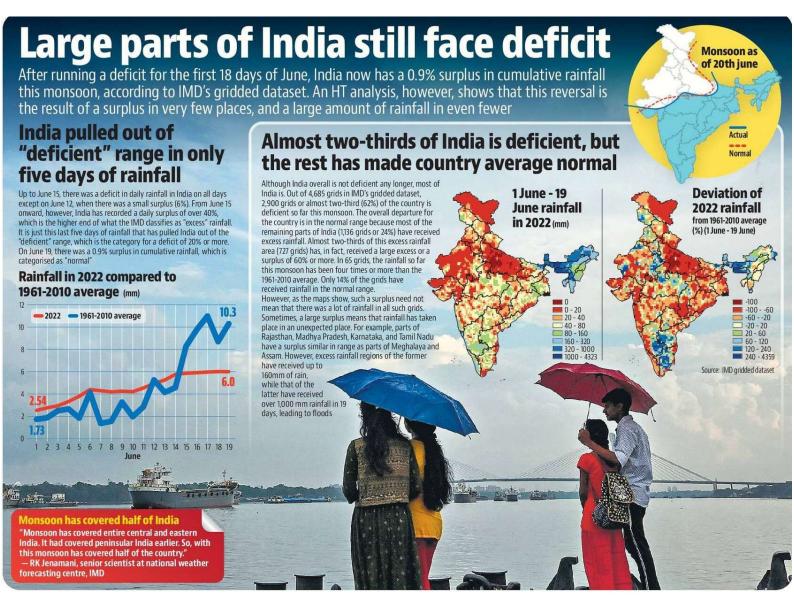
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N-E floods swell into a crisis, 131 people dead

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GUWAHATI: Floods and landslides triggered by torrential rain deepened the crisis in the northeast on Monday, with more deaths and devastation being reported in Assam, Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh, even as the central government promised to provide assistance to the region that has so far reported 131 fatalities this season.

Union home minister Amit Shah said an interministerial central team will visit the floodaffected areas of Assam and Meghalaya to assess the damage. After speaking to chief ministers Himanta Biswa Sarma and Conrad Sangma, he said the Centre stood firmly with the people of the region.

As per a bulletin issued by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA), the state recorded ll deaths on Monday in eight of the 32 flood-affected districts. Seven people, including two children, were reported missing in five other districts. Those dead included two policemen posted in Nagaon district who drowned in flood

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An aerial view of a flood-affected area in Assam on Monday.

ANI

Monsoon has covered half of the nation: IMD

NEW DELHI: Monsoon has covered half of the country, the India Meteorological Department said on Monday, adding that monsoon rainfall has advanced into most parts Madhya Pradesh, remaining parts of Chhattisgarh and Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and gangetic West Bengal, most parts of Jharkhand

and Bihar and some parts of southeast Uttar Pradesh.

Senior IMD scientist RK Jenamani said monsoon is progressing normally and there is no forecast of a system which could stall its progress for now. "We are waiting for features like easterly wind pattern to resume and then we will provide an outlook," he said. →P2

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N-E FLOODS

waters at Kampur late on Sunday while trying to help people marooned in the floods.

According to ASDMA, the amount of rainfall received this year in the months of May and June is above the normal average from past years. "It is an extreme weather event this sea-

son and it has put extra strain on rescue and relief efforts and also on the affected people," said GD Tripathi, CEO, ASDMA.

As per data issued by India Meteorological Department (IMD) on June 16, Meghalaya recorded 172% more rainfall than normal in the past week, Assam witnessed 100% more rainfall while Arunachal Pradesh recorded a 28% surplus of rain.

The Guwahati office of the IMD issued a fresh rainfall warning for all seven states in the region on Monday. As per the bulletin, thunderstorms and heavy rainfall were likely to take place at areas in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura till Friday. Over 4.7 million people are at present affected by flooding in Assam. A total of 231,819 people who fled their homes are currently living in 1,425 relief camps, according to the state government.

