

# Suhaib Hamza Karimbanakkal

## Humanitarian Project & Emergency Response Specialist

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Field-focused humanitarian worker with experience managing teams, coordinating multi-sector programmes, and supporting operations in complex emergencies. Skilled in project cycle management, community engagement, protection mainstreaming, and navigating challenging field environments. With academic training in International Humanitarian Action, Peace & Conflict Studies, and Business Administration I bring a strong ethical foundation, cross-cultural sensitivity, and a commitment to strengthening local capacity and delivering high-quality, principled humanitarian response.

## CORE COMPETENCIES

**Technical:** Emergency Response • Intervention Design • Project Cycle Management (PCM) • Context Analysis • Needs Assessments • MHPSS • Protection • Child Protection • MEAL • Humanitarian Negotiation • Disaster Preparedness • Refugee Assistance • Localization • Advocacy & Legal Documentation

**Operational:** Partnership Management • Donor Compliance • Coordination with UN/Govt/Others • Budget Oversight • Volunteer & Team Management • Training & Capacity Building • Large-Event Emergency Planning

**Tools:** MS Office 365 • Google Workspace • R Studio • Kobo Toolbox • Canva

## HUMANITARIAN & FIELD EXPERIENCE

### Project Coordinator – Institution for Disaster, Emergency & Accidents (IDEA), New Delhi

*New Delhi, India | Apr 2023 – Jul 2024*

- Led MHPSS project implementation in Bihar; developed a comprehensive MHPSS Training Module for trainers in coordination with district authorities.
- Spearheaded the development of Dhawa Dal Child Rescue Tool, Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA) tool, and Damage Assessment Tool (DAT) with UNICEF & Govt. of Bihar.
- Managed Symbiosis University's Integrated Disaster Management Programme (IDMP), ensuring effective planning, coordination, and reporting.
- Oversaw partner coordination, donor compliance, and budget tracking to ensure timely, high-quality delivery.

### Medical Team Coordinator – MotoGP Bharat 2023

*Noida, India | Sep 2023*

- Led a 175-member medical & rescue team during MotoGP Bharat, coordinating deployment, rostering, and emergency response.

- Designed and operationalised a Disaster Management & Rescue Plan for a crowd of 110,000+ attendees.

### **Research Assistant – University of Kerala**

*Thiruvananthapuram, India | Oct 2021 – Mar 2022*

- Designed field tools for a Govt. of India study on rural socio-economic vulnerabilities.
- Coordinated ethical data collection with panchayats and community leaders.

### **Research Project Coordinator (Global COVID-19 Response) – KMCC Athijeevanam**

*Kozhikode, India | May 2020 – Aug 2021 (Part-time)*

- Led multi-country survey operations across 12+ countries, collecting data from migrant workers & diaspora communities.
- Managed a global network of 100+ volunteers across GCC, EU, SE Asia & North America.
- Delivered evidence for policy advocacy on migrant protection.

### **Project Coordinator – Rohingya Response & Post-Conflict Rehabilitation – KMCC Delhi**

*Delhi, India | Nov 2018 – Dec 2020*

- Coordinated humanitarian assistance for 300+ displaced Rohingya & migrant families, including shelter, food, WASH & psychosocial support.
- Led fact-finding missions after the Delhi riots; documented cases for legal & advocacy purposes.
- Produced contextual analysis on evolving Rohingya protection risks.

### **Rapid Response Team (RRT) Volunteer – Thachanattukara Panchayat**

*Palakkad, India | May 2021 – Jul 2022 (Part-time)*

- Coordinated volunteers for COVID-19 response operations including medical support, food distribution & WASH activities.
- Supported vaccination outreach and public sanitisation drives.

### **Project Volunteer – Forward Foundation**

*Delhi, India | Jan 2021 – Jul 2021 (Part-time)*

- Conducted fact-finding surveys in riot-affected communities.
- Supported relief distribution and legal aid referrals.

### **Project Volunteer – OHCHR**

*Kerala, India | Sep 2020 – Dec 2020 (Part-time)*

- Contributed to documentation on human rights issues affecting trans persons, tribals, migrants & other vulnerable groups.
- Analysed secondary data and recorded good practices.

## EDUCATION

**Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's in International Humanitarian Action (NOHA)**  
Ruhr University Bochum (Germany) & University of Groningen (Netherlands) | 2024 – Present

### **MA in Conflict Analysis & Peacebuilding**

Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi | 2018 – 2020

### **Diploma in Human Rights, IHL & Refugee Law**

Indian Academy of International Law & Diplomacy | 2021 – 2022

### **Bachelor of Business Administration**

University of Calicut | 2014 – 2017

## CERTIFICATIONS

- **CHS Professional (IQTS/CHS Tier-1)** – CHS Alliance
- **Core Humanitarian Certification** – DisasterReady
- **Procurement & Logistics Certificate** – Mercy Corps & DisasterReady (CILT-UK Accredited)
- **Project Management Essentials (Project DPro)** – Cornerstone/DisasterReady
- **UNHCR – Introduction to Refugee Status Determination (RSD)**

## TRAININGS

- Sphere Standards Training – NOHA
- Humanitarian Negotiation – NOHA
- Project Cycle Management – IFHV, Ruhr University Bochum
- Asia Peer Workshop on Humanitarian Negotiation – CCHN
- Humanitarian Action Online Training – NOHA

## LANGUAGES

- **Malayalam:** Native
- **English:** C1
- **Hindi:** B2
- **Tamil:** A2
- **Arabic:** A2

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Driving Licence:** MCWG, LMV, TRANS (India)