AAPDA MITRA – KERALA FIRE & RESCUE FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAMME

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KOTTAYAM DISTRICT





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Aapda Mitra Scheme

The Aapda Mitra programme is a centrally sponsored scheme focused on training 6000 community volunteers in disaster response in 30 most flood-prone districts (200 volunteers per district) of 25 States of India. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has initiated the programme with the State Disaster Management Authorities (SDMAs) to conduct the programme at the state level. The thirty districts have been identified, taking into account the occurrence of floods in the past in consultation with the State Governments.

The Aapda Mitra scheme aims to provide the community volunteers with the skills that they would need to respond to their community's immediate needs in the aftermath of a disaster thereby enabling them to undertake essential relief and rescue tasks during emergencies such as floods, flash-floods and urban flooding. Under the scheme, standardised training modules have been developed at the national level, and training institutions have been identified at the state level to train the selected volunteers from the project districts.

Aapda Mitra Scheme in Kerala

Kerala is a state on the southwestern coast of India which lies between the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea with rich flora and fauna. The state has a coastline of 590 km with the other side comprises of high mountains, gorges and valleys, which makes the state at risk towards natural calamities. The Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) is the statutory body which is constituted to deal with disaster management in the state. The NDMA sponsored Aapda Mitra scheme was initiated at the state level by the KSDMA and was inaugurated by the Honorable Chief Minister of Kerala on 13-10-2017. Kottayam district was selected as the only district under the scheme, and 200 member squad was selected from the district and was given training under the scheme at the Kerala Fire and Rescue Services Academy, Thrissur on March 2018. The 200 volunteers were selected by KSDMA based on Physical Fitness and in an age group of 18 to 40. The training was conducted under the guidance of trained instructors at the Fire academy, Viyoor, Thrissur for 12 days. The training instructors were given prior training from the National Civil Defense College, Nagpur. The training for Aapda Mitra Volunteers was conducted for 25 members in a batch with eight batches in total. The 12-day-long training focused on survival, surface water search and rescue, underwater search and rescue and casualty handling. The members were also equipped in the maintenance of rescue boats and in handling emergency medical operations.

Familiarization Programme – KSDMA - UNDP

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has initiated flood recovery project in all the Flood affected areas (7 districts) of 2018. The Kottayam Project Office was asked to engage with Aapda Mitra coordination by the state office. Based on the discussions the 200 volunteers list was segregated based on the nearest fire station of the volunteer's locality. As per the proposal submitted by the UNDP, Kottayam office the familiarisation programme was initiated by the UNDP state office. The Kerala State Disaster Management Authority accepted the proposal as submitted, and the UNDP has come forward with funds to conduct the Familiarization exercise. Thus the programme was initiated by Kerala State Disaster Management Authority in association with DDMA of Kottayam & UNDP.

The Familiarization of Aapda Mitra Volunteers with the nearby Fire and Rescue Stations is needed for the fruitful inclusion of the volunteers in the service to the society. The proposed meeting aims to have cordial relations with that of the officials and volunteers. The meeting will also enable the volunteers to get knowledge about the equipment and facilities with that of the Fire and Rescue stations. The dates fixed in consultation with the Assistant Divisional Officer, Fire and Rescue Kottayam is bellowed.

Aapda Mitra - Fire Stations Familiarisation meeting schedule			
SI. No	Date	Venue	No. of Volunteer
1	09-07-2019 10.00AM	Kottayam Fire Station 0481-2567444	30
2	09-07-2019 2.00PM	Changanassery Fire Station 0481-2420101	33
3	10-07-2019 10.00AM	PampadyFire Station 0481-2506600	9
4	10-07-2019 2.00PM	Kanjirapally Fire Station 04828-202777	34
5	11-07-2019 10.00AM	Pala Fire Station 0482-2212484	25
6	11-07-2019 2.00PM	Erattupetta Fire Station 0482-2274700	26
7	12-07-2019 10.00AM	Kaduthuruthy Fire Station 04829-285151	9
8	12-07-2019 2.00 PM	Vaikom Fire Station 04829-214101	34
	TOTAL	I	200

