

# DISASTER RELIEF

Global warming and its effects are playing havoc with human lives. While efforts are on to curb these, floods, droughts, tsunamis are leaving destruction, death and heavy loss of life and property in their wake. More and more NGOs and corporate houses are joining hands with government agencies to provide quick responsive action, immediate relief, and hope for resettlement to the lakhs of people who are left stranded in such disasters.

At LTFS, we have included Disaster Relief as one of our core corporate social responsibility. We engage with NGOs and on-ground volunteering organisations to implement these initiatives at an SOS level.

**71,000+**  
PEOPLE BENEFITTED  
FROM RELIEF  
INITIATIVES





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**71,000+**  
Total  
Beneficiaries

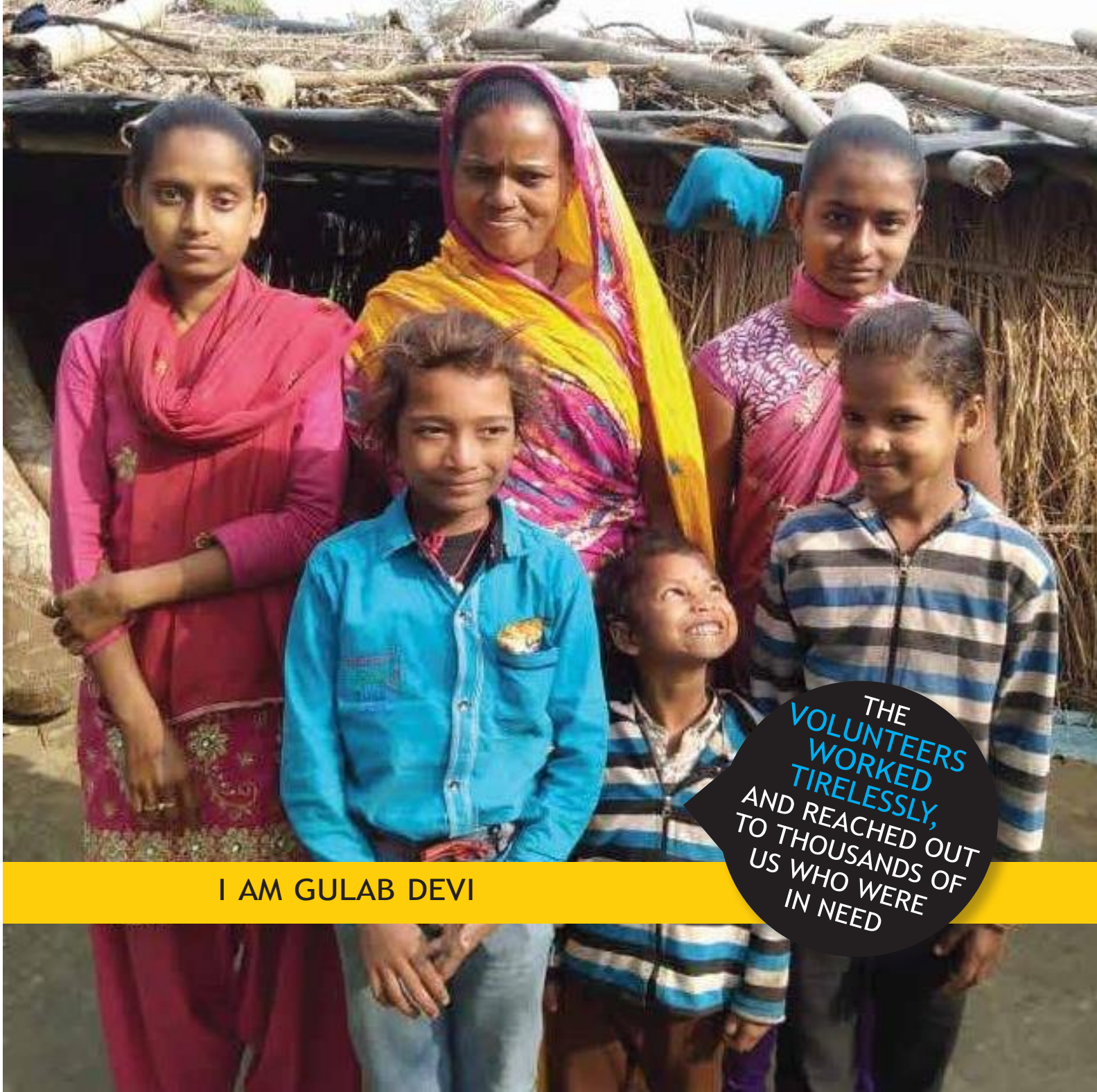
**5** Flood  
affected  
states  
  
Assam, Bihar,  
Maharashtra,  
Karnataka  
and Kerala

  
**1,000+**  
Employees  
involved in  
relief kits  
distribution

  
Odisha  
affected by  
Fani Cyclone

  
**80,000+**  
Employee  
volunteering  
hours





I AM GULAB DEVI

THE  
VOLUNTEERS  
WORKED  
TIRELESSLY,  
AND REACHED OUT  
TO THOUSANDS OF  
US WHO WERE  
IN NEED

## LIVING THE WRATH OF THE GODS

We are a family of four living in Bihar. We were a happy family until the floods washed away all our hopes and shattered our lives. Ganga and other rivers swelled up due to heavy rains in the state, causing water-logging in low-lying areas. About 1,400 villages were washed away in the floods and we were left with nothing. No food, no clothes, no shelter. Our cattle were washed away too.

We weren't ready for something as disastrous as this. We couldn't look around at the damage, it was heart wrenching. Houses wrecked, people and cattle dead, children and families left with nowhere to go. We had to shift to NH57 with my family for safety. It was more than a week that we were staying on the roads, hungry and cold and desperately praying for a miracle to happen to us. It was dirty and one by one everyone started falling severely sick.

Like a godsend, we saw LTFS volunteers approaching us with torches and relief kits that kept us going for a few days until the situation was under control. The volunteers worked tirelessly, and reached out to thousands of us who were in need.

I AM THANKFUL!





I HELPED IN  
ORGANIZING AND  
DISTRIBUTING  
THE RELIEF KITS,  
ENSURING THAT EVERY  
FAMILY GETS THEIR  
ASSIGNED RELIEF  
MATERIAL.

I AM REBIKA

## FLOODED WITH LOVE

Almost every monsoon, we have to face the wrath of Mother Nature in Assam, as the Brahmaputra swells up and causes damage to thousands of houses, farms and livestock around the valley. This year, my family lost everything from crops to livestock in the floods.

The major challenges we faced after the floods were availability of food, electricity, drinking water, while struggling with water-logging, hygiene and diseases. As roads, bridges, culverts had also taken a hit, getting necessities like medicines had become very difficult.

LTFS relief kits were sent to us even though the floods had not receded. The kits contained essentials like dry and instant food packets, medicines, soaps, combs, sanitary napkins, water purifiers, solar lanterns, mosquito repellents, etc.

There were many volunteers who were working tirelessly in that area, without sufficient lights or electricity in their tents. They were communicating with the flood victims, trying to help as much as possible in spite of language barriers. I realised they required local help, and I joined them as a volunteer. Compared to the number of volunteers, the needy were far more, and people from neighbouring villages were pouring in with their stories of despair and destruction.

I helped in organising and distributing the relief kits, ensuring that every family gets their assigned relief material. I reached out to the womenfolk and ensured that their basic needs were addressed. The experience has made me a kinder person, and it's true when they say that joy is in giving.

I AM A VOLUNTEER!

