RedR India is contributing to disaster response and reconstruction through individual and systemic capacity strengthening for a couple of decades in India and globally. As a non-profit organization we take pride in our efforts of facilitating frontline capacity building and providing timely technical support to the humanitarian sector in reducing sufferings caused due to various types of disasters. With every disaster and ever increasing complexities we learn and also un-learn to better serve disaster victims and response agencies to improve their relief and reconstruction efforts.

Contextualised innovations and capacity augmentation of our stakeholders is at the core of RedR India. We have worked intensively with communities through our members, articulated our learning and developed knowledge products to inform disaster response and reconstruction work. Individual and institutional capacity building and creation of innovative methods of learning is a building block of our approach as we continue to sustain and extend support to the actors from within and outside the sector.

In 2018, we continued engaging in identifying and training human resources to enable faster, more efficient and humane responses to the needs of the population affected during disasters and to increase capabilities of communities and practitioners to manage and reduce risks. It is reflected in our work this year on Post Floods WASH, Livelihoods, and Inclusion work and Risk-Informed Programming in Kerala, Community Shelter Upgrade Deployments and Capacity Building in Rohingya Refugee Camps and Humanitarian Practice and Standards Capacity Building in Bangladesh and Risk-Informed Development Planning work in Maharashtra.

This year we also forged new partnerships within the evolving and changing sector architecture. Our partnership profile consists of public, private, non-governmental, multilateral agencies; and national and international knowledge bodies. This has made us more vigilant and responsive to the needs of the sector. We sincerely strive to become knowledge partners and a dependable support structure for effective disaster response that minimises suffering and trauma of the most vulnerable sections of society.

We express our gratitude to all our partners, members and the RedR India team for their tireless efforts and support to help accomplish our mission of relieving the suffering caused by disasters by selecting, training and providing competent and committed personnel to humanitarian programmes worldwide. Most of all, we are indebted to the communities and people who give us the opportunity to learn, share and work with them in building safer and resilient communities and societies.

MESSAGE FROM REDR INDIA'S MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Jesmin Aktar, a Community Mobiliser from Christian Aid providing training on Shelter upgradation to the Moonjhis and Block Development Committee members of the Rohingya Camps in Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh.
The year, 2018, allowed RedR India to take new turns and enter uncharted waters. This was the first instance where RedR India implemented a project completely on its own stand in Kerala, with support from our traditional partners and new donors. The work undertaken in Kerala and Bangladesh took us to newer frontiers in terms of our ability to execute humanitarian programmes that provide capacity building and technical support in real time in crisis situations.

In the case of Kerala Floods, RedR India’s response ranged from conducting the initial assessment to immediate response, followed by rehabilitation and risk reduction efforts; RedR India has had a long and multifaceted engagement in the state. Besides the ongoing work on Panchayat Level Disaster Management Planning, RedR worked on Water Quality Testing and Treatment, Landslide Risk Management, Water Supply and Sanitation Restoration, Inclusion and, Livelihoods Restoration. Most of our work was with Government Institutions and Flagship Missions, frontline workers, community volunteers, academia and new humanitarian professionals. Our work in Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh gave us the opportunity to work with multiple actors and partners involved in the Rohingya Refugee Response. Through our trainers, members and deployees we covered a spectrum of activities ranging from multi-sectoral assessments, evaluations, capacity building on shelter design and upgrades, humanitarian principles and standards and, risk assessments. In partnership with Unicef in Bihar and Maharashtra, we focused on promoting Risk-Informed Planning and strengthening Disaster Risk Reduction to reduce and manage risks from flooding and drought in particular. This work also involved working closely with government counterparts to strengthen Risk Governance.

Through the year, RedR India reached out to a diversely skilled and geographically spread group of participants and actors. We worked in 12 states of India and trained with State and District Level Government Officials, Village Task Force Members, Self Help Groups, Frontline Workers and, Civil Society and Corporate Staff and Personnel. Through our projects, we partnered with State Level Institutions and Departments, National and Local Organisations, CSR Groups, Foundations and, International NGOs.

