# UNITED WAY DISASTER RESPONSE FUND TAMIL NADU FLOODS- 2015



# Phase-I Status Updates February, 2016



#### INTRODUCTION

Incessant rainfall in November/ December 2015 led to one of the worst flooding in the history of Tamil Nadu and nearby coastal areas. An estimated 10 million people were affected and thousands were displaced. United Way of Mumbai(UWM) along with its partners responded to the disaster. After the initial critical phase of relief activities, UWM is now working on the mid-term and long-term rehabilitation of the flood affected communities.

#### **Highlights of activities:**

- 1. Distribution of 3 lakh nutrition supplements soya milk tetra packs for flood affected families and school children.
- 2. Distribution of family essentials, clean drinking water, health and hygiene kits to 250 flood affected families for reducing public health risks.
- 3. Distribution of 155 special mother and child care kits to flood affected families.
- 4. WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) interventions in flood affected schools in Cuddalore district, Tamil Nadu.

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## **IMMEDIATE NEEDS REPSONSE**



United Way of Mumbai supported AmeriCares India with Family Essentials, Health & Hygiene kits, Safe Drinking Water materials, Mother Care Kits and Child Care Kits to safeguard and provide thousands of families with safe drinking water, storage and helping the affected for reducing public health risks.

# CUDDALORE SITUATION POST FLOODS:

- Water stagnation in the houses leading to unhygienic conditions, increasing the risk of infection and diseases.
- Overflow of water into the drainages, contamination drinking water.
- Rise in water-borne diseases (diarrhea, fever and skin diseases),
- 4. Deteriorating health and immunity, as the supply of food became irregular.

## **RELIEF DISTRIBUTION:**

S No.	Relief Items	Quantity
1	Family Essentials	260
2	Health and Hygiene Kits	500
3	Sanitary Napkins	500
4	ORS	2000
5	Jerry Cans	250
6	Special Mother and Child care Kits	400

- 1. Family Essentials: The kit provides affected families with support for basic essentials for a month. The components include: Tarpaulins, Floor Mats, Bed sheets and Kitchen Essentials
- 2. Health & Hygiene Kits: Owing to the disaster, many families lost their livelihood, homes and possessions. There was a pressing concern to keep these families safe and hence Health & Hygiene Kits are essential - a kit to ensure that a families (Credit: AIF primary hygiene needs are met. It includes Distribution of Family Essentials for flood affected families Sanirary Pads, Mosquito Nets, ORS, etc.



### 3. Safe Drinking Water:

Water Purification Tablets: Water Purification Tablets are effervescent tablets which kill microorganisms in water to prevent cholera, typhoid, dysentery and other water borne diseases & are used in emergency situations where households do not have access to safe drinking water.

Collapsible Jerry Cans: This will help in the storage of the clean water. Each jerry can holds 10 lts of water.



Collapsible Jerry Cans for flood affected families

4. Special Mother and Child care Kits: Mothers and Children form among the most vulnerable and left out of the lot. Hence providing them with adequate nutrition is important. These kits provide nutrition to mothers and children for a period of three months.

#### **GEOGRAPHY OF RELIEF DISTIRBUTION** 🖈 Pandruti, Cuddalore old Town Koovagam 68 🖈 Samynager- Irularkudiirrupu, ... Moorthikuppam Parruti Nellikkupnam 🖈 Inamangalam, Kattumannar... 🖈 Puthur, KattuMannargudi 138 🖈 Gunamangalam,KattuManna... Jlundurpet 45C 🖈 Pannapattu, Chidambaram (69) 532 🖈 Lalpuram, Chidambaram Neyveli T.S Melavanniyur, Chidambaram Kachirayanatham Vadalur 🖈 Siluvaipuram, Chidambaram Virudhachalam 🖈 Valispet, KattuMannargudi Thandakarankuppam,Kattu... (141) Killlai 🖈 Mayiladuthurai Sethiyathope (140) lam Chidambaram Palayamkottai Pazhaiyar 45A Kattun Thirumullaivasal Sirkazhi Collidam Gangai Konda Cholapuram Vaitheeswarankovil 227 (150) Thiruvengadu (140) Kanjankollai Poompuhar (64) 22 Created using Google maps May/aduthurai Maps (149) Thirukadaiyur eriCares

(Credit: AIF)

#### PROVIDING NUTRITION SUPPLEMENTS THROUGH SOYA MILK

- UWM facilitated distribution of around 3 lakh tetra packs of soya milk in four flood affected districts of Tamil Nadu.
- The packets were highly appreciated and recommended by doctors of PHC.
- The milk being protein rich, was distributed to Pregnant women and children.
- Along with the affected communities in villages, packets were also distributed in schools.



Tada Tada	NGO Partner	Geography for distribution		Quantity
5 F		District	Village	No. of Packets
Gummudipoondi Pulicat	Little Drops Orphanage	Kanchipuram	Kanchipuran Block	100,000
			Periya Kattu Palayam	
	Mitra Foundation	Cuddalore	Mel Kattu Palayam	50,000
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716 Avadi A		Kanchipuram	Erumaiyur	100,000
akkonam	IRDRP		Paaza Paandalam	
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Sriperumbudur 9			Nadu Verapattu	
Kanchipuram			Thirutharayoor	
Kelambakkam		Cuddalore	Bandurutti and few other neighbouring villages	10,000
Mahabalipuram	Hope Foundation		Ambedkar Village	
	T Gundation	Chennai	Chennai City	20,000
lavasi Madurantakam Kalpakkam		Kalpakkam	Puddu Pattinam	10,000
Melmaruvathur			Uyyalikuppam	
1 10 10 10			Raja Nagri	

Hershey's packets Distribution Location-Made using Google maps

### MID-TERM AND LONG TERM RESPONSE PLAN

Apart from the housing and roads damage due to floods, there are severe damages of water & sanitation infrastructures like toilets & drinking water facilities in government schools in Cuddalore. The poor children enrolled in Government schools are suffering without proper toilets and drinking water facilities and this project aims to improve such condition.

This project aims to construct a new toilet in Government Primary and Middle School and School for the hearing impaired in Cuddalore. In addition to constructing the toilets, it also envisages providing purified drinking water and hygiene training for the school children. It aims to create hygiene schools as model schools by fine tuning attitudes and habits of children with support of teachers and other staff. The Project activities will be carried out from Jan-Feb 2016 in collaboration with our NGO partner Leadership Through Education and Action Foundation (LEAF) Society for creating 'Hygiene Schools'.

United Way Mumbai will be closely monitoring the progress of the ongoing projects through filed visits, reports from NGO partners. In addition, UWM will be exploring options for deploying funds received under 'United Way Disaster Response Fund- Tamil Nadu Floods' for mid-term and long term rehabilitation of flood affected communities.

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With the support of our partners, UWM is committed towards the efficient and effective community rebuilding through its philosophy 'building back better'.