



GAJA CYCLONE IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT
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The assessment was conducted by Mr. R. Soorya Moorthy and T. Uma Ganesh of SLB Nanbargal Foundation on 24.11.2018. During the visit eight villages visited they are **Thalaikadu, Maharajapuram, Thulasapuram, Thamaraipulam, Nagakudaiyaan, Naaluedapathy, Underkaadu and Neivelakku**

The methods adopted to collect information are personal interviews with affected men & women, Ex. President, Vice President, ward members, Village community leaders, women group and discussion with local NGO

Observation and Recommendation given below

Place visited	Observation	Recommendation
Thalaikadu, Maharajapuram, Thulasapuram	The damages in these villages are minimum compared other villages. Houses and crop were damaged and people started coming back on their own. Community kitchen is initiated and people get food from there.	They are self-managed. <u>No support required</u>
Thamaraipulam	We had discussion with Mr. K. Bala Sundaram, ex Vice President. There are approx. 700 families living in this village, majority of the people belongs to BC and others are SC. The sources of income for SC people are daily labourers depending on coconut farms and other agriculture coolies. Here the thatched houses are damaged. During the discussion with women group we observed the V. President is influencing them to ask materials. The material he suggested is not an essential. It seems like he has source to collect materials. While visiting, a group of industrialist from Perambalur was distributing materials to them. Materials requested are <u>Steel iron stoves, Mini power generator, 700 Torch light, Bed sheets, Mosquito net, Skill training for women, Candles, Tarpaulins and Dresses</u>	The Vice president seems to be contacts to collect relief materials. Also his requirement is not in the primary requirement also the quantities are very high which can't be afforded by us. <u>With the above observation we unable to select the village</u>
Nagakadaiyan	This village has both BC and less families belongs to SC, total 1500 families living in this village. The village leaders discussed with us and seem they are not much worried and did not have basic data about their villages. Their requirements are <u>350 tarpaulin, Bed sheets, Torch lights and Candles</u>	The village people did not have proper information and we unable gather much information. <u>Ruled out for support from us.</u>
Naaluedapathi Gownder street	This village has three wards. Out of that, Gownder street is one of the three wards has more thatched houses. Tsunami houses were constructed in this area so there is min number of houses affected. All coconut trees uprooted.	<u>Can consider the families who live in thatched house. Approx. 30 families.</u>

	<p>Community kitchen is initiated and they are providing two times food. An individual residing in the same locality working in Singapore giving support to the people on his own initiatives.</p> <p>The person helped us to assess here is Mr. Selva Kumar, He suggested to support to the families who lives in thatched houses. They are the marginal and land less labours. People expect relief materials like <u>Non cooked food items, Candles, Bed sheets and Tarpaulins</u></p>	
Pusbhavanam Ambedkar street	<p>75 families residing here are landless and marginal farmers impacted heavily. Most of houses are damaged. Source of income as most people are daily labourers depending on coconut farms and other agriculture opportunities. Their requirements are <u>Groceries, Mosquito nets, Torch lights, Bed sheets, Tarpaulin and Candles</u></p>	<u>Can be considered the 75 families</u>
Underkaadu colony	<p>Here the entire 250 families belong to Schedule Caste community families. Impacted heavily and thatched houses are floored and damaged.</p> <p>Source of income as most people are daily labourers depending on coconut farms and other agriculture opportunities, salt pan, prawn hatcheries. There requirements are <u>Constructing new houses, Groceries, Mosquito nets, Torch lights, Bed sheets, Tarpaulin and Candles</u></p>	<u>Can be considered the 250 families</u>
Neivilakku colony	<p>Here 75 families belong to Schedule Caste community families. Impacted heavily and thatched houses are floored and damaged. Source of income as most people are daily labourers depending on coconut farms and other agriculture opportunities, salt pan, prawn hatcheries. There requirements are <u>Groceries, Mosquito nets, Torch lights, Bed sheets, Tarpaulin and Candles</u></p>	<u>Can be considered the 75 families</u>

POST SCRIPT: Distributing materials materials may take a week of time from now on, there may be possibility of change in their requirement if they get any support from other agencies or individuals. We need to check before procurement.

Even though material like Tarpaulins is essentials at present, but the cost is very expensive (Rs.2500 to 3000 per piece). So supporting with Tarpaulin is debateable.

We observed, the affected people will get back to their earning income only after two months. So it is **RECOMMENDED TO PROVIDE NON COOKED FOOD ITEMS (PROVISIONS), BASIC CLOTHS AND HEALTH & HYGIENE. THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES SUPPORTING CAN BE FINALISED BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF BUDGET WITH US.**

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR DISTRIBUTION

SECTOR	PARTICULARS
NUTRITION	RICE, DHAL, OIL, SUGAR, CHILLI POWDER, SALT, TURMERIC POWDER, CORIANDER POWDER, MUSTARD
CLOTHING	BED SHEETS, NIGHTIES, LUNGI, TOWEL, PLASTIC MAT
HEALTH & HYGIENE	BATHING & WASHING SHOAP, TOOTH BRUSH & PASTE, SANITARY NAPKING
UTILITIES	TOURCH LIGHTS

For this assessment we approached to Mr. Krishna Kumar and Mr. Pathy, AVVAI an NGO from Nagapatinam and Mr.Selva Kumar from Naaluedpathy who helped us to locate the villages and provided basic information. MANY THANKS TO THEM

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