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Dear President,

On behalf of the cooperative movement in Thailand, may I share with you the situation of floods crisis in Thailand. The current flooding situation in Thailand is considered a serious crisis as huge amount of muddy water flow down river after more than two month of unusually heavy monsoon rains. An official flood damage report update that 281 people were listed as downed with 3 missing while the 26 provinces remain critical as flood levels are still high along the river basin northern part of Thailand to Bangkok capital city. Bangkok is on the river delta and should get severe too but well protected by the water gates and blockage system. The officially report that around 2.2 million people, 766,267 households, 10,344 villages, and 187 districts had been affected.

Farming areas are estimate losses and damage at 9,670,726 rai, 128,428 rai of fish and shrimp ponds and 9.9 million of livestock. Transportation routes are totally damaged by 57 main high ways, 15 provincial main roads, and 162 rural roads in 33 provinces are not passable. All the north - bound routes of the railway are cancelled. Underground water resources of around 32,501 wells and 5,953 enclosed well were affected. According to the economist at University of Thai Chamber of Commerce, in term of the impact on building, crops, livestock, and trade with amount of 3.4 million US Dollars.

*The cooperatives in Thailand officially form in every district level and had been totally damaged of 187 cooperatives societies and around 450,000 individual members are directly affected and remained badly. Focusing on urgent relief operations for the flood victim in cooperative sector and majority of the flood victims in remote area had already been evacuated.*

The Cooperative League of Thailand (CLT) has launched the center on "**CLT National Flood Relief Center**" to make emergency operation as a central point to help all cooperative members that affected from floods, storm, and landslide. The main aims of the center are to act as a central point and immediate communicate with the floods victims in cooperative sector, providing coordinating operational, and support needs of the cooperative members. It is also to assist in coordination and communication between donors and victims of the floods, storm, and landslide as emergency response and recovery operations. To achieve and relief the flood victims in cooperative sector, CLT set up long term plan to relief and recovery all victims in cooperatives sector as followings;

1. *CLT National Flood Relief Center*; CLT mobilizes some CLT own funds and donation as well as collection of necessary consumer goods give away to cooperative members at remote areas. The center located at CLT Compound to collect all donation items and bring immediate directly to the cooperatives and set up the mobile team to urgent assist to the victims in the remote areas.;

2. *Relief program*; CLT will work closer with government agencies concerned to conduct the urgent needs survey, collect important data, and design long term plan to relief and recovery the victims in cooperative sector such as cooperative office renovation, various training courses will be specified design to relief all business of the cooperative,

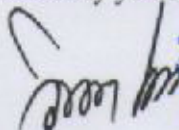
3. *Recovery plan*; providing the necessary education and training focused on the flood affected areas. The scopes of training are within two areas;

1. Operational training – to increase skill, capacity and knowledge of cooperative staff and understanding of their responsibilities to do the daily operations;
2. Strategic training – regarding short and long term planning of the organization's future direction and strategic areas.

In order to achieve the needs and goals to relief the flood victims in cooperative sector, CLT needs to mobilize a huge amount of budgetary. Since CLT is membership based organization, all extra activities to be done are only relied on annual membership fee. We may request for financial assistance from the national and international cooperative organizations. In case, you would like to assist or sponsor our plan to relief and recovery the floods victims in cooperatives sector in Thailand, please directly contact with Mr. Phanuwat Wanraway, Chief of International Affairs of CLT at email address; [green.clt@gmail.com](mailto:green.clt@gmail.com) or Tel:+66-2-669 32 54 ext. 1001, Fax: +66-2-241 1228.

We are waiting for your positive correspondence and joining with us to relief and recovery the floods victims in Thailand.

Sincerely yours,



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