



**High Commission of India
Kuala Lumpur**

PRESS RELEASE

The High Commission of India conveys its appreciation to the gesture of solidarity and genuine concern that the people of Malaysia and several local philanthropic organizations have expressed towards the people of Kerala in the wake of unprecedented torrential rains and floods in the state recently. The High Commission also conveys its gratitude to the expressions of interest for humanitarian assistance by our Malaysian brethren in this regard.

2. The situation in Kerala is being monitored at the highest level in India. The Indian Prime Minister has visited the state and made an aerial assessment of the damages caused due to floods in some of the affected areas. A series of important relief and rehabilitation measures to help alleviate the sufferings of the people are being taken by the Government of India and the State Government. People of other states and Indian citizens from almost all walks of life have also come together in the time of crisis to supplement Government's efforts. Personnel of the armed forces, National Disaster Relief Force, Paramilitary Forces (BSF, CISF, RAF), Coast Guard have been deployed to assist the Government of the state of Kerala in search and rescue operations.

3. India has sufficient capacity to adequately carry out relief and rehabilitation measures and meet the requirements of the flood-affected people of Kerala.

4. The High Commission of India in Kuala Lumpur advises all well-wishers of India to be cautious of some unscrupulous agents/organizations, who may try exploit the situation to further their own vested interests.

5. Individuals/Organizations who wish to contribute towards Kerala Chief Minister Disaster Relief Fund may do so following the guidelines on <http://www.cmdrf.kerala.gov.in>

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