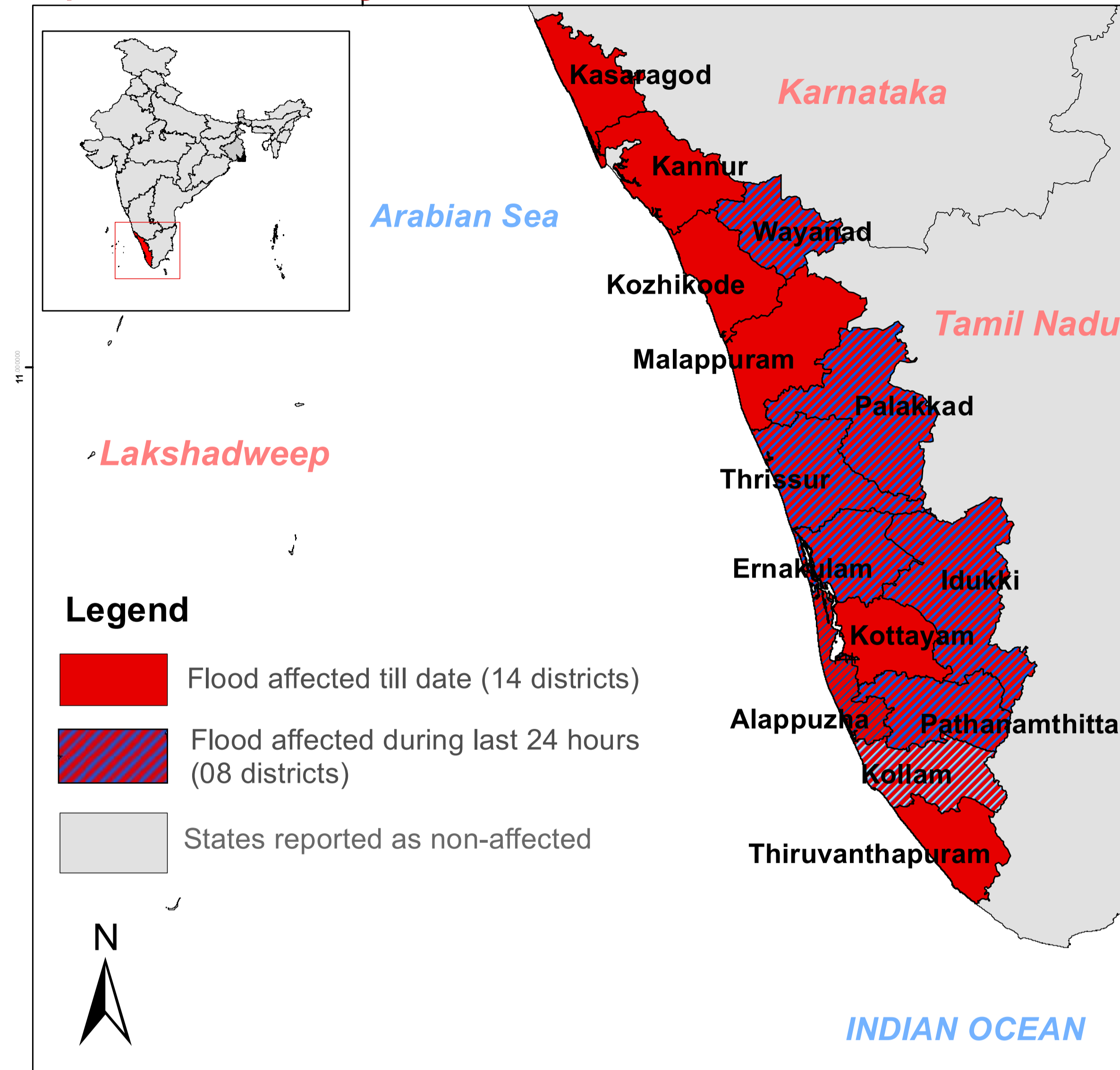







Map of Kerala showing flood affected areas



Impact of the Situation

	<p>5,41,1712 till date 3,00,000 during last 24 hrs 361 dead till date and 28 during last 24 hrs POPULATION AFFECTED DUE TO FLOOD AND HEAVY RAIN</p>
	<p>5,645 Relief camps till date 3232 Relief camps during last 24 hrs 7,24,649 Inmates till date and 6,96,797 Inmates during last 24 hrs RELIEF CAMPS OPENED & INMATES IN RELIEF CAMPS</p>
	<p>2.12 lakh women 1 lakh children below 12 years of age INMATES IN RELIEF CAMPS</p>
	<p>Fully-1186 Partially- 19588 till date Fully- 46 Partially -456 during last 24 hrs HOUSE DAMAGED DUE TO FLOOD TRIGGERED BY RAINS</p>
	<p>Animal - 46,016 Poultry - 1,70,65,000 ANIMALS DEAD DUE TO FLOOD</p>

A. Situation

The central government has designated the devastating floods in Kerala as Level 3 constituted as a "Calamity of Severe Nature". According to National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) Guidelines, L 3 disaster arise from large-scale disasters where districts and the state may not have the capacity to respond adequately and require assistance from the central government for reinstating the state and district machinery.



Picture above - Hundreds of boats have been deployed across Kerala to rescue people (Source: Media).

The details information is given below.

1. Kerala

Nearly 360 people have died; thousands remain marooned, and many are left homeless and rendered by devastating floods in Kerala that let struggled people back normalcy in their lives. On Monday i.e. 20th August 2018, red weather alert has been removed from all districts of Kerala, though some areas are still under water. Water level also receded in many areas as the rain stopped.

The coast guard, India's air force, and navy helicopters are airlifting stranded people from flood-affected areas, and air dropping food supplies to those they cannot yet reach.

The state government on Monday declared through a reliable source that the first phase of the rescue mission had reached its finality and the next phase would lay its focus on intensifying relief and rehabilitation.

