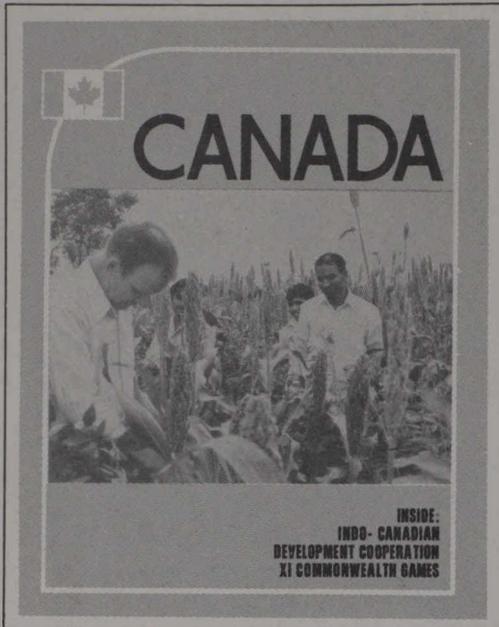


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*A Canadian crop physiologist, Dr. R. I. Hamilton, examining a sorghum crop in one of the Indo-Canadian research projects for Dryland Agriculture.*

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# Canadians Contribute To Cyclone Relief Efforts

On November 24, Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau sent the following message of condolence to Prime Minister Desai concerning the loss of life in the recent cyclones which struck southern India:

"I have been deeply disturbed to hear of the tragic loss of life and the material damage resulting from the recent cyclones in India. I should like on behalf of all Canadians to express our deepest sympathy for those who have suffered personally in the disaster and our hope that a recovery may be made soon.

As an immediate step in assisting in this process, I have authorized the contribution by the Canadian Government of \$200,000 (Rs. 16 lakhs) in response to the international appeal of the Red Cross for help. I understand that the Canadian Red Cross is also donating \$20,000 as disaster relief."

—Pierre Elliott Trudeau

In addition to the contribution of the Canadian Government through the International Red Cross, a number of Canadian voluntary organizations have announced financial contributions to relief efforts now underway. The Canadian Red Cross has opened a public subscription campaign for \$500,000 (Rs. 40 lakhs) to which the Provincial Governments of Ontario and Saskatchewan have already pledged \$75,000 (Rs. 6 lakhs) and \$25,000 (Rs. 2 lakhs) respectively. Besides the Red Cross drive, other voluntary organizations have announced the following commitments totalling \$543,000 (Rs. 45 lakhs):

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace	\$25,000 (Rs. 2 lakhs);
The Mennonite Central Committee of Canada	\$10,000 (Rs. 0.8 lakhs);
The Canadian UNICEF Committee	\$150,000 (Rs. 12 lakhs);
The Canadian Baptist Federation	\$15,000 (Rs. 1.2 lakhs);
The United Church of Canada	\$10,000 (Rs. 0.8 lakhs);
World Vision International of Canada	\$125,000 (Rs. 10 lakhs);
The Canadian Council of Churches	\$208,000 (Rs. 16.6 lakhs).

To date, the total contributions from the Canadian Government and Canadian private organizations to the cyclone relief efforts amount to over One Crore Rupees. Further Canadian Government assistance will be available from the Canadian International Development Agency for specific rehabilitation and reconstruction projects once these projects can be identified. This assistance will be in the form of matching funds at a ratio of three to one for funds contributed by Canadian voluntary organizations involved in such projects.