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Press Release

India contributes a total of US\$ One million three hundred thousand towards disaster relief to St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Saint Lucia, and Commonwealth of Dominica



Ambassador Asoke K Mukerji, Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations in New York handed over today contributions of US \$ 500,000 each to Permanent Missions of St. Vincent and Grenadines and St. Lucia to the UN, and US\$ 300,000/- to Commonwealth of Dominica, for providing disaster relief assistance in the aftermath of the flash floods that had stuck these islands on 24th December 2013.

2. The flash floods that had struck the three Caribbean islands had resulted in the tragic loss of nine lives in St. Vincent and Grenadines and six lives in St. Lucia. They had also caused immense damage to

infrastructure at community level, including roads, railways and schools in all three countries.

3. Following a request for assistance from these three island states for contributions towards reconstruction and relief efforts presently underway in their territories, Government of India decided to contribute a total US\$ one million three hundred thousand towards disaster relief activities.

3. While making these contributions to their respective Permanent Missions to UN in New York today, Ambassador Mukerji conveyed Government of India's steadfast commitment in standing by fellow developing countries in times of crises and hoped that these would help in alleviating the resource constraints faced by them in their relief efforts.

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