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Use ISRO data for flood control: Shah

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday said at least 50 large ponds should be created in the northeast to help tackle floods and develop agriculture, irrigation and tourism. Chairing a review meeting on preparedness for flood management during the monsoon, Shah also emphasised on optimum use of satellite imagery provided by the Indian Space Research Organisation for flood, water management.

He also took stock of the preparations to deal with Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF). Shah said efforts should be made to upgrade the forecast system of water level of rivers for better flood management. He said at least 50 large ponds should be created in the northeast so that the water of the Brahmaputra can be diverted and stored in these ponds, according to an official statement. This will help develop agriculture, irrigation and tourism in



A view of the flood-like situation arising after a cloudburst in Itanagar on Sunday. — Photo:ANI

those areas at a low cost and also help tackle floods, eventually benefiting the local economy, he added.

Recurring flooding of the Brahmaputra is a issue for Assam and the northeastern region as it claims scores of lives and inundates thousands of hectares of land every year. Many people were killed, hundreds rendered homeless and communication lines and road networks snapped in Sikkim

and Uttarakhand in the last few years following flash floods created due to the glacial lake outburst, which has become another major concern for the government during monsoon. The Home Minister said the natural drainage system should be an integral part of the designs of road construction to deal with their inundation in case of floods. Shah said under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra

Modi, India's disaster management is moving forward with a 'zero casualty approach'. He instructed the departments concerned to conduct a detailed study of the recent floods in Sikkim and Manipur and submit a report to the union Home Ministry. The Home Minister said flood monitoring centres of the CWC should be in accordance with the requirements and of international standards. PTI

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IMD ISSUES RED ALERTS FOR KERALA AND KARNATAKA

Monsoon advances across India

MPOST BUREAU

NEW DELHI: The southwest monsoon is making steady progress and is expected to cover the entire country in the coming days. According to the IMD's Sunday bulletin, the monsoon has advanced into more parts of the Arabian Sea, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, and Jharkhand.

Favourable conditions are anticipated for the southwest monsoon to further advance into parts of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar, Uttarakhand, and West Bengal over the next three to four days.

In southern India, the active



monsoon has prompted the IMD to issue a red alert for heavy rainfall in Kerala and Karnataka on June 23 and 24. The weather fore-

casting agency has specifically warned of heavy to extremely heavy rainfall in various parts of Kerala. A red alert has been issued

for Malappuram district, and an orange alert has been declared for seven other districts.

"Kerala and Mahe are very likely to get isolated heavy (64.5-115.5 mm) to very heavy rainfall to extremely heavy falls (>204.4 mm) on 23rd & 24th June, with isolated heavy rainfall expected during 25th-27th June," stated the IMD in a post on X.

Similarly, parts of south interior Karnataka are also expected to witness significant rainfall. The IMD has issued a red alert for several areas, predicting isolated heavy to extremely heavy rainfall from June 23 to 24, with continued heavy rainfall expected from June 25 to 27.

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