

**Description**

In July 2013, Lak Saviya Foundation Australia (LSF) shipped 22 used hospital beds, 44 used mattresses, and 5 used walking frames to Sri Lanka. These were donated, free of charge, by the RSL Anzac Village, Narrabeen, New South Wales, Australia. The shipment was cleared and transported to storage, free of charge, by the Sri Lanka Air Force.

Out of this total shipment, 11 beds and 15 mattresses were collected by the Peradeniya Teaching Hospital from the Sri Lanka Air Force storage at Katunayake. Of these 11 beds, 9 are at Peradeniya Teaching Hospital (3 in ICU, 3 in Recovery Ward, 3 in Ward 1-2 & High Dependency Unit), and 2 beds are in Kandy Hospital (High Dependency Unit of Ward 7).

The other 11 beds, 29 mattresses, and 5 walking frames are used at Sri Lanka Air Force Hospital, Katunayake.

Cost:

Cost of transport from Narrabeen to Blacktown (container)	\$ 448.00
Cost of temporary storage at Blacktown	\$ 40.00
Cost of shipping – one 20ft container	\$2,700.00
Total Cost	<u>\$3,188.00</u>

Donation of the beds by RSL Anzac Village, Narrabeen was free of charge.

Clearing, transport, storage, and distribution was at the expense of Sri Lanka Air Force.

Transport of part of the shipment from Katunayake to Peradeniya / Kandy was at the expense of Peradeniya Teaching Hospital.

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Photographs:



Beds being loaded at RSL Anzac Village, Narrabeen



Beds in use at Peradeniya Teaching Hospital



Beds in use at Sri Lanka Air Force Hospital
Katunayake



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