

Complete report of Migrant Mutual Aid's Disbursals from #SGMuslims4MigrantWorkers Zakat campaign in Ramadan 2025

Last updated: 25 June 2026. All dollar amounts are in SGD.

Total Zakat funds raised in 2025: \$82,592.48

No. of unique workers and families supported: 28

Zakat fund was fully disbursed on 28 April 2026.

We operate on the principle that zakat must generally be disbursed to asnaf within the Islamic year. However, as funds raised last year exceeded our target by \$32,592 (thanks to your overwhelming support, for which we are grateful!), it has inevitably taken longer for our team to disburse all the funds, especially at the level of care to which we are committed.

We thus seek your understanding that the funds were not fully disbursed within the Islamic year. It is also for this reason that we have capped Migrant Mutual Aid's fundraising intake at \$50,000 in 2026, with all funds raised above this amount to be directed to the [Criticare Fund](#) (on whose Council Migrant Mutual Aid is represented).

Migrant Mutual Aid and #SGMuslims4MigrantWorkers are committed to full transparency and accountability to donors. Do contact us should you have any further clarifications.

Please exercise caution and self-care reading this document as details below may be distressing. Names are anonymised to protect the privacy and dignity of workers and their family members.

S/N	Beneficiary	Amount	Reason for Withdrawal
1	RQ	\$1,243.00	Surgery to remove adrenal tumour
2	SMK	\$1,900.00	Medical expenses and 3 months of family living expenses (food, son's school fees, and mother's medicine)
		\$2,124.00	Loan repayment, 3 months of family living expenses, medicines, TB test
		\$904.00	1 month of living expenses, TB test
		\$590.00	1 month of living expenses
3	BM	\$3,120.00	3 sessions of chemotherapy for stomach cancer
		\$1,933.00	2 sessions of chemotherapy for stomach cancer
		\$318.00	PET-CT for stomach cancer treatment
		\$420.00	2 sessions of chemotherapy
		\$187.00	Test and medicine for stomach cancer
		\$315.00	PET-CT for stomach cancer treatment
4	MSU	\$1,855.00	4 months of family living expenses due to sudden loss of livelihood

		\$5,000.00	Reopening bookshop including rent and repurchase of books
5	MR	\$1,703.00	2 months of chemo expenses for pancreatic cancer
		\$3,404.25	2 months of chemo expenses for pancreatic cancer
		\$323.73	PET CT scan for pancreatic cancer treatment
6	MSM	\$1,336.00	Food for family, milk for nieces and nephews, & medical costs for parents
		\$919.00	House rent for 6 months
7	MKH	\$1,380.00	3 months living expenses, 1 month school fees for 3 siblings
		\$2,520.00	7 months of living expenses
		\$4,000.00	Rebuilding house
8	NJ	\$265.00	Tonsillitis surgery for son
9	LZ	\$1,860.00	Loan repayment and living expenses following husband J's death from lymphoma
		\$2,140.00	To secure a future livelihood after husband's death
10	H	\$642.00	3 months of living expenses
11	JB	\$1,000.00	4 years of school fees for 2 kids
12	HA	\$4,000.00	Living expenses, school and medical fees for son and parents
13	MST	\$4,000.00	Father's medical and other living expenses
14	ES	\$1,066.50	3 months of living expenses, after repatriation due to a sexual assault police case that was unsuccessful
		\$300.00	Hospital and medical expenses
15	AM	\$4,110.00	Mum's skin cancer treatment and 2 months of living expenses
16	HL	\$992.00	Medical expenses for stroke and 3 months of living expenses
17	N's family	\$2,000.00	One time solidarity payment for the purposes of 6 months of living expenses
18	D	\$550.00	Medical expenses for diagnosing a lump behind her ear and 6 months of living expenses

19	SA	\$4,000.00	5 months of dialysis treatment and other medical expenses for kidney failure, and living expenses
20	TA	\$250.00	1 month of living expenses
		\$330.00	1 month of living expenses and child's medical expenses
21	AN	\$1,050.00	3 months of living expenses to fill in the current salary gap
22	TNY	\$600.00	3 months of living expenses and medical consultation fees for kidney stone disease
23	MSI	\$4,000.00	One time solidarity payment to cover income loss of 3 months, due to an ongoing court case.
24	SM	\$3,000.00	6 months of living expenses
25	RMM	\$2,220.00	6 months of living expenses
26	TAK	\$4,000.00	Solidarity payment following death of husband
27	HMA	\$722.00	Living expenses and Eid clothes during Ramadan
28	NA	\$4,000.00	Living expenses and husband's medical expenses

