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SARBOJANIN DURGAPUJA SWITZERLAND

10th year of successful socio-cultural celebration

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Dear Friends,

Every time we write to you, we inform you about activities associated with the Durga Puja in Switzerland.But today, we would like you to stop for a minute and think about something that is far more important than the festivities associated with the Puja. You all have heard about the catastrophe in Uttarakhand. The floods and landslides have devastated entire towns and villages, destroyed roads, bridges and communication links. It may be months before the full magnitude of the tragedy becomes clear.

While pondering over the disaster, we have realized that as Swisspuja community, we can indeed make a difference to the lives of the victims. To help the people in the disaster zone pick up the pieces, we are announcing the start of our '**Uttarakhand Relief Fund'**.

We appeal to all of you to donate generously to this fund.

How will this work?

1. Starting today and up until 15th of September 2013, you can donate any amount of your choice to

- Beneficiary :Swisspuja, 5400 Baden
- Account Number: 60-154235-4 (Post Finance, Nordring 8, 3030 Bern)
- Clearing No.: 9000 SWIFT Code/BIC of PostFinance: POFICHBEXXX
- Receiver's IBAN: CH32 0900 0000 6015 4235 4.

with a comment 'Uttarakhand Relief Fund'.

2. Swisspuja EPC 2013 will keep a track of the funds collected and will transfer the entire amount to *Bharat Sebasram Sangha* on or before *end of September 2013*.

 Furthermore, Swisspuja EPC 2013 will seek an approval from the members in the next AGM ,to be allowed to donate an amount of <u>1000CHF</u> to this fund. Subject to approval, this amount will be transferred to <u>Bharat Sebasram Sangha</u> before <u>end of November 2013</u>. Let us give back to the ones who need our support! Regards,

Swisspuja- EPC 2013

PS: Bharat Sevashram Sangha is an organization of national repute for its multi dimensional philanthropic activities . despite demolition of its two big Dharmshalla buildings at Kedarnath and Gourikund,organisation is running its Relief Camps at Ukhimath, Badrinath, Uttarkashi, Guptakashi and Haridwar, etc, distributing cooked food, blankets, clothings, etc . Bharat Sevashram Sangha also requested Swisspuja to extend their support fo relief activities. Please see the letter below.

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16th July, 2013

To The President, Swiss Puja, <u>Switzerland</u>

Sub .: - Donation for Uttarakhand Relief Work

Dear Sir,

The Bharat Sevashram Sangha is a pioneer registered charitable organization serving the country for the last 94 years. Its services during the hours of natural calamities of flood, famine, earthquake, super cyclone etc., running of hundreds of charitable dispensaries, Hospitals, Mobile Medical Units, Leprosy and Cancer treatment centre and patients homes, Tribal welfare and uplifument, orphanage schools etc. are all for the downtrodden and weaker section of the society. Our new Hospital at Joka is serving millions of weaker section of society.

After the cloud burst and disaster at Kedamath, Gourikund, Soneprayag etc. in Uttarakhand 2 big Dharmashalas at Kedamath and Gourikund of the Sangha were totally destructed and several monks and workers washed away. Despite these odds, the Sangha started Relief Work from Ukhimath & Badrinath from 16th June last.

Later a big Relief reached Guptakashi, the most affected areas. Monks and Volunteers continually distributed Rice, Dal, Potato, daily commodities in 46 G.Ps. namely Tulanga, Loyara, Adroani, Lamgond, Falipasalad Lohani etc. where mostly working men died or washed away.

Presently the Sangha's Relief Work is continuing through Ukhimath and Joshimath.

In the second phase we are planning to distribute Blankets - 15,000 pcs. and Solar Lamp - 2000 pcs., we have collected Rs. 15 Lakhs for the above purpose. Under the circumstances, we fervently appeal to you to kindly donate at least a sum of Rs. 20 lakhs so that we may proceed to cover the villages with above most needy articles.

The cheque/DD may please be issued in the name of Bharat Sevashram Saugha .

Thanking you,

Swift Code for donation to Bharat Sevashram Sangha

Our Bank Details Bharat Sevashram Sangha Swift Code: SBININBB328 A/c. No. 11000017558 State Bank of India, Ballygunge Branch

Yours sincerely, tasam Discontmonanda (Swami Biswatmananda) Joint Secretary

& Chief Coordinator (Relief Work) Bharat Sevashram Sangha