

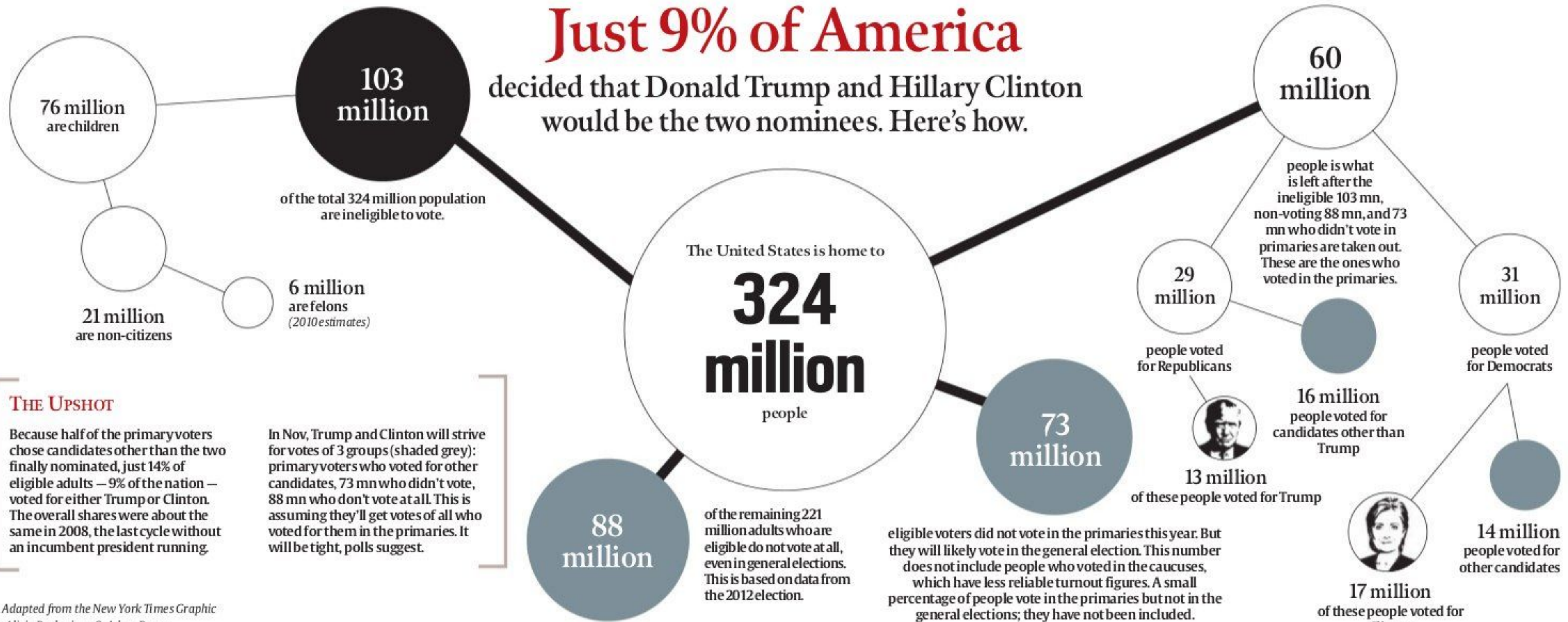
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SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE

Trump gets it. He's playing us. He's ahead of the game. He's gonna walk right into the White House with us saying it's indecent

ROGER COHEN, columnist for *The New York Times*, responding to outrage over Donald Trump's response to Khizr Khan, father of the war hero Capt Humayun Khan, and arguing that his nastiness was calculated. Cohen has 61,600 followers on Twitter.



Some rising, mostly steady: what the rain monitoring stations say, forecast

Many rivers are above the danger mark at several places across the Gangetic plains and Assam, but the CWC's monitoring centres are not generating a 'High Flood Situation Report' yet. The waters are receding, and a major flood crisis does not seem imminent, for now

SIMPLY PUT

Notwithstanding the flooding, all of the East and NE, barring UP and West Bengal, has had deficient rains in this season. The area received 28% less rainfall in June, and 2% less in July. Together, it has 13% deficiency so far in this monsoon.

AMITABHSINHA
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 1

FLOOD AFFECTED regions in the country, especially Assam, Meghalaya and adjoining areas, can heave a sigh of relief — for now at least. With rainfall activity over these areas having gone down over the last couple of days, water levels in most of the flooded rivers is receding fast.

At 11 pm on Monday, real-time data from the Central Water Commission (CWC) were showing waters above the danger level at only 20 flood monitoring stations. And only two of them, Kursela in Katihar district of Bihar and Gunupur in Rayagada, Odisha, were showing an actual rising trend.

