

2. Flood Relief Operation by Disaster Management Cell : Practice of Decentralization and Participative Management 2019-20

Introduction: Heavy rainfall in July 2019 created havoc in Western Maharashtra and caused flooding, damaging all crops, hundreds of animals drowned, more than 80 people lost their lives, thousands acres of fertile soil was wiped out, lakhs of people were displaced. NDRF & Army was deployed to rescue people in flood affected areas of Kolhapur, Sangli and Satara. In such a situation college decided to do some Social Responsibility Project.

Process :

1. A Primary survey was personally conducted by a member of Disaster Management Cell (DMC) visiting Satara & Ratnagiri districts flood affected areas to get first hand information and designed a relief plan with help of natives.
2. After primary visit report was presented in audio, visual and written form to teaching staff, HODs, Vice-Principals, Principal and active students volunteers which discussed the course of operation.
3. With participation of all a detailed plan was worked out.
4. The budget was prepared after discussion and approval of the Principal; the proposal was put forward to the Management to get sanctioned adequate financial provision for Travelling & food arrangements for volunteers engaged in implementation of Flood Relief Operation by Disaster management Cell (DMC).



5. The DMC Team - In-charge, teacher members & student volunteers worked hard around a month to collect relief materials like groceries, cloths, utensils and several miscellaneous articles from students, vicinity area, staff, family friends & relatives etc. by maintaining proper records & material storage safely.



6. Two teams were prepared to execute the operation, one team lead by one teacher and one support staff who carried the relief materials in advance by truck and later on one teacher lead students volunteers reached to the relief operation site by railway and then by bus.



7. Accordingly decided to conduct Flood Relief Operation at six villages of Satara and Ratangiri district namely Tiware (Dam Burst affected), Maley, Kolaney, Kashelli, Vajegaon and Patharpunj (Flood affected) wherein our College DMC's students' and teachers' team reached out to more than 260 flood affected families.

Result: Relief operation carried out on 20th & 21st September, 2019 by distributing two months dry ration kits, cloths, utensils & miscellaneous articles through the DMC team of 10 students, 2 teachers & some local social workers.



Conclusion: Flood Relief Operation by DMC was successfully carried out at Tiware Dam, Ratnagiri in morning & thereafter at other villages of Satara with the assistance of the local social activists with whom we were from the beginning, coordinating fully with their all appreciation.