



**GOVERNMENT OF
KERALA**

Abstract

Disaster Management Department- MSC ELSA 3 Ship wreckage in the Arabian Sea- Pollution control mechanism- committee constituted-Orders issued.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT(A)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.365/2025/DMD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 30-05-2025

Read 1 GO(MS)11/2025/DMD dated 29/05/2025

ORDER

As per Government Order read above, Government have declared the ship wreckage of ship M/s ELSA 3 in the Arabian sea 14.6 nautical miles off the Kerala coast as a State-Specific disaster, considering the potentially serious environmental, social, and economic impact of the ship wreckage.

Government hereby constitute a two-tier institutional mechanism, at the State and District levels to address and suggest measures to mitigate the impact of the potential coastal pollution:

State Level Committee

1. Secretary, Science & Technology Department - Chairperson
2. Commissioner, Disaster Management
3. Special Secretary, Environment Department
4. Chairperson, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
5. Representative of the Indian Coast Guard
6. Representative of National Center for Earth Science Studies
7. Member Secretary, KSDMA
8. Director Environment Department - Convenor

The Committee may co-opt other experts as required.

The Committee shall take measures to guide pollution control activities at district level by way of policy orders, advisories, making resource available and to support the Environment Department in undertaking assessment studies for restoration and remediation.

District Level Committee

1. District Collector - Chairperson
2. Joint Director, Local Self Government Department
3. Deputy Director of Fisheries Department
4. Port Officer
5. District Agriculture Officer
6. District Hazard Analyst - Convenor

The Committee shall co-opt other members as required. The Committee will undertake on-the-spot activities suo moto and on the direction and advice of State Level Pollution Control Committee and all other activities to remove the debris from the drifting containers and cargo on the coast immediately from the sites, where containers are landed and undertake measures to protect the impact of contaminated water with or without oil.

The Committee shall document all the activities.

(By order of the Governor)
TINKU BISWAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:

Additional chief Secretary, Home & Vigilance Department

Additional Chief Secretary, finance department

Secretary, Environment Department,

Secretary, Science & Technology Department,

Chairperson, Kerala State Pollution Control Board,
Director Environment Department,
Representative of National Earth Science Studies,
Head of Coast Guard in Kerala,
Commissioner, Disaster Management
Member Secretary, KSDMA.District Collectors(
Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alappuzha, Ernakulam)
Director, Fisheries Department
Director, Agriculture Department
Director, Panchayath
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