The flood waters have reached national parks and wildhave life sanctuaries in the state and till Monday morning, 18% of the total area of the Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve (KNPTR) was submerged. In neighbouring Meghalaya, while no deaths were recorded Monday, landslides were reported in a few places in West Khasi Hills and East Jaintia Hills. A tunnel on National Highway 6, which was blocked on Sunday due to debris from landslides, continued to remain closed, affecting the movement of vehicles.

In Arunachal Pradesh, a 16-year-old boy was killed in a landslide late on Sunday, taking the total deaths due to rainfall-related landslides in the state since April to 9. Three employees of a hotel were reported missing on Sunday due to a landslide in West Kameng district.

In Manipur, several villages in Jiribam and Pherzawl districts were submerged with the rise of the water level of the Barak River due to incessant rainfall. In Assam, according to a bulletin issued by the Central Water Commission, Beki, Pagladiya, Puthimari, Kopili and Brahmaputra rivers were flowing above the danger level.

Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma chaired a review meeting with deputy commissioners of all districts and issued instructions to provide immediate relief to those affected by floods and not wait for official protocols and sanctions. "The district officials should ensure that relief measures including food and drinking water are provided immediately to those affected who reach relief camps instead of focusing on head counts and assessment. Medical check-up should also be conducted in the camps," Sarma said.

Later in the day, Sarma said that an Indian Air Force plane will on Tuesday carry 100,000 litres of petrol and diesel to Silchar in Barak Valley, where road communication has been affected due to heavy rainfall and landslides. Sarma said that besides National Disaster Response Force and SDRF personnel, several columns of the Army were also involved in rescue and relief efforts.

The Opposition Congress in Assam, meanwhile, demanded that the floods be declared a national calamity. In a letter to PM Narendra Modi, leader of the opposition in the state assembly Debabrata Saikia sought ₹20,000 crore as special relief.

In Meghalaya, 40 lives have been lost till date from April 1, while 633,924 people from 918 villages have been affected.

Chief minister Conrad Sangma said the state government has written to the Union home ministry, seeking financial assistance of ₹300 crore from the Centre to meet the losses sustained by flood and landslides.

An official in Tripura said one person was injured, while over 100 houses in the state were damaged Monday. At present, 602 families are residing in 24 relief camps in the state. In Mizoram, the state government has ordered schools to remain shut till Tuesday due to heavy rain.

According to experts,the intensity of devastation brought by floods is increasing every year due to climate crisis. "Catastrophes related to floods in Assam are increasing gradually with each passing year...Climate change is one of the factors, which coupled with infrastructural interventions has led to this scenario. Each cycle of floods affects many in Assam and by the time they are able to recover, the next cycle happens. Such scenarios will only increase in coming years in Assam and rest of northeast," said Murza Zulfigur Rahman, an independent water expert based in Guwahati.

> (With HTC inputs from Shillong, Imphal and Agartala)

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Stalin thanks Kerala CM for clearing water request

Thiruvananthapuram/Chennai, Jun 20: Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Monday assured Tamil Nadu CM M.K. Stalin that steps will be taken to provide maximum water supply to Tamil Nadu from Siruvani Damin Palakkad district. The Kerala government has already increased the water level in the reservoir.

Stalin had a telephonic conversation with Vijayan and thanked him over the matter. While Vijayan wanted a chief ministerial level discussion on the matter, Stalin said he looked forward to resolve issues with the spirit of cooperation.

A day after the Tamil Nadu CM wrote to Vijayan urging him to maintain storage in Siruvani Dam up to the Full Reservoir Level (FRL) to meet the water requirements of Coimbatore city in and its suburbs in his state, Vijayan responded saying the water level in the dam was increased to 75 MLD (million litres a day) from 45 MLD on Sunday and further to 103 MLD on Monday.

Noting that the maximum possible discharge quantity is 103 MLD as per the design of the dam, Vijayan said the matter would be discussed in detail soon and a consensus would be reached.

"Enhanced water release from Siruvani dam to 103





■ GOOD VIBES seen as Kerala CM readily responds to Tamil Nadu request for raising water level in Siruvani Dam to benefit Kovai

MLD, the maximum possible discharge quantity, from June 20. Requesting @CMOTamilnadu level meet at the earliest to discuss further", the chief minister said in a tweet later.