District level Inauguration

District level inauguration of Aapda Mithra Fire Stations Familiarization programme was inaugurated on 9th July 2019 10.00 am at the Kottayam Fire Station. Ms.Shika Surendran IAS Assistant Collector, Kottayam inaugurated the programme. The meeting was presided in the presence of Mr K.R Shinoy, Divisional Fire Officer, Kottayam, Mr K.N Sivadasan Fire Station Officer, Kottayam, Mr Joe John George, State Project Officer, UNDP, Dr Sreeja Nair, Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, UNDP, Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, District Project Officer, UNDP and Dr Andrew Spencer, Hazard Analyst, KSDMA, Kottayam were present. The meeting was followed by a Familiarization exercise among the volunteers and the fire officials.



District level inauguration: (Left to Right) Joe John George, K.R Shinoy(Divisional Fire Officer), Ms.Shika Surendran IAS (Assistant Collector, Kottayam), Dr Andrew Spencer, Dr Ashok Jacob

Kottayam Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Kottayam Fire station and volunteers coming under the Kottayam fire station was held at Kottayam fire station on 09th July 2019 after the district level inauguration programme. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Community based Disaster management sessions and Disaster Risk Reduction and were handled by Mr Joe John George, State Project Officer, UNDP, Dr Sreeja Nair, Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, UNDP and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project

Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were done by Mr K.V Sivadasan Station Officer, Kottayam. The exercise included the session on Scuba, operation of machinery and usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr.P.Sureshkumar (Leading Fireman), Mr.P.J AjayKumar (Driver cum Mechanic), Mr.Bineesh (Fireman) and Mr.Ajith (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr.Elsa Bachen Mathew and Mr Alex V Jacob as the coordinator for the Aapda Mitra group under the Kottayam fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers on how to operate the equipment handled by fire officers. Thirty volunteers have allocated for the Kottayam station, and eighteen volunteers attended the meetings.







Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Kottayam Station

Attended the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	ELSA BACHEN MATHEW (Coordinator)	9539071077
2.	ALEX V JACOB (Coordinator)	9947172767,
3.	YADHU KRISHNAN.T	9048286362
4.	HAREESH H	9400396924
5.	NAVEEN C MAMMAN	8089155358
6.	SARATH C R	7025293291
7.	ANOOP.K.RAJU	7034556014
8.	VIGNESH BABU	8281544560
9.	VINEESH K B	8606568659
10.	AJITH P R	9947319161
11.	ANANDHU E M	7510289892
12.	SUJITH P S	8137969122
13.	ABIN B	9633362030
14.	LIJO PAUL	9995525714
15.	DEVARAJ KADAVAN	9020706006
16.	LINISH MON PS	9562878935
17.	SREEJITH K	8714135772
18.	AKHIL K R	9544166458

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	JAYARAM C SATHEESH	8086383459
2.	JITHIN SAJIDEV	8848907719
3.	JITHIN TOM	8943870626
4.	SAJITH XAVIOUR	8943337331
5.	SUBIN P S	9072842270
6.	RONY ALEX	9048469519
7.	SREEKUTTAN K.H	9605006108
8.	BISWAJITH K V	8921856452
9.	KRISHNA KUMAR	9048532205
10.	VIVEK G	8129264727
11.	RANJITH BIJU	9539185051
12.	DEEPU THOMAS	8075045125

Changanassery Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Changanassery Fire station and volunteers coming under the Changanassery fire station was held at Changanassery fire station on 09th July 2019 from afternoon 2.00pm. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Community based Disaster management sessions and Disaster Risk Reduction and were handled by Mr Joe John George, State Project Officer, UNDP, Dr Sreeja Nair, Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, UNDP and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr Sunil Joseph, Station Officer, Changanassery. The exercise included the session on different types of knots and climbing techniques, operation of equipment and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr Aneesh (Leading Fireman) and Mr Mohamed Thaha (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Bijo Siby and Mr Nevin Manoj as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Changanassery fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers how to climb a building and to rescue from a building. Thirty-three volunteers have allocated for the Changanassery station, and twenty-four volunteers attended the meetings.







