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Subject: Flood Relief Donation Received from Amrita-Seattle

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We take this privilege to thank you for the kind donation of Rs.2,00,509.86 of Amrita-Seattle Foundation for the recent devastation in Uttarakhand. We have undertaken the relief work quite extensively in the afflicted areas of Uttarakhand. The raging Mandakini has swept over hundreds of villages and caused unprecedented loss of men and material in those areas. Thousands of villagers have been rendered homeless losing all their belongings. The hapless villagers still remain isolated for innumerable breaches in the connecting roads and bridges. It seems really challenging to transport relief materials to them. The picture that is emerging is really heart rending and we are yet to unravel the nightmare. Despite every odds of nature, we are leaving no stones unturned to reach maximum number of people.

We have only been able to take truck loaded relief materials to that extent up to which roads take us. Thereafter, we had to unload the goods to be carried by ponies and small vehicles, through the treacherous roads that have been partially eaten away by flood. Unlike others, we do not distribute the relief materials to underserved persons or dump the goods there itself. Goods are distributed, after careful survey. We are yet to reach the worst hit areas, as they are still totally inaccessible. We dare not imagine the inferno that is looming large there.

In this hour of turmoil, we solely bank upon generous friends and well wishers like you, who care to extend their heart to the suffering masses and embrace it as their very own blood, when they need it the most!

**Yours sincerely,**

**Swami Nityasuddhananda**

**Secretary**

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