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To
**The General Manager,
Southern Railway,
Chennai.**

Respected Sir,

Sub : Grant of financial assistance to Railway employees / families due to natural calamities.

The Western Ghats of PGT Division, Coimbatore, Nilgiris, Theni districts were experienced extremely very heavy rainfall in the areas, following avalanche in 24 hours period 2301 mm of rainfall was recorded. Many parts of Western Ghats are influencing orographic rainfall. Almost all the parts received heavy rain to very heavy rainfall. Train services were also affected in PGT Division and other parts.

Red Alert signal was given in many parts of TVC / PGT / Nilgiri Mountain areas. Meteorological department has informed the Forecast heavy rainfall till 10.08.2019 (Saturday). More than 1200 uprooted trees were blocking the Road services as well as part of train services. The entire transport services came to halt.

Many Railway quarters were totally damaged in Waynad area, Nilgiris, Calicut, Kannur, Kottayam, Ernakulam South, Marshalling Yard, Irumpanam, Allwaye, ALP etc. Due to land sliding the walls and quarters were totally damaged. The Railway employee's vehicles, property, house hold articles were damaged. Their families are mentally upset and unable to bear the damages. They need financial assistance. You are also aware that there is no Flood advance.

One employee by name Sri.Velayudham, Peon/Commercial/Trissur and residing at Shoranur was hospitalized due to fracture.

We therefore request you to use your good office at Railway Board level and obtain special permission to grant Flood Relief Rs.50,000/- for each family.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(P.S.Suriyaprakasam)
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Copy to : 1) GS/NFIR for kind information & kindly take up this issue at Railway Board level.
2) PCPO/S.Rly for necessary action.