Responding to Vijayan's tweet, Stalin said: "Look forward to discussing and resolving issues with the spirit of cooperation and comradeship. We will ensure that both States prosper together," he said on his official Twitter handle.

Earlier in his letter, Stalin had said the Kerala irrigation department is maintaining the maximum water level of Siruvani Dam at 877 m instead of the Full Reservoir Level (FRL) at 878.5 m, as stipulated in the inter-state agreement.

Lowering the water level by 1.5 m results in a shortage of 122.05 million cubic feet (MCFT) of water, which is 19 per cent of the total storage. This creates difficulties in catering to the needs of Coimbatore city in summer months, he had said. For the past six years, Tamil Nadu has received water only in the range of 0.484 TMC to 1.128 TMC, as against 1.30 TMC stipulated in the agreement.

Tamil Nadu has been continuously requesting Kerala to take steps to ensure FRL storage and despite him writing to Vijayan in February, no steps have been taken so far to restore the storage to FRL, Stalin had noted.

In Coimbatore, officials said that after reviewing the situation, the Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board will inform both the district collector and Corporation Commissioner for necessary follow up. — PTI

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11 more dead, 47 lakh affected in Assam floods; Shah dials Himanta

GUWAHATI: Assam's flood situation remained grim with all major rivers in spate, affecting over 47 lakh people and claiming 11 more lives on Monday as Union Home Minister Amit Shah called up Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma to enquire about the state of affairs, officials said.

The northeastern state has been reeling under devastating floods over the last one week, affecting 47,72,140 people in 32 of the 36 districts. The fresh fatalities have pushed the toll in this year's floods and landslides in Assam to 82, a bulletin issued by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA).

Three fresh fatalities were recorded in Darrang, two in Nagaon police personnel who got washed away while trying to rescue marooned people and one each in Cachar, Dibrugarh, Hailakandi, Hojai, Kamrup and



Security personnel rescue people from a flood-affected area

Lakhimpur.

Seven people were reported missing, with two each in Udalguri and Kamrup and one each in Cachar, Darrang and Lakhimpur.

"Hon HM Shri @AmitShah ji called twice since morning to enquire about the flood situation in Assam. He informed that a team of officials shall soon be sent by Ministry of Home Affairs to assess the damages caused by the natural calamity. Grateful to HM for his help," Sarma tweeted.

CMO sources said that Shah's first call was to enquire about the flood situation and the second to inform the chief minister that a central team will soon be sent to the state for damage assessment. MPOST

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Delhiites enjoy pleasant weather; IMD says monsoon likely to arrive around June 27

OUR CORRESPONDENT

NEW DELHI: Delhiites enjoyed pleasant weather on Monday as maximum temperatures at most places in the city settled below the 35 degrees Celsius-mark.

The Safdarjung Observatory, Delhi's base station, recorded a maximum temperature of 32.8 degrees Celsius, six notches below normal. It was 30.7 degrees Celsius on Sunday, the lowest so far this month since June 17, 2013. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) said that the maximum temperature at Safdarjung is likely to remain below 35 degrees Celsius for the next three to four days and under 38 degrees Celsius till June 26.

The city may see thunder-



showers on Tuesday.

Meteorologists said that the southwest monsoon will reach Delhi around its usual date, June 27, and the rain deficit will be compensated for by June end.

Pre-monsoon showers over the last three days have brought down the rain deficit in Delhi to 34 per cent. The city has gauged 23.8 mm of rain as against the normal of 36.3 mm since June 1, when the monsoon season starts. All of it came in the last four days.

A cyclonic circulation will come up over parts of West Bengal, north Odisha and adjoining Bangladesh in the next two to three days which will change the wind pattern in the Indo-Gangetic plains, said G P Sharma, president (meteorology), Skymet Weather.

"This cyclonic circulation will initiate the typical easterly flow which is crucial for the advance of the monsoon into northwest India. Delhi will get the first monsoon rains around the usual date, if not exactly June 27," he said. Senior IMD scientist R K Jenamani said the monsoon is progressing normally and there is no forecast of a system which could stall its progress for now.

