

Request for help

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Respected DRFC,

I bring you greetings from Rotary Cochin Midtown, Rotary International District 3201. We are under a situation of immense flooding and damage, this is the reason I have decided to reach out to each and every Rotary leader in the world directly and as personally as possible. Our district covers a fair portion of the state of Kerala.

Kerala is going through unprecedented calamity not seen in over a century. The incessant rains and the resultant floods has already taken over 350 lives as of today. The devastation to property is colossal. The state machinery along with the Indian Army and Navy has been handling the biggest evacuation the state has ever seen.

Rotary Clubs along the length and breadth of the state are currently involved in providing the essentials such as food, etc. in different locations, where more than 1500 relief camps has been set up. Rotary has set up an integrated Rotary Helpline and Relief centre. The total loss is in the Billions of USD.

Your contribution can be in amounts of thousands of dollars, even hundreds of thousands of dollars, any amount or project proposal is welcome, in case your companies or associate firms do have offices in India, they can maybe do some direct impact project on their own as well. We would also require all the basic essentials for our refugees' survival, we thereby even welcome basic essentials which could be used and that can be part of the united Rotary clubs effort in our state.

Dil Se – Act for Kerala

We are now confronted with the daunting task of rehabilitation and restoration.

Though there are announcements from both the state and central governments to rehabilitate the affected people, it would be grossly insufficient. We at **Rotary Cochin Midtown**, **RID 3201** have initiated 'DIL SE', a Reconstruction Project for providing relief to the economically weak, whose houses were completely destroyed in the calamity. We plan to construct simple houses (about 500 sqft.) at Idukki, Kerala, India, where the floods and rains have caused the maximum damage.

We welcome you to be part of DIL SE.

This is a time when we, as distinguished members of the Rotary fraternity can do something substantial. Let this be an act from our heart, for the affected, which needs your benevolence. We seek your personal assistance to make this project happen by being a Donor/Sponsor. DIL SE is being executed as a Rotary Global Grant enabled project of the Rotary Foundation with Global Grant Number GG1979053. Hence your contributions, can be routed through The Rotary Foundation, Chicago, the headquarters of Rotary International. The Rotary Foundation has recently been rated among the top three NGOs in the world. For queries regarding routing your contributions through The Rotary Foundation, please contact DRFC Rtn. Jayashanker at +91-9249438230.

Rotary Cochin Midtown into its 36th year of service is known for its humanitarian projects. We have executed large scale humanitarian projects, some of which are equipping/renovating Government Hospitals, helping Tsunami victims with new fishing boats, building toilets, equipping Govt. schools, building houses for the homeless, among others. All of these projects have been executed with the help and support of philanthropic minded persons, members of our club, Corporates, from both India and abroad.

We appeal to you to contribute generously to help rebuild those in desperation.

Your contributions can also be made online via https://actfordilse.com/ where a link is provided for Foreign Donations.

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Thank you and looking forward to your wholehearted participation and contribution.

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