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Cyclone Yaas ravages coastal Bengal, Odisha

One crore displaced; four people dead; rivers in spate

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Pedestrians use their mobiles to capture the flooded road after the landfall of Cyclone Yaas, in Kolkata on Wednesday.

— PTI

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Cyclone Yaas, which spared Kolkata unlike last year, was followed by heavy rain in the districts of East Midnapore, South 24 Parganas, North 24 Parganas and Howrah.

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Yaas leaves a trail of devastation

Thousands of kutcha houses washed, trees uprooted; standing crop lost in Odisha

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The cyclonic storm Yaas on Wednesday morning made its landfall at Bahanaga in Odisha's Balasore district with a wind speed of 130 to 140 kilometre per hour (kmph) and left a trail of devastation in the coastal districts.

Initial reports suggest an elderly person named Purnachandra Naik in Keonjhar died as a tree collapsed on him while he was going to a temple near his house for his morning prayers. Similarly, a youth in Balasore district died as a large branch of a tree fell on him.

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In Balasore district, Chandipur, Baliapal, Bahanagar, Talasari and Bhograi areas were severely hit by the disaster. Kutcha houses and houses with asbestos roofs could not withstand the gusty winds and heavy downpour and collapsed.

Several areas in Rajanagar area in Kendrapara district also witnessed tidal ingress that led to complete disruption of road communication. Four to five feet high sea water was seen flowing over the roads connecting Kendrapara district with Bhadrak.

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"During its landfall, Yaas had turned into a very severe cyclonic storm. It hit the coast at Bahanaga, 20 km south of Balasore town at 10.30 am and the landfall process continued for nearly three hours. With its impact, several coastal Odisha districts including Kendrapara, Bhadrak, Balasore and Jagatsinghpur received heavy rainfall ranging up to 150mm in the last 24



A priest shifts an idol of Lord Jagannath from a seafront temple to a safer place in Balasore district in Odisha as cyclone Yaas barrels towards eastern coast in the Bay of Bengal.

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hours. It also precipitated heavy downpours in the adjoining districts of West Bengal," India Meteorological Department (IMD) director general Dr Mrutyunjay Mohapatra said.

He added that the cyclone was moving further north and northwestwards and it would enter Jharkhand on Thursday morning after weakening into a deep depression. "From a severe cyclonic storm, Yaas will gradually weaken into a deep depression and enter Jharkhand with a wind speed of 50 to 60 km per hour," the IMD chief said.

Speaking to reporters after the cyclone passed the Odisha coast, state Special Relief Commissioner P.K. Jena efforts were being made to restore the road communication, power supply and drinking water systems.

"Till now, we have not received any reports of any major mishaps except loss of a couple of lives which unfortunately happened as they did not obey the government's order not to venture out during the cyclone. Now, we are focusing on restoration of essential services. We have asked collectors to submit the loss assessment reports as early as possible," said the SRC Mr Jena.

The SRC informed that Mayurbhanj, Balasore's adjoining district in the north had received heavy rainfall and it is likely to cause flash flood in Budhabalanga river which originates from the Similipal National Park in the district.

Meanwhile, exhibiting their high-skilled rescue expertise and daredevilry, the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and Odisha police personnel on Tuesday night rescued at least 10 fishermen whose boat capsized near Japa village in Odisha's Jagatsinghpur district.

According to reports, after the fishermen sent

distress calls about the imminent danger they faced in the sea, the NDRF jawans immediately reached the spot and evacuated them from the ill-fated vessel to a rescue boat.

Odisha chief minister Naveen Patnaik praised the efforts of the rescue teams. The jawans also rescued hundreds of domestic animals in Odisha and West Bengal from drowning or getting swept away in tidal waves.

Apart from rescue activity, the NDRF personnel served cooked food to evacuees accommodated in various cyclone shelters.

The NDRF jawans also cleared almost all major roads in Odisha and West Bengal which were blocked by uprooted trees.

"The NDRF focused on saving lives of the people, domestic animals and evacuation of people during the cyclone. Post the landfall of the storm our men have begun the restoration work. We are also taking care of people in shelters," NDRF director general Satyanarayan Pradhan said.

MASSIVE RESCUE AND RELIEF OP. ON IN BENGAL

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KOLKATA, MAY 26

In a large scale rescue and relief operation in cyclone-hit West Bengal the Indian Army and Indian Coast Guard on Wednesday evacuated around 800 villagers stranded in East Midnapore and Howrah, which are among the worst-affected districts.

