

## **FLOOD SAFETY**

### **DO'S AND DON'TS**

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- Construct elevated and reinforced house with cement, if located in a flood prone area.
- All Family members should be aware of the nearest safe shelter.
- During flood use boiled or chlorinated water for drinking.
- Keep the food covered and eat light meal.
- Consume tea, rice soup, tender coconut milk when suffering from diarrhoea.
- During floods listen to radio or television for information, warnings & suggestions.
- Assemble emergency kit including dry food, water, medicine, candle, matchbox, torch and kerosene to keep it with you.
- Keep clothes and costly items in polyethene /water proof bags, if there is a need to vacate the house.
- Take livestock, pets, machines, bullock carts and necessary items to safer place.
- Use wooden stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you before wading through floodwater/river.

#### **DON'TS**

- Do not allow children to go out or play near the floodwater.
- Do not try to cross the flood water if you are not aware of the depth of the water.
- Switch off all electric connections the moment floodwater enters the house.
- Do not use electrical equipments till they have been checked.
- Do not panic and don't listen to rumours.
- Do not consume food items/material affected by floodwater.
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