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# Lakes empty at Ameenpur, others have dirty water

TPSCB issues notices to local administration, directs suspension of all unauthorised and illegal construction activity

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HYDERABAD, MAY 28

In compliance with the order of the National Green Tribunal (NGT), the Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) inspected 19 water bodies on May 12 and 13 and found that the water quality in some lakes had dipped to category D while some had no water. The TSPCB has asked all respondents from Ameenpur municipality to stop all illegal constructions in the village and directed them to file

a detailed report on the water bodies as per the original lake memoirs and survey of India maps in Ameenpur village and Maqta Mahbubpet village.

In its report, the PCB said that notices were issued to the local bodies of Ameenpur, Patelguda, and other areas where lakes were found with poor quality of water. In the notice, it asked the officials to reply within 15 days, failure to do so would attract penalties as per the relevant acts of the Air and Water

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“The pollution board is directed to file a detailed report regarding this aspect and what is the nature of remedial measures that has been taken for resolving this

issue, to improve the water quality, and also identify the responsible for the same, if it was due to discharge of untreated sewage then what is the nature of action taken by them,” the tribunal asked the TSPCB on April 13.

## THE PCB REPORT: LAKES IN WOEFUL STATE

### AMEENPUR

Pollution Control Board issued notice and sought action taken reports at the following lakes: ● Uskebavi Kunta ● Uba Kunta ● Patel Cheruvu ● Gandhi Kunta ● Devuni Kunta ● Sambhi Cheruvu ● Kotha Cheruvu ● Badamkommu.

**NO WATER** at ● Pochamma Kunta ● Upparivani Kunta ● Koneti Kunta

**WATER IN CAT. B** at ● Shetti Kunta ● Kummari Kunta

**PEDDA CHERUVU:** Water Board has proposed a sewerage treatment plant; project report is being drafted

### BACHUPALLY

**NO WATER** at ● Bandham Cheruvu; Karnal Kunta; Mulla Bandham Kunta

**PCB NOTICE** issued and action taken report sought on Bain Cheruvu

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# Odisha for long-term solution to calamities

PM undertakes aerial survey of Yaas-hit Odisha, announces ₹500 cr aid, ex gratia of ₹2 lakh to the next of kin of deceased

**AKSHAYA KUMAR  
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BHUBANESWAR, MAY 28

Prime Minister Narendra Modi who on Friday made an aerial survey of the cyclone-hit pockets of Odisha announced an immediate assistance of ₹500 crore for the state.

The ₹500 crore is a part of the an overall financial assistance of ₹1,000 crore. The remaining ₹500 crore has been announced for West Bengal and Jharkhand to carry out immediate relief activities.

The Centre would release more funds after receiving the cyclone damage assessment reports from the affected states. Sources said the Union government would send an inter-ministerial

committee to assess the damage basing on which financial assistance will be released.

The Prime Minister also announced an ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh to the next of kin of the deceased and ₹50,000 to the seriously injured ones in the cyclone.

According to the Prime Minister's Office (PMO). Mr Modi undertook an aerial survey of Bhadrak and Balasore districts of Odisha.

Before his survey, the Prime Minister upon his arrival in Bhubaneswar, chaired a review meeting on the relief and rehabilitation measures being undertaken by the state government.

He was briefed that maximum damage due to cyclone Yaas happened in Odisha, and some parts

of West Bengal and parts of Jharkhand have also been affected.

"The Prime Minister assured the people of Odisha, West Bengal and Jharkhand that the Union government would closely work with the state governments at this difficult time, extend all possible assistance for restoration and rebuilding of the infrastructure in the affected areas," Union minister Dharmendra Pradhan, who accompanied the PM during the aerial survey, said.

The Prime Minister said focus should continue more on scientific management of disasters. "As the frequency and impact of cyclonic systems are increasing in the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal, communi-

cation systems, mitigation efforts and preparedness have to undergo a major change," the Prime Minister said.

He also spoke about the importance of building trust among people for better cooperation in relief efforts.

