

Phailin Cyclone *Relief*

Fourteen years after the Super Cyclone of 1999, Odisha was dealt a severe blow on 12th October 2013 by Phailin which was categorised as a Very Severe Cyclone. It made landfall near Gopalpur at approximately 2130 IST (1600 UTC) with a wind speed between 200 - 220 km/h. Subsequently, heavy rainfall caused flooding in Ganjam, Mayurbhanj, Bhadrak, Balasore, Keonjhar, Jajpur, Cuttuck, Puri and Khurda districts.

While the loss of life was minimal, due to God's grace and measures taken by the State Government, there was nevertheless significant damage. According to official statistics, 151 Blocks are affected in the State comprising of 17,674 villages with a population of 12,149,365; while 983,553 persons were evacuated due to the cyclone, another 171,083 persons were evacuated due to the subsequent flooding.



As people are slowly returning to their homes they are faced with the grim reality of damaged houses (376,921), loss of livelihood and damage to agriculture (621,184 hectares) and horticulture. Water supply is also threatened due to contamination & salinity and the worry is that poor sanitation & hygiene may lead to waterborne diseases.

Within its means and supported by a grant from IMFA, the Bansidhar & Ila Panda Foundation is reaching out to those affected by Cyclone Phailin. Any additional funds will expand the outreach of our relief activities and will be very welcome. If you would like to donate towards relief activities, please contact us. **A separate bank account "BIPF Phailin Relief Fund" has been opened and your contribution will go exclusively towards relief activities. All donations are eligible for tax deduction under section 80G (5).**

PHASE - I of Relief Work

Food grains & other essentials are being packed



At Rayagada



At Bhubaneswar



At New Delhi



Individual food Packets ready for distribution



Food packets handed over to district administration, Jajpur



Food packets handed over to Block administration at Hatadihi, Keonjhar



Family food packets being distributed at Athagarh, Cuttack

PHASE -II of Relief Work

Distribution of tarpaulin sheets at Mayurbhanj



Houses hit by Cyclone Phailin at Mayurbhanj



Distribution of tarpaulin sheets



People covered their houses with tarpaulin sheets

Bansidhar & Ila Panda Foundation donates to Chief Minister Relief Fund



Mr Subhrakant Panda, Trustee, Bansidhar & Ila Panda Foundation & Managing Director, IMFA is donating cheque of Rs 50 lakhs to Chief Minister Relief Fund