Aapda Mitra Volunteers Changanassery of Station

Attended the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	BIJO SIBY (Coordinator)	9656325746
2.	NEVIN MANOJ (Coordinator)	7561063873
3.	ANILKUMAR.MT	8089230720
4.	SEBIN CHERIAN	9526730816
5.	SHIJO MON	7025762303
6.	SUJITH SURESH	7025610547
7.	MANU VIJYAN	9544619255
8.	MARTIN M MATHEW	9745245015
9.	SREEKUTTAN P R	9656831406
10.	AMAL MATHEW	9074419131
11.	JENS JAMES	9744643272
12.	TIWIN MATHEW	9544615629
13.	TIXON MATHEW	9544615629
14.	AJMAL USAF	8606191378
15.	SACHIN SAJAN	9544611482
16.	JUSTIN VARGHESE	9544220564
17.	RAHUL RAMESH	9744690658
18.	SACHU MOHAN	9645910562
19.	GIREESH P R	9656073058
20.	SABY SAJI	8547321409
21.	SREEKANTH C G	8943491350
22.	ANEESH KUMAR V T	8086383153
23.	DINULAL D	8281835785
24.	NOBLE THOMAS	7025545432

Absent f	Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	KIRAN K PARAMESWARAN	7558926866	
2.	VIVEK ALEXEN KAVALAM	8921841076	
3.	JOSEPH P SEBASTIAN	8848856033	
4.	SANJU SABU	8848789016	
5.	NIXON SEBASTIAN	8547913059	
6.	AKHIL K R	9544166458	
7.	ANANDHU NARAYANAN	7558916059	
8.	VISAKH KRISHNAN	9605627053	
9.	NOUFAL NOUSHAD	9037620551	

Pampady Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Pampady Fire station and volunteers coming under the Pampady fire station was held at Pampady fire station on 10th July 2019 from morning 10.00am. Sessions on the role of Aapda Mitra Volunteers in risk reduction were handled by Mr Sathiyan CJ, Hazzard Analyst, KSDMA, and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were done by Mr S.N Sureshkumar, Assistant Station Officer, Pampady. The exercise included the session on the usage of fire extinguisher, operation of equipment and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr Noufal (Leading Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Aby Kurian and Mr Sanseep P.S as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Pampady fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers on using the inflatable light tower, hydraulic cutter and chain saw. Nine volunteers have allocated for the Pampady station, and seven volunteers attended the meetings.







Aapda Mitra Volunteers Pampady Fire Station

ttend	ed the Familiarisation Meeting	
1.		
	ABY KURIAN GEORGE (Coordinator)	9544978241
2.		
	SANDEEP.P.S(Coordinator)	9567717992
3.		
	ARAVIND MOHAN	9744046429
4.		
	ALLEN MATHEW JOSEPH	9744242963
5.		
	JUSTIN K RAJU	8921028960
6.		
	ASHISH PEETHAMBARAN	7034244117
7.		
	SYAM KUMAR .K.S	9496475824

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.		
	JERIN ITTY SKARIA	9645507289
2.		
	DIJO GEORGE	9633444220

Kanjirapally Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Kanjirapally Fire station and volunteers coming under the Kanjirapally fire station was held at Kanjirapally fire station on 10th July 2019 from afternoon 02.00pm. Classes initiated the familiarisation sessions on the role of Aapda Mitra Volunteers in risk reduction were handled by Mr Sathiyan CJ, Hazzard Analyst, KSDMA, and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr Binu Sebastian, Assistant Station Officer, Kanjirapally. The exercise included the session on the usage of equipments and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Nizar Mon T.E and Mr Arun Shankar as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Kanjirapally fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers on using the hydraulic cutter and chain saw. Thirty-four volunteers have allocated the Kanjirapally station, and twenty-four volunteers attended the meetings.







Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Kanjirapally Station

Attended	the Familiarisation Meeting	
1.	ARUN SANKAR (Coordinator)	9961716165
2.	NIZAR MON T E (Coordinator)	9746255376
3.	SABIN.P.S	7012095769
4.	AYYOBI T.S	9995579484
5.	SHIHAB KASSIM	9447482592
6.	NISHAD T.E	9895101716
7.	GOODWIN JAMES	8078102276
8.	ASHWIN V	9061797617
9.	ALWIN JOSEPH	9895186605
10.	MOHAMMED AMEEN . E. N	8129959434
11.	SIJU P.S	7025049575
12.	ABHIJITH SUSEELAN	9447708370
13.	MUHAMMED SWADIQ	9526140398
14.	VISAKHMON K S	8086166819
15.	AJU SEBASTIAN	9656454177
16.	ARJUN RAJASEKHAR	9074806119
17.	JITHIN SHAJI	7510148574
18.	SIBI.A.K	9847689071
19.	NANDHU K R	9947795365
20.	ANANTHUMON.B	8129782909
21.	ANOOP AR	9526540152
22.	HARIKRISHNAN G NAIR	9207087720
23.	AKHIL VS	7025153538
24.	BIPIN S KUMAR	9544862392

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	FAZIL P S	9747397277
2.	SHAMIS SALIH	9895083112
3.	SUBIN SURENDRAN	9207827887
4.	ABDUL BASITH V A	9497740339
5.	AJESH C	9562332394
6.	AJMAL M S	9447101688
7.	SARATH KUMAR P S	9544057442
8.	SOBIN THOMAS	9747662808
9.	GEORGE STEPHIN S JOHN	9074770575
10.	NITHIN THOMAS	9847785265

Pala Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Pala Fire station and volunteers coming under the Pala fire station was held at Pala fire station on 11th July 2019 from morning 10.00 am. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Community based Disaster management and importance of Aapda Mitra volunteers and were handled by Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr KR Shajimon, Station Officer, Pala. The exercise included the session on different types of knots and climbing techniques, operation of equipment and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr T J Jijimon (Assistant Station Officer), Mr P S Babu (Leading Fireman) Mr P.J Binumon (Driver cum Mechanic) and Mr Jino Thomas (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Sijimon M and Mr Jose Joseph as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Pala fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers how to use a chain saw, hydraulic cutter and fire extinguisher. During the meetings, the volunteer also got an opportunity to analyse how the fire officials respond to an emergency call and their mode of operation. The Pala station has been allocated by Twenty- five volunteers and fourteen volunteers attended the meetings.







Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Pala Station

Attended the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	SIJI MON M(Coordinator)	9048515038
2.	JOSE JOSEPH (Coordinator)	9446756835
3.	ALBIN MATHEW	9847188134
4.	ANOOP V.V	9946320199
5.	BIBIN BABY	9544559817
6.	ALEX BABU	8848401563
7.	SUBIN C SATHYAN	9744703277
8.	AMAL SABU	9048875438
9.	CHRISTYMON GEORGE	8281882862
10.	ASWIN.T.GOPI	8606934571
11.	BENNY THOMAS	9496265375

12.	DETTAL JAMES	9495907851
13.	AMAL K MADHU	7356132134
14.	JIMMY GEORGE	8281736829
Absent fo	or the Familiarisation Meeting	
1.	ARUN SATHEESH	9074746253
2.	ARUN S NAIR	8111867634
3.	LANSON GEORGE	8089339300
4.	LAVIN GEORGE KURUVILA	7736303060
5.	ADV.BIBIN BABU	9495426871
6.	RONY SEBASTIAN	7594942362
7.	SUBIN YOHANNAN	7561897055
8.	ARUN K A	7034043374
9.	ANANDHU KRISHNA V S	7034019258
10.	BINU THOMAS	8606032200
11.	CHANDRAJI VC	9745388246

Erattupetta Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Erattupetta Fire station and volunteers coming under the Erattupetta fire station was held at Erattupetta fire station on 11th July 2019 from afternoon 02.00 am. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Disaster management and importance of Aapda Mitra volunteers and were handled by Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr.Baiju C.P., Assistant Station Officer, Erattupetta. The exercise included the session on different types of knots and the techniques to carry a victim, operation of equipment and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr Roshan Raj (Leading Fireman), Mr Satheesh Jose (Driver cum Mechanic), Mr Naveen(Fireman) and Mr Arun Jose (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Fazil V.M and Mr Shaheer V.M as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Erattupetta fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers how to use a chain saw, hydraulic cutter, inflatable light tower and fire extinguisher. During the meetings the volunteer also got an opportunity to understand the fire station vehicle and mode of operation. The Erattupetta station has been allocated with Twenty- six volunteers and twenty volunteers attended the meetings.





Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Kanjirapally Station

Attended	Attended the Familiarisation Meeting		
1.	FAZIL V. M (Coordinator)	9947294216	
2.	SHAHEER.V.M (Coordinator)	9847705013	
3.	MAHIN MY	9744802085	
4.	CIYAD KU	8606820915	
5.	ΜΑΗΙΝ ΚΕ	9947043817	
6.	ТНАНА ММ	9744801991	
7.	MUHAMED YOOSAF PA	9961474349	
8.	NOUFAL SK	9961813548	
9.	NITHIN MOHAN	8113968395	
10.	VISHNU SURESH	9497810197	
11.	ASHARUF UKKASH	8289929680	
12.	SAMEER.K.A	9947002202	
13.	ANVAR MARAKKAR	9562033036	
14.	THARUN JOSEPH	9496805032	
15.	BIBIN BABU	9207497787	
16.	JAFAR KHAN K M	9526735397	
17.	SUDHEESH K B	9061955430	
18.	VISHNU MOHANAN	9605156128	
19.	HASEEB VA	9747007469	
20.	RAHUL SHAJI	9061506223	

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting			
1.	ALSHINAS M KABEER	9744668712	
2.	ASHIK SHAREEF	9633892724	
3.	MUHAMED SAMI V O	8086422736	
4.	ABDUL BASHEER M A	9961082801	
5.	ALBIN GEORGE	9946589463	
6.	ARUN P S	8606836516	

Kaduthuruthy Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Kaduthuruthy Fire station and volunteers coming under the Kaduthuruthy fire station was held at Kaduthuruthy fire station on 12th July 2019 from morning 10.00 am. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Disaster Risk management and Importance of Aapda Mitra volunteers and were handled by Dr Sreeja Nair, Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, UNDP and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr.Bijumon S.K. Station Officer, Kaduthuruthy. The exercise included the session on different types of knots and the techniques, operation of equipments and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr Ajith Kumar (Assistant Station Officer), Mr Krishnakumar (Driver cum Mechanic), Mr Arun A.K (Fireman) and Mr Arun A.P (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr P. Raghuraman Nair and Mr Abhijith Anirudhan as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Kaduthuruthy fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers how to use a chain saw, hydraulic cutter, inflatable light tower and fire extinguisher. During the meetings, the volunteer also got an opportunity to understand the fire station vehicle and mode of operation. The Kaduthuruthy station has been allocated with nine volunteers, and eight volunteers attended the meetings.





Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Kaduthuruthy Station

Attende	Attended the Familiarisation Meeting			
1.				
	P RAGHURAMAN NAIR(Coordinator)	9633663678		
2.				
	ABHIJITH ANIRUDHAN (Coordinator)	7034994550		
3.				
	MANU MATHEW	9605367042		
4.				
	ARUN KUMAR B	7561091583		
5.				
	AKHIL SUKUMARAN	7510194640		
6.				
	TONY ROY	9544292354		
7.				
	ASWIN GOPAL	9544493574		
8.				
	AMAL SU	9745393787		

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting		
1	STANLY VARGHESE	8943848851