Eastern Command spokesperson Wing Commander Mandeep Huda said that around 700 villagers were rescued by the Army soldiers from the flooded areas of the two districts. Most of the rescued are from East Midnapore.

At Bodhra, more than 500 people were rescued while 50 more were evacuated from New Digha Market apart from 32 others from Old Digha Natun Kali Temple and 15 from another place in Old Digha. In Howrah the Army jawans conducted evacuation at Orphuli.

The Indian Coast Guard informed that it shifted around 100 people to safer places in its hovercraft after the group was found stranded at Nayachar Islands near Haldia in East Midnapore.

It stated, "Headquarters, Coast Guard Region (North East) at Kolkata is monitoring the overall situation and directing the Coast Guard Commanders/Stations of both the states to execute the relief operations on ground. Three Coast Guard ships along with onboard helicopter, already on operational mission in the Bay of Bengal, have been diverted to coastal areas of both states with fastest speed to assess the situation in area and render appropriate assistance to any mariner in distress. They will be joined by two more ships to augment the efforts at sea. Coast Guard Dornier aircraft will be carrying out aerial reconnaissance of the affected areas for improvement of weather."

It added, "Two inflatable boats have been dispatched to Contai/Digha area."

CYCLONE IN FIGURES

15,04,506

No. of people evacuated in West Bengal

17

No. of columns deployed by the Army to assist the WB administration

5.80 lakh

No. of people in vulnerable areas of Odisha shifted to safe shelters

969 tonnes

Of liquid medical oxygen moved to six states and a Union Territory through 12 Oxygen Express trains in a span of 24 hours

1 crore

No. of people affected in West Bengal

404

No. of rescue teams been deployed in Odisha

3 lakh

No. of houses damaged in West Bengal

6 No. of flights cancelled by Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport in view of cyclone Yaas

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Cyclone Yaas ravages eastern coast as over 21 lakh evacuated; four dead

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A flooded room of Kakdwip Hospital in South 24 Parganas, on Wednesday PTI

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Highlights

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- » Three of the four lives claimed by Yaas, were from Odisha while one was from West Bengal
- » West Bengal government claimed that at least one crore people were

affected and three lakh houses damaged in West Bengal

» Odisha has shifted 6.5 lakh people to safer places, and West Bengal 15 lakh

» Jharkhand evacuated over 10,000 people to safer zones amid forecast that cyclone 'Yaas' would be hitting the state by midnight

24 hours. As many as 605 roads have been damaged of which 495 have been repaired in Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara, Jajpur, Balasore, Boudh districts. As the cyclone swirls in Mayurbhanj district, action

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CM ASKS OFFICIALS TO BE ON THEIR TOES

Cyclone Yaas: J'khand on high alert; over 10,000 evacuated

OUR CORRESPONDENT

RANCHI: Jharkhand remains on high alert and has evacuated over 10,000 people to safer zones while operation is still on amid forecast that cyclone 'Yaas' would be hitting the state by midnight after pounding neighbouring Odisha and West Bengal, officials said Wednesday. The state has imposed complete lockdown in some parts to prevent people from venturing out in view of prediction of severe cyclonic storm battering the state.

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Operations are being executed on a war-footing in the

vulnerable areas in East and West Singhbhum, besides some other districts due to cyclonic storm Yaas, Disaster Management Secretary Amitabh Kaushal said.

"We have evacuated 9,502 persons so far from the 306 sites and the evacuation operations are on. A total of 848 of our villages are impacted by it.

"We are witnessing heavy rainfall and there has been damage to the power transmission network besides trees have been uprooted," East Singhbhum Deputy Commissioner Suraj Kumar said.

The cyclone is likely to hit the district, whose headquarter is in Jamshedpur, at midnight and all precautionary measures are being taken on a war-footing, Kumar said.

"We have announced a complete lockdown today and tomorrow barring some relaxation for emergency cases and



Dark clouds loom over trains at a railway yard ahead of cyclone Yaas, in Dhanbad, on Wednesday

essential services," the East Singhbhum DC said adding a flood cell has been created and people are being evacuated from low lying areas of Subarnarekha and Kharkai rivers.

NDRF teams are alert for rescue operations while 500 relief teams are already work-

ing besides massive steps to face the situation.

