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Dear Shri Pinarayi Vijayan,

**Sub:** Prioritize safety of Children in Kerala Floods

I am writing to you to express my deep sympathy over the destruction and lives lost in the recent floods in Kerala.

It needs no mention that the monsoon fury wreaked havoc in your State, killing over 400 people and displacing over 12 lakh people across the state. Kerala has suffered unprecedented losses in terms of people, personal properties as well as government properties. While you and your administration, with the help from Government of India, are already handling the work of rescue and rehabilitation, I would like to request you to pay special attention to and take extra care of the most vulnerable section of the society – the children.

I have been working towards safety of children from various forms of Abuse and Exploitation since 2014. They are the undoubtedly the most vulnerable section of the society as well as the most important. Their care and protection must be the top priority of any government. A few NGOs working on ground in Kerala has brought to my notice that few unscrupulous people are taking advantage of the current situation in Kerala and exploiting children in some form or the other. I hope your government will take cognizance of this by taking appropriate steps in the current situation.

I urge you to notify every officer and staff that they give utmost priority to the protection and safety of Children. After due verification, NGOs must be allowed to work with the local people to ensure that the children who are orphaned and are rendered homeless are safe and secure.

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I hope, every citizen and family in Kerala, soon recover from the devastation caused by the floods. I extend my full support and cooperation to all the people who are working on ground towards rescue and rehabilitation of the people of Kerala.

Yours Sincerely,

  
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