The IMD on Monday said the monsoon has further advanced into most parts of Madhya Pradesh, entire Odisha and Gangetic West Bengal, most parts of Jharkhand and Bihar, and some parts of southeast Uttar Pradesh.

It said on Thursday that the monsoon is likely to cover many parts of northwest India between June 23 and June 29.

Easterly winds from the Bay of Bengal and western disturbances are predicted to bring light or moderate rainfall to the region during this period, it had said. Last year, the IMD had forecast that the monsoon would arrive in Delhi nearly two weeks before its usual date. However, it reached the capital only on July 13, making it the most delayed in 19 years.

The monsoon had entered a "break" phase and there was virtually no progress from June 20 to July 8.

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Kerala to give 'maximum' water to T.N.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Stalin thanks Pinarayi

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Steps will be taken to provide maximum water to Tamil Nadu from Siruvani Dam considering the water shortage faced by Coimbatore city, Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has said.

In a letter to Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, Mr. Vijayan said on Monday that the water level in Siruvani Dam increased from 45 million litres per day (MLD) to 75 MLD on June 19 and to 103 MLD on June 20. According to the design of the dam, the maximum possible dis-



A file photo of the Siruvani reservoir. Kerala will be releasing water to meet the drinking water needs of Coimbatore.

charge level is 103 MLD.

The Chief Minister also replied in the letter that soon the matter would be discussed in detail and a consensus arrived at. Mr. Pinarayi also suggested a Chief Minister-level meet at the

earliest to discuss the issue further.

Mr. Pinarayi's statement was after Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's letter on Sunday seeking Kerala's intervention to maintain the storage of the Siruvani dam at full reservoir level to meet the water requirements of Coimbatore and its suburbs. In his letter, Mr. Stalin pointed out that Kerala's Irrigation department was maintaining maximum water level instead of full reservoir level, as stipulated in the inter-State agreement.

On Monday, Mr. Stalin conveyed to his Kerala counterpart that he was looking forward to discussing and resolving issues between the two States with the spirit of cooperation. Post Kerala's order to release water from Siruvani to meet the drinking water requirements of Coimbatore city, Mr. Stalin thanked Mr. Vijayan.

(With inputs from Chennai bureau)

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Assam CM assures adequate support to families affected by flood

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GUWAHATI, 20 JUNE

As Assam has been reeling under flood, caused by incessant rains with most of the rivers are following above the danger level impacting a large number of people, the State chiefminister Himanta Biswa Sarma visited the flood affected Kamrup and Darrang districts to take stock of the ground situation.

According to Assam State Disaster Management Authority, the flood water has affected as many as 4,290 villages across 32 districts. The current wave of flood has impacted around 31 lakh people out of 1.50 lakh are taking shelter in makeshift relief camps. Till date, over 60 According to Assam State Disaster Management Authority, the flood water has affected as many as 4,290 villages across 32 districts.

people have lost their lives in flood and landslide related incidents across the State.

Sarma talked to the flood affected people in various places and assured adequate government support. He also visited some relief camps where the affected families are taking shelter for some days and declared that the district administrations have been ordered to provide adequate quantities of reliefs along with medical items.

He also directed concerned officials of the State water resources department to repair the breached portion of embankments assoon as the flood water recedes. Sarma promised the families, whose houses are damaged in the flood water, that the administration would support them in reconstructing their homes.