1. RQ

RQ is a 38-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker who was admitted to a hospital in Singapore for symptoms of an adrenal tumor that causes a condition called pheochromocytoma. Doctors recommended a definitive one-time surgery to remove the adrenal tumor and the surgical team was keen to respect RQ's wishes to conduct the surgery in Singapore. We had even arranged emergency accommodation and secured funds for RQ's operation - but immigration hurdles made it impossible. After his employer cancelled his work permit, RQ was placed on a special pass that didn't allow enough time for the operation to be carried out in Singapore.

Since the procedure was not classified as an emergency and his blood pressure was under control, RQ was deemed fit to fly, leaving no grounds for his special pass to be extended. Given these circumstances, he returned to Bangladesh. We're relieved to share that he has since undergone the surgery and is now in good health. MMA supported him with \$1,2433 for the operation, and we will continue to stay in touch as he recovers.

2. SMK

SMK is a 40-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker diagnosed with tuberculosis (TB) in Singapore, forcing him to return home for treatment in December. SMK had been unable to work while undergoing treatment for his TB and struggled to financially support his

elderly mother's chronic medical needs and his 8-year-old son's education. In order to cover the costs of his own medical treatment and support his dependents, he had to sell family jewellery and take loans from relatives. MMA disbursed \$1,900 to SMK, in order to cover three months of living expenses that include his son's school fees, his mother's medicine and groceries for the family, along with the costs of the TB tests he needed to undergo. This provided critical support for SMK during his recovery period.

SMK hoped to recover from TB as soon as possible and return to Singapore for work. However, in July, he was disheartened to learn that he still tested positive for TB and needs to undergo further treatment before he could go back into employment. To tide over SMK and his family during this period of unemployment as he recovers from TB, we supported him with a further \$2,124. This amount covers loan repayment to a relative for June's living expenses, 3 months' of family expenses which consists of food expenses, his son's school fees and his elderly mother's medicine, and medical costs for his TB treatment.

Most recently, in September, MMA supported SMK with a disbursement of \$904 for one month of family living expenses, covering his son's school fees and his mother's medicine, as well as the costs of TB tests, travel, accommodation, and food. In November, an additional \$590 was disbursed to cover another month of living expenses, including school fees and his mother's medicine.

3. BM

BM is a 52-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker who was diagnosed with stage 4 stomach cancer and had to return home for palliative chemotherapy after working in Singapore for over 20 years. BM has 3 children - a daughter who is already married, another 15 year old daughter and 26 year old son who is still in university. His son does some ad-hoc work while studying but the work does not generate a fixed income. A translator assigned to him in Singapore at Khoo Teck Phuat hospital helped to raise \$1.5k amongst her friends and family to help pay for his subsequent chemotherapy sessions, and BM has also had to tap into his savings to pay for the life saving care.

Between June to August 2025, we supported BM with the cost of 5 palliative chemotherapy sessions (\$3,120.00 for the first 3 and \$1,933.00 for the next 2), medical check ups and a PET-CT scan. As BM is still battling stomach cancer, we continued to support him in 2026, with the following - \$420 in January, to help him pay for 2 more sessions of chemotherapy, \$187 in February for more tests and medicines, and \$315 in April for another PET-CT scan.

4. MSU

MSU is a 47-year-old Bangladeshi male poet who previously worked in Singapore for 16 years as a migrant worker. In 2024, he was suddenly repatriated after his work permit was not renewed. Many in the community believed this decision was retaliatory, linked to his growing involvement in migrant worker activism, such as being vocal against the ferrying of migrant workers in the back of lorries. This came despite his contributions as a published author of two books, and his recognition within both migrant and literary circles.

