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NOTE

As you are aware, the recent floods is the worst calamity happened in the history of Kerala. This calamity has affected the entire stretch of our State and 10 out of 14 districts severely. The devastation and destruction are extremely severe and beyond a description. The loss of life, livelihood, homes, roads, bridges, agriculture, power lines and public infrastructure will have far-reaching impact on socio-economic fronts.

As Kerala struggles to come to grips with the worst floods in its history, the reconstruction of damaged infrastructure and restoration of livelihoods pose a daunting challenge. It is significant that a huge part of the destruction happened to both public and private assets. The government may not have enough resources even to rebuild public assets. We have to participate in the crucial area of rebuilding and reconstruction of the State. The government is contemplating effective measures wherein experts from relevant fields are brought in to formulate a concrete strategy.

New projects for the upcoming year will be tweaked to mobilize resources for addressing the challenges thrown up by the recent floods. A broad consensus has been evolved on re-prioritizing projects that demand urgent execution and to channelize their resources for bettering those seriously affected by the floods.

In this context, ANERT is planning to organise a series of discussion meets/workshops to deliberate on "Renewable Energy applications for Disaster Management & Rehabilitation/Reconstruction for a resilient tomorrow".

We request the Professional Agencies/Technical Institutions/R&D Institutions/Prominent NGOs to join with us in this endeavour. Would you be interested, please send concept note/proposal by 5th September 2018. We are planning to conduct the program before 30th September 2018. We look forward to gather innovative proposals/programs from the deliberations, which would help us draw out our plans for 2019-20, which we would like to focus on mainstreaming renewable energy in our re-construction efforts.



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