

Proceedings of the Chief Executive Officer District Disaster Management Authority Thiruvananthapuram

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Sub: Inter Agency Coordination- Organizations involved & designating Executive members- Order Issued reg

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The Inter Agency Coordination led by Sphere India created a common platform for the Humanitarian Agencies to come together and plan their actions avoiding duplication, overlapping and also to have a better collaboration with the District Administration supplementing the state Government relief effort. IAG coordination was facilitated in 10 most affected districts of Kerala (2018-Flood) to strengthen the coordination mechanism to ensure efficiency in humanitarian response. Later it spread to 14 districts. It was observed that there is a need for sensitising local NGOs and CBOs who took part in the relief efforts on Humanitarian Minimum Standards, CHS, RIC, and GBC and on how to use JRNA tools including digital data collection, for better Coordination to avoid duplication and build common understanding among the agencies.

The Joint Detailed Needs Assessment (JDNA) conducted by Sphere India in the month of September has covered the most important sectors such as Gender, Health, Nutrition, Shelter, WASH, Communications, Education, Heritage, Protection, and Livelihood. With five Inter agency Coordinators deployed in the 10 most affected districts, Sphere has provided a unified platform for the humanitarian agencies for collaboration with the District administration of these districts. Sphere India conducted 31 district and 3 state level IAG meetings within a period of three months (access link: https://sphereindiablog.wordpress.com/).

Need for IAG: Reduce vulnerability and disaster risk of people of Thiruvananthapuram through coordination, advocacy and knowledge management, ensuring effective and efficient response to emergencies while ensuring minimum humanitarian standards.

Specific Objectives of IAG:

- To institutionalize inter agency coordination led by district and state Government with ownership and participation of local civil society organizations, Academia, CSR initiatives, media and other stakeholders.
- Mapping of sectoral NGO and other stakeholder capacities
- To coordinate emergency response initiatives, activation and deactivation of unified response, sharing information and assessments at the time of an emergency, to ensure effective and efficient delivery of emergency relief
- To provide a forum for knowledge management and exchange of information among members and other stakeholders to improve standards and efficiency in disaster response and risk reduction.
- To promote Sphere and other national standards in collaboration with other state and nonstate actors through advocacy and collaboration.
- To identify information/data gaps and undertake risk and vulnerability assessments, for more efficient and effective disaster preparedness and management;

The purposes of the IAG:

• To provide a forum for coordination among members and with NGOs for effective disaster management in the Thiruvananthapuram district.

- To promote the Sphere values and other international humanitarian standards among all the civil society organizations working for disaster management
- To develop and disseminate technical information relative to effective planning and implementation of disaster management program in the district
- To build capacities of subscribing members (and their implementing partners) to undertake joint quantitative and qualitative damage assessment during emergency that could enable member organizations to respond quickly and effectively to emergencies and avoid duplication of efforts.
- To set up a two-tier IAG mechanism consisting of IAG of NGOs at the state level and the implementing NGOs as the District Coordination Committee Members.

Formation of IAG in Thiruvananthapuram

Inter-Agency Group –Thiruvananthapuram district is a consortium of more than 11 non-governmental organizations ensuring minimum humanitarian standards in disaster risk reduction and management with unified action and improved coordination in the district.

The concept of IAG Thiruvananthapuram has conceived in the year 2020, January, in the meeting which held at DM deputy Collector's champer's, Thiruvananthapuram. The meeting had brought together different stakeholders including NGOs, and CBOs to discuss about the effective inter-agency coordination process in Thiruvananthapuram. Also planned the future course of action for the effective implementation of long-term rehabilitation activities in the district of Thiruvananthapuram in collaboration with the District Administration.

With the aim of providing a better humanitarian support to the community of Thiruvananthapuram district during disasters the following 11 NGOs were brought together to the IAG platform for the Thiruvananthapuram district after the IAG formation meeting held on 7th January 2020. An executive committee of five elected members were also formed on 7th January 2020 for the coordination of IAG activities for a tenure of three years for the well execution of the IAG platform. IAG member organisations can be increased as per the active involvement and service delivery of each organisations in a district. The given list will include more member organisations in future as part of IAG progress.

<u>List of member organisations in IAG Trivandrum (As on 7th January 2020)</u>

SL No	Name of the NGOs	Sector	Name of the contact person	Contact Number	E mail id
1	Climatehood	Enviroment	Bharath Govind G S	963309676 9	Bharathgovinddgs@gmail.co m
2	Pallium India	Health	Babu Abraham	974674550 2	Babau@palliumindia.org
3	Emergency rapid response	Disaster managemnt	Sourav Santhosh	735692937 6	Souravsanthosh737@gmail.co m
4	Insight	Enviroment	Gokul krishna	735625644 6	Gokularjun1@gmail.com
5	NCC	Safety	Vimal Kumar	984658962 6	Vknand123@gmail.com
6	Amateure Radio	DM	Dr.Zakeer hussain	999564490 8	Zaks@reddiffmail.com
7	НОРЕ	Health	Mahesh P nair	920732102 0	Exberta@gmail.com
8	Signature of nishagandhi	Health	Abhiraj unni	956704770 5	Abhirajunnins@gmail.com
9	Amateure	DM	Adv.Ajith Kumar	984653670	Vu2ajo@gmail.com

	Radio			0	
10	Weavers village Bhoomika trust	Women	Sobha viswanath		Shobhaweaversvillage@gmail.
11	C5 Foundation	Enviroment	Dannie David	701222149 8	danniedavid94@gmail.com

Executive Committee of IAG

Convener	Executive Body Members		Organisation
Mr.Bharath			Cimatehood
	1	Dr.zakeer hussain	Radio ameture society
			Emergency Rapid Response
	2	Mr.Saurav	Team
	3	Mr.Mahesh	HOPE foundation
	4	Mr.Babu Abraham	Pallium India
	5	Mr. Vimal Kumar	NCC

The nomination/ election of Executive committee shall be for a period of three years with at least two new members joining the Executive Committee every year on rotation. The Executive Committee shall nominate a convener for a tenure of one year. It shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee convener to ensure effective functioning of the IAG Thiruvananthapuram District, through planning, coordination, and communication and manage the resources (human, financial and physical). The members of the Executive Committee, IAG Coordinator and Officials of the District Administrations shall act as the Admins of IAG official group of Thiruvananthapuram district. A minimum 1/3rd of the Executive Committee's strength will be considered permissible for taking any decision in the Executive Body.

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