After returning to Bangladesh, MSU pursued his passion and opened a bookstore. Unfortunately, the road where his store was located was later marked for government redevelopment. Within a year of opening, he was forced to shut down and suffered a significant financial loss. With no stable livelihood and a young son born in 2023 to support, his situation became increasingly precarious.

Given the political and premature nature of his repatriation, as well as his years of service to our communities in Singapore, we felt it was important to support MSU during this challenging period. In August 2025, we disbursed a total of SGD \$1,855 to cover 4 months of living expenses for him and his family while his bookshop remained closed. We supported him with a further \$5,000 to reopen his bookshop, covering his rent and repurchasing books for him to stand on his own two feet again and provide for his family.

5. MR

MR is a 37-year-old Bangladeshi male migrant worker who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. In June 2025, MR was admitted to a hospital in Bangladesh and tests showed that his cancer was advancing to the second stage, and he urgently required treatment. His family struggled to keep up with the costs, and a friend of his reached out to the Criticare Fund for Migrant Workers on his behalf. Criticare then referred his case to MMA in July 2025.

MR was seeking support for a total of 6 chemotherapy sessions, at an estimated cost of BDT 80,000 (around SGD \$851.06) per session. We disbursed a total of \$5,107.25 to cover his treatment. While the sessions were often incredibly physically demanding for MR or were sometimes delayed due to lowered platelet counts in his body, he was cancer free in March 2026.

In April 2026, he reached out to us again because he was experiencing ongoing stomach pain that continued for days and could, and complications were discovered with his lymph nodes. Since then he was recommended a PET-CT scan to help diagnose the issue. We decided to continue supporting MR given the severe nature of his symptoms, and have disbursed another \$500 to cover the scan (\$323.73 from this Zakat 2025 and \$176.27 from our subsequent Zakat funds in 2026). We will remain in touch with MR to see how he is doing and support further if necessary.

6. MSM

MSM is a 29-year-old Bangladeshi male migrant worker who worked in Singapore as a driver and aircon servicing supervisor for 12 years. For the last 2 years of his employment, he was being illegally housed in the roof of a factory between ceilings, which led to an accident one morning as he was climbing down from the ceiling, resulting in him falling at least 4 metres. He was sent to the hospital to recover and was compensated a sum from WICA, but was eventually repatriated to Bangladesh, where he is now struggling to find consistent employment enough to support his ill parents, 3 siblings, and nieces and nephews.

We disbursed \$1,336.00 to him for food for family, milk for nieces and nephews, & medical costs for his diabetic parents; and a further \$919.00 to cover outstanding rental debt for 6 months for his house where he and all his family members reside. MSM will continue to search for a steady job.

7. MKH

MKH is a 38-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker who fell from a 3-metre-tall ladder at his workplace, resulting in a hip and head injury in July 2023. Despite an ongoing salary dispute case, MKH was deported to Bangladesh by his employer, who filed a complaint with the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) alleging that MKH was living outside his designated dormitory.

Unable to work due to his ongoing recovery and with his WICA case still unresolved, MMA supported him with his family's living expenses while awaiting his WICA compensation. This was \$1,380.00 for 3 months living expenses and 1 month school fees for 3 siblings.

Although MKH eventually received his WICA compensation, he used the entirety of the payout to fund an urgent surgery for his 12-year-old sister, who was suffering from painful oral cysts. As a result, MKH soon found himself facing financial hardship once again. His family home was in a dilapidated condition, with a leaking roof and damp walls, and he struggled to meet a range of pressing expenses, including medical bills for his two-month-old infant and three-year-old son, school fees, and daily living costs.

More recently in early 2026, MKH approached us again for assistance with housing repairs. With the monsoon season in Bangladesh underway, his family was living in unsafe conditions and urgently needed a secure place to stay. In response, we disbursed a further \$4,000 to support essential repairs to the family home, ensuring that MKH and his family could live safely and with dignity while he works towards securing stable employment.

