

News Update | Summer & Autumn 2019

Visit Bhutan and Help Disaster Aid Australia

In order to raise money for our 'Bhutan 2020 Project' providing **Safe Water** we are now offering our supporters the chance to become more involved in our Bhutan 2020 Project of providing **Safe Water** to 120 schools.



For \$6,450 per person a couple can have an all inclusive 7 day holiday in Bhutan, including airfares. Each couple will take with them a SkyHydrant™ water filter which they will personally present to a school and see it installed. The couple will be issued with a tax receipt for \$5000, the cost of the SkyHydrant, as their charitable donation to the Bhutan 2020 Project of DAA.



Energy Globe World Awards

In 2018 we were successful in being awarded the best sustainable project by an Australian organisation for our work in providing safe water to communities in the Philippines.

In December 2018 we were invited to the World Awards Ceremony in Yazd, Iran as Guests of Energy Globe.

Although we didn't win the overall award, we did receive this bronze plaque in recognition of our work being considered 'Worlds Best Practice' and one of the best 16 projects worldwide out of 2,300 initial entries.

Goa National High School SkyHydrant

In 2018 a team from Disaster Aid Australia visited the Camarines Sur region to commence the installation of two SkyHydrants for a Project in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Naga and the Rotary Club of Goa.

A key feature of this project was the involvement of the school community in planning and constructing the header tank tower.

The photograph on the right shows the tower under construction based on a design suggestion of the School Maintenance Supervisor Mr. Beloy.

Installations are planned for a further 14 schools in the area in the next two years.





Lombok Earthquake

Disaster Aid Australia and Disaster Aid Malaysia provided support to the Mataram Rotary Club and the Kuta Rotary Club in response to the earthquake.

Mataram city itself was affected by the earthquake but the areas to the north were devastated.

Brick buildings were reduced to rubble and most concrete buildings had significant cracking which needed demolition.

The Rotary Club of Mataram has done a great job of responding to the shelter needs of locals by working with international partners and the Indonesian Disaster Management Organisation BNPB.

A SkyHydrant Gem has been installed in one area to provide safe water for a local community.



Sulawesi Tsunami Strikes Palu

Soon after an Earthquake shook the Sulawesi region on Friday morning a 6m high Tsunami Wave hit Palu.

With a death toll from the two events rising beyond 1,000 this has been one of the deadliest disasters to hit Indonesia for many years.

Thousands of homes have been swept away.

Tens of thousands are without shelter and safe water.

Disaster Aid Response Team (DARTS) from Australia and the UK have been working to help the people of Palu.



Disaster Aid Skyhydrants have been installed in 8 neighborhood areas.

They have also arranged for additional tanks in other areas and the repair of a well for an orphanage.



We Have Moved

Disaster Aid Australia has just moved to new offices.

Our physical address is:
92 Doveton Avenue, Eumemmering, Victoria.

It's about 1km North of the Princes Highway between
Dandenong and Hallam.

Our Postal address will remain as:
PO Box 790, Endeavour Hills, Victoria 3802. Australia

The phone numbers will remain unchanged.

As well as office space, kitchen, and boardroom, the building
also includes a large storage area and yard where we are setting up a demonstration SkyHydrant.

The office will normally be open: Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays between 10.00am and 4.00pm

Please check before making a special journey.



'Safe Water for Every Child' in Myanmar

January might be the 'Holiday Period' for some people but Disaster Aid were still providing new 'Safe Water For Every Child' installations.

Director Angeline Low, and Danny Low, from Disaster Aid Australia travelled to Myanmar to install two SkyHydrants with the assistance of KK Looi of Disaster Aid Malaysia.

These installations are in association with the Rotary Club of Yangon.

In addition to the two installations carried out, several other sites were inspected for future installations.



The Cost of Safe Water?

Less than 1 Australian Dollar / Person / Year for a Village.

A typical Disaster Aid Australia SkyHydrant installation costs \$5,000. That includes tanks and pipes which we purchase locally.

Once installed the unit will provide bacteria free water for ten years for a community of up to 700 people.

$\$5,000 / 10 \text{ years} / 700 \text{ people} = \$0.71 / \text{person per year.}$

Schools

A \$5,000 skyhydrant installation to serve a school can keep over 1,000 pupils safe.

2019 Disaster Aid Conference

Our Keynote Speaker for this years conference on Saturday 4th May at the Dandenong Club will be Dr Manderjit Singh.

Dr Singh is the founder of AHHA Education which has educated over 200,000 students since its foundation in 2000.

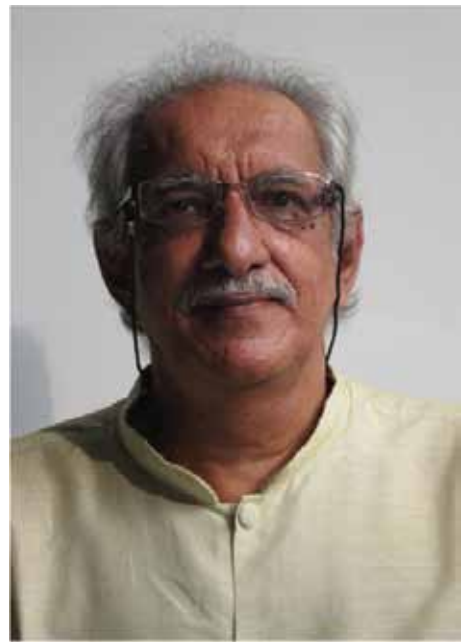
AHHA is an organisation focused on providing education programs to urban and rural communities throughout Cambodia, East Timor, Thailand, Laos and India.

An entrepreneurial humanitarian, Dr Singh has dedicated his life to encouraging, training and helping poor youths in poor communities to achieve much more in life.

For over 29 years, Dr. Madenjit Singh has researched and tested new and innovative ways to teach underprivileged communities.

Don't miss Dr Singh, and other interesting speakers.

Bookings will be accepted on the Disaster Aid International Website.



Dr Madenjit Singh



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It is a Rotary Club project that really is ... making a difference

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