During the review meeting, Odisha chief minister Naveen Patnaik put forth the state's demands of long-term arrangements to face cyclones, Special Relief Commissioner P.K. Jena said.

"The Chief Minister demanded disaster-resilient power systems and coastal storm surge protection for uninterrupted power supply even during natural disasters and safety of coasts respectively," Jena informed.



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# Citizens' collective on a drive to conserve water

**World of Water Mission hopes to save 1,000 crore litres by 2022**

**ASRA MAVAD  
TEAM METROLIFE**

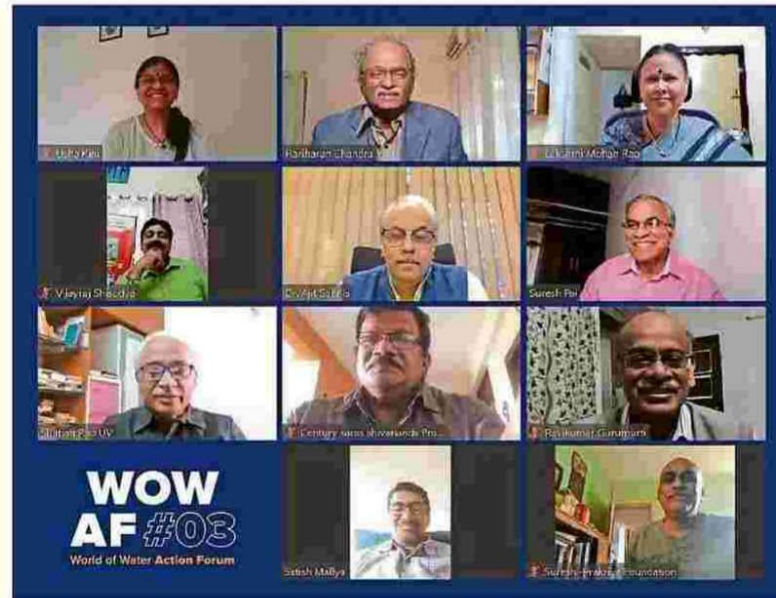
A citizens' initiative called World of Water Mission is out to save water in Bengaluru.

It is led by environmentalist Dr Hariharan Chandrashekar, and comprises of 80 volunteers.

"Every year, in Bengaluru, we consume 70,000 crore litres of water, severely affecting our groundwater levels."

"The government spends Rs 2,500 crore to supply water and 35 per cent of the city's energy is spent on supplying water," says Hariharan, founder of AltTech Foundation, a non-profit organisation focused on accelerating sustainability.

In 2020, Hariharan launched the World of Water (WOW) Mission. It comprises of citizens committed to raising awareness about water conservation, and hopes to save 1,000 crore litres of water by 2022.



**To date, the mission has set up water-conserving mechanisms in 40 schools across the city.**

The mission has participants from all walks of life.

"When someone shows interest in water conservation, we put in all our efforts to help them find a solution and then put

it into action," Hariharan says.

A Bengalurean consumes approximately 150 litres of water per day. The mission promotes four simple solutions to bring down per person

## WATER STRESS

A 2019 water stress index by Verisk Maplecroft, a research firm specialising in global risk analytics, ranked India as the 46th highest risk country in the world, with 11 of India's biggest cities being at extreme risk. Bengaluru is one of those cities.

## HOW TO CONTACT THEM

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consumption to 100 litres.

The four steps to saving water, as suggested by the mission are: setting up a sewage treatment plant, setting up rainwater harvesting, installing smart meters as mandated by law, and setting up aerators to check wastage.

"Apart from implementing water-saving solutions in their own homes, many have taken up the challenge of convincing an apartment complex or school in their locality to implement water-conserving solutions," says Hariharan.



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# PM announces Rs 1000-cr relief for three cyclone-hit States

BHUBANESWAR/KOLKATA

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday announced financial assistance of Rs 1000 crore for Odisha, West Bengal and Jharkhand which were battered by Cyclone Yaas and said that a team of Union ministries will visit the three affected states to assess the damage, officials said. The announcement was made after Modi undertook an aerial survey of Odisha's Bhadrak and Balasore districts which bore the brunt of the cyclone, and Purba Medinipur district in West Bengal on the east coast.

