



Emergency Meeting of FIPMO General Members Bhotekoshi Flood Response

Date	Time	Mode
Wednesday, 2 September 2026	8:30 AM–10:00 AM	Virtual Meeting

Attendance

1. Bijay Karmacharya	2. Bijaya Mallapaty
3. Ganesh Thapa	4. Hari Krishna Banskota
5. Hom Chhetri	6. Krishna Belbase
7. Krishna Dev Joshi	8. Narendra Shrestha
9. Rajendra Bohara	10. Sangeeta Thapa
11. Shanti Risal Kaphle	12. Surendra Panday
13. Suresh Sharma	14. Uma Thapa

Apology: Ms. Samjhana Shrestha, Chairperson, FIPMO

Meeting Summary

The Emergency Meeting of FIPMO General Members was convened to review the current flood situation, update members on FIPMO's ongoing response, discuss financial and in-kind support, and seek members' guidance on priority areas, delivery mechanisms and the way forward.

Members recognized that search and rescue, relief and rehabilitation needs remain dynamic. FIPMO's response should therefore be guided by updated ground realities and a practical needs assessment. The meeting emphasized avoiding duplication, coordinating with the Government's emerging one-door relief mechanism, and ensuring that assistance reaches affected communities in a targeted, timely and effective manner.

Key Discussions

1. Ground Reality and Needs Assessment

Members emphasized the need to verify the situation on the ground before determining the scale and nature of FIPMO's support. A small FIPMO field team was proposed to identify affected communities, priority needs, potential beneficiaries and the most appropriate delivery mechanism.

2. Immediate Relief Support

The meeting discussed urgent delivery of dignity kits and blankets. An allocation of approximately NRs. 270,000 for dignity kits was discussed for immediate dispatch. Members agreed that relief packages should remain flexible and may include priority non-food items such as cooking utensils, stoves, buckets, mugs and plates.

3. Delivery and Coordination Mechanism

Members considered whether FIPMO should deliver assistance directly, work through local government structures, or partner with NGOs and frontline organizations. The functionality of local distribution arrangements should be assessed and FIPMO's support aligned with the Government's one-door approach, collaboration with local government as well as local NGOs on the basis of need and ground reality.

4. Partnerships and Institutional Coordination

Members discussed coordination with NDRRMA, local governments and potential NGO partners. Existing networks, including women-focused disaster-response organizations and other humanitarian actors, may be explored to improve coordination and reach priority groups, particularly women and children.

5. Immediate and Longer-Term Response

Members supported a two-stage approach: immediate relief followed by longer-term rehabilitation. The possibility of FIPMO adopting a specific village, settlement or project for longer-term support was discussed, drawing on FIPMO's experience with community-based initiatives such as Daplung.

6. Resource Mobilization and FIPMO Expertise

Members were encouraged to contribute professional expertise, networks and resources. Wider circulation of the FIPMO appeal among members, friends, families and professional networks was supported, including the possibility of an international appeal with FIPMO members' colleagues, friends and family members.

7. Gender and Vulnerable Groups

The meeting reaffirmed the importance of FIPMO's core values and of integrating a gender and vulnerability lens into the humanitarian response. Relief packages and response activities should explicitly consider the needs of women, children and other vulnerable groups.

Agreed Action Points

1. Conduct a Field Visit for Ground Verification

Three FIPMO volunteer members will undertake a day-long field visit to establish local contacts, verify ground realities, and help identify target areas, urgent needs, potential beneficiaries and suitable delivery mechanisms.

Field team: Ms. Shanti Kafle, Dr. Rajendra Bohara, Ms. Sangeeta Thapa and Dr. Hari Banskota.

2. Deliver Available Dignity Kits, Blankets and Children Roys

The field team will carry readily available relief items to the affected area and facilitate their distribution with the assistance of potential NGO partner Noble Compassionate Volunteer (NCV), subject to local coordination arrangements.

3. Confirm FIPMO's Relief Delivery Mechanism

In line with the Government's one-door policy, local elected bodies are expected to play a central role in relief distribution. The field team will assess the functionality of these arrangements and recommend the most practical mechanism for delivering FIPMO assistance to targeted communities.

4. Expand Circulation of the FIPMO Appeal

Members will be requested to circulate the FIPMO appeal among friends, families and professional networks to mobilize additional financial and in-kind support for FIPMO's humanitarian response. The appeal will also focus on 100 families package of one month food and non-food items support on the basis of need of flood affected vulnerable communities.

5. Prepare the First Batch of Relief Materials

Given the urgency, preparation of the first batch of relief materials (food and nonfood items) will begin immediately. Procurement processes, including competitive quotations where appropriate, will be initiated without delay.

6. Seek a Meeting with NDRRMA

FIPMO will request an early meeting with the NDRRMA Chief, Joint Secretary or Under Secretary through members' contacts. The purpose will be to offer FIPMO's professional support, understand current coordination mechanisms, and seek advice on the most practical and compliant relief delivery approach.

7. Adjust Relief Packages to Changing Needs

The Executive Committee will refine the proposed relief package based on verified needs on the ground. Food and priority non-food items may include cooking utensils, stoves, buckets, mugs and plates, dignity kits, blankets etc. Procurement will be adjusted as needs evolve, with FIPMO resources used judiciously and transparently.

Conclusion

The meeting concluded that FIPMO's flood response should be needs-based, coordinated, targeted and adaptable to changing ground realities. Immediate priorities are field verification, delivery of readily available relief materials, coordination with relevant government and NGO mechanisms, resource mobilization, and refinement of the relief package. Longer-term rehabilitation options will be considered after the field assessment and review of available resources.