8. NJ

NJ is the widowed wife of M, a Bangladeshi male migrant worker, whom MMA has been supporting since 2022 after M fell into a coma following a bicycle accident. He was hit by a Tower Transit public bus while cycling back to his dormitory from work. M later passed away after a battle with infected sacral sores being in a comatose position being cared for by his wife NJ in Bangladesh. Since his passing, NJ has been waiting for compensation under the Work Injury Compensation Act (WICA). She is currently not working due to her own chronic illness. NJ and M's son is now 8 years old and has been falling ill frequently due to tonsillitis; doctors have advised that his tonsils be removed. In September 2025, we disbursed \$265 to support his surgery and to help tide NJ over while she continues to wait for her rightful compensation.

9. LZ

LZ is the widowed wife of J, a Bangladeshi male migrant worker who was diagnosed with Stage 4 lymphoma and had to return home for treatment. Since 2022, MMA has been

supporting J as his lymphoma was treatment resistant and relapsed despite chemotherapy. He required a bone marrow transplant for more definitive treatment. In August 2025, J was admitted for his bone marrow transplant and we learned from his wife, LZ, that the transplant did not go well. In September 2025, we were saddened to hear that J had passed away due to complications from the surgery. To support LZ and her 2 children in this difficult time, we supported LZ with \$1,860 to help with 3 months' of living expenses, and repayment of a loan she had taken from a relative to pay off J's remaining medical bills.

10. H

H is a 32-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker who has re-entered Singapore 4 times during his employment stint, paying recruitment fees each time and accruing a debt of approximately BDT 2,000,000 (around SGD \$21,000). In July 2025, he was abruptly retrenched from his most recent job without reason or notice and has since been on a Special Pass, which does not allow him to work, leaving him with no income. TWC2 is supporting his ongoing legal case against his employer, where he is seeking a transfer letter to remain employed in Singapore instead of being repatriated. His first hearing took place in October 2025 and the process may take several months. He supports his non-working parents, 2 younger brothers who are still in school, his wife, and their 6-month-old baby.

Given his significant debt and current unemployment, we disbursed \$642 to support H and his family with 3 months of living expenses, while he awaits the outcome of his legal case.

11. JB

JB is the widowed wife of M, a Bangladeshi male migrant worker who passed away in July 2022 from metastatic bladder cancer after significant delays in diagnosis and care - delays that were exacerbated by his employer's refusal to facilitate timely medical follow-up due to concerns about costs. What could have been detected earlier was only diagnosed after the cancer had already spread to his bones, leaving him with no choice but to be repatriated to spend his final days in Bangladesh with his family.

Following M's passing, we re-established contact with JB in September 2025 and learned of her financial precarity as a single mother supporting 3 young sons without a stable job. She sought help with overdue school fees for her 2 older school-going sons - these fees had already accumulated due to prolonged financial instability.

In light of the systemic injustices that contributed to her family's situation and to ensure her children's continued access to education, we disbursed SGD \$1,000 to cover outstanding school fees of the last 2 years and future school fees for the next 2 years for her two older sons.

12. HA

HA is a female Bangladeshi worker who was recruited for a job in a massage parlour in August 2025. Her official work pass was illegally processed for a food processing role, which meant her deployment to the massage parlour was unlawful. She was terminated without pay for no reason just 3 days after starting work and received very little salary compensation.

HA had paid around \$5,000 in recruitment fees to a Bangladesh agency through loans and by selling family assets, leaving her in serious debt. Her Singapore's agency promised to find her a new job and collected an additional \$500. She waited for a month but no job materialised. Later she approached the Ministry of Manpower to file her salary case and was interviewed by Foreign Manpower Management Division on 29 September. However, she received only \$338.62 for her salary claims.

HA is a single mother and she provides for her parents, who need monthly medicine, and her son, who has a medical condition. We disbursed \$4,000 to help HA support her family's essential needs as she tries to find new work to support herself and her family.

13. MST

MST is a 24-year-old Bangladeshi woman who entered Singapore in May 2025 with an In-Principle Approval (IPA) for a food processing job. She too was under the impression that she will be working in food processing. However upon reaching Singapore, she was forced to work as a masseuse in a massage parlour and coerced into providing sexual services. She refused but was threatened with repatriation. MST was moved across three massage parlours with outstanding salaries, and was expected to live only on "tips" with no regular salary. She had paid \$10,000 in recruitment fees to a Bangladesh agency and is the sole breadwinner for her family of 4.