In 2018-19, we facilitated 134 training courses, deployed 38 skilled personnel and undertook 15 projects. Overall, last year was a step towards developing organisational capabilities, diversification of programme approaches and partnerships, and improving our outcomes in keeping with the Sendai Targets and thereby, contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals. Our work is intrinsically reliant on the efforts, skills and resources brought in by our members, partners, donors, and staff. I take this opportunity to thank them for their tireless work and indefatigable commitment to the work of RedR.
Established in 2003, RedR India is registered under the Societies Registration Act of 1860 in India. RedR India’s expertise is in humanitarian work and Disaster Risk Reduction interventions provisioned through a dedicated team and a roster of selected and experienced sector specialists.

Mission
To relieve suffering caused by disasters by selecting, training and providing competent and committed personnel to humanitarian programmes world-wide.

Vision
A world in which sufficient competent and committed personnel are available and responding to humanitarian needs.

RedR India – Registered Engineers for Disaster Relief – is an independent, not for profit organisation that provides capacity building, technical support, and deployment to aid agencies and professionals across the world. RedR has accredited offices in Australia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, and the United Kingdom.
REDR INDIA’S JOURNEY SO FAR

- 820 Deployments
- 3250 Training Days
- 27966 Number of Participants Trained
- 150 Projects and Technical Support
- 131 Number of Partners
- 1036 Training Courses
- 141 RedR India Roster Member

Mabeesha KM, RedR India Project Officer demonstrating hand-washing technique in a primary school in Alleppey, Kerala
RedR India manages a roster of professionals who are available for national and international deployment for humanitarian and disaster risk reduction assignments. RedR India Members possess a wide range of skill sets applicable to address emerging humanitarian needs in crises and undertake action towards risk reduction.

Currently, RedR India has 141 members enlisted on the roster. Our roster members work across a range of sectors and across a spectrum of humanitarian agencies, NGOs and UN bodies. The core areas that the roster deploys for are WaSH, Shelter and Settlement Planning, Food and Nutrition, Livelihoods, Logistics and Supply Chain Management, and Public Health. The deployed members perform a host of functions which include, but are not limited to, assessments, monitoring, mentoring, capacity building, project planning, and implementation, coordination, advocacy, management, and leadership.

“I have been on several deployments with RedR India and appreciate the moral responsibility that RedR India takes on of its deployees. While I was deployed in Odisha, certain arrangements did not work out leaving me facing a huge workload. RedR India pulled out all stops to find me adequate assistance in completing my tasks. The quality of support provided to the members is very high.”

Annie George – RedR India Member
Emergency Deployments

Non - Emergency Deployments

Overall Deployment Days

Individuals Deployed

Partner Agencies

Deployment Categories - 2018-19

Public Health

Others

Livelihoods

Communications

Management

Assessments, Monitoring & Evaluations

Studies/Reviews

Capacity Building

Shelter

DRR & Climate Change

Coordination and Early Recovery

WaSH

Capacity Building

Communications

Other

Livelihoods

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Overall Deployment Days

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Partner Agencies
“My first deployment for 2018 was in Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh. It was my first assignment in Bangladesh specific to the Rohingya crisis and an immensely dynamic and challenging assignment keeping in mind the ever changing socio-political environment. The training courses were on Shelter upgradation and community risk assessment; and they helped me to understand the context, culture, and background of the host as well as the Rohingya community much better. Local leaders, volunteers, and participants were highly engaged in the training sessions – working on shelter safety and upgradation was of immense importance to their community.

At the beginning of 2019, I worked on another project in partnership with Swiss Solidar as a lead consultant for Shelter assessment and Shelter programme design. Working with Swiss Solidar, understanding the market feasibility for bamboo shelters, interacting with shelter technology experts and other agencies was an important exercise as it provided insights on the process of rolling out project aid for refugees and host communities.”

Tapan Patel – Member

Tapan Patel is a RedR India member and specializes in WaSH and Shelter.
RedR India Trainer and Member, Praveenkumar Pawar facilitating a session during the ‘Managing People and Projects in Emergencies’ training course in Yogyakarta, Indonesia.
### TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

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- **Total Training Courses:** 134
- **Number of Participants Trained:** 3219
- **Number of Agencies:** 16
- **Number of Participants Rated 'Excellent' or 'Good':** 88%
- **Number of Training Days:** 222
- **Number of Locations:** 24

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“As an Operations Supervisor, I attended the "Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management Training" given by RedR India in Delhi. We learnt the intricacies of the logistics cycle and logistics management information system. The session which covered the key challenges faced in procurement process, warehouse and stock management was highly relevant, especially for my job profile.”

