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## People staying in relief camps to get ₹20 lakh

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THE district administration has allotted an amount of ₹20 lakh for those living in the relief camps in several parts of Muvattupuzha owing to the recent floods. The financial aid has been distributed based on the detailed report submitted by the Revenue Department. In the first phase, around 513 people staying in relief camps were given the money, with each family getting ₹3,800.

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The CM had given instruction to provide a financial aid of ₹3,800 to the people whose houses were flooded for more than two days. Muvattupuzha residents have incurred a huge loss due to the incessant rain in the past few days. In several parts of Muvattupuzha taluk, floodwater gushed into houses forcing people to move out of the region.

According to Eldho Abraham MLA, the amount fixed by the government earlier was not sufficient for meeting the basic needs of those affected by the floods.

"Earlier, the government had allocated only ₹1,000 for the flood-hit people. Later, we sent a letter to the Revenue Minister seeking to reconsider the amount since it was not sufficient for the people," said Eldho Abraham.

Under the guidance of Eldho Abraham, 5 kg of rice were distributed to each family affected by floods in various regions, including Maradi, Vallakam, Payipra, and Paingottoor.

## Help from All Ladies League

Keen to reach out to the flood-affected, the All Ladies League, a body working for women's empowerment, came forward with several efforts to support the affected areas. The chapters across Kerala, including Ernakulam and Kozhikode, had devised several initiatives towards this.

In Kochi, on July 22, under the guidance of authorities concerned and the Collector, a group of 52 volunteers cleaned P&T colony, Udaya colony and Karithala. Raising the slogan Do for Kochi, and with the support of the Ernakulam Women's Association, they were able to provide relief to flood-affected areas.