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पुनर्जीवित किये जाने की मंशा को सामाजिक संस्थाएं जुटी हुई हैं।

पुरा करते हुए बिजनौर के जिला प्रशासन ने मालन नदी को उसके पौराणिक नदियों के पुनरुद्धार ने पुराने स्वरूप में वापस लौटाने के उत्तर प्रदेश में तेज रफ्तार पकड ली प्रयास शुरू किये हैं। नदी की खुदाई है। योगी सरकार के आह्वान पर कर उसे चौड़ा करने का काम भी तेजी नदियों को नया जीवन देने के प्रयोग से चल रहा है। अतिक्रमण हटाकर विभिन्न जनपदों में किये जा रहे हैं। मालन के तटबंध बनाए जा रहे हैं। इस कड़ी में बिजनौर में लुप्त हो चुकी ग्राम प्रधानों की मौजूदगी में यह कार्य मालन नदी को उसके वास्तवितक किया जा रहा है। नदी के आसपास स्वरूप में लौटाने का प्रयास जनपद रहने वाले लोग इस पवित्र कार्य में के प्रशासन और जनसहयोग से चल श्रमदान कर रहे हैं। मालन नदी का रहा है। कालीदास के अभिज्ञान उदगम पौडी जिले की चंडा पहाडियों शकुन्तलम में मालिनी नदी का जिक्र से माना जाता है। बिजनौर में आता है जिसे वर्तमान में लोग मालन हल्दखाता से मालन प्रवेश करती है। नदी के नाम से जानते हैं। गंगा की जिले में 53 किमी की यात्रा करने के सहायक नदियों में से एक यह नदी बाद गंगा में मालन का मिलन रावली कभी अपने परे विस्तार के साथ में स्थित कण्व आश्रम के पास होता अविरल बहा करती थी लेकिन है। योगी-2 में नदियों को अविरल अतिक्रमण के कारण इस नदी का और निर्मल बनाने का अभियान पूरे अस्तित्व खत्म हो चुका था।यह छोटी प्रदेश में चल रहा है। गौरतलब है कि सी धारा में सिमट कर रही गई थी बिजनौर की मालन नदी की तरह ही और इसकी जमीन पर लोग फसलें प्रदेश की गोमती नदी की 22 सहायक नदियों में से सख चुकी 19 नदियों सीएम योगी की नदियों को को भी नया जीवन देने के कार्य में

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बांध व बराजों की निगरानी को बना 'सुरक्षा संगटन '

पटना, हिन्दुस्तान ब्यूरो। बिहार के तमाम बांधों और बराजों की निगरानी अब राज्य बांध सुरक्षा संगठन (एसडीएसओ) करेगा। इसके लिए जल संसाधन विभाग ने 56 अधिकारियों व कर्मचारियों की टीम नायी है। हाल ही इसका गठन किया या है। यह टीम बांधों व बराजों का निरीक्षण, रखरखाव और निगरानी करेगी। इन बांधों व बराजों की संपूर्ण देखरेख की जिम्मेवारी इसी टीम के पास होगी।

केन्द्रीय रूपांकण, शोध एवं गुण नियंत्रण के मुख्य अभियंता के नेतृत्व में यह टीम काम करेगी। एसडीएसओ 27 बांधों व 5 प्रमुख बराजों का निरीक्षण, रखरखाव प निगरानी की जिम्मेवारी दी गई

 केंद्र सरकार के बांध सुरक्षा अधिनयम, 2021 के तहत हआ है एसडीएसओ का गठन

के पास सूबे के 27 बांधों और 5 प्रमुख बराजों की संपूर्ण निगरानी की जिम्मेवारी होगी। दरअसल, भारत सरकार ने केन्द्रीय बांध सुरक्षा अधिनियम के तहत एसडीएसओ का गठन करने को कहा था। यह अधिनियम पिछले वर्ष 30 दिसंबर

बांध विफलता की घटना से केंद्र चिंतित

बीते दशकों में बांध विफलता की घटना से केन्द्र सरकार चिंतित है और इसको लेकर व्यापक कार्ययोजना बनाने में जुटी है। देश में अबतक बांध विफलता की 36 घटनाएं हो चुकी हैं। हालांकि इसमें बिहार शामिल नहीं है। राजस्थान में 11, मध्य प्रदेश में 10, गुजरात में 05, महाराष्ट्र में 04, आंध्रप्रदेश में 2, यूपी, उत्तराखंड व ओंडिसा में 1–1 घटनाएं हो चुकी हैं।