West Singhbhum Deputy Commissioner Rajkamal said, "We have evacuated 1,065 people to safer locations while a lockdown has been announced in the district for today and tomorrow barring essential

services."

Director-General of Police Neeraj Sinha said, "Satellite phones are being provided to interior Naxal-affected police stations for emergent communications, besides batteries in police wireless systems have been readied in case of communication disruptions due to the storm."

"We are ready to deal with the situation and have formed rescue teams," he added.

East Singhbhum, West Singhbhum and Saraikela-Kharsawan districts of the state are likely to witness high velocity winds of 92-117 kmph, the weather office said.

This is the first time in the history of Jharkhand that it is facing such a severe cyclonic storm.

Chief Minister Hemant Soren has asked officials to be on their toes to deal with any emergency situation.

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Won't allow a dam across Cauvery: T.N.

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The Tamil Nadu government will never allow Karnataka's proposed project to construct a dam at Mekedatu across the Cauvery river, Minister for Water Resources Duraimurugan said on Wednesday.

In a statement, Mr. Duraimurugan said: "The Tamil Nadu government will consult legal experts and take appropriate action."

The Minister's statement comes in the wake of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) appointing a joint committee to look into allegations of unauthorised construction activity taking place in Mekedatu.

Mr. Duraimurugan also recalled the efforts being taken by the Tamil Nadu government through legal channels in the Supreme Court against the construction of the proposed dam.

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Panel to investigate charges of illegal construction in Mekedatu

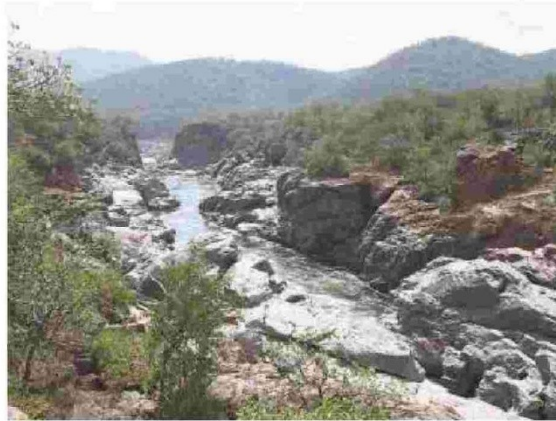
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The National Green Tribunal (NGT), Southern Zone, has appointed a joint committee to look into allegations of unauthorised construction activity taking place in Mekedatu, where the Karnataka government had proposed to construct a dam across the Cauvery River.

Acting *suo motu* based on a media report, the NGT has directed the panel to submit a report on or before July 5.

“If the project is to be implemented without conducting any environmental impact assessment study and without obtaining necessary clearance, if any required, then it will be an unauthorised act affecting the environment,” the NGT said, adding that it would get the



Matter of concern: The NGT directed the panel to assess the damage caused to the environment. ■ SUDHAKARA JAIN

jurisdiction of intervening on the issue.

Considering the allegations made in the news report, it said, “We are satisfied that there arises a

substantial question of environment, which requires the interference of this Tribunal.”

The NGT also directed the joint committee to assess the

damage caused to the environment in case of any construction made and determine the compensation payable by the respective authorities who are responsible.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Department of Forests, State of Karnataka, would be the nodal agency for coordination and for providing necessary logistics for this purpose, it added.

The NGT has issued a notice communicating its decision to the Union Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Department of Water Resources, Central Water Commission, Cauvery Water Management Authority, Chief Secretaries of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, among others.

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[Nature's Fury]

Yaas batters Odisha, Bengal; 4 dead

Over 3 lakh houses damaged, more than 21 lakh people evacuated in three States; Kolkata, Bhubaneshwar escape cyclone's wrath

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People take shelter on a cart as cyclone Yaas makes landfall, at Digha in East Midnapore district, on Wednesday — Photo: PTI

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Heavy rainfall in the Similipal National Park in Mayurbhanj district sparked fears of a flash

flood in the Budhabalang river. In the afternoon, the water level in the river was at 21 metre against the danger level of 27 metre, Jena said.

The Mayurbhanj district administration has started evacuating certain vulnerable points on both sides of the river and also from some low-lying areas in the Baripada town, he said.

