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## The Holy Father's condolences for the victims of the monsoon floods in India

The following is the telegram of condolences for the victims of the monsoon floods that in recent days have afflicted the regions of Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Gujarat, in India, sent to the local authorities on behalf of the Holy Father Francis by Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin:

## **Telegram**

To the competent authorities:

Deeply saddened to learn of the tragic loss of life in the monsoons of recent days in Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Gujarat, and mindful of all those who have lost homes and livelihood, His Holiness Pope Francis sends his heartfelt condolences to the relatives of the deceased and injured. He prays for the relief efforts underway, and upon the nation he willingly invokes the divine blessings of strength and perseverance.

Cardinal Pietro Parolin Secretary of State