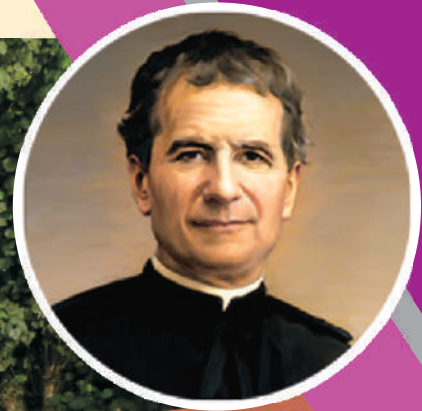




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**A Report
of the Relief Activities of Fishermen Community
Development Programme (FCDP) and
Theeradesha Mahila Society (TMS)**

Pallithottam, Kollam, Kerala

We dedicate this booklet to our generous benefactors and BREADS Bangalore (DON BOSCO) who with money, materials and labor worked hand in hand to provide relief to the people affected by the unprecedented flood in Kerala.



Introduction

Beginning on 15 August 2018, severe floods affected the state of Kerala, due to unusually high rainfall during the monsoon season. It was the worst flooding in Kerala in nearly a century. Over 483 people died, and at least a million people were evacuated. All 14 districts of the state were placed on red alert. One-sixth of the total population of Kerala were directly affected by the floods and related incidents. The Government of India declared it a Level 3 Calamity, or "calamity of a severe nature". Fishermen Community Development Programme (FCDP) and Teeradesha Mahila Society (TMS) were actively engaged in relief operations during the devastating floods that ravaged the state. The interventions of FCDP and TMS consisted of Immediate Relief Activities, Participation in Cleaning up Activities, Distribution of House-hold Articles to affected families and provision of Livelihood support for deserving families. The following pages provide a brief account of the involvement of FCDP and TMS in the relief works during the flood.



Immediate Relief Activities

The immediate relief activities consisted of reaching out to those who were affected by floods by providing them food and provisions, clothes, stationery and sanitary items. FCDP and TMS reached out to the flood affected areas of Edathua (Kuttanad), Ulunthi (Mavelilkara), Vandiperiyar, Kumali and Eravipuram (Kollam).



Edathua (Kuttanad)

On 18th of August our team consisting of 15 youngsters, three fishermen and FCDP and TMS staff left for Edathua. Some of us travelled by bus while others came by truck. The truck transported the boat being taken for relief work. We provided food and relief materials to large number of people who were held up in houses and camp at St. Mary's Church before we finally reached our destination. The camps at St. Aloysius College, Holy Angel's School etc were already in water. Using the boat we could reach the supplies to the camps. By night, our team came back to Kollam. The truck was abandoned half way as water had got in and the vehicle was damaged. We could reach out to over 4500 people. The materials supplied included drinking water, ready to eat food items, candles, mats, bed sheets, dress materials and sanitary materials for babies and women.



Ulunthi (Mavelikara)

On 19th August our team left for Ullunthi (Mavelikara) in Kollam district. The Camp there was cut off as the roads were no more navigable. We had been told that without a two-engine boat, it impossible to cross the river which was in spate and had strong water current. So, we loaded the materials in the boat and took it by river to the camp. The boat ride took over twenty minutes one way and we made over five sorties to bring all the materials. The people were very much relieved as we were the only ones then to bring relief materials to Ulunthi. There were over 600 people in two camps. We had taken food provisions, dress materials etc as we had been told exactly what to bring.



Vandiperiyar (Kumali)

We had been receiving emergency requests from Vandiperiyar from a Tamil Muslim family who had acquaintances in Kollam. The tea garden workers here had fled to the hills as water from the Mullaperiyar dam flooded the inundated the area. A number of people were rescued by the army and were shifted to the camp at Kumali. But people who had not gone to the camps were helplessly left out and had nothing. All they had was washed away. On verifying the truth of their claims we collected materials and left early in the morning (25th august 2018) by a bus. The journey took over four hours but we were happy to provide provisions, mats, buckets, clothes, blankets etc.



Eravipuram (Kollam)

As the incessant rains had caused flood at Eravipuram and Thanni, people from Tsunami flats had been shifted to camp at St. John's High School Eravipuram. There were also people at the camp in the ITI School, Cantonment, Kollam. Our team on 21st August 2018 led by Dr. Sindha H. Mendez (President, FCDP) and Sr. Cicily Paul FMA (Co-ordinator, TMS) visited the camps. The people at St. John High School Eravipuram were given provisions kits at the completion of the camp as they were returning to their homes. FCDP and TMS, also provided cleaning materials for the families.



