted people with food packs and hot meals



### **Jordan**

We delivered food packs in Jordan to people so they could fast in dignity and without any worries.

### **Turkiye**

The people in Turkey are still recovering from last year's earthquake and countless people are in need. We assisted people with food packs, Iftar meals, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Afghanistan**

Afghanistan that was recently hit with an earthquake needed support as many people had lost their homes in the same. We supported people, providing them with food packs, Iftar meals, and helping them through Zakat.

### **Bangladesh**

Our work in Bangladesh mainly consisted of providing food support to those in need. We assisted people with food packs, Iftar meals, Masjid Iftar, Orphan Iftar, Eid Food Packs, Eid Gifts, and Goat Sacrifice.

### **Indonesia**

You helped make this Ramadan beautiful for people in Indonesia by providing them with food packs, Iftar meals, Zakat, and Zakat Al Mal.

### **Egypt**

We extended our deliveries of hot meals and Iftar meals to Egypt as well and supported thousands of people.

*Our Ramadan distributions were spread far and wide and tailored in a manner to cater to the needs of the people of that region. This allowed us to address the issues and achieve a resounding impact in the blessed month.*





# **We also want to Thank our MATW ambassadors**





# RAMADAN IMPACT

# 22,950,000

TOTAL IMPACT NUMBERS FROM THE FIELD

Eid Gifts - 8,785  
Food Packs - 30,391  
Iftar meals - 340,073  
Masjid Iftar - 6,334  
Orphan Iftars - 52,658  
Iftar meals - 340,105  
55 tons of Sugar  
5 million liters of water  
Bags of flour - 14,070  
8,500 Liters of Oil  
1,200 Blankets  
72 Tons of Rice  
10,000 Canned food

-Samuel Harris,  
Head of operations  
matw project



# RAMADAN EVENTS



## Live Fundraiser Event

On the 2nd of April 2024, MATW Project's 6th Annual Ramadan Live Fundraiser (Feel Allah's Blessings) was broadcast through various online platforms to audiences around the world with special guests Sheikh Bilal Assaad, Ust. Yasmin Mogahed and Sh. Wael Ibrahim.

The 3-hour long broadcast raised over half a million Australian dollars to support our constant relief work in Palestine and to amplify the reach of our Ramadan work.





## Annual Fundraising Iftars

Alhumduillah! Our MATW Annual Iftar (Restart Your Heart) was a success, hosted in Sydney, Gold Coast, Melbourne and Adelaide. The event happened in the first two weeks of Ramadan, really helping us increase our reach and impact in the remainder of the month.

Our evenings were graced by the wisdom and liveliness of our special guests Sh. Belaal Assad and Sh. Wael Ibrahim. We are also joined by a special guest speaker Abu Humza in the Melbourne event.

Our collective efforts made it a huge success in all the cities and helped raise funds to help our brothers and sisters in Palestine throughout the blessed month.







## Ramadan Events - UK

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Ramadan 2024 was a milestone in the UK. We held a number of events across the country ensuring we made the most of every day of the blessed month. We broadcast 3 LIVE TV Appeals on Eman Channel engaging with audiences and raising funds for the people in Palestine.

We held 30 days of Qari Tours, bringing famous Egyptian reciters such as Shaykh Hindawi to mosques across the UK.

We had a deployment to Egypt taking some of our donors to fundraise and see our work. We supported volunteers throughout the country with their fundraising efforts and Ramadan activities.

Notably, we held two fundraising Iftars during Ramadan with Shaykh Ali Hammuda – which was very well received. We reached out to wider communities in London and Birmingham. This positive association allowed us to garnish further funds for Palestine and increase our support base.

During Ramadan, we raised over £2M through these events to support orphans, widows, and vulnerable families in places like Palestine, Lebanon, Pakistan and Togo. All of this was achieved by the Will of Allah and the support of our volunteers, staff and donors.

Ramadan 2024 will be remembered not just for the days it graced us but for the lives it touched and the hope it kindled. Together, we illuminated the path of compassion and charity, leaving an indelible mark on the world.



# SNAPSHOT



Our images are real, raw and from the field.

We bring them to you as we live the experience of distributing your generous donations.





# DONOR TALK

## *What MATW donors are saying*

"I was sceptical the first time I gave my Zakat through MATW because it was a new experience for me. But when I saw their constant updates on what they're doing on field and how they're helping people in need and reading about their 100% donation policy, I was at ease. I have been giving my Zakat to MATW for the last 3 years and their Zakat Calculator has made it super convenient"

"I love seeing how they're always putting media on their social media, it's a relief to know my money is being put to use. It's also very convenient to donate to them as there are clear descriptions of what and who are we giving for."

"Ali Banat being a Palestinian has been one reason why I trust when MATW says they're active on ground in Palestine. The media seals the deal as well. May Allah SWT bless you all for the work you're doing in Palestine. JZK."

*Thank you and may Allah bless you  
and your wealth*

...and accept all your good deeds. Ameen



*“So always try to have a project or a plan that you're working towards in this life Insha'Allah.”*

- ALI BANAT

To think that it all started with one man back in 2016, feels unreal after seeing the impact we have created in the past eight years and just in this one month. Imagine making a difference in the lives of over 4 million people in just a few days. That's the power of this movement and the power of your compassion and generosity. It all started with Ali Banat, but it surely continues with every single one of you.