While worst affected Odisha would get Rs 500 crore immediately, another Rs 500 crore would be given to West Bengal and Jharkhand, which would be released on the basis of the damage, the officials said.

The central government will also deploy an inter-ministerial team to visit the Yaas affected states to assess the extent of damage, and further assistance will be given to them based on the report of the team. Modi also announced ex-gratia of Rs 2 lakh to the next of kin of each deceased and Rs 50,000 to each of the seriously injured in the cyclone. While three people including a



A woman digs the soil to look for her utensils buried outside her house, in the cyclone-affected area of Shankarpur beach in East Midnapore, on Friday. — Photo: PTI

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land, forcing more than 21 lakh people to be evacuated to safe shelters in West Bengal, Odisha and Jharkhand.

The PM expressed solidarity with all those who suffered due to the cyclone.

## Mamata seeks Rs 20K crore relief package

**KOLKATA:** West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Friday sought a Rs 20,000-crore relief package after submitting a report to PM Narendra Modi on damages caused by cyclone 'Yaas', even as she faced harsh criticism for skipping a longer review meet to assess the post-storm situation.

The State has incurred a loss of Rs 20,000 crore due to the cyclone, Banerjee said. "We have sought a package of Rs 10,000 cr each for the redevelopment of Digha and the Sunderbans... It could well be that we might not get anything," she said at Digha, shortly after meeting Modi at Kalaikunda in Paschim Medinipur district. She, however, skipped the review meeting with the Prime Minister. PTI

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## CYCLONE IN ODISHA, BENGAL, JHARKHAND

# PM announces ₹1K cr for relief

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### OUR CORRESPONDENT

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PM Modi chairs a meeting with Odisha CM Pattanaik to review the impact of Cyclone Yaas in Odisha PIC/PTI

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lost their kin in the calamity.

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Cyclone Yaas came from the Bay of Bengal to hit India's east coast days after Cyclone Tauktae, which originated in the Arabian Sea, barrelled through the western states.

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spoke about the importance of building trust among people for better cooperation in relief efforts.

He appreciated the preparedness and disaster management activities by the Odisha government which has resulted in minimal loss of lives. The PM said that disaster mitigation has been given emphasis by the Finance Commission too by provisioning funds to the tune of Rs 30,000 crore.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee met Modi at the Kalaikunda airbase and submitted a report to him on the damages caused by the cyclone in the state, and sought a Rs 20,000 crore package for redevelopment of the worst-affected areas. Banerjee, however, skipped the review meeting with Modi in which Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar, Union ministers Dharmendra Pradhan and Debasree Chowdhury, and BJP MLA and leader of Opposition Suvendu Adhikari were present.

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# Post-cyclone floods in Odisha

STATESMAN NEWS SERVICE  
BHUBANESWAR, 28 MAY

**E**ven as Prime Minister Narendra Modi reviewed the cyclone Yaas damage situation and conducted an aerial survey, people across parts of Jajpur, Bhadrak and Mayurbhanj district were evacuated as rivers swelled and breached embankments.

Baitarani river and its tributary Kani inundated large areas of Jajpur, Dasarathapur, and Korei blocks.

The heavy downpour caused by very severe cyclonic storm Yaas triggered 'medium' floods in some of the villages.

Officials said, two embankments of the Kani River have been breached near Kantipada and Palasahi villages under Dasarathapur block in the district. More than 10,000 people of 27 villages under 10 panchayats of Dasarathapur block



has been affected due to the flood.

Two panchayats of the block are completely submerged due to the duo breaches.

Likewise, floodwater of Baitarani river has gushed into low-lying areas Panasagram panchayat of Jajpur block and Mukundapur and Bandala Panchayats of Korai

block in the district inundating the areas. More than 1,000 people of Korei and Jajpur blocks have been affected due to the flood.

Vast areas of agriculture land have been submerged, first due to sea ingress in Bhadrak and Balasore district and now by floodwaters in Jajpur district.