People returning from relief camps to what was left of their homes faced an uphill task of first cleaning the surroundings even as the state government sent out an SOS for more supplies of disinfectants and bleaching powder. Inside of many flood- hits home have about 60 cm of mud and slush. Authorities are concerned that they could now be hit by an outbreak of water-borne disease, or other infection, or sickness. Three people with chickenpox have reportedly been isolated at a camp in the town of Aluva.

B. Government Response

- NDMA has called a coordination meeting for CBOs/NGOs, and State of Kerala to facilitate on relief effort for Kerala floods at New Delhi on 21st August 2018.
- Immediate financial assistance of INR 500 Core announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India after reviewing the flood situation in Kerala in addition to INR 100 Core already given to the state.
- An ex gratia of INR 2 lakh per person to the next of kin of the deceased and INR 50,000/- to those seriously injured from PMNRF is announced.
- The state government has announced financial assistant of INR 4 lakh to people whose house are completely damaged and INR 6 lakh to people who have lost their land due to flood and landslides.
- NDMA - Dos and Don'ts during floods were disseminated to public through social media.

C. Humanitarian Response by CBOs/NGOs

- Collated Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA) report on Kerala flood available at "Sphere India in Emergency" Blog.
- Districts emergency coordination meeting held on 16th August 2018 at DC Conference hall, Wayanad.
- Orientation on Joint Detailed Needs Assessment (JDNA) held on 19 August 2018 at district HQ Wayanad.
- Sphere India- Inter Agency Coordination committee is closely monitoring the situation.
- Unified Response Strategy (URS) Matrix on Kerala flood can be accessed at below link

Link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1AsttRs7uzd6Y7MvxHQ7Q6BYZKAFpuk6HrQUyVkaMen4/edit?usp=sharing>

D. Emerging Needs

- WASH : Hygiene Promotion for Household Water Treatment and Safe Storage
- Health: Important medicines through health camps and psychosocial support
- Early recovery for livelihood
- Temporary shelter support

Source Of Information: NERC, media and IAGs WhatsApp

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