In October 2025, a raid at the massage parlour led to her being detained overnight. After being released from police custody, she went to the Ministry of Manpower to seek assistance, but was told to return to Bangladesh without any resolution. With the help of another non-governmental organisation, she managed to file a Trafficking in Persons (TIP) case.

We disbursed \$4,000 to support her family's living and medical expenses during this period. MST is currently working in housekeeping while her TIP case is ongoing.

14. ES

ES is a 36-year old Indonesian domestic worker who first approached [HOME](#) in March 2025 for assistance. She was accused of providing a false statement to the police, which resulted in her being charged and subsequently jailed for one week. This situation was extremely unfortunate, as ES had reported that she was sexually assaulted by her male employer. However, due to "insufficient evidence", she was unable to pursue a strong case.

Following this incident, ES experienced significant emotional distress and developed urinary issues and vaginal pain linked to the trauma she faced. Although she was granted permission to work temporarily in Singapore, her medical condition prevented her from doing so. During her stay at HOME for several months, she was unable to earn a stable income and was unable to send money to support her family back home as well.

ES was repatriated to Indonesia in October 2025 and she is now blacklisted from future employment in Singapore. She now faces substantial financial hardship, as she must

support her family (including a young child), secure housing, and meet basic living needs in Indonesia. To support ES while she gets back on her feet after this traumatic experience, MMA disbursed \$1,066.50 to support 3 months of living expenses.

Since settling back in Indonesia, she has found some work, made harder by her ongoing medical issues, and her child's hospitalization from a snakebite. We supported her in April with another \$300 for medical expenses and the hospitalization fees.

15. AM

AM is a 43-year-old Bangladeshi male construction worker who has been in Singapore since August 2024. In February 2025, his employer brought him to Johor Bahru, Malaysia under the pretext of procuring cheaper source materials. He was subsequently dropped off at a hotel and left stranded in Kulai, with his work permit terminated without his knowledge.

He managed to find his way back to the border and sought help from ICA officers at Woodlands Checkpoint. He was eventually picked up by the Ministry of Manpower who are now investigating the matter. AM is currently on a Special Pass while these proceedings are underway. He is also pursuing a work injury case against this former employer and is unable to work in the meantime due to chronic and persistent back pain.

He has been unable to support his family in Bangladesh and is facing significant pressure to make loan repayments for the \$5,500 he borrowed for agency fees. His daughter has an on-going medical treatment for a growth in her right wrist. His wife has significant knee pain and his father needs gallbladder surgery, both of whom are unable to seek medical treatment as they have no means to do so. His mother was also recently diagnosed with skin cancer.

MMA disbursed \$2,510 for his mother's skin cancer treatment, and \$1,600 for 2 months of living expenses.

16. HL

HL is a 36-year-old Bangladeshi male migrant worker who suffered a stroke in Singapore in October 2025. He had been working in Singapore as a welder since 2008, supporting his wife, 2 sons, and elderly mother back home. Following the stroke, he was admitted to a local hospital where he underwent treatment and rehabilitation before being repatriated in November 2025. After returning home, he continued stroke medication, physiotherapy, and regular follow-up care. He remains weak on his left side but is able to walk without a walking stick.

With his loss of income, the family faces significant financial strain, with estimated monthly expenses of around 20,000 BDT (~\$207) for rent, food, and medication. We disbursed \$992 for 3 months of living expenses together and some medical costs to help the family cope while HL continues his recovery.

17. N's family

N was a 29-year-old Bangladeshi migrant worker who was diagnosed with stage 4 gastric cancer in August 2024. He had seen a GP a few times for stomach pain that was likely misdiagnosed as gastritis. He was even discharged from the emergency room after going there for vomiting blood. Upon finally seeing the specialist in the outpatient clinic, he had an emergency scope which revealed metastatic unresectable gastric cancer. Upon diagnosis, due to the extensive spread of disease across his abdomen, he was given a prognosis of 6 to 12 months to live. He passed away in Bangladesh with his family in March 2025, survived by his brother, sister and parents.

We stayed in touch with his family and disbursed \$2,000 as a one-time solidarity payment to cover 6 months of their living expenses while they grieve and figure out their expenses without their main breadwinner.

