

Varanasi flood relief work budget (September 2013) – Nandlal ji / Navjyoti

You might be aware of the flood in the Ganges river in Varanasi. Purvanchal district was devastated by a massive flash flood. People living along the Ganges have been forced to flee from their homes for several days. People are living in slums and the conditions are very bad. The poor have lost their home, personal belongings and even crops. Not content with the government action, the local people have begun helping the flood victims. They have accommodated the flood victims in their homes and are also providing them food. Now the flood water is receding slowly and the victims are returning back to their destroyed homes. However, there is a big chance of an outbreak of water borne diseases in the area. The victims also need a lot of help with accessing clean drinking water, cleaning their neighborhood and setting up health check up camps.

In continuation with the flood relief work near Varanasi, Nandlal ji and team have identified 21 villages of 4 blocks and 2 urban locality where they have volunteers, SHGs or MNREGA labor Union. These places are highly affected and need support in the means of grain, health facilities and rehabilitation. The task force will try to cover about 200 families which are highly affected and untouched. Their planning is to provide at least one month's food material, polythene sheet, necessary medicine, mosquito net, candle etc.

They have started identifying such families from these villages/localities. With this relief they are putting continuous pressure on government department to cover these flood affected areas under disaster management fund.

A rough budget for above planned effort is as under:

Food material for one Month (25Kg Rice, 50Kg Flour, 10 Kg Pulse, 2 Kg Edible oil, 2 Kg Salt) @ Rs.2500/- per family X 200	Rs. 500000/-
Polythene Sheet @ Rs.100/- X 200	Rs. 20000/-
Mosquito Net 2 Pc each family: @Rs.250/- X 200	Rs. 50000/-
Medicines @ 200/- per family: X 200	Rs. 40000/-
Candle, Matches etc @ 50/- per family X 200	Rs. 10000/-
Traveling transportation	Rs. 50000/-
Grand Total:	Rs. 670000/-

Names of villages affected/targeted:

1. Chiraigaon Block: Gobarhan, Mokalpur, Ramchandipur, Mustafabad, Kukudha, Lutha Kala, Singhvaar
2. Cholapur Block: Rampur, Bhagvaanpur, Raunakala, Lakshmisempur, Tekuri
3. Kashvidyapeeth Block: Belhana, Ramna, Petavar, Narottampur, Chhittoopur,
4. Araziline Block: Marui, Jakkhini, Pachai, Shahanshahpur, Sihorva (Dakshini)
5. Urban Locality: Near Assi Ghaat, Near Shastri Ghaat