Vaikom Fire Station

The familiarisation exercise of the Vaikom Fire station and volunteers coming under the Vaikom fire station was held at Vaikom fire station on 12th July 2019 from the afternoon at 02.00 pm. The familiarisation sessions were initiated by classes on Community Based Disaster Management, Disaster Risk management and Importance of Aapda Mitra volunteers and were handled by Dr Sreeja Nair, Disaster Risk Reduction Specialist, UNDP and Dr Ashok Jacob Mathews, UNDP, District Project Officer, Kottayam. The familiarisation and demonstration of fire station equipment were presided by Mr.M.P Sajeev, Station Officer, Vaikom. The exercise included the session on different types of knots and the techniques, operation of equipment and the fire rescue vehicle, usage of other facilities available with the fire station. The sessions were handled by Mr M.P. Sajeev (Station Officer), Mr T.K Shajikumar (Assistant Station Officer), Mr Vishwambaren K ((Driver cum Mechanic),) and Mr Adhrash(Fireman), Mr.Alex(Fireman), and Mr A.R Ranjith (Fireman). The sessions included the self-introduction of the volunteers and their views on the sustainability of the programme. The meeting selected Mr Ajay T and Mr Majeesh T.M as the coordinators for the Aapda Mitra group under the Vaikom fire station limit. The sessions also included the practical sessions for the volunteers how to use a chain saw, hydraulic cutter, inflatable light tower and fire extinguisher. During the meetings, the volunteer also got an opportunity to understand the fire station vehicle and mode of operation. The Vaikom station has been allocated with Thirty-Four volunteers, and Seventeen volunteers attended the meetings.





Aapda Mitra Volunteers of Vaikom Station

Attended the Familiarisation Meeting			
1.	AJAY .T(Coordinator)	9809401415	
2.	MAJEESH.T.M (Coordinator)	9744285506	
3.	SIVADAS K.P	9539154469	
4.	DEEPU DINESAN	9995472084	
5.	KIRAN KUMAR M S	9633685263	
6.	SUNIL S	9947443549	
7.	AKHIL BABU	8137908372	
8.	ALIN PRAKASH	7356423090	
9.	AMBADI MOHANAN	8129704303	
10.	RAHUL RAMANAN	9544436772	
11.	ASHISH RAJ	8592908171	
12.	BINURAJ K	8137849009	
13.	SARATH	7356481736	
14.	ASWIN P	9746554971	
15.	BIBIN RAJU	9633736396	
16.	MIDHUN.K.S	9633161795	
17.	ABHISHEK CS	9995590138	

Absent for the Familiarisation Meeting			
1.	AKHIL S	8086182059	
2.	ABHINAND OMANAKUTTAN	9496904395	
3.	AJAS N	7994035364	
4.	MUHAMMED ASLAM	9745204339	
5.	NOBLE THANKACHAN	8330089136	
6.	VISHNU N B	8129284582	
7.	BIBIN BINU	7560800150	
8.	SINUMON.T.S	8137947143	
9.	SONU.TS	9995656177	
10.	AMAL VM	8137090692	
11.	KRISHNAPRASAD KR	7356245306	
12.	SACHU BABU	9567344061	
13.	SREEKUTTAN TS	8137089265	
14.	VIGNESH S	7510150050	
15.	VIVEK SANTHOSH	9895972848	
16.	ARUN PRAKASH	9895017093	
17.	BIBIN BABU K.B	9746162165	

Concluding Remarks

The familiarisation meetings came with a fruitful result as it envisaged an opportunity for the volunteers to interact with the fire station authorities. The meeting was a platform for the volunteers to know each other who are active in the Aapda Mitra platform as earlier they were not able to know each other as they all were trained in different batches. The station wise segregation helped to create eight groups based on eight fire stations and made it easy for the allocation and coordination of the groups. Each group selected two coordinators for better coordination activities and strengthening group activities. All the coordinators were asked to start individual social media platforms, including representatives from Fire Stations for better functioning of the groups. The meetings decided to convene fire station based sessions in three months for having continuity among the activities of the volunteers and fire station. The activity diaries which will be given to the volunteers along with the emergency kit can be verified by the station officers during these meetings to assess the performance of the volunteers. The sessions helped the volunteers to have a mutual relationship between them and to get make known among them.

One hundred and thirty-nine (139) volunteers attended the familiarisation programme out of Two hundred. The coordinators of each group were asked to contact the group members and to confirm their participation in the programme. The coordinators have been asked to ensure the sustainability of the volunteers and to report to the concern fire stations about the volunteers who are out of station for more than three months. The volunteers were informed to contact the concern fire stations and to ensure their service during the times of emergency. The emergency kit and other facilities will be provided to the volunteers, and these can be used for the activities performed by the volunteers.

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