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**To: All Affiliates, Office Bearers & Central Committee Members**

Dear Sir/Madam,

**CYCLONE GAJA -- TRAIL OF DESTRUCTION AND  
ECONOMIC IMPACT WORSE THAN TSUNAMI OF 2004**

Cyclone Gaja made landfall between Nagapattinam and Vedaranyam during midnight on 16<sup>th</sup> instant and wreaked havoc in Tamil Nadu's delta and coastal districts. Leaving many people homeless and destroying crops and infrastructure, it brought normal life in these regions to a grinding halt. Several districts such as Thanjavur, Pudukottai, Nagapattinam, Dindigul, Sivagangai, Tiruvarur, Ramanathapuram, Cuddalore, Karur and Trichy have suffered huge damages due to the calamity. 41 persons died, about 1.3 lakh huts and houses have been damaged, farmers lost crops on 88,000 hectares, (thousands of acres of Paddy, Coconut, Banana plantations etc., have suffered huge damages) causing severe disruption in the normal life and livelihood of the people.

During the last 15 days, people from various quarters have been coming forward with their contributions to help the victims to get back on their feet. Many volunteer groups in the civil society are also on the ground to help them with relief materials which are being sent and distributed to the people.

It is now becoming clear that Cyclone Gaja is a major disaster of enormous magnitude suffered by tens of thousands of people in ten districts in the State of Tamilnadu. To mitigate challenges of livelihood on account of such a natural disaster, we need to lend our helping hand to farmers, fishermen and affected people in the abovementioned districts.

Our Affiliate in Tamilnadu Canara Bank Retirees' Forum, Chennai has contributed Rs.20,000/- to the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund and we from our AICBRF have donated Rs.15000/- as immediate relief. We appeal to all our Affiliates/Members across the country to come forward to contribute best possible amount. Donations may please be collected by our Affiliates for eventual remittance to us. We shall pool the resources at our end and make consolidated payment to the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund, Govt. of Tamilnadu, Secretariat, Chennai – 600009 in due course.

Yours Sincerely,

(S.V.SRINIVASAN)  
**GENERAL SECRETARY**

Awaiting for your positive response,