Restoration works for power lines have started in some places in Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara and Jajpur district after cables were snapped, Jena said, adding that not much damage was caused in these districts. Local sources said that a person was killed in Panchupalli village in Anadapur block of

Kenjhar district after a tree fell on him but there was no official confirmation of the death. The man was identified as Purna Chandra Nayak. Besides, a man was injured in the Balasore district after he was hit by a falling tree. The sea will remain rough till Thursday and the accompanying rain will continue, he said. The wind will slow down by the evening and the cyclone is likely to leave Odisha for Jharkhand by midnight, Jena said.

Odisha ordered health screening of all the 6.5 lakh people taken to cyclone shelter, including Covid tests if required. Officials said similar health screening was also planned for Bengals shelters too.

ONE CRORE PEOPLE AFFECTED, SAYS MAMATA

KOLKATA: At least one crore people were affected and three lakh houses damaged in West Bengal due to the rough weather conditions arising out of cyclone 'Yaas', Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee said on Wednesday. One person died "accidentally" when he had gone out fishing, she said. Cautioning people that high tide in seas, caused by the storm surge, would persist, Banerjee claimed that Bengal happens to be the "most-affected State".

The Chief Minister further said that as many as 15,04,506 people have been evacuated from the vulnerable areas in the State and moved to safer places. PTI

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1cr affected as Cyclone Yaas ravages West Bengal, Odisha

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SEVERAL VILLAGES in the coastal areas of West Bengal's South 24 Parganas district lay submerged. At Sagar Island, seawater reached the Kapil Muni temple, a few hundred metres away from the coast.

camps are running now," she said. In certain areas, waves as high as the coconut trees that line the popular beaches, were seen surging.

The scenic West Bengal town of Digha, which shares the border with Odisha's Balasore district, lay swamped, with the Army being called in for rescue operations, a

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Sea water enters through boundaries of a house during the Cyclone Yaas' landfall in Chandipur area of Balasore on Wednesday. — PTI

Towering mangrove forests on Odisha coast tamed Yaas' fury

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राजस्थान में जल जीवन मिशन में 675 पेयजल परियोजनाएं मंजूर

भाषा । जयपुर

जल जीवन मिशन के तहत राज्य के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों के लिए 675 परियोजनाओं को मंजूरी दी गई है। इन स्वीकृत परियोजनाओं के तहत राज्य के 1290 गांवों में 338919 घरों को नल से जल कनेक्शन दिए जाएंगे। मिशन के तहत राज्य स्तरीय योजना स्वीकृति समिति (एसएलएसएससी) की बैठक बुधवार को अतिरिक्त मुख्य सचिव (एसीएस) सुधांशु पंत की अध्यक्षता में बुधवार को वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंस के माध्यम से हुई। पंत ने बताया कि बैठक में राज्य के 1136 गांवों के लिए क्षेत्रीय परियोजनाओं सहित 674 सिंगल विलेज एवं स्माल मल्टी विलेज स्कीम को मंजूरी दी गई, इनसे 249166 नल कनेक्शन दिए जाएंगे। उन्होंने बताया कि इसी प्रकार प्रमुख परियोजना के तहत बीकानेर जिले में नोखा के 154 गांवों और ढाणियों को इंदिरा गांधी नहर



परियोजना आधारित सतही जल स्रोत से जोड़ने के लिए मल्टी विलेज स्कीम स्वीकृत की गई इससे 89753 घर घर नल कनेक्शन दिए जाएंगे।

पंत ने बताया कि बैठक में मुख्यमंत्री की 2021-2022 की बजट घोषणा के अनुरूप ईसरदा बांध के द्वितीय चरण में अलवर जिले के 1118 गांव एवं चार कस्बों तथा जयपुर जिले के 1429 गांवों व 7 कस्बों की परियोजना रपट (डीपीआर) बनाने के लिए एक करोड़ 2 लाख रुपए की स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई। इसके अलावा सर्वे व