Sarajuddin Mohammadi, Supervisor, Operations – Aga Khan Development Network
Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction Training - Bihar, India

As part of the Disaster Risk Reduction Project with ADPC and Government of Bihar, RedR India conducted State-level capacity building training on mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction in Bihar. A total of 6 technical courses and a Training of Trainers (ToT) was conducted for 175 participants. The pilot training courses were undertaken following the capacity building need assessment and development of modules on Disaster Risk Reduction identified for the Departments of Health, Disaster Management, and Agriculture. The purpose of the project was to reduce the vulnerability of at-risk communities of Bihar by strengthening institutional leadership and government capacity for disaster preparedness, response and recovery. A total of 7 modules were developed for the project and they were piloted in a different district of Bihar.
Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction Training - Pune, India.

RedR India delivered a customised training in collaboration with Adroit Consultancy Services, Afghanistan; for staff from Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA), and Welt Hunger Hilfe (WHH), Afghanistan. The objective of the 4-day training was to build the capacities of the participants on CBDRR and focus on helping participants enhance their understanding of disaster management concepts and terminologies. Emphasis was made on the linkages between disasters, development, and concepts of hazard, risk, and vulnerability as well as the tools required for assessment. The course followed the national frameworks of India and Afghanistan along with the various DRR practices followed by government and civil society organisations in the two countries.

Managing People and Projects in Emergencies - Yogyakarta, Indonesia

RedR India Indonesia in collaboration with RedR India organized a 5-day training course on ‘Managing People and Projects in Emergencies’ in March 2019 in Yogyakarta. RedR India provided the technical expertise to facilitate the training. The aim of the training was to develop the essential knowledge and skills needed to manage people and projects effectively in emergency situations. The emphasis was on describing the role and characteristics of an effective manager in humanitarian practice and explaining the tools and techniques to design, plan and implement projects successfully. A total of 12 participants from Indonesia and Bangladesh attended the training course.

Training of Trainers on Community Risk Assessment - Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh

To work towards strengthening community resilience, IOM Bangladesh collaborated with RedR India to roll out five Training of Trainers (ToT) courses on Community Risk Assessment (CRA) and Risk Reduction Action Planning (RRAP) to equip staff from NGOs, INGOs, local government officials, and community members. The training was attended by 149 participants from civil society organization and government departments. The focus was on the importance of community participation in disaster risk management and the various tools and processes for hazard, vulnerability, capacity, risk assessment, and risk reduction planning. The application of adult learning principles for effective facilitation at community level was also covered in detail.

“I undertook the Training of Trainers (ToT) on Community Shelter Upgrade in Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh. My skills lie in Project Management, but taking the training helped me in developing a better understanding of the culture, context and building practices. I had limited knowledge about bamboo and its immense versatility in shelter construction, and this training helped me envision its applicability in the context of Cox’s Bazar. I look forward to attending more training courses with RedR India.”

Lourdes Valencia
MSB Roster (Swedish Contingency Agency)
“I joined as a Community Health Officer for the Edavilangu Panchayat in October 2017. I was keen on attending RedR India’s training on Water Quality Testing and Treatment as I had previously attended half-day of the training session in Thrissur district. I also spoke with one of the senior trainers regarding the possibilities to bring such training sessions to our Panchayat as well.

There are 14 Wards in Edavilangu Panchayat and I wanted to get the water samples tested for this Panchayat. We had 10 Asha Members trained on Water Quality Testing and Treatment as a part of RedR India’s initiatives in the state. The members who attained training directly from the professionals are capable of collecting and testing water samples from across the 14 wards of this panchayat. They have finished the data collection from three wards using door to door sampling and will be completing the remaining wards in the coming weeks. This is a big initiative for the panchayat and a huge step towards water safety.”