Floodwaters of river Baitarani gushed into several villages of Dhamnagar and

Bhandaripokhari blocks in Bhadrak district. Road connectivity between Bhadrak and Jajpur has been cut-off.

Jajpur collector Chakravarti Singh Rathore visited the duo breaches in Dasarathapur block last night to take stock of the flood situation and assured that the embankments will be repaired soon. He also visited Korei and Jajpur flood hit areas today and

inspected the relief and rescue operation.

The Subarnarekha river was also swelling.

The silver lining is that the summer flow in the rivers was low and it had a decent capacity to accommodate the heavy rain in the catchment areas, noted officers.

In Mayurbhanj district Food and Supplies Minister Ranendra Pratap Swain the Minister of Food Supplies reviewed the situation. He said adequate food stock has been placed at cyclone and flood shelters for evacuees.

Heavy rainfall in Jharkhand has led to swelling of river Subarnarekha, he observed.

Low lying areas of Bhograi and Baliapal in Balasore district are facing inundation. District officers have evacuated people from such low lying areas. Several villages are marooned.

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# असोला भाटी अभ्यारण्य में सहेजा जाएगा वर्षा का पानी

नई दिल्ली | प्रमुख संवाददाता

असोला भाटी वन्यजीव अभ्यारण्य में 80 छोटे बांधों के जरिए वर्षा जल का संरक्षण किया जाएगा। इसमें से 60 के लगभग छोटे बांध तैयार किए चुके हैं। 20 अन्य बांधों के निर्माण काम मानसून से पहले पूरा होने की संभावना है।

दिल्ली के एकमात्र वन्यजीव अभ्यारण्य में जगह-जगह पर छोटे बांध बनाने की शुरुआत पिछले साल की गई थी। दरअसल, पूरे जंगल में कई बरसाती नाले हैं, जिनके जरिए बरसात का पानी बाहर चला जाता रहा है। इससे जंगल को साल भर पानी नहीं मिल पाता। पिछले साल इन बरसाती नालों और नीचे वाली जगहों पर छोटे-छोटे बांध बनाने की शुरुआत की गई, जिससे पानी को रोककर छोटे-छोटे जलाशयों का निर्माण किया जा सके।

इसके नतीजे काफी सकारात्मक निकले हैं। जिन जगहों पर छोटे-छोटे जलाशय तैयार हुए हैं, वहां की हरियाली

## भूमिगत जल बढ़ेगा

असोला भाटी वन्यजीव अभ्यारण्य की जमीन पथरीली और ऊबड़-खाबड़ है। इसके अलावा यहां पर लंबे समय तक चले खनन के चलते बड़े-बड़े गड्ढे बने हुए हैं। संरक्षण के लंबे प्रयासों के बाद यहां की हरियाली में खासी बढ़ोतरी हुई है और जीव-जंतुओं की संख्या भी बढ़ी है। यहां तक कि यहां तेंदुओं की भी मौजूदगी लगातार दर्ज की जा रही है। जंगल में जगह-जगह पर तैयार किए जाने वाले छोटे जलाशय भूमिगत जल के संभरण में भी फायदेमंद होंगे।

में इजाफा हुआ है और जीव-जंतुओं की भी ज्यादा संख्या देखी जा रही है।

इसे देखते हुए पूरे जंगल में 100 से ज्यादा छोटे बांध तैयार करने की योजना बनाई गई है। वन विभाग के एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने बताया कि अब तक 60 के लगभग छोटे बांध तैयार किए जा चुके हैं।



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तीन राज्यों की सरहद के बीच उलझा पानी का बंटवारा

# यमुना से पानी लाने का दूसरा फॉर्मूला दिया, उस पर भी 'मौन'

केन्द्रीय जलशक्ति मंत्री राजस्थान से, फिर भी विवादों का साया

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जयपुर. पानी के बंटवारे पर राजस्थान और पड़ोसी राज्यों के बीच रार बढ़ती जा रही है। मध्यप्रदेश, पंजाब व हरियाणा तीनों राज्य जल बंटवारे के समझौते को ठेगा दिखा रहे हैं और केन्द्रीय जल आयोग मौन है। यह भी तब जब केन्द्रीय जलशक्ति मंत्री गजेन्द्र सिंह शेखावत राजस्थान से हैं।