“Clean Kerala Campaign”

With the support from BREADS, FCDP and TMS organized the 'Clean Kerala Campaign' with the purpose of helping people to clean up their houses so that they could return to their houses, after the water had receded. Cleaning up program was organized at Chengannur, Kunnumkari and Edathua. The clean Kerala Campaign evoked a very enthusiastic response from the people. About 80 people participated in the cleaning drive. We are happy to have helped in cleaning up ration stores, hospitals, schools and houses. Over forty wells and over 50 houses were cleaned. Our special thanks to Mr. Ansel Raymond who supported this campaign and actively participated in it.



Cheriyamad, Chengannur

The first trip was to Cheriyamad Panchayat, in Chengannur on 26th August. We visited Kulikkampara in Cheriyamad panchayath and 2 wards of Budhinur panchayath. We went by two trucks, with cleaning materials and equipments including petrol operated water pump. Our team of thirty-five (35) persons, cleaned about twenty (20) houses and cleaned eight (8) wells. Our team also included interstate labourers as volunteers.





Kunnumkari, Kuttanad

On 31st of August our team including Fr Sunny, the Parish Priest, laity and youth from the parish, members of FCDP and TMS, went to Kunnumkari in Kuttanad by bus. The team consisted of 32 members. Over thirty (30) houses were cleaned and over 7 wells were cleaned.



Edathua, Kuttanad

On 3rd September we went to Edathua. The purpose of the trip was only to clean wells. Our team of 12 cleaned about 28 wells in three areas in and around the flood affected parts of Edathua. It included cleaning the wells of schools, hospitals as well as those of some very poor families.





DISTRIBUTION OF HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Distribution of household items was supported by BREADS, Bangalore. The most deserving families from Kainakiri (Kuttanad) and Vandiperiyar (Kumali) were identified and household items were distributed for such families. The materials included mixer grinders, pressure cookers, mattresses, pillows etc. 67 families benefited from the distribution of household items.



Kainakari

The household articles were distributed at Kainakari on 12th September. Given below is the list of the beneficiaries.



Sl.no.	Name of the beneficiary	Address	Id card No. & Type	Name of the items distributed.
1	Mariamamma Joseph	Kayamkulam, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009110	Mattress, pillow, mixie
2	Moly Joseph	kalavara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419033254	Mattress, pillow, mixie
3	MarykuttyDevasya	Kadurividasery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419032685	Mattress, pillow, mixie
4	Lillikutty	Kannulasser, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010272	Mattress, pillow, mixie
5	Mercy Siby	Kadurividasery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419049884	Mattress, pillow, mixie
6	Elikkutty	kuruvidadassery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009175	Mattress, pillow, mixie
7	Anitha Varghese	Marappad, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419006959	Mattress, pillow, mixie
8	Eliamma	Pathilchira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009119	Mattress, pillow, mixie
9	Thresyamma	Kalavara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419032496	Mattress, pillow, mixie
10	Annamma	Tesvilla, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010616	Mattress, pillow, mixie
11	Jansy Chacko	Kuruvidasesery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419008941	Mattress, pillow, mixie
12	Michael	Puthenpurackal, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010447	Mattress, pillow, mixie
13	Ansamma	Kollamparambil, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010627	Mattress, pillow, mixie
14	Rosamma Antony	Pulickaparambil, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010445	Mattress, pillow, mixie
15	Aniamma	Kuruvidassery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010568	Mattress, pillow, mixie
16	Sophiamma	Kalavara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009199	Mattress, pillow, mixie
17	Thresiamma	Kuruvidassery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419032503	Mattress, pillow, mixie
18	Rajamma	Vanpallichira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010921	Mattress, pillow, mixie
19	Sujatha	Velamthara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419003487	Mattress, pillow, mixie
20	Merymma	Pathilchira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009308	Mattress, pillow, mixie
21	Thresya	Pallichira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419048842	Mattress, pillow, mixie
22	Binu George	Pathilchira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419046467	Mattress, pillow, mixie
23	Rathnamma	Vanpallichira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009217	Mattress, pillow, mixie
24	Molly Baby	Madathilchira, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419010804	Mattress, pillow, mixie
25	Jyothi	kuruvidadassery, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009157	Mattress, pillow, mixie
26	Sona	kallottuthara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	n.a.	Mattress, pillow, mixie
27	Babychan	unnithjara, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	n.a.	Mattress, pillow, mixie
28	Shashi	varampath, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	n.a.	Mattress, pillow, mixie
29	Ponnan	varampath, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	n.a.	Mattress, pillow, mixie
30	Das	varampath, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	n.a.	Mattress, pillow, mixie
31	Thommachan	Valiyaveetil, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009390	Mattress, pillow, mixie
32	Rosamma	Valiyaveetil, Kainakary, Thottuvathala P.O.	1419009190	Mattress, pillow, mixie

Vandiperiyar

The household articles were distributed at Vandiperiyar on 13th September. Given below is the list of the beneficiaries.



Sl.no.	Name	Address	Id card No. & Type	Items Distributed
1	Sebastian-K.H	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	718543062408	Pressure Cooker -35, Pillow -35, Emergency lamp -35, Chair -35, Blanket -35, Broom -35, Mat -35, Plate -35, Tumbler -35, Washing powder -35, Cleaning Lotions 35, Bucket -35, Blanket -35, Saree -35, Nighty -35, Churidar Material -35, Lungi -35, Shirt -35, Bed sheet - 35 School Bag – 10, Water Bottle -10, Lunch Box -10
2	Leelamma.M	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	846517445192	
3	Rani	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	882613494594	
4	Hajarabeevi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	802413974834	
5	Saboora	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	240520995151	
6	Sathi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	919408242294	
7	Jameela	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	644848827786	
8	Ibrahim	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	900552446600	
9	Sophiagum	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	459690115600	
10	Jameela	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	529507975980	
11	Kadeejamma	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	466816374781	
12	Laila	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	508405528366	
13	Asiyamma	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	824274627999	
14	Yesuraja	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	333636275664	
15	Sekhmma	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	717689049736	
16	Seenath	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	669714148831	
17	Kunjamma.A	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	673826683714	
18	Santhi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	445969049428	
19	Ravidren	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	491505351868	
20	Kinsila	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	276385089461	
21	Shan	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	678452175139	
22	Anitha	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	477253336657	
23	Ammani.P.A	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	418560605363	
24	Alphonsa	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	414288551926	
25	Lakshmi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	328792810677	
26	Sathyamohanaganthi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	689447651430	
27	MoosaBeevi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	363871532524	
28	Amudha	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	763020145628	
29	Padmonanthan	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	420818371631	
30	Lalji P.R	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	214875846237	
31	Kannan	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	472788965007	
32	Celine	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	n.a.	
33	Akbar	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	n.a.	
34	Sheena Yesu	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	n.a.	
35	Thampi	Ward 6, Nellamalai.Vandiperiyar PO, Idukki dt, 685533	n.a.	





Felicitations to Fishermen from FCDP FAMILY who participated in Rescue Operations

In order to felicitate the fishermen who were part of the rescue operations, FCDP and TMS conducted a felicitation programme on 2nd of September 2018. 150 fishermen were honored at the function. Adv. Rajendrababu, worshipful Mayor of Kollam, inaugurated the programme and presented the gifts to the fishermen. The public meeting was attended by the board and staff of FCDP and TMS, Executive Committee of Visappinu Vida, Well Wishers and fishermen, Dr. Sindha H. Mendez, (Chairperson FCDP), Mrs. Agnes P.P. (President TMS), Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director), Rev. Fr Sunny Uppan (Parish Priest and Rector, St. Stephen's Church, Thope) and Adv. Vineetha Vincent (Counsellor, Pallithottam) spoke on the occasion.



Livelihood Support

Livelihood support is a project completely supported by BREADS, Bangalore. 10 people who lost their livelihood were identified at Kainakari and their details were submitted to BREADS. Rs. 50000.00 (fifty thousand only) each was given to the identified families towards livelihood support. The cheques were handed over to the losted people at a function held in FCDP hall on 27th October 2018. Given below are the details regarding the ten families selected as the beneficiaries of the project.

Rosary (41)



Mupathirandil Chira, Ponga (p.o), Nedumudy, Alappuzha. Mob: 9496113392

Rosary is one of those who lost her livelihood options during the floods. Her family had a shop and it was fully damaged due to the flood. It is estimated that they have suffered a loss of Rs. 2 lakhs. Till the time of our survey, the family hasn't received any kind of financial support from other sources. She is suffering from kidney failure. The family will use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) given to them for lease farming with the help of her children.

Molly Baby (58)



Madathil Chira, Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary. Alappuzha. Mob: 08593932426

Molly Baby and her family depended on goat farming for their income. But due to the flood they lost five of their goats, each goat worth Rs.7500 besides the cattle shed. Their loss is estimated to be over one lakh. Till the time of the survey, they haven't received any kind of financial assistance. They intend to use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) they will receive towards purchase of goats.

Sujatha (50)



Velanthara, Thottuvala (P.O), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 9605930257

Sujatha's house was partially damaged. Sujatha and her husband are both partially blind. The family depends on the son's daily wages. Their loss due to flood is estimated to be about Rs. 2 lakhs. During the survey it was found that they also had not received any kind of financial support from any other sources. They intend to use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) they receive as relief towards lease farming, with the help of their son.

K.C. Mathew (60)



Kalavara House, Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 8086788438

K.C Mathew and his family mainly depend on lease farming for income. Due to the flood he lost his paddy farm completely. The estimated loss is Rs. 75000. Till the time of the survey the family has not received any kind of financial support. Mr. Mathew would use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) towards lease farming.

Mariyamma Joseph (60)

Kayamkulam (H), Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 9539798803

Mariyamma Joseph lost her cattle shed. She suffered loss of Rs. 40000 apart from the loss from agriculture. She too had not received any help till the time of our survey. She would use the Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only).00 to rebuild the cattle shed and also wish to purchase some goats.

Mercy Sibychen (44)

Kuruvidassery (H),Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 9633867797



Mercy lost her tailoring shop due to the flood. Her loss was about Rs. 2 lakhs. Having verified that she too has not received any financial help from any quarters till the time of the survey, Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) was sanctioned. She will use the amount to restart her tailoring unit by purchasing a tailoring machine.

Sunnynchen (Joseph Thomas) (61)

Poyakkara, Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 7025833693



Sunnynchen has been doing lease farming (Paatta Krishi). He lost 5 acres of crop. The crops were almost ready for harvesting. His loss is estimated to be Rs. 75000. He also had not yet received any kind of financial assistance. He will use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) towards lease farming.

Annamma Devasia (64)

Parassery Chira, Ponga (p.o), Nedumudy, Alappuzha. Mob: 9605319785



Annamma Devasia and family lost their cattle shed. Their loss is estimated to be about Rs. 190000. Due to the flood she lost 2 cows worth Rs. 150000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) and 6 goats worth Rs. 40000. They also had not received any kind of financial support either. They will use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) which they receive for buying goats.

K.C. Joseph (78)

Kolavara, Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha. Mob: 9544845871



K.C. Joseph and his family mainly depended on Cattle farming for their income. They lost 3 cows in the flood, each cow worth Rs.35000 and above. Their loss is estimated to be over Rs. 1 lakh. It was clear that they too had not received any kind of financial assistance. They will use the money they receive Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) towards lease farming as they are too old now to look after cows.

Jeemon Thomas (78)

Kuruvidassery, Thottuvala (p.o), Kainakary, Alappuzha.



Jeemon Thomas has been doing lease farming (Paatta Krishi). He has lost crops in 5 acres of land. The crops were almost ready for harvesting. He suffered a loss of Rs. 75000. He had not received any kind of financial support from any quarters at the time of the survey. He intends to use Rs. 50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) received as relief towards restarting the lease farming.

Looking Forward

- Paying homage to the brave fishermen who won accolades for their role in the rescue operations in the flood of Kerala (2018), FCDP in collaboration with BREADS, BANGALORE is publishing a well researched book on the contribution of traditional fishermen towards rescue efforts. Preliminary interviews and preparatory works are already under way. We at FCDP consider this a lasting gift we can make to the Fishermen Community of Kerala for the future generations to come.
- FCDP and TMS are happy to have been part of the relief activities during the tragic floods that affected Kerala. It is our hope that we will be able to continue to be part of rehabilitation efforts. We have identified the family of Mrs. Kunjamma, Thottuvathala, Kainakari, Kuttanad and hope to build a house for the family at the earliest.





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