Lalu Joseph, Junior Health Inspector, Edavilangu Panchayat, Kerala
TOTAL NUMBER OF PROJECTS

15

- Assessment and Evaluation: 3
- Capacity Building: 9
- Technical Advisory and Project Support: 10
- Studies and Reviews: 2

*Numbers vary as there are multiple activities under one project
REDR INDIA’S INTERVENTION IN COX’S BAZAR

The massive inflow of Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh has triggered a large scale humanitarian response to cater to the needs of the affected population residing in camps set-up by the Bangladesh Government. The need for humanitarian intervention in the camps is exacerbated due to the cramped conditions resulting in issues related health, food security, nutrition, safety, and protection. RedR India undertook several activities in Cox’s Bazar including deployments, assessments, capacity building initiatives, training courses and technical support arrangements through partnership with several organisations.
Christian Aid, with technical assistance from RedR India, conducted a multi-sectoral Rapid Needs Assessment of the Rohingya Camps to understand the evolving sectoral needs during monsoon. This would, in turn, inform short term programme plans for ensuring effective aid delivery. The assessment was conducted to understand the current and emerging needs of the displaced population and set forth recommendations for programmatic interventions in key sectoral areas of Shelter, WASH, Food Security, Livelihood and Protection. The findings of the study were predominantly derived from primary sources and provided recommendations that are actionable both in the short and medium-term. The assessment was in line with Sphere and Core Humanitarian Standards.

**Hygiene Promotion Strategy and Training Course**

Considering extreme WaSH vulnerabilities and the public health risks in the Rohingya camps, a Hygiene Promotion Strategy was conceptualised and developed by RedR India. It was the outcome of a joint initiative of RedR India, RedR UK, Christian Aid Bangladesh (CAID), and their partners. The strategy was derived from consultations with WaSH cluster partners, community members and mobilisers working in Camp 15. It provided a detailed action-oriented strategy to enhance community action for the prevention of WaSH related diseases. Additionally, RedR India also organised two training courses for CAID partners from ACT Alliance on Hygiene Promotion. The training helped participants to discuss hygiene risk behaviour with special reference to the Rohingya camp situation.

**Shelter Assessment and Project Design**

RedR India undertook an assessment focused on Shelter needs in selected blocks of a Rohingya Camp in partnership with Solidar Suisse. This was designed to assist Solidar Suisse and its local partner to develop technical sheltering solutions and establish a new Shelter Project. The assessment report included the design of transitory shelter along with specific site improvement components with details of material specification, bills of quantities and estimates. The report also includes an overview of supply chain management and quality control measures for Bamboo procurement and use. The report charts the strategic outline with a log frame for project implementation and enlists various reference materials, guidelines, and contacts of key personnel which may be useful for liaison, technical assistance, collaboration, and project implementation.

**CAPACITY BUILDING**

**Humanitarian Principles and Standards Training**

In partnership with RedR UK, IOM Bangladesh, and NGO Forum, RedR India conducted a series of training courses on Humanitarian Principles and Standards. These courses reached out to Media Professionals, Law Enforcement Officials, Civil Society Actors, and INGO and UN staff. The courses provided knowledge and skills on international frameworks, national frameworks, and application of principles and standards to the Refugee context. The courses were also complemented with ToTs to enable further cascading of learning into practice.
IOM Bangladesh developed a training module aligning with the fundamentals of shelter upgradation. RedR India was then engaged to roll out and facilitate 5 Training of Trainers (ToT) courses on ‘Shelter Upgrade and DRR’ and 4 courses on ‘Community Shelter Upgrade’ for IOM partner staff who were working directly with the camp population. These courses were conducted to enhance the technical and training skills of participants to enable timely upgradation of the emergency shelters. The training helped participants improve their training facilitation skills such that they could ensure delivery and transmission of key messages including enhancement of community buildings to secure them against natural hazards and risks, especially for the current and subsequent monsoons.

**Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) Survey - Baseline and Endline for Rohingya Refugee Camps**

RedR India in partnership with Christian Aid Bangladesh undertook a KAP survey for a consortium project led by Christian Aid Bangladesh along with World Vision, Dan Church Aid (DCA), Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) and Gono Unnayan Kendra (GUK). The refugee population settled in multiple makeshift camps putting tremendous stress on WASH, Health, and Protection in the settlements. The KAP survey helped understand and measure the knowledge, practice, and attitude of the Rohingya population on key public health and protection issues and informed interventions to reduce risks and improve the wellbeing of the refugee population.
As I interacted more with the Rohingya people, I had a realization that each house had a unique story to tell. Many of them narrated how they had to flee from their homes to arrive for safety. Many recounted their horror and did not want to go back; some fondly recalled their homes and even the plants that they grew there. But despite the grimness of the situation they are facing, the scarcity of resources and the unpredictable future ahead, they showed a lot of resilience.

