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Text of the D.O. letter dated 23.11.2018 of Thiru **Edappadi K.Palaniswami**, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, addressed to **Shri Piyush Goyal**, Hon'ble Minister of Railways and Coal.

Dear Shri Piyush Goyal ji,

You may be aware about the recent Severe Cyclonic Storm (SCS) 'GAJA' which struck the twelve districts of Tamil Nadu, completely devastated the four coastal districts and severely damaged the other districts. More than 60 persons have lost their lives. People have lost their home, livestock, plantations and livelihood. Seeing the plight of the hapless victims, relief materials are being mobilised from all over the country. I request the Railways to waive the freight charges collected from Donors for the relief materials sent to the stations in disaster affected areas addressed to the District Collectors, as has been done in the case of recent Kerala floods. An early direction in this regard will be highly appreciated.

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