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Migrant domestic workers (MDW) in Lebanon have been struggling over the past two years as a result of the deteriorating working and living conditions in the country. The situation has left many of them with no income and no ability to buy food, no access to medication and at risk of losing their shelter. The donation from FNV Mondiaal sent to Lebanon in July 2021 was used to cover the urgent needs of MDWs struggling to sustain life in Lebanon so the main focus is on food, diapers, baby milk, medication and small amount of cash for rent to avoid eviction.

The money was distributed to 3 domestic worker organizations who have access to a wide network of MDWs: Mesewat, Egna Legna Besidet and the Alliance of Migrant Domestic Workers in Lebanon (which the Sri Lankan Womens Society is part of).

Live-out domestic workers were mainly targeted with a focus on those with urgent needs for basic humanitarian assistance such as single mothers and those with no access to other support. These MDWs are from various nationalities including but not limited to Ethiopia, the Philippines, Madagascar, Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Ivory Coast and Kenya.