The target for our team was to provide capacity building training and upgrade all the shelters in camps allotted to Christian Aid. Monsoon had already started by the time I arrived in May, hence the process to build the capacity of the people had to be faster. I have had experience of working in the camps earlier with the IDPs in Assam. Those camps usually have 2000 HH at the max, but here each camp had a population around 5000 HH, and there were multiple camps. When I first visited the Rohingya camps, the first thing that caught my eye was the sheer number of people who were milling around. It seemed like an unending sea of tarpaulin across the camps. The houses were tightly cramped up as there was no space. The camp was teeming with activities; some collecting relief materials, some trying to rebuild their houses, some trying to make a living by doing odd jobs. There were small shops inside the relief camps as well.

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You can see that among the children and young people. They are not dreadful of the future but they have hopes and dreams. Their smiles and laughter almost bring a sense of normalcy around. I was going back from camp 15 one rainy afternoon after a training session with the BDC members when I saw children playing football outside. They were totally engrossed in the game, laughing and smiling with their friends. At that time the football World cup was going on, and the football fever had even caught on the camps with different people rooting for their favourite teams. Football discussions quickly became an easy starting point of conversation with the youth there. Everywhere there were children playing football wherever they get a chance. I could not help but remember this quote by Bob Marley

“Some people feel the rain; others just get wet.”

In spite of the tragedy they were faced with, I also saw the strength of the community to live and struggle through their lives. They continue to work hard. During my 45 days in Cox’s Bazar for the project, we held multiple training for Majhis, BDC members and households on DRR shelter upgradation. However, I learned more than just technical aspects during my time there. It was not just the community that showcased extraordinary resilience in the face of adversity. Many of these were often the community volunteers and drivers and staff members who are always willing to support, even beyond their duty hours.
Delhi Rose Angom facilitating a session on Shelter Upgradation in Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh
INTRODUCTION

In August 2018 Kerala had witnessed unprecedented monsoon flooding – the worst in a century. More than a million were displaced, and over 400 lives were lost. The floods devastated 27,000 houses, submerged 45,000 hectares of farmland, 134 bridges and thousands of kilometers of roads along with other critical infrastructure.

RedR India launched a multi-faceted intervention in Kerala post the floods, making it the first project conceptualised, developed and executed by RedR India on its own. As part of the rapid response, there was a need to reach out to communities facing acute water supply issues. RedR India in partnership with NSE Foundation worked with the remotely located and marginalized communities in various districts of Kerala. With the help of Kerala Forest Department and Local Panchayats, safe drinking water was made accessible to these communities. This was done by deploying water filtration systems and promoting key WaSH messages to prevent break-out of WaSH diseases through technical support and capacity building partnerships and collaborations.

**REDR’S INTERVENTION IN KERALA**

- 250 water quality testing kits distributed to Health Departments
- 20 community and 10 household water filtration units installed
- Trained more than 500 community members on basic hygiene and sanitation care
Detailed Livelihoods Assessment for Response and Recovery

RedR India in collaboration with Christian Aid conducted a detailed food security and livelihoods assessment in the three of the worst affected districts of Kerala - Alappuzha, Idukki and Wayanad. The assessment was carried out by a 4-member team from RedR India with the support of Christian Aid partner staff and volunteers. The assessment found that traditionally marginalized communities such as scheduled caste households, other lower caste communities, plantation, and agriculture workers and scheduled tribes who display the lowest human development indices of the state were still in need of continued support after the initial surge of relief. These findings helped with improving the understanding of the food security and livelihood situation post floods and informed the early recovery and livelihood rehabilitation programming of Christian Aid.

Technical Support in WaSH and Recovery Planning:

RedR India deployed WaSH specialists directly and in partnership with Unicef to the seven most affected districts. Four recovery planners and coordinators were deployed to work with the Government of Kerala across 6 districts and at the state level to assist with the Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA) and recovery planning and coordination.

In addition to the above, RedR India also deployed three technical specialists in Idukki, Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha district for supporting the WaSH recovery actions. The activities undertaken by them included organising and delivering training on behaviour change communication for health workers, development of well usage and treatment protocols, creation of guidelines for well protection and septic tank rehabilitation, assessment of damage to WaSH systems in affected schools, development of module on landslide risk mitigation for Panchayats and demonstration of twin pit septic tank waste management systems. To strengthen the accessibility of drinking water at household level, RedR India deployed two WASH specialists to explore possible technical solutions and innovations for Haritha Mission, Kerala Water Authority and other water-supply related institutions who are responsible for provision of drinking water.