को अधिसूचित किया गया। इसके 180 दिनों के अंदर एसडीएसओ का गठन करना अनिवार्य था। लिहाजा 30 जून तक बिहार को एसडीएसओ बना लेना था। इसी को ध्यान में रखते हुए बिहार ने अपने बांधों व बराजों की निगरानी के लिए नए सिरे से एसडीएसओ का गठन किया है। केन्द्र सरकार ने पूरे देश में बांधों की सुरक्षा को और पुख्ता बनाने के लिए बांध सुरक्षा विधेयक 2018 के तहत सभी राज्यों को बांधों-बराजों की देखभाल के लिए अपनी-अपनी कार्ययोजना बनाने को कहा है। बड़े बांधों की

30 वयों आवश्यक

देश के 92 फीसदी बांध ऐसे हैं जो अलग-अलग राज्यों को जोड़ने वाली नदियों के ऊपर बने हैं। ऐसे में किसी बांध में किसी तरह की समस्या आती है तो खामियाजा अलग-अलग राज्यों का गटन

> संख्या के हिसाब से इस समय भारत दुनिया का तीसरा सबसे बड़ा देश है। अमेरिका और चीन के बाद इसका स्थान है। भारत में 5344 बड़े बांध हैं। इनमें से 75 फीसदी बांध 25 वर्ष, जबकि 293 बांध 100 वर्ष से अधिक पुराने हैं।

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उदयपुर. मेवाड़-वागड़ क्षेत्र के कई गांव ऐसे हैं, जहां पानी की कमी है। ऐसे गांवों की प्यास बुझाने का स्थायी बंदोबस्त होने जा रहा है। जल जीवन मिशन के तहत प्रदेश में 5 बड़े प्रोजेक्ट को मंजूरी मिल गई है। इनमें टोंक के बीसलपुर बांध का पानी जयपुर-अजमेर, कोटा बैराज का पानी चित्तोंड़गढ़, माही का पानी जाखम के माध्यम से उदयपुर के गांवों में पहुंचाया जाएगा।



स्वीकृति परियोजनाओं की स्थिति

बीसलपुर प्रोजेक्टः जयपुर, अजमेर और टोंक जिलों के लिए 8.10 टीएमसी (थाउजेंड मिलियन क्यूबिक) पानी रखा है। यह नावनेरा बैराज से नावनेरा, गालवा, बीसलपुर, ईसरदा लिंक परियोजना से अतिरिक्त डायवर्जन से होगा।

चम्बल प्रोजेक्ट कोटा बैराज : 1170 एमसीएफटी पानी बेगूं, चित्तौड़गढ़ और निम्बाहेड़ा विधानसभा क्षेत्र के गांवों में लाया जाएगा। जाखम बांधः माही से लिंक चेनल से जाखम में पानी पहुंचेगा, जो पीपलखूंट में प्रस्तावित है। यहां से उदयपुर-चित्तौड़गढ़-राजसमंद के 1899 गांवों को 2750 एमसीएफटी (मिलीयन क्यूबिक फीट), प्रतापगढ़ शहर में 80 और 554 गांवों में 890 एमसीएफटी पानी जाएगा।

बेणेश्वर एनीकट: डूंगरपुर जिले की सागवाड़ा और साबला पंचायत समितियों के 212 गांवों को 680 एमसीएफटी पानी पहुंचेगा।

किस प्रोजेक्ट पर कितना खर्च

बीसलपुर प्रोजेक्ट : डीपीआर अनुसार चंबल प्रोजेक्ट : 2250 करोड़ जाखम प्रोजेक्ट : डीपीआर अनुसार बेणेश्वर प्रोजेक्ट : 427 करोड़ माही प्रोजेक्ट : 1505 करोड़

स्वीकृति हुई परियोजनाएं उदयपुर संभाग के लिए काफी महत्वपूर्ण है। तकनीकी स्वीकृति के साथ ही आगामी तीन-चार महीने में काम शुरू हो जाएगा।

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पेयजल समस्या का समाधान होगा, वहीं भूजल स्तर में भी बढ़ोतरी होगी। ये परियोजनाएं संभाग के प्यासे गांवों के लिए मिल का पत्थर साबित होगी।

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