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## #DoforKerala to help flood-affected people

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**Kochi:** The district administration along with an NGO Anbodukochi has started #DoforKerala, an initiative to reach out to people affected by the recent floods in the district and to provide them relief and rehabilitation.

District collector K Mohammed Y Saifurulla and special officer M G Rajamanickam held a meeting at the taluk office on Saturday morning and decided to collect relief materials with the help of Anbodukochi.

They have set up a collection centre at Regional Sports Centre, Kadavanthra, from Saturday morning. The items needed are bedsheets, sleeping mats, blankets, nighties, lungi, bathing towel, grocery, soaps, diapers, candles and disinfectants. They have also asked people to donate school kit for children. "No cash or used gifts

will be accepted. Those wanting to help can donate the items in the box placed at the sports centre," said Bimal Vas, Anbodukochi volunteer.

Meanwhile, several other groups have come forward to help the people in need. A group of people working in Infopark, under the collective Progressive Techies, are contemplating to support one village that has been affected by the flood.

"Besides, we have decided to collect around five tonnes of rice that will be supplied to flood-hit areas. We also plan to start a cleaning campaign," said Anish Panthalani, secretary of Progressive Techies.

Another group, Hope Foundation, has also tried to get in touch with people living in relief camps by providing them bedsheets, drinking water, medicines and new garments.