

C.9 India - 1977 - Tropical cyclone

Case study: Materials and training

Case study credit: CUNY Center
See Shelter Projects 2008 for more

Project type:

Distribution of building materials
Training support

Disaster:

Tropical cyclone (winds up to 270 km/hr), Andhra Pradesh, India

Disaster date:

28 October - 1 November 1977

Population left homeless by disaster:

3.4 million people total, 20,000 in the administrative area where the NGO was working. "Virtually 98%" in areas affected by tidal wave.

Project target population:

2,000 households

Occupancy rate on handover:

Not known
Constructed from distributed materials

Shelter size

25m²

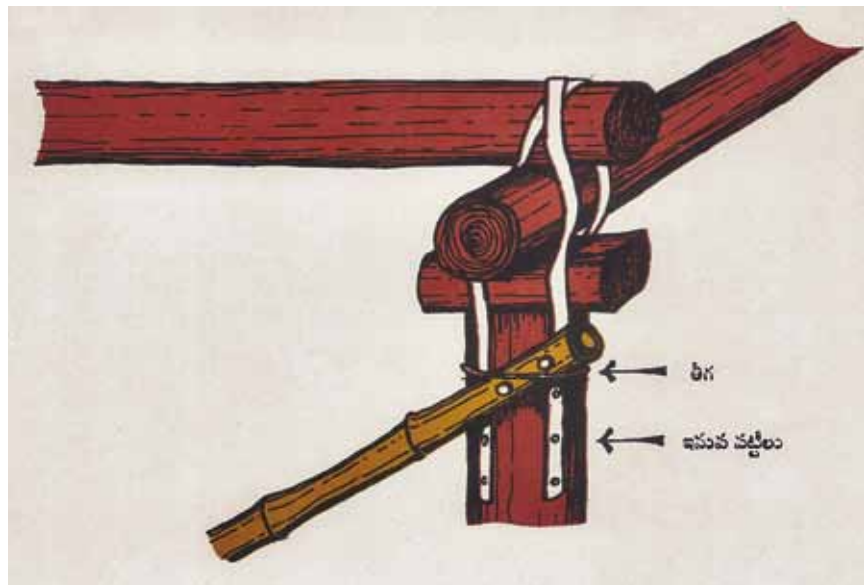


Project timeline



Emergency:

Basic kits of local materials were distributed. These were supplemented by materials to strengthen the resistance of existing shelters to cyclones. A special centre was created by the organisations to support the distribution and to provide of technical training and information. The project was timed, and in some cases postponed, to ensure that labour was not diverted from agricultural tasks, and to ensure availability of appropriate materials.



Connection detail
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