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Memorandum Submitted to the Hon' ble Home Minister of India, by the all Party Members of Parliament Lead by DMK Party to demand early sanction of flood relief Funds sought by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.

Dear Sir, 13.01.2024

Vanakkam.

As you are well aware, Tamil Nadu had faced two unprecedented natural disasters in the month of December 2023. Cyclonic storm 'Michaung' brought extremely very heavy rainfall on 3.12.2023 and 4.12.2023 and Chennai, Thiruvallur, Kancheepuram and Chengalpattu districts were severely affected because of the cyclone and consequent heavy l°looding. Close on its wake, the southern districts of the State viz. Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli, Tenkasi and Kanniyakumari districts received unprecedented, extremely heavy rainfall on 17.12.2023 and 18.12.2023. As a result, the infrastructure both public and private and livelihoods of the people have been devastated.

Inspite of adequate preparedness and precautions taken by the State, these extreme weather events have caused huge damage to public and private property, including waterbodies, drinking water systems, roads, bridges and electricity infrastructure. The Hon'ble Union minister

for Defence Thiru. Rajnath Singh had visited the cyclone hit areas in Chennai on 7.12.2023 and the Hon'ble Union Minister for Finance Tmt. Nirmala Sitharaman had visited flood hit areas of Thoothukudi on 26.12.2023. The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M.K. Stalin had met the Hon'ble Prime Minister in person on 19.12.2023 in New Delhi and sought immediate Central Assistance to support the relief measures. The Government of Tamil Nadu had presented two Memoranda to Government of India seeking assistance which are enclosed. The details of the compensation sought for are as under:-

	Extreme Weather Events	Funds sought for (Rs. In Crore)		Total
S.No.		Temporary Restoration	Permanent Restoration	(Rs. In Crore)
1.	Cyclone Michaung (MIGJAUM)	7,033.45	12,659.24	19,692.69
2.	massive damages in Southern Districts due to floods	8,612.14	9,602.38	18,214.52
TOTAL		15,645.59	22,261.62	37,907.21

In this regard, we wish to bring to your kind attention that the Inter-Ministerial Central Team had visited the Northern Districts on 12.12.2023 and 13.12.2023 and Southern Districts on 20.12.2023 and 21.12.2023 and again the Central Team is visiting Southern Districts from 12.1.2024 to 14.1.2024. The State Government had to undertake immediate rescue and relief measures which are being done using its own

resources and the available funds with SDRF. But the magnitude of the natural disasters is colossal and without adequate and unstinted support from NDRF, full restoration and rehabilitation cannot be done. Almost a month has gone since these twin calamities and the affected areas are struggling from the devastation.

Hence, we request you to kindly take immediate action on the Memoranda submitted by the State and sanction the funds sought for by the Government of Tamil Nadu from NDRF for the two unprecedented natural disasters, without further delay.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

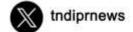
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