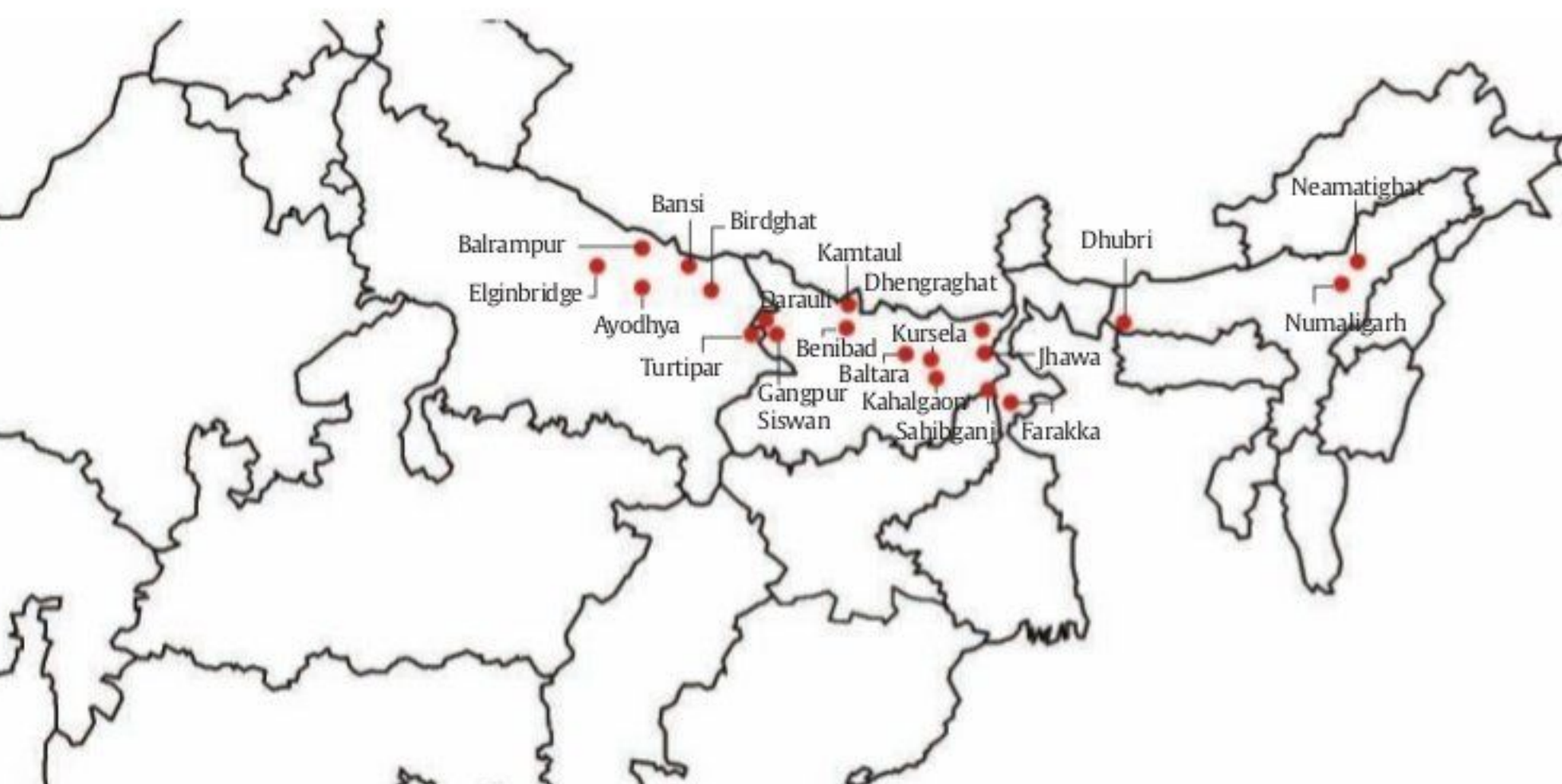
The CWC monitor, a detailed data sheet with current and historical numbers (See 7 pm snapshot alongside) is updated constantly on the commission's web site. As of Monday evening, it had data for only "Moderate Flood Situation Report" — no monitored site was recording the more dangerous "High Flood Situation Report" or "Unprecedented Flood Situation Report".

Among the major rivers, the Ganga was flowing slightly above the danger mark at Kahalgaon in Bihar's Bhagalpur district earlier on Monday evening, and was at the time seen as going up. However, water levels at all other stations were either steady or falling, according to data from the CWC. At all these stations, the water levels were comfortably lower than the next danger mark — the 0.5 m line below the High Flood Level (technically referred to as 'HFL - 0.5').

At 11 pm, 8 of the 20 above-danger-mark monitoring stations were in Bihar, 6 in Uttar Pradesh, 3 in Assam, and 1 each in West Bengal, Odisha and Jharkhand.

The floods in these areas were the result of heavy rainfall in the second half of July. Assam and Bihar were the worst affected. Nearly 17 lakh people in 22 (of 35) districts of Assam and almost 2.5 million people in Bihar were affected, according to the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), which has deployed 80 teams of 45 personnel each in these areas.

The East and Northeast — eastern Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Odisha, Jharkhand, Sikkim, and the entire



FORECAST: MOSTLY FALLING OR STEADY, RISