

6th UPDATE

WAYANAD LANDSLIDES

Date: 23.08.2024

Overview

On July 30th, 2024, multiple landslides swept villages in Kerala's Wayanad district. As of 13th August, it was confirmed that 4 people were killed and their bodies were recovered while 118 people were reported still missing and 397 people were injured and are receiving treatment at the local hospital.

Currently, the Kerala Government and District Administration, Wayand have identified Rental homes for the survivors and are shifting them from the Relief Camps to Rental Homes. The Kerala Government has given the survivors a rental allowance of Rs. 6,000.

EFICOR Response:

- After a short one-week break, the EFICOR Team returned to Chooralmala on 18th August 2024 and resumed the relief work.
- The EFICOR Team met with the Authorities in the Meppadi Relief Camp and identified the gaps in the Back to Home Kits that the Kerala Government provides. EFICOR has planned to address the additional needs of the survivor in the back-to-home kit. For example, the government has provided a single cot to the survivor, but the survivor might require more than 1 cot for their use.
- EFICOR has identified 60 Families for unconditional cash transfer of Rs. 5,000/-
- EFICOR has also identified 30 Families for providing additional requirements in the back-to-home kits such as Pressure cookers, Induction Stoves, Mixer, Idly Vessel and many more.
- 4 Friends from Vizag, Andhra Pradesh are in talks with EFICOR to provide additional requirements for the back-to-home kits for 30 Families. Through our reference, they provided 15 Almirahs worth Rs. One Lakh.



EFICOR Team listening to the requirements of the survivor.

The Response So Far:

- The Kerala government has started providing back-to-home kits for the affected families in the Relief Camps.
- The Kerala Government has also started to move the camp inmates to rental homes with a rental allowance of Rs. 2,000/- per month.
- A total of 212.55 crore was collected in the disaster relief fund Kerala. But it is yet to be allocated for relief purposes.
- The State Level Bankers' Committee that met in Thiruvananthapuram decided to grant a year's moratorium on loans due from the landslide-affected residents. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan had on Monday urged the banks to write off the loans.

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Case Study: Story of Reji

Reji, a 50-year-old resident of Chooralmala, had been running a successful rice and coffee mill for the past 36 years. His shop, valued at Rs. 70 lakhs was a lifeline for his family until tragedy struck in the form of a devastating landslide in Wayanad. The disaster destroyed his shop, leaving him with no means of livelihood. Reji's wife, a daily wage laborer, struggles to support the family. Adding to their burden, their son requires monthly psychiatric treatment costing Rs. 3,000, and their daughter has just completed her B.Sc., leaving them with an education loan to repay. With no savings and mounting debts, Reji and his family face an uncertain future. The landslide not only took away their source of income but also shattered their dreams, leaving them to grapple with the harsh realities of life.



Reji with the demolished shop by the landslide

Future Intervention Plan of EFICOR

- Feasibility Study for the affected people who have lost their livelihood.
- Provision of unconditional cash support to selected 1000 HHs.
- Identification and Deputation of 20 Volunteers or more for the Kobo Entry to extend cash & kind support to the selected HHs.
- KOBO survey/entry to start by this week.
- Cross-verification by the EFICOR Team of the identified list with the government list.
- Cash Transfer directly to the affected Family Bank Account.
- Plan to provide the additional requirements in the back-to-home kits.

Resource Allocated/ Assured by Partners			
Sl.	Donor Partner	Amount Currencies	Amount in INR
1	World Renew	15000 USD	12,45,000
2	Cedar fund	15000 USD	12,45,000
3	Tearfund Canada	25000 CAD	25,00,060
4	Tearfund UK	20000 GBP	22,06,600
5	Individuals from Vizag		3,55,530
6	Kuki Worship Service, Delhi		50,000
7	Suzlon Foundation		3,00,000
8	Staff contribution		1,02,000
9	Other (Local Contributions)		15,000
		Total Assured	80,19,190
10	Microsoft (yet to be confirmed)		Rs. 15,00,000
		Grand Total	95,19,190
	Total Resource Required	115,373 USD (INR- 95,76,000)	
	Total Approved/Assured	80,420 USD (INR- 80,19,190)	