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To

BISHOPS OF TNBC/TNLBC

17.08.2018.

Your Grace/Excellency,

Sub: TAMIL NADU and KERALA FLOOD RELIEF (2018) APPEAL TO ALL THE BISHOPS OF TNBC/TNLBC

Greetings from Bishop Yvon Ambroise, Chairman, TASOSS

The States of Tamil Nadu and Kerala are in a dire situation due to the unprecedented and torrential rains for the past few weeks, for a major part in Kerala and 11 Districts of Tamil Nadu. The State of Kerala is in the midst of second worst flood after 1924 and the heavy rainfall continues in the whole of Kerala and major parts of Tamil Nadu. Ten out of the 14 districts are severely affected in Kerala and in Tamil Nadu 9 Districts have been affected out of 11 districts.

The shock and the after effect of the disaster is likely to be felt for a long period. The death toll as on **17th August**, in kerala rose to **94** and **41** are injured badly while **6** are missing. In Tamil Nadu **7** deaths have been reported due to this disaster.

Preliminary assessment in kerala indicates that nearly **20000 houses have been fully damaged** and nearly **10000 km of State PWD roads damaged**. As per latest official figures from kerala, **more than 60,000 people, including women, toddlers and senior citizens**, have been lodged in various **relief camps** across 14 districts of the State following the unprecedented monsoon rains that **triggered floods and landslips in several places**. In Tamil Nadu a total of **3,956 people** have been accommodated in **46 relief centres** in **six districts** including Namakkal, Erode and Karur, an official said. In Coimbatore district's hilly Valparai area, normalcy was affected as rain waters entered nearly 500 houses. A holiday was declared for schools in Valparai and Pollachi taluk in the district and Kanyakumari district on Thursday. A report from Kanyakumari said about 100 villages were hit by inundation, following breaches in tanks and ponds besides release of water from Pechiparai and Perunchani dams

The affected people have lost their belongings and livelihood and are in dire need of humanitarian help. As the Justice Peace and Development organization of TNBC, it is the duty of TASOSS to show our empathy as a good Samaritan, towards these people by way of helping them with flood relief materials and money needed both for emergency and the return to normal life.

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Therefore I appeal to you in person to come forward to support this noble cause by way of financial assistance to **The Secretary, Tamilnadu Social Service Society (TASOSS)** by way of bank transfer to the **account details given below.**

SB account in the name of : **TASOSS-GENERAL FUND**
SB a/c. number : **831310100001675**
Bank and Branch address : **Bank of India, Cantonment Branch,
46-47, Promonade Road,
Cantonment, Trichy 620 001, Tamilnadu
Phone: 0431-2461340, 2460570**

BRANCH CODE : **8313**
SWIFT CODE : **SWIFT-BKID IN BB MOS - CHENNAI**
RTGS/IFSC CODE : **BKID0008313**

Please note that we prefer bank transfer of money indicating the purpose. For any other valid reason you may send crossed cheque to TASOSS in the given address.

TASOSS will take the responsibility in coordination with President of TNBC and Chairman of JPD to meaningfully address this situation mentioned above. You may also support in kind by sending the Relief Materials such as clothes, dry ration and medicines (kindly avoid sending old and used items) to the Kerala Regional Forum and TN Regional Forum in the following addresses respectively.

Kerala Regional Forum

The Director
KERALA SOCIAL SERVICE FORUM (KSSF)
Amos Centre, Adichira,
Thellakom P.O., Kottayam - 686630
Tel: +91 9447417590

Tamil Nadu Regional Forum

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NOTE: For any assistance kindly contact

1. **Fr. Albert Thambidurai**, the Secretary, (Contact Number: **9994372059**)
2. **Fr. A. Arokiasamy**, Assistant Director, (contact number: **9787927376**)

Yours devotedly in Christ,

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President, TASOSS.