

**In the blessed name of the Tri-une God, Self-existent,
Beginningless and Endless, Perfect in Being, (Glory be to Him)
Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Mathews III Catholicos of the East and
Malankara Metropolitan enthroned on the Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas**



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Blessings to the Vicar, Asst. Vicar, Priests of the locality, office bearers and beloved members of all parishes in our Church,

Dearly beloved,

The 'Sahodharan Project', which was started in memory of our predecessor H. H. Baselios Marthoma Paulose II of blessed memory, in February 2022 for the welfare of the poor and needy has been functioning well for the last two years. Financial support amounting to Rs. 12,88,49,480/- (Rupees twelve crore eighty eight lakhs forty nine thousand and four hundred eighty) was distributed during the last two years from the Sahodharan Project, among people belonging to all sects of the society irrespective of caste or creed, for various needs viz., House Construction (Rs. 4,42,26,875/-) Medical Aid (Rs.3,96,36,185/-) Educational Aid (Rs.2,88,26,445/-) Marriage Aid (Rs.1,07,60,000/-) and other special assistance (Rs.42,20,692/-). We thank everyone who supported this project. Almost all parishes of our Church have received support under this project on the basis of their applications.

The number of applications requesting support has been increasing considerably from parishes both inside and outside Kerala alike. Hence, we wish the cooperation and support of everyone from our parishes for this project. We request every single parish of our Church to set apart certain amount in their annual budget for the current financial year to support the 'Sahodharan Project', while you allocate the amount for charitable activities of your parish. We recollect with great happiness that the contributions received from individuals and parishes in the past have helped to wipe out the tears of many. We exhort everyone that it is our duty and obligation to help our brethren in need and hope everyone will continue with conviction to support and pray for the project. The Bank account details of the 'Sahodharan Project' are given below for sending your contributions. (**Account Name: Baselios Marthoma Mathews III, Bank: ESAF Bank, Kottayam, A/c No. 50220001884863, IFSC: ESMF0001132**). We understand that a few parishes have already budgeted for the 'Sahodharan Project' and we thank them for this kind gesture. We request those parishes which have not yet budgeted any amount for this financial year, to allocate an amount for 'Sahodharan Project' as supplementary budget in their next General Body meeting to be held in this financial year.

May the Grace and Blessings of the God Almighty abide with you forever. And may the prayers of the Mother of our God, the Holy Virgin Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle of India, our Holy Fathers Yeldo Mar Baselios, Mar Gregorios, Mar Dionysius and all the Holy Saints be a stronghold for us. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven.....

On April 17, 2024

From the Catholicate Palace, Kottayam, Kerala

Baselios Marthoma Mathews III