The Kedarnath temple is the highest among the 12 Jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva and is an important pilgrim destination for devotees in the country and around the globe. The Kedarnath area was struck by a major calamity in 2013 which caused large scale destruction of property and infrastructure in parts of Uttarakhand, including shrine of Kedarnath and massive loss of human life.

2. During his visit to Kedarnath on 20th October last year, Shri Narendra Modi Hon’ble Prime Minister directed the local government to take steps for reconstruction of Kedarnath area. PM had also suggested that the efforts be made to help develop Kedarnath on the principle of ‘Smart Township’.

3. The State government is building infrastructure and making arrangements for improved facilities for the devotees travelling to Kedarnath. To meet this goal, the State Government has now constituted ‘Shri Kedarnath Charitable Trust’.

4. All Indian diaspora in Australia are urged to participate in this rebuilding endeavor. They could contribute towards this cause, through the Kedarnath Charitable Trust. The detailed information about the trust, is available on (http://shrikedarnathcharitabletrust.uk.gov.in/)

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