18. D

D is an Indonesian migrant domestic worker, referred to us by HOME in December 2025, due to various employment-related issues.

However, upon her arrival at HOME, D shared that she had noticed a growing lump behind her ear, which had been causing her discomfort and pain. HOME subsequently referred her to a clinic, where she was seen by a doctor on two occasions. During her second visit, the doctor advised that she be referred to a specialist for further assessment.

Concerned about the potential cost of hospitalisation and medical bills, D decided to return home to Indonesia to seek further treatment. To support during this period, MMA disbursed \$550 to cover 6 months of living expenses, as well as consultation and medication fees. The lump has since been diagnosed as a benign tumor, and D will undergo surgery to have it removed.

19. SA

SA is a 30-year-old Bangladeshi who worked in construction in Singapore from January 2022. In December 2022, he was diagnosed with failure of both kidneys. After being hospitalized in Singapore for some time, he received a kidney transplant in India and subsequently returned to Bangladesh. As the sole breadwinner of his family, he has been able to continue working, although he is unable to perform heavy labour. After returning to Bangladesh, he got married, had a son, and opened a small shop to make a living.

In January 2025, he was again diagnosed with kidney failure and required weekly dialysis. To cope with the medical and living expenses, his family sold most of their land and part of their house.

MMA disbursed \$4,000 to SA to support 5 months of medical and living expenses.

20. TA

TA is a domestic helper in Singapore. Late last year, she was diagnosed with cancer and had to undergo urgent surgery. She has since recovered and is now cancer-free. However,

she continues to face financial difficulties as she works to pay off her medical bills, while also supporting her children's school fees and daily living expenses.

MMA disbursed \$250 to support 1 month of family living expenses and \$330 for another month of living expenses and her child's medical expenses. We continue to stay in touch with her to understand and respond to any further needs.

21. AN

AN is a Bangladeshi national who arrived in Singapore over a year ago after taking out enormous loans to pay agent fees and cover other expenses. Despite working for a year with his initial employer, he received only the first two months' salary. Amid the ongoing dispute, the employer canceled his work permit without any reason or notice. Almost everyone at his company has had salary issues. The permits have also been cancelled without any reason, and his is not an isolated case.

He and his family have been in a stressful situation over this period. He has filed a case with MOM against his employer. In the meantime, he has been able to find a job for six months. This job, however, pays significantly less than the promised initial employment amount.

MMA disbursed \$1050 in March 2026 towards supporting his and his family's living expenses for a period of 3 months.

22. TNY

TNY was a domestic helper in Singapore. While working in Singapore, she received a diagnosis for kidney stone disease, and was repatriated as her employer was not willing to allow her to keep seeking medical treatment in Singapore. TNY is an orphan and is currently in Batam hoping to pursue further treatment there. She feels stressed about her condition and did not have enough savings to support her medical treatment. MMA disbursed \$600 in March 2026 to support her with living expenses and medical consultation fees. We will continue to support her as she seeks the necessary care.

23. MSI

MSI is a Bangladeshi migrant worker who has been working in Singapore since 2022. During this period, he completed a driving course and obtained his driving license, and has been working as a lorry driver since April 2024. In May 2024, he was involved in a minor traffic accident, and as a result is facing a court hearing, a fine, and a potential driving ban of 18 to 24 months. As of January 2025, he has had to stop his driving work while he awaits the hearing. As a result, he was in need of financial support due to a period of income loss. MSI's case was referred to us by HOME in March 2026, and we were able to support him with a solidarity payment of SGD 4000 from our Zakat fund to cover living expenses while he is unable to work. MSI is also the sole breadwinner for his family of 7 in Bangladesh, including elderly parents. MMA will continue to be in touch with MSI to follow up on the outcome of his hearing, and whether he will face a further ban on driving.

24. SM

SM is a 27 year-old Bangladeshi worker who came to Singapore in October 2025 to work as a construction manager. After 14 days, he suffered a workplace injury resulting in a broken finger. He visited a clinic and was advised by the doctor to do an operation, but SM's employer strongly discouraged this. He was subsequently threatened by his employer to not do the operation, or he would be sent back to Bangladesh. Ultimately, SM lodged a case with TADM as his employer refused to pay him his salary for the 2-3 months he remained on MC (unable to work due to the injury). He was able to get back 1 month's worth of salary but was still owed 2 months. Now, he is back in Bangladesh and taking care of his 3 children, wife, elderly parents, and younger sister. MMA disbursed him \$3,000 to cover 6 months worth of living expenses (\$500 per month) which will be spent on his children's milk and food, medicine for his mother, and other daily expenses. MMA will continue to be in touch with him as he navigates a separate but related debt situation.

