

GIVE A MAN A FISH, HE WILL EAT FOR A DAY TEACH A MAN TO FISH, HE WILL EAT FOR A LIFETIME

# **OSMET (UK)**

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# **OSMET (Sri Lanka)**

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### Nizam Ismail Former Mayor London Borough of Harrow Honorary General Secretary - OSMET - (UK)

#### FORTY FOUR YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE DESERVING STUDENTS OF SRI LANKA

#### **HOW IT ALL STARTED**

As the General Secretary of OSMET (UK), it is an honour to pen a few words in the Ramadan pamphlet of OSMET for the year 2025. First and foremost, on behalf of the OSMET Committee we wish to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to all our benefactors who contributed generously towards our scholarship fund, which has facilitated OSMET to successfully conduct it activities and be recognized as a leading charitable organization with over 4 decades of service to the younger generation of Muslim students in Sri Lanka. Alhamdulillah, it is a great privilege for me to continuously serve for 44 years since 1981, as the General Secretary of OSMET (UK) and contribute towards uplifting the lives of the deserving Muslim students in Sri Lanka by facilitating to successfully complete their higher education and move into the society as qualified academics and professionals. I also wish to take this opportunity to recognize the dedication and efforts of the Management Committee (MC) of OSMET (SL) for their devotion to manage the funds of OSMET and administer the award of scholarships to the deserving Muslim students in Sri Lanka.

Alhamdulillah, OSMET is a UK registered charity and is also incorporated by an Act of Parliament in Sri Lanka. It is an organization that is financially sound and have investments in two properties that generates monthly rental income, which partially contributes to the cash flow of the scholarship fund. Accordingly, by the grace of Almighty Allah OSMET has been able to complete more than four decades of service successfully and over 2000 students have been provided financial assistance to complete their education. Currently, an average of 55 students receive OSMET scholarship each year. Insha'Allah we hope to award more scholarships in the future depending on the availability of funds. In the circumstance, we continuously look forward to the assistance of all our benefactors to help the needy Muslim students in Sri Lanka. In the meantime, it is our vision to get the younger generation involved in the MC of OSMET (SL) since the very nature of the charity is to help the youth and we are pleased to note that some young members have joined the MC, which has injected a fresh burst of ideas for OSMET's future.

The hub of the activities of OSMET is in Sri Lanka. The future management of OSMET will be in the capable hands of the MC of OSMET (SL). Some of the senior members have served well over 2 decades in the MC and possess a wealth of knowledge and experience to steer the organization through these challenging times whilst the younger members possess the skills and talent to assist in taking forward the OSMET activities into the digitized world. Accordingly, OSMET(UK) takes this opportunity to recognize the MC of OSMET (SL) which includes Mr. Shumsdeen Cader (Chairman), Mr. Mohideen Hameed, Mr. Farook Jaleel, Mr. Yasri Thassim, Mr. Aroosi Thassim (Secretary), Mr. Haariz Rahman (Treasurer), Mr. Rufaik Mohamed, Mr. Shifaz Riyas and Mr, Areeb Arshad, for their contribution towards managing the affairs of OSMET(SL) in a professional manner.



Finally, I wish to appeal to all the benefactors for their donations and zakath contributions, which has facilitated OSMET (UK) to transfer funds to OSMET (SL) continuously for 44 years. Our aim is to unlock the potential of the underprivileged Muslim students and give them the opportunity by providing financial assistance to continue their studies at the university level, where everyone would have the chance to excel, not the privileged few. We have been working with this objective in mind for over four decades and Alhamdullillah it has been a great success. We need to generate some more income to increase the intake of the scholarship students as well as to increase the monthly stipend given to the students, since the economic crisis in Sri Lanka has resulted in very high inflation and rise in cost of living. Therefore, it is required to obtain the fullest support and assistance of all the benevolent donors to help OSMET achieve this goal. Accordingly, we kindly request all of you to contribute towards this worthy cause and gain the manifold blessings of Almighty Allah. Thank you so much for supporting OSMET.

May Almighty Allah shower his choicest blessings upon you and the members of your family!!!

Wassalaam Nizam Ismail Honorary General Secretary OSMET (UK)



#### **Message from OSMET - Sri Lanka**

We are pleased to inform that **OSMET** has completed over 44 years of service to the Muslim community and **OSMET** – Sri Lanka takes pride in assisting the needy Muslim students in Sri Lanka since 1981 by granting scholarships to complete their education, specially focusing on the University education. We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude and sincere thanks to the Secretary General – **OSMET** UK, Mr. Nizam Ismail, the former Mayor of Harrow, U.K. and his Committee, for making an enormous effort and taking a leading role in raising funds towards this worthy cause in order to ensure that **OSMET** is able to fund the students in Sri Lanka without any interruption throughout their course of study.