यमुना से पानी लाने के लिए राज्य सरकार ने अब पिछले मार्च के पहले सप्ताह में आयोग को संशोधित प्रस्ताव सौंपा था। इसमें पेयजल और सिंचाई के लिए पानी को एकसाथ के बजाय दो चरणों में लाने का प्लान है। इससे खर्चा बंट जाएगा और हरियाणा की तरफ से एकसाथ पानी लाने की स्थिति नहीं बनेगी। हालांकि इस पर भी हरियाणा सरकार मौन है। पानी लाने के लिए राजस्थान सरकार को हरियाणा में भूमिगत लाइन बिछानी है लेकिन इसकी अनुमति नहीं मिल रही।



## हरियाणा सरकार: यमुना के पानी पर अड़ंगा

■ **अनुबंध:** वर्ष 1994 में यमुना के जल बंटवारे के लिए अनुबंध हुआ। इसमें राजस्थान को ताजेवाला हैड से पानी देना तय हुआ। पांच राज्यों हरियाणा, पंजाब, राजस्थान, उत्तरप्रदेश व दिल्ली के मुख्यमंत्रियों के बीच समझौता हुआ।

■ **हमारा हिस्सा:** ताजेवाला हैड से 1917 क्यूसेक व औखला हैड से 1281 क्यूसेक पानी देना तय हुआ था। पानी आए तो सीकर व झुझुनू जिले की पेयजल की

जरूरत पूरी हो सकेगी। चुरू व झुझुनू जिले में 105000 हेक्टेयर जमीन में सिंचाई हो सकेगी।

■ **संशोधित प्लान:** पेयजल और सिंचाई के लिए पानी वरणवार लाने। पहले वरण में 14204.81 करोड़ और दूसरे फेज में 17162.04 करोड़ रुपये लागत आती गई है। अपर यमुना रिवर बोर्ड (यूआइआरबी) और अपर यमुना रिव्यू कमिटी (यूआइआरसी) दोनों को इस पर मुहर लगाकर मामला सुलझाना है।

विस्तृत डीपीआर केन्द्रीय जल आयोग में सबमिट कर दी है। इसमें सभी तकनीकी पहलू विस्तार से बताए हैं। राजस्थान को यमुना का पानी जल्द मिलने की

उम्मीद है। निर्णय आयोग को करना है। पड़ोसी राज्यों के साथ पानी से जुड़े अन्य मामलों को भी सुलझा रहे हैं। -**नवीन महाजन**, प्रमुख शासन सचिव, जल संसाधन विभाग

पंजाब सरकार: यहां भी दरकार, मगर रार

■ **अनुबंध:** वर्ष 1981 में रावी और व्यास नदी से पानी देने के लिए राजस्थान और पंजाब सरकार के बीच समझौता हुआ। इसमें हरियाणा सरकार भी शामिल है। राजस्थान को दोनों नदियों के जरिए 8.60 मिलियन एकड़ फीट (एमएएफ) पानी मिलना था।

■ **नतीजा:** केन्द्रीय जल आयोग की मध्यस्थता में पिछले साल अन्तरराज्यीय बैठक हुई लेकिन नतीजा नहीं निकला।

**एमपी सरकार: तीन नदियों का पानी**

■ **अनुबंध:** वर्ष 2005 में हुए समझौते में कुन्नु, कुल, पार्वती, कालीसिंध नदियों से बह जाने वाला अतिरिक्त पानी राजस्थान में लाना तय हुआ। जयपुर सहित 13 जिलों तक पानी लाने की यह प्रक्रिया अब तक उलझी हुई है।

■ **नतीजा:** इस प्रोजेक्ट का विवाद सुलझाने के लिए राज्य सरकार ने कई पत्र लिखे लेकिन केन्द्र ने जल बंटवारे का हवाला देते हुए गैड एमपी और राजस्थान के पाले में डाल दी।