25. RMM

RMM is a Bangladeshi male migrant worker. He started work in Singapore in August 2025 and sustained a workplace injury (glass drop accident with sustained cuts) in September, only a month after joining the company. As he had just started his job, he earned very little salary before the injury. Following the injury, he has been on continuous medical leave. In an effort to save his job, he worked a few days despite being on MC but generally has not been able to work.

His employer has not been paying his salary legally due while on medical leave. HOME is assisting him with this ongoing AME dispute (~\$5000 owed) as well as his WICA case. While HOME is hopeful that the salary dispute will be resolved soon, he is currently facing financial hardship, in particular paying for his family expenses such as fees for his kids' teacher and their exams (SSC exam for 10th boards). He is currently in Singapore on a special pass to be available for the ongoing salary case. Workers on special pass are not legally allowed to work, therefore he has no income.

MMA has disbursed \$2,200 to RMM in March 2026 to support 6 months of living expenses for their family (\$366 per month).

26. TAK

TAK is the wife of late FO who was a 52 year old Bangladeshi worker employed in workshop renovation in Singapore. He had worked in Singapore for 22 years before passing away suddenly on 6 September 2025 from coronary heart disease, three days after returning to Singapore. He is survived by his wife TAK and their two children, a 16 year old daughter and an 8 year old son. He also carried recruitment debt after returning to Singapore in September 2025, having left three years earlier due to a lack of work in his company. The loans were taken from family members and amount to 5 lakh BDT, approximately \$5,700. We disbursed a solidarity payment of \$4,000 to TAK to support her living expenses and any loan repayments she may need to make.

27. HMA

HMA is a 40-year-old Bangladeshi construction worker who worked in Singapore for 5 years. He was referred by HOME following his police case. He had attended a religious sermon in Tuas Dormitory on 9 August 2024 given by an overseas preacher that was later deemed as illegal and extremist. Prior to the sermon, without knowledge of the preacher's eventual sermon content, he was part of a group of people who had assisted his visa process to come to Singapore. HMA was eventually issued a Conditional Warning for his offence. While awaiting the outcome of his case, he spent a year on a Special Pass without income. He was repatriated to Bangladesh in November 2025 and his subsequent application to return to Singapore for work was rejected.

In March 2026, noting his financial and employment precarity, we supported him with \$722 for cover a part of his Eid-related expenses for him and his family.

28. NA

NA is the wife of SO, a 42-year-old Bangladeshi migrant worker who arrived in Singapore on 18 December 2025. Just three days after his arrival, he fell seriously ill, experiencing high fever and severe breathlessness.

SO was admitted to Khoo Teck Puat Hospital from 23 December 2025 to 4 January 2026, where he was diagnosed with sepsis and spent part of his hospitalization in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). Because he became ill before commencing work and had not yet received his work permit—holding only an In-Principle Approval (IPA) at the time—he was not covered by employer-provided medical insurance. After his discharge, he was repatriated to Bangladesh. Tragically, SO's condition deteriorated further upon his return home. Complications from his illness ultimately led to the amputation of both his legs.

SO is the sole breadwinner for a family of five, supporting his wife, elderly mother, and two young children aged five and two. We have remained in contact with his wife, NA, who shared that SO now requires ongoing medical treatment, regular check-ups, and medication, and is likely to need long-term care for the rest of his life.

To sustain his treatment and meet the family's basic needs, they have already incurred debts of approximately 500,000–600,000 Bangladeshi Taka (around S\$5,250–S\$6,300), placing the family under significant financial strain. In response to the family's circumstances, we provided a solidarity payment of S\$4,000 to help alleviate some of the financial burden they face. The funds are intended to support the family's daily living expenses and contribute towards the debts they have incurred while seeking medical treatment for SO.

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