It is with much delight that we bring to your notice, that nearly 2,500 students in Sri Lanka have received financial aid from **OSMET** to complete their advance level studies and university education with a study period ranging from 2 to 5 years over the last four decades. At present, there are 50 students receiving the scholarships from **OSMET** to pursue their studies in the fields of medicine, engineering, business administration, management, finance and information technology. The scholarship recipients would increase to around 70 students with the latest intake planned for the year 2025.

While Sri Lanka is gradually recovering from the economic crisis and has been able to increase the growth momentum, the people still have problems as they continue to grapple with the rising cost of living, increased taxation etc. which has made the day to day lives of the people more difficult and challenging. Due to this environment, many have contacted **OSMET** and expressed their difficulties in educating their children as their income is inadequate even to meet their daily expenses. In the circumstance, **OSMET** needs to play a pivotal role towards assisting the Muslim community to educate the youth in this volatile and challenging environment.

It is encouraging to note that the Muslim community in the country is taking a keen interest in educating their children, generating high quality human capital who would become valuable assets to the society in future. However, it is noted that there is a significant number of talented and keen Muslim students pursuing higher studies amidst numerous financial difficulties. Therefore, it remains a timely necessity to provide them with the financial support to fulfil their ambitions in education.

**OSMET** -Sri Lanka continues to maintain its two properties in Colombo and Alhamdullillah with the rent generated from these properties and the contributions made by the generous donors particularly from UK, we have been able to raise the number of scholarship recipients as well as the quantum of the fund offered as scholarship. However, we still find that there are many more eligible students who need the support of **OSMET** for their educational requirements. Therefore, it is essential that we continue to seek your support to carry out this gigantic task of funding the needy Muslim students.

Let us also take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks and appreciation once again to Mr. Nizam Ismail, the founder of **OSMET**, who has been the live-wire of **OSMET** since the inception and may Almighty Allah's blessings be showered upon him always for the great service he has rendered in order to ensure that we have an educated Muslim community in Sri Lanka. We look forward towards his continuous support along with his Committee, to carry out the activities of **OSMET** in the same vigorous manner.

Whilst extending our gratitude and thanks to all of you, we look forward to your support to continue the good work of **OSMET** with the aim of producing educated Muslim youth in Sri Lanka.

Shumsdeen Cader Chairman – OSMET Sri Lanka Aroosi Thassim Secretary - OSMET Sri Lanka



No.	Home Town	Course of Study	Institute	Commencement	Completion
1	Ratnapura.	Arts	University of Rajarata	Jan 2019	Dec 2024
2	Balangoda.	Medicine	University of Ruhuna	Jan 2019	Dec 2024
3	Hemmathagama.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2019	Dec 2024
4	Panadura.	Medicine	University of Kelaniya	Jan 2019	Dec 2024
5	Kurunegala.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
6	Avissaw ella.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
7	Hapugastalaw a.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
8	Puttalam.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
9	Hemmathagama.	Medicine	Eastern University	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
10	Kochchikade.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
11	Hapugastalaw a.	Medicine	Eastern University	Jan 2021	Dec 2025
12	Malw ana.	Marine and Freshw ater Sciences	University of Ruhuna	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
13	Vavuniya.	Biosystems Technology	University of Jaffna	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
14	Galle.	Management	University of Ruhuna	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
15	Galle.	Management	University of Colombo	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
16	Puttalam.	Management & IT	University of Kelaniya	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
17	Galle.	Engineering	University of Ruhuna	Jan 2021	Dec 2024
18	Pahamune.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
19	Hapugastalaw a.	Medicine	Eastern University	Jan 2021	Dec 2025
20	Polgahaw ela.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
21	Naw alapitiya.	Medicine	Eastern University	Jan 2021	Dec 2025
22	Galgamuw a	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Jan 2021	Mar 2025
23	Ratmalana.	Engineering	University of Moratuw a	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
24	Hemmathagama.	Medicine	University of Peradeniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2027
25	Wellampitiya.	Medicine	University of Peradeniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2027
26	Mount Lavinia	Management	University of Sri Jayew ardenepura	Aug 2023	Mar 2025
27	Naula.	Management	University of Sri Jayew ardenepura	Aug 2023	Mar 2025
28	Kinniya.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
29	Kurunegala.	Medicine	University of Peradeniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2026
	Akkaraipattu - 20.		University of Peradeniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
31	Gelioya.	Softw are Engineering	University of Kelaniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
		Medicine	University of Ruhuna	Aug 2023	Dec 2026
33	Kalutara South.	Computer Science	University of Ruhuna	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
34	Ruggahaw ila.	Commerce	University of Kelaniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
35	Kandy.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
	Kattankudy - 05.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Aug 2023	Mar 2025
37	Galgamuw a.	Medicine	University of Colombo	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
	Akkaraipattu - 04.	Medicine	University of Kelaniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2025
39	Horow pothana.	Engineering Technology	University of Jaffna	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
	Naw alapitiya.	Information and Communication Technology (ICT)	University of Jaffna (Vavuniya Campus)	Aug 2023	Mar 2025
	Hemmathagama.	Information and Communication Technology (ICT)	University of Jaffna (Vavuniya Campus)	Aug 2023	Mar 2025
	Anuradhapura.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
43		Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
		Medicine	University of Kelaniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2027
	Kurunegala.	Medicine	University of Ruhuna	Aug 2023	Dec 2027
46	Eravur - 03 A	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
	Kurunegala.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
	Madige.	Medicine	University of Wayamba	Aug 2023	Dec 2020
49	Galle.	Industrial Information Technology	University of Uva Wellassa	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
	Beruw ala.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Aug 2023	Dec 2024
51		Engineering	University of Peradeniya	Aug 2023	Dec 2026
	Gampola.			-	Dec 2026
IJΖ	Gampoia.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Aug 2023	Dec 2020



# SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING COURSES

No.	Home Town	Course of Study	Institute	Completion
1	Galle.	G.C.E. A/L	Shri Kekunugolla Central College	Feb 2022
2	Galle.	G.C.E. A/L	Muslim Ladies College, Galle	Feb 2022
3	Galle.	G.C.E. A/L	St. Aloysius' College	Feb 2022
4	Galle.	HND - IT	Advanced Technological Institute Galle	Feb 2022
5	Kinniya 05.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Apr 2022
6	Horow pothana.	Engineering	South Eastern University	Apr 2022
7	Eravur 03.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Apr 2022
8	Matara.	Management	University of Sri Jayew ardenepura	Apr 2022
9	Akurana.	Medicine	University of Kelaniya	Apr 2022
10	Panadura.	Industrial Statistics & Mathematical Finance	University of Colombo	Apr 2022
11	Dew anagala.	Medicine	University of Kelaniya	Apr 2022
12	Maw anella.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Apr 2022
13	Puttalam.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	Apr 2022
14	Hemmathagama.	Medicine	University of Peradeniya	May 2022
15	Hemmathagama.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	May 2022
16	Hemmathagama.	Medicine	University of Rajarata	May 2022
17	Chilaw .	Engineering	University of Ruhuna	May 2022
18	Kattankudy 06.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	May 2022
19	Sammanthurai,	Engineering	University of Ruhuna	May 2022
20	Galle.	Engineering Technology	University of Rajarata	May 2022
21	Kattankudy 03	Engineering	University of Peradeniya	May 2022
22	Eravur 03A	Medical Laboratory Science	University of Jaffna	May 2022
23	Mannar.	HND - IT	Advanced Technological Institute Mannar	May 2022
24	Galle.	Unani Medicine & Surgery	Institute of Indigenous Medicine	Sep 2022
25	Galle.	Management	Sabaragamuw a University	Sep 2022
	Puttalam.	Surveying Science	Sabaragamuw a University	Sep 2022
27	Trincomalee.	Management	University of Jaffna	Dec 2022
28	Ratnapura.	G.C.E. A/L	Ferguson High School, Ratnapura	Feb 2023
29	Maggona.	G.C.E. A/L	Al-Hassaniya Maha Vidyalaya, Maggona	Feb 2023
30	Galle	G.C.E. A/L	Muslim Ladies College, Galle	Feb 2023
31	Ratnapura.	Arts	University of Colombo	Jun 2023
32	Kalmunai 03.	Medicine	University of Peradeniya	Jun 2023
33	Akkaraipattu 04.	Medicine	University of Jaffna	Jun 2023
34	Dehiw ala	Engineering	South Eastern University	Jun 2023
35	Muruthagahamula.		University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
36	Weligama.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
37	Oddamavadi.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
38	Akkaraipattu 20	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
39	Anuradhapura.	Engineering	1	Jun 2023
		0 0	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
40	Alaw athugoda.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
41	Vavuniya.	Transport & Logistics Management	University of Moratuwa	
42	Wellampitiya.	Engineering	University of Moratuwa	Jun 2023
43	Wellampitiya.	G.C.E. A/L	Zahira College	Jan 2024
44	Kalutara South.	G.C.E. A/L	Muslim Balika Maha Vidyalaya, Kalutara	Jan 2024
45	Weligama.	G.C.E. A/L	Arafa National School, Weligama	Jan 2024
46	Galle.	G.C.E. A/L	Muslim Balika Maha Vidyalaya, Galle	Jan 2024
47	Eravur 02.	Engineering	South Eastern University	May 2024
48	Ratnapura.	Management	South Eastern University	Jul 2024
49	Galle.	G.C.E. A/L	Olcott College	Dec 2024
50	Galle.	Information Technology	University of Moratuwa	Dec 2024



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