Risk-Informed Development Planning (RIDP): RIDP was introduced and piloted at Gram Panchayat (village) level in partnership with the Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), Government of Kerala. This initiative involved developing guidelines, checklists and training Gram Panchayat members for sectorial risk informed development planning. The pilot testing phase, along with demonstration on the usage of these guidelines is ongoing. RedR India also undertook a scoping study on ‘strengthening wells as safe sources of drinking water’ in the Kerala context. A proposal for piloting the initiative was handed over to district administration in Thrissur and other stakeholders of Government of Kerala involved in water supply provision.

REAL TIME CAPACITY BUILDING

Water Quality Testing and Treatment: RedR India partnered with Kudumbashree and Health Department of Government of Kerala in 7 districts to build a pool of trainers on water quality testing and treatment. The participants of the training were women self-group workers who play a key role in community sanitation and water quality-related activities through the Kudumbashree enterprise model. Similarly, from the Health Department, health inspectors, ASHA and junior health inspectors were also part of the training. Following the training, the master trainers independently undertook orientation and awareness programmes on wells, water safety, and water quality management in communities.
The study focused on addressing the concerns of the elderly and sought to inform and develop a more age-inclusive approach to the recovery and response efforts in Kerala. The study recommends the need to build an in-depth understanding of the issues faced by the elderly during and after a disaster and suggests that necessary measures and preparedness actions must be put in place for future disasters.

**STUDIES AND REVIEWS**

**SILENT VOICES - A POST FLOOD SITUATION ANALYSIS OF OLDER PERSONS IN KERALA**

Post the Kerala Floods, there was an absence of a holistic and in-depth understanding of the situation of older persons and an alarmingly large proportion of the population was being affected by this lack of understanding. To address these concerns, RedR India conducted a study to explore and capture the most compelling issues pertaining to the situation of the elderly in Kerala.

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**Landslide Risk Management for Government officials at Gram Panchayat Level**

RedR India with technical support from GeoHazards Society organized a series of training programmes on ‘Landslide Risk Management for the Panchayati Raj Members’ in various Panchayats of Kerala. The programme was supported by NSE Foundation and the training programs targeted local and elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions in the affected districts of the state. The training courses helped enhance local adaptive capacity, knowledge on landslide risks and early identification, and awareness on decision making options to reduce risks to lives and homes.

**Participants from local NGO and INGO underwent Essentials of Emergency Response and Practice Training**

**300** 300 health department and PRI functionaries (elected self-government institution) members trained on **water quality and testing** through 1-day orientation workshops.

**Water Quality Testing and Treatment:** Pool of **277** Trainers on Water Quality Testing and Treatment across 7 affected districts were created who reached out to more than **7300** persons benefitted through cascading training model.

**360** 360 PRI members trained on **Landslide Risk management**.
As part of this project we identified almost 15 locations where the water was highly contaminated. Post which, a team from RedR India visited these locations and depending upon the feasibility they selected 6-7 locations for installing the water filters. The filters they installed are very handy and portable. Besides, it doesn’t require electricity - it’s simple as a hand pump. The quality of water is far better after the filtration. It is indeed beneficial for tribal people as it is also low-maintenance.

Anjan Kumar,
Chief Conservator Forests, Palakkad wildlife circle

“Our association with RedR India started when a senior forest officer referred them to us with regards to the provisioning of clean drinking water and hygiene promotion in the disaster-affected locations across Kerala. I thought about the possibility of taking RedR India’s assistance in providing clean drinking water to the tribal communities of Thrissur district - one of the worst affected by the floods. The flood left them with nothing and the remoteness of their settlements made it more difficult to reach out to them. Volunteers of RedR India contacted me to explain the functions and working mechanism of the water filters which were later installed on the identified locations. Our field officers emphasized how badly some rural settlements may need such assistance when we proposed the idea to them.

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Beena Govindan, RedR India Deployee

“Being part of RedR India’s livelihood assessment in the flood-hit district of Alappuzha during September 2018 was special on several grounds. Returning after decades to the areas where I had previously worked, to look at their losses was shocking. It highlighted the exposure of the vulnerable section of the state to natural calamities, and how their lives continue the same despite the multiple development programmes, losses of assets and livelihoods. A closer look at their flood-savaged lives pointed to the need for disaster-proofing of development interventions in areas vulnerable to extreme water conditions.

