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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Archbishop Peter Machado of Bangalore forms THE BANGALORE ARCHDIOCESAN FLOOD RELIEF to help the flood-afflicted people in Karnataka and Kerala.**

Archbishop Peter Machado, Archbishop of Bangalore, convened a Meeting of Key Personnel from Pastoral, Educational and Development Sectors of the Archdiocese to plan for the Relief to the affected people in Karnataka and Kerala due to the torrential rains and floods that caused hundreds of deaths and destabilization of lakhs of people. The Archbishop, while expressing his grief and anguish over the recent natural disasters, stated that "all of us in the Archdiocese express our solidarity with the people of Karnataka and Kerala, and offer our deepest condolences to the family members of those who lost their lives, and also consolation and strength to all those who are presently facing hardships due to these natural calamities."

To help people affected by this natural calamity, *The Bangalore Archdiocesan Flood Relief* has been formed. A Core Team was constituted to plan and help implement activities in collaboration with likeminded organisations. Activities are underway to collect basic necessities and funds for people affected in Karnataka and Kerala, and required assistance would be provided in the coming days to those who are direly in need of our material and monetary assistance.

Earlier Archbishop Peter Machado also issued a Circular to all the Churches, Convents and Institutions to offer special prayers for the victims of this tragedy and to donate generously money and materials for those affected due to this great tragedy. His Grace asked the people to contribute generously, especially on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> August, for this worthy cause.

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