

ABSTRACT

Globally, disasters increasingly taking place by threatening human life. The worldwide humanitarian organizations doing their greatest service by collaborating with diverse stakeholders to protect the lives of victims and survivors to evacuate them to a safe shelter. The biggest challenges faced by the aid organizations and the volunteers are numerous. The military and a few famous NGOs are only professionally trained for the humanitarian logistics operation work. Lack of knowledge and training in humanitarian logistics also has a big impact on the performance and efficiency of the grassroots groups. Therefore, the main objective of this study was to recognize the current performance level of the Grassroots Group (GRG) in the Kaluthara district during the 2017 flood disaster and explore the associations among Resource Mobilization, Coordination, Communication, Collaboration and the performance level of the grassroots groups. A total of 606 registered grassroots groups in Kaluthara district were considered as the sampling frame in this study and the study sample included 286 registered grassroots groups in the Kaluthara district. The sample was selected based on the Simple random sampling method. Correlation analysis was conducted and the results show that the variables Human Resources, Coordination, Communication, and Collaboration having a statistically positive significant moderate relationships such as .468, .450, .421, .520, and variables Tools and Equipment, Finance, Procurement, and Warehouse facility are not having a significant relationship depicted as -.048, .092, -.106, -.073

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