विस्तृत परियोजना रिपोर्ट (डीपीआर) तैयार करने के 7 अन्य प्रस्तावों को भी मंजूरी दी गई, इस पर 859.39 लाख रुपए व्यय होंगे। इसके तहत पाली जिले के खाली ब्लॉक में 25 गांवों और 113 ढाणियों में 7407 घर घर नल कनेक्शन, जोधपुर जिले में बारू-सिंहग-रानेरी पेयजल आपूर्ति योजना में 25 गांवों और 63 ढाणियों में 3959 घर घर नल कनेक्शन, झुंझुनू के सूरजगढ़ एवं उदयपुरवाडी में 284 गांवों में 93 हजार 783 घर घर नल कनेक्शन, पाली जिले में रोहट ब्लॉक के 81 गांवों में 21 हजार 466 घर घर नल कनेक्शन, प्रतापगढ़ के धरियावाड और छोटी सादड़ी में 327 गांवों में 55 हजार 301 घर घर नल कनेक्शन, उदयपुर जिले के 11 ब्लॉक के 1150 गांवों में 2 लाख। हजार 94 घर घर नल कनेक्शन तथा बांसवाड़ा जिले के 6 ब्लॉक के 330 गांवों में 59 हजार 132 घर घर नल कनेक्शन के प्रस्ताव शामिल हैं।

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‘सिंचाई में शोधित जल के इस्तेमाल संबंधी नीति लागू करें’

नई दिल्ली, 26 मई (भाषा)।

राष्ट्रीय हरित अधिकरण (एनजीटी) ने केंद्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड (सीपीसीबी) को निर्देश दिया है कि उद्योगों से निकले शोधित जल का इस्तेमाल सिंचाई एवं बागवानी में करने के इसके दिशानिर्देशों को लागू किया जाए। एनजीटी अध्यक्ष न्यायमूर्ति आदर्श कुमार गोयल की अध्यक्षता वाले पीठ ने शीर्ष प्रदूषण निगरानी संस्था से कहा कि इसके 2019 के दिशानिर्देशों का पालन कराया जाए।

इसने गौर किया कि सीपीसीबी को दिए गए पहले के निर्देश सितंबर 2019 में जारी किए गए थे और वे सार्वजनिक किए जा चुके हैं। इसमें शोधित जल का इस्तेमाल सिंचाई में करने और इस तरह के शोधित जल को तय मानकों के अनुरूप होने के बारे में दिशानिर्देश जारी किए गए थे। बहरहाल पीठ ने कहा, ‘मुद्दा केवल दिशानिर्देशों के पालन का है। सीपीसीबी मामले पर गौर कर सकता है और राज्य प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड के साथ समन्वय कर कानून के मुताबिक कदम उठा सकता है।’

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बड़े पैमाने पर जन हानि रोकने में मिली सफलता

यास से बचाव के लिए बंगाल और ओडिशा में एनडीआरएफ व तीनों सेनाओं ने संभाला मोर्चा

जेएनएन, नई दिल्ली: बंगाल और ओडिशा के तटीय इलाकों में चक्रवात यास ने जमकर कहर बरपाया। चक्रवात टाक्रे से हुए नुकसान के बाद केंद्र और राज्य सरकारों व एनडीआरएफ ने अभूतपूर्व बचाव इंतजाम किए, जिससे मानव जीवन की हानि को बड़े पैमाने पर रोकने में सफलता मिली।

बंगाल और ओडिशा में राष्ट्रीय आपदा मोचन बल (एनडीआरएफ) व राज्य आपदा मोचन बल (एसडीआरएफ) के साथ अन्य एजेंसियां बचाव कार्य में जुटी हैं। सेना, नौसेना व वायुसेना भी सहयोग कर रही हैं। भारतीय कोस्ट गार्ड के तीन पोत और एक हेलिकॉप्टर भेजे गए हैं। केंद्रीय पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री धर्मेंद्र प्रधान ने कहा कि प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की सरकार ओडिशा की जनता की सुरक्षा और कल्याण के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है। सरकार ओडिशा की जनता के जीविकोपार्जन में मदद के लिए सतत प्रयासरत रहेगी।

ओडिशा में हुई भीषण बारिश: ओडिशा के विशेष राहत आयुक्त पीके जेना ने बताया कि यास मयूरभंज जिले के रास्ते आगे बढ़ा। भारी बारिश से बुधबलांग नदी में पलैश प्लाइड की



ओडिशा के बालासोर में बुधवार को समुद्र तटीय हिस्से से चक्रवात यास के टकराने के दौरान समुद्र का घानी घरो को अपने आगोश में लेता नजर आया • प्रेटर

ममता बनर्जी कल करेंगी प्रभावित इलाकों का दौरा

राज्य ब्यूरो, कोलकाता : बंगाल की मुख्यमंत्री ममता बनर्जी शुक्रवार को चक्रवात प्रभावित इलाकों का दौरा करेंगी। उन्होंने कहा कि वह गुरुवार को ही प्रभावित इलाकों में जाना चाहती

