



Sphere India

National Coalition of Humanitarian Agencies in India

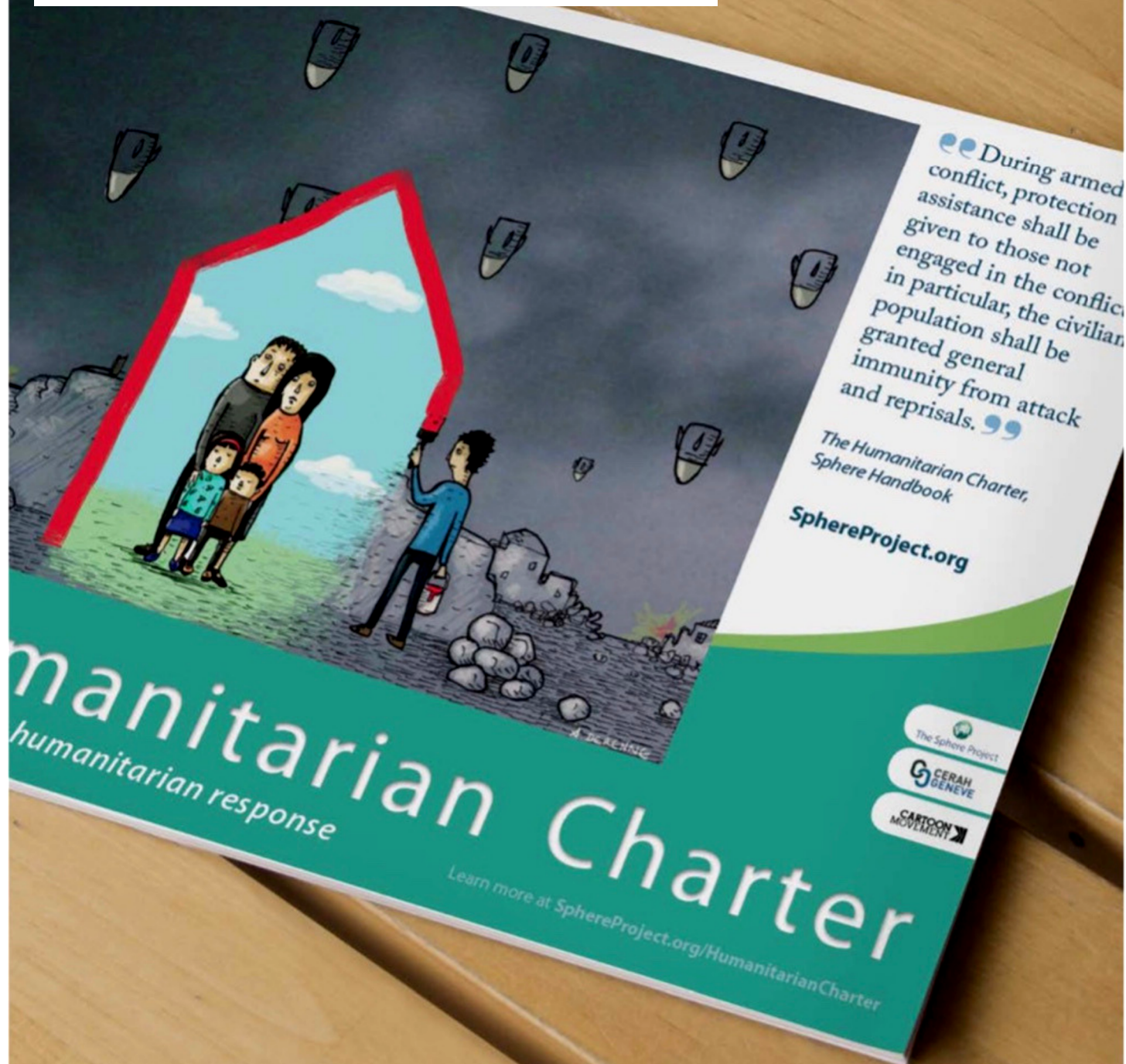


Membership Package

Everything you need to know.

