

Chief Minister's Relief Fund

Constitution of Managing Committee
for the -

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.
Resolution No. CRF 1067 - B.
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R E S O L U T I O N

Government had decided to constitute a Fund called "The Chief Minister's Relief Fund" some time back to assist people affected by natural calamities in various parts of our Country and our State. The Chief Minister has already issued a public appeal for donations to the Fund. A copy of the appeal is appended.

2. Government is now pleased to direct that a Managing Committee should be constituted for the purposes of the management of the Fund as follows:-

1. President : 1) Shri V.P. Naik, Chief Minister.
2. Members : 2) Shri P.K. Sawant, Minister for Agriculture, Food and Civil Supplies.
3) Shri S.K. Wankhede, Minister for Finance & Law.
4) Shri Homi J.H. Taleyarkhan, Minister for Housing, Printing Presses, Fisheries, Small Savings and Tourism.
5) Shri H.G. Vartak, Deputy Minister for Public Health.
3. Ex-Officio Members : 6) Chief Secretary,
7) Additional Chief Secretary.
8) Secretary, Revenue and Forests Department.
9) Secretary, Finance Department
4. General Secretary : Shri P.G. Salvi, Private Secretary to the Chief Minister.

3. The Managing Committee is authorised to form such ad hoc committees as are necessary for various purposes relating to the Fund and to appoint such officials and non-officials on the

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committees as may be necessary. The committees or their office bearers may be entrusted such work and authority as may be considered necessary. The Programme Committee and the Souvenir Committee which have already been formed should continue to work in connection with entertainment programme to be organised from time to time.

4. Government is also pleased to direct that the amount of the Fund should be kept with the Maharashtra State Co-operative Bank Ltd., and any two of the following be authorised to operate the account.

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| 1. President | : Shri V.P. Naik. |
| 2. Member | : Shri H.G. Vartak. |
| 3. General Secretary | : Shri P.G. Selvi. |

By order, and in the name of Governor of Maharashtra

D. R. PRADHAN
Chief Secretary to Government.

To

- The Secretary to the Governor,
- The Private Secretary to the Chief Minister,
- The Personal Assistant to the Minister for Agriculture, Food & Civil Supplies,
- The Personal Assistant to the Minister for Finance and Law,
- The Personal Assistant to the Minister for Housing, Printing Presses, Fisheries, Small Savings and Tourism,
- The Personal Assistant to the Deputy Minister for Public Health,
- The Personal Assistants to all other Ministers and Deputy Ministers,
- The Chief Secretary to Government, General Administration Department,
- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, General Administration Department,
- The Secretary to Government, Revenue and Forests Department,
- The Secretary to Government, Finance Department,
- * The Registrar, High Court, Appellate Side, Bombay,
- * The Prothonotary and Senior Master, High Court, Bombay,
- * The Secretary, Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat, Bombay,
- * The Secretary, Maharashtra Public Service Commission, Bombay,
- All Commissioners of Divisions,
- All Collectors,
- All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Parishads,
- All Departments of the Secretariat,
- All Other Heads of Departments and Offices under the several Departments of the Secretariat,
- The Director of Publicity (with a request to issue a press note),
- The Commissioner of Income Tax, Ayakar Bhavan, Bombay,
- * The General Manager, Maharashtra State Co-operative Bank, Bombay.

* By letter.

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THE CHIEF MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND.

As every one is aware, widespread distress has been caused in many parts of our country due to floods and other natural calamities particularly in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madras and Maharashtra. The damage and distress have been on an unprecedented scale. The Prime Minister has started the Prime Minister's Relief Fund to help the sufferers of natural calamities in the country and has made a fervent appeal for substantial donations and subscriptions.

2. In our own State, some parts of Ratnagiri district have been badly hit by cyclone recently. The damage and distress caused by the cyclone is extensive and widespread. Some lives have been lost and the havoc in terms of damage to property, crops and foodgrains is appalling. The Maharashtra Government is no doubt taking all measures possible for it to mitigate the hardships of the people in the cyclone hit areas of Ratnagiri district. Just as the Government is making its own efforts, it is essential that every individual and organisation in the State should come forward to lend a helping hand to the sufferers in these areas and supplement the Government's efforts in a substantial manner. The basic economy of these areas has been shaken as a result of mango and coconut trees having been uprooted by the cyclone. Considering that it takes some years for new plantations to bear fruit, the economic life of the agriculturists in these areas would continue to be adversely affected for some years to come as a result of the cyclone. Relief on a large scale is therefore needed. Materials, such as corrugated sheets, tiles etc. have to be rushed for the repairs of the damaged houses. Houses, cattle sheds and grain barns which have been blown off have to be reconstructed.

3. It is the duty of all in Maharashtra to go to the help of the sufferers in our State as well as those in other parts of the country. With a view to channelise this help in a proper manner, it has been decided to start the Chief Minister's Relief Fund immediately. The Chief Minister of Maharashtra would contribute a suitable amount from the collections in this Fund to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund and the balance will be utilised by the Chief Minister for giving relief to the sufferers in Maharashtra State. This will obviate the need for double effort at collections within the State and meet the existing requirements of the situation both within the State and in other parts of country.

4. The cause is one which brooks neither half-hearted effort nor delay and it is hoped that every institution and individual will contribute handsomely to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund. Every donation, however, small would be welcome and may be addressed to the General Secretary, Chief Minister's Relief Fund, Chief Minister's Secretariat, Sachivalaya, Bombay. Cheques should be crossed and clearly made out in favour of "The Chief Minister's Relief Fund".

5. As an initial step in the effort at collections for the Chief Minister's Relief Fund, it is proposed to organise a show in which leading film personalities will participate and also to bring out a Souvenir on that occasion. Two Committees have been formed for these purposes. The film industry, industrialists, businessmen and others in our State have always taken leading part in lending whole-hearted support to such noble causes.

6. While I appeal to one and all to give generously to the Fund, I feel confident that individuals and organisations in Maharashtra State and specially in our metropolitan city of Bombay will not spare any effort needed to swell the Chief Minister's Relief Fund to the maximum possible extent.

V.P. NAIK.

Sachivalaya, Bombay : 15th December 1966.