थी, लेकिन मौसम खराब होने की वजह से हेलीकॉप्टर उड़ान नहीं भर पाएगा। इसलिए वह शुक्रवार को प्रभावित इलाकों का दौरा करेंगी। वह विशेषकर दीवा जाकर स्थिति का जायजा लेंगी।

आशंका के कारण लोगों को निकाला गया। पिछले 24 घंटे में चांदबली में (288 मिमी) बारिश हुई है। इसके अलावा भद्रक, बालेश्वर, कुर्जंग सहित कई इलाके में 200 मिमी से अधिक वर्षा हुई। ओडिशा में रेड अलर्ट जारी किया गया है।

कोलकाता व आसपास आंशिक नुकसान: बंगाल में तटीय इलाकों में चक्रवात ने खासा उत्पात मचाया, लेकिन कोलकाता, हावड़ा, हुगली समेत कई जिले आंशिक रूप से प्रभावित हुए। मुख्यमंत्री ममता बनर्जी के अनुसार, 134 तटबंध टूट गए



चक्रवात यास के कहर के बीच बुधवार को ओडिशा में समुद्र तटीय इलाके में मुश्किल में फंसे लोगों को निकालने के लिए भारतीय तटरक्षक बल ने राहत-बचाव अभियान चलाया • प्रेटर

झारखंड पहुंचने वाला सबसे तेज चक्रवात होगा यास

जास, रांची : यास झारखंड की सीमा पर जब दस्तक देगा, तब हवा की रफ्तार 100 किलोमीटर प्रतिघंटा से ऊपर होगी। मौसम विभाग के अनुसार इस गति से आज तक कोई तूफान झारखंड

नहीं पहुंचा है। जमशेदपुर, सिंहभूम, सरायकेला खरसावा, सिमडेगा में मंगलवार रात से ही जोरदार बारिश हो रही है। रांची और अन्य सीमावर्ती जिलों में मौसम विभाग ने अलर्ट जारी किया है।

और सैकड़ों पेड़ उखड़ गए। 18,000 लोग शिविर खोले गए हैं। 10 करोड़ रुपये मूल्य की राहत सामग्री भेजी जा रही है। हुगली नदी में आठ मीटर का उफान आने से हल्दिया डॉक के बाहरी गेट के ऊपर से पानी बहने लगा। पूर्व मेदिनीपुर के कई गांवों में फंसे 700

लोगों को सेना ने बचाया। बंगाल के 14 जिलों में बिजली आपूर्ति बंद हो गई है। कई सब स्टेशन पानी में डूब गए। हालांकि, किसी अस्पताल में बिजली की समस्या नहीं हुई। बंगाल में इस दौरान 155 किलोमीटर प्रति घंटे तक की रफ्तार से हवा चली।

मानसून की रफ्तार पर ब्रेक लगाएगा तूफान

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यास तूफान दक्षिणी-पश्चिमी मानसून की रफ्तार पर भी ब्रेक लगा सकता है। केरल में इसकी दस्तक थोड़ा आगे खिसक सकती है। हालांकि बारिश पर कोई असर नहीं पड़ेगा। मानसून की दस्तक को लेकर गुरुवार या शुक्रवार को भारतीय मौसम विज्ञान विभाग नया शेड्यूल जारी कर सकता है।

गौरतलब है कि मौसम विभाग ने केरल में मानसून की दस्तक एक जून को बताई है जबकि स्काईमेट वेदर ने 31 मई की संभावना जताई है। अंडमान निकोबार में मानसून आ भी गया है, लेकिन यास के प्रभाव से दक्षिणी-पश्चिमी मानसून की दस्तक प्रभावित हो रही है। संभावना है कि दक्षिणी पश्चिमी मानसून का आगमन थोड़ा विलंब से हो। मौसम विज्ञानियों का कहना है कि अगर केरल में मानसून की दस्तक आगे बढ़ती है तो आगे का चक्र भी प्रभावित होगा। मध्य भारत में यह जून के अंतिम सप्ताह तक पहुंचेगा। दिल्ली-एनसीआर में जुलाई के पहले या दूसरे सप्ताह में दस्तक दे सकता है।

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वाराणसी में गंगा का रंग हरा हुआ, जांच के लिए टीम पहुंची



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