

## Overview

The EFICOR team in Chooralmala (Wayanad District) has been able to reach the affected communities and started the emergency relief aid. As on date, EFICOR has provided relief materials through the District Administration, which include 35 Back to Home Kits to the selected households and Unconditional Cash Transfer to 103 families out of 1000. The team is constantly in touch with the communities, Panchayats, District Administration and other stakeholders to maximize our response. EFICOR's Senior leadership team has also visited the devastated villages and met with the affected families, the government authorities involved in relief distribution.



Executive Director visiting the landslide affected areas in Chooralmala town

## EFICOR Response:

- The relief team distributed back to home kits worth Rs. 8,350 each to 35 affected families. Each Kit consisted of a Mixer/Grinder, a Pressure Cooker, an Iron box, a Flask, an Idly Vessel and a Trolley bag. These kits were supported by 4 Friends from Visakhapatnam.



Back to Home Kits Distribution

- EFICOR leadership team (Mr. Ramesh Babu, Mr. Harshan KY and Mr. Lambard Regulus) visited the disaster location in Chooralmala and interacted with the affected families, stakeholders and government.



EFICOR Team meeting with Deputy Collector & ADM, Mrs. K Devika

- The relief team has collected the details of 601 affected families using Kobo collect tool and transferred of Rs. 5,000/- to 103 families and the rest are under process.



CHS Standards during distribution

- The relief team met with the volunteers and oriented them on the relief code of conduct, CHS Standards and the process of



Interaction with Mrs. Megashree DR, District Collector



With the Panchayat Secretary, Mr. Noushadali



Meeting with the Sub Collector, Mr. Sagar



EFICOR Team with Volunteers



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selecting beneficiaries for cash transfer and livelihood support.

- The EFICOR team has collected the list of households who have lost their livelihood from the Panchayat. The District Collector, Wayanad (Meghashree D.R IAS) has assured us to share the livelihood analysis report by the government.
- The relief team is involved in Livelihood Feasibility Study based on the list received from the Panchayat. The community meeting is in progress.

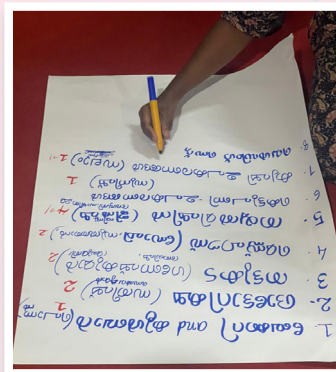


Relief team verifying KOBO details for cash transfers

## Livelihood Feasibility Study:

EFICOR has collected the list of households that lost the livelihood due to the disaster from the District Administration and Panchayat. The relief team is now doing a triangulation of the validity of the list received through community meetings and individual interactions using PRA tools. The list will be again verified through a phone call where the beneficiaries are staying away from the local in rented houses and capture the information through a predesigned questionnaire using KOBO tool.

This feasibility study will check with the beneficiaries of what livelihood they were doing earlier and if they can't continue the same why they are opting for a new livelihood. The end product will be a report with all analysis and selected beneficiaries for this intervention.



Relief team facilitating the Livelihood Feasibility Test among the beneficiaries

This report will be shared with the Panchayat and report them what EFICOR is planning to do for those beneficiaries selected which will help avoid duplicity from other service providers. EFICOR kept INR 30,000/- tentatively for each beneficiary and whatever would be the actual amount to provide materials would be spent for each beneficiary with an approval from the relevant EFICOR leadership.

## The Response So Far by others:

- The District Administration is still refining the affected families list.
- The Kerala State Disaster Management Authority recently confirmed the Wayanad landslide as the largest



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in India's recorded history. Research showed the event triggered a debris flow of approximately six million cubic meters — enough to fill 2,400 Olympic-sized swimming pools.

- Kerala Government moves forward with Road tunnel in landslide-hit Wayanad.
- Kerala Government has planned to build a township for the survivors of Wayanad landslide by July 2025.

## Case Studies:

### Surviving the Wayanad Landslide: Shreedharan's Story of Loss and Uncertainty

Mr. Shreedharan, native of school road, Chooralmala says "I can't forget the night the landslide happened. My wife, and I were swept away from our neighboring places" That fateful night, while Shreedharan and his wife were asleep, they heard a loud sound of water gushing towards their house. As soon as they came out of their house, their house collapsed, and they didn't know what to do. While running to escape the situation, they got stuck in the debris and their neighbors helped them get out of it. They discovered later that his sister-in-law and their children were swept away by the landslide never to be found again. They are still in trauma and apprehensive about their life ahead as they lost everything. Their newly-constructed house that was scheduled for a housewarming ceremony during the festival season of Onam (September) was completely destroyed.



Mr. Shreedharan, Survivor

Many people helped them with food and other materials. EFICOR provided them with a back to home kit. Now they have left the relief camps and are staying in a rented house. The Government is providing them with house rent for 6 months. He is not able to manage this as he paying Rs. 8,000 per month. He also said that "now people are there to help us; but after few months who will support us?"

### Lost Home, Lost Health: The Dual Struggles of Ganeshkumar After the Landslide

Ganeshkumar, an estate worker from Chooralmala town, hails from a family of migrant workers from Tamil Nadu. His life took a tragic turn when the devastating landslide struck. He and his family, who lived in a small shed, lost their land and home in the disaster. For weeks, they were forced to stay in a relief camp before finding a temporary shelter in a rented house provided by the government.

Before the landslide, Ganeshkumar worked in a hotel, but long hours on his feet caused him to develop severe varicose vein pain, making it impossible for him to



Mr. Ganeshkumar at the Relief Camp with his mother



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continue working. Now unable to earn a living, he faces both physical and financial challenges. With no stable income and mounting health issues, Ganeshkumar's family struggles to cope with the aftermath of the landslide, uncertain about their future and hoping for support to rebuild their lives.

## Future Intervention Plan of EFICOR

- Identification of 55 HHs from the list received by the Panchayat for Livelihood Support followed by feasibility study.
- Development of Proposal for Wayanad Landslide Mitigation.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase Unconditional Cash Transfer to 531 Families whose houses are fully or partially damaged.

## Funding Position

Resource Allocated / Assured by Partners			
Sl.	Donor Partner	Amount Currencies	Amount in INR
1	World Renew	15000 USD	12,45,038
2	Cedar fund	15000 USD	12,46,875
3	Tearfund Canada	25000 CAD	15,25,031
4	Tearfund UK	20000 GBP	21,66,900
5	Tearfund Netherland	30000 EUR	27,89,850
	<b>Local Contributions</b>		
6	Kuki Worship Service, Delhi		50,000
7	Suzlon Foundation		3,00,000
8	Staff contribution		1,02,000
9	Vizag (Local Contribution)		2,82,000
10	Other (Local Contributions)		115,000
		<b>Total Assured</b>	<b>9,822,694</b>
11	Microsoft (yet to be confirmed)		Rs. 15,00,000
		<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,322,694</b>
	<b>Total Resource Required</b>	136,418 USD (INR - 11,322,694)	
	<b>Total Approved/Assured</b>	118,345 USD (INR - 9,822,694)	
	<b>Amount to be raised</b>	18,072 USD (INR - 15,00,000)	