The study we conducted on the state of elderly person post the floods opened up a new perspective. The impact of the floods on the elderly, and how the local governments supported their rescue and relief was assessed and studied in detail. I hope the findings and recommendations from the study allow the emergence of an inclusive Gram Panchayat moving upwards to an elderly-friendly Kerala.”

Beena Govindan, RedR India Deployee
INVESTING IN DISASTER RISK GOVERNANCE AND RISK REDUCTION PLANNING

Strengthen Disaster Risk Governance at State Level, Maharashtra

RedR India in partnership with Unicef India provided technical support to strengthen Disaster Risk Governance in collaboration with the Government of Maharashtra. The project supported the design and development of multi-sectoral disaster management plans for the drought-affected districts of Osmanabad and Beed. The emphasis was particularly on enhancing the resilience of essentials services and delivery systems, their capacity to mitigate, prepare for and respond to hazards (residual risk), whether natural or anthropogenic. The risk reduction recommendations will further help in achieving the objectives of Sustainable Development Goals, Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and targets of Paris Climate Agreement as also articulated in the National Disaster Management Plan 2016.

The framework for this model proposes that if the stakeholders respond effectively to the exceptional situations (shocks/emergencies) then they will be able to maintain the trajectory of development in the district/town/state.

Social Sector Recovery Planning and Adaptation of Guidelines on Risk-Informed Programme, Bihar


Emergency Preparedness Planning Project, New Delhi

RedR India provided technical support and developed the Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) for Save the Children India. Developing organisational EPP is part of the Save the Children International’s mandate for all their offices across the world to allow response in a timely, effective and child-centered manner within 72 hours of disasters. Through this project, RedR India analysed the most common hazards to which the country is vulnerable to and the range of sectors and geographical areas in which Save the Children may respond to each hazard. This involved mapping of resources and the linkages needed to undertake such responses, gap analysis and understanding the distinct roles of various Save the Children units and partners during emergencies. This partnership with Save the Children was aimed towards developing the organisation’s knowledge and capacity for humanitarian response and DRR work in India.
Cracks in the Anganwadi Centre wall in Sautada Village, Maharashatra. Neglect of existing infrastructure poses a risk to the lives of children and their caregivers.
**FINANCIALS**

**EXPENDITURE PATTERN 2018 - 2019 (INR 4,10,26,493.75)**
- Overheads & Operations Cost 15%
- Customised Training Courses 16%
- Learning, Partnerships and Programmes 7%
- Roster and Deployment 8%
- Open Training Courses 5%
- Projects and Technical Support 49%

**INFLOW PATTERN 2018-2019 (INR 4,48,50,963.92)**
- Overheads & Operations Cost 0%
- Customised Training Courses 31%
- Learning, Partnerships and Programmes 1%
- Open Training Courses 2%
- Projects and Technical Support 58%
- Roster and Deployment 8%

**OPERATIONS AND OVERHEADS 2018 - 2019 (INR 63,28,816.95)**
- Rental Expenditure 20%
- Furnishing, Assets and Equipment 1%
- Audit, Insurance and Statutory Expenses 8%
- Human Resource 39%
- Communications 2%
- Office Expenses and Maintenance 21%
- Travel and Transportation 9%
MEET THE TEAM

Tanaji Sen
Executive Director

Mandar Vaidya
Programme Services Director

Meghana Vaidya
Operations and HR Manager

Rahul Dey
Training Coordinator

Delhi Rose Angom
Projects Coordinator

Sinu Chacko
Learning & Partnership Coordinator

Dibyashree Datta
Learning & Development Officer

Rishikesh Shinde
Project Coordinator

Shabaz Khan
Project Coordinator – Mainstreaming DRR

Anuradha Gondkar
Executive Secretary

Tanuja Raghunath
Training & Projects Officer

Shashikant Shinde
Finance Officer

Mrudula P.
Communications Officer

Shahadev Bhalerao
Training & Logistics Support Officer

Pragati Ghaytadkar
Junior Accountant

Gangaram Kharat
Office Assistant

Kunjal Pawar
Admin Support Officer

Payal Saharabudhe
Jr. Accountant

Rituja Patil
Admin Support Officer

Akhilesh Bakshi
Capacity Building Officer

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