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Become A Member

By becoming a Sphere India member, organisations and individuals are committing to collective action to achieve our shared mission:

"To promote the right to life with dignity in humanitarian crises, improving the quality of humanitarian assistance and the accountability of humanitarian actors to people we serve, our donors, and our partners."

Our members believe in principled humanitarian action and in the power of applying the Sphere approach and humanitarian standards to achieve this mission.

Why Join Sphere India?

As a member you will play an active role in the future of the Sphere India standards to make a difference in humanitarian response. You will share in developing Sphere's strategic direction for years to come.



Membership Benefits



Members of Sphere India are organisations or individuals whose core activities include assisting and protecting people and communities affected by crisis. Sphere India members make no adverse distinction in their work on the basis of nationality, race, gender, diversity, religious belief, class or political opinion.

Sphere India is welcoming the membership of all the organizations who are existing partners of our members as associate members of Sphere India. These organizations are further advised to submit their essential documents as per the list to become full members of Sphere India. The membership fee for such organizations has also been reduced to very low to ensure membership fee not limit their access to joining the network.

Membership Categories



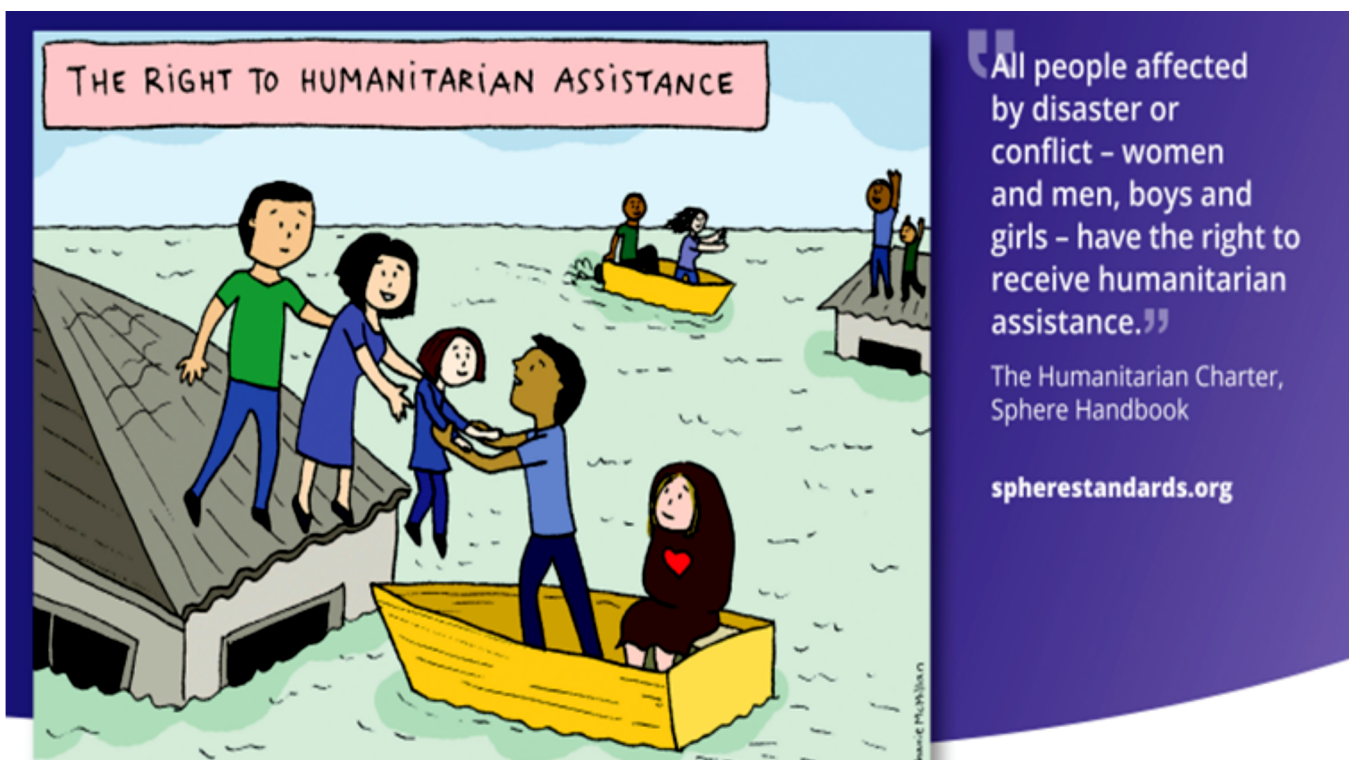
Associate Members

UN agencies, donor agencies, national disaster management agencies, standards development organisations, academic institutes, foundations or private sector entities.



Full Members (including federations and networks)

Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), federations or networks of NGOs, or members of the Red Cross / Red Crescent Movement.



Associate Members

- Be a part of Sphere India database of members which is accessed by many donors, government functionaries, researchers alike.
- Access to Sphere India communications on various programs, call for proposals, alerts, sitreps, newsletter, training resources, emergency programs, policy decision announcement etc.
- Subsidized / no cost / cost supported access to participate in Sphere India events.
- Opportunities to present and disseminate your work
- Opportunities to partner with other members of the network

Full Members

- Right to contest for Sphere India Governance positions for Office bearers (Chair, Vice Chair, (Treasurer) and Other member positions of the Executive Committee, the decision making body of Sphere India.
- Right to vote and elect Sphere India Executive Committee and in other decisions during Annual General Body Meeting.
- Opportunities to lead various Sphere India technical and sector committees.
- Opportunities to represent Sphere India and its structures at state, national and international level policy and planning meets.
- Be part and lead Sphere India communities of practitioners.

Membership At National Level

- The organisation must have national presence and must be working in at least 3 to 4 states and been into existence for a minimum of 3 years from date of applying for membership.
- The physical address given by the institution is verifiable.
- The organisation is registered as Trust / Society / Section 25 non-profit Company or is an operational Government body /UN agency/Network of humanitarian agencies in India.
- Registration documents of the organisation are submitted along with the expression of interest for membership.
- A Statement of a shared vision / purpose /objectives of the organisation is submitted showing its commitment towards Non Negotiable principles.

How to Apply?

To apply for Sphere India membership, please complete the below documentation and submit it to kennedy@sphereindia.org.in requested (membership@sphereindia.org.in will be created soon).

A letter addressed to Sphere India CEO from the head of the organization on organization letter head expressing interest to be considered for membership of Sphere India.

Letter Content Must Include:

- a. A brief intro about your organization
- b. It's current organization status as registered organization or as the case be
- c. Since when your organization is working for humanitarian or disaster management in India
- d. Expression of commitment to uphold non-negotiable principles of Sphere India and humanitarian accountability partnership.
- e. Commitment to pay one time joining membership fee of Rs. 25,000/- and annual membership fee of Rs. 20000/-
- f. A declaration of consultative practice within your organization and sharing information of any changes in the management practices of your organization in contravention to information submitted to Sphere India while applying for membership.

Required Documents:

- a. Organization registration certificate or any other certificate confirming the status of organization as the case may be.
- b. Vision/Mission and the Organization Strategy document
- c. Memorandum of Association / Bye laws of the organization sharing information about the Governing Body members and functioning of the Governing Body.
- d. Address proof the Organization office
- e. Last Annual report of the organization
- f. Last three years IT returns copy.
- g. Reference of any two of existing Sphere India members.



Membership Fees

The membership fee is an investment into achieving the collective vision of Sphere India. Membership fees provide essential funding for the running of the organisation, while allowing us to leverage substantial grants from major donors so we can achieve our shared vision.

Sphere India would not be financially viable without annual membership fees. We operate on a tight budget, overseen on behalf of members by our Executive Committee. Fees for Full and Associate Members are calculated on the basis of the member organisation's annual revenue.



For more information,
Please write to us at kennedy@sphereindia.org.in



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