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Rt. Hon'ble

Governor (Ms) Nikki Haley

Greetings from the State of Tamil Nadu in India  
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I write this email with an appeal on behalf of the people of the state of Tamil Nadu in India.

As you might have read in news reports, the state of Tamil nadu, particularly the capital city and adjoining 3 districts have recently received torrential rains - 3 times more than the normal North East monsoon seasonal rains. As per the met department's reports, such a rain has not been seen by the city in the past 100 years.

As a result of which, thousands of people have died, several hundreds are missing and millions have lost their homes. Besides, due to the constant and heavy flooding, the public infrastructure and private properties have been severely damaged. The total loss is roughly estimated to be to the tune of 600 to 1000 billion dollars and it may take couple of years of re-construct them.

As of now, there is a high risk of epidemic diseases spreading in the area post receding of flood waters due to stagnation of garbage all around the region. The state government under the leadership of Ms.J.Jayalalithaa has swung in to rescue and relief operations with the assistance of Army, Navy and Air Force. National Disaster Relief Force was also deployed. The unprecedented calamity has been officially declared as national disaster by the governments.

Indian Prime Minister Mr.Narendra Modi made an aerial survey of the affected region last week and subsequently announced some interim financial assistance. The governments of couple of foreign countries have also announced some financial grants. Still, the resources are not adequate to fulfill the immediate rescue, relief and rehabilitation needs of the affected people who are large in numbers and the large scale devastation and destruction

I would like to request you to use your good office and see if the State Govt of South Carolina can offer

some financial grant to the state of Tamil nadu which is in distress as of now.

The citizens of Tamil Nadu will be grateful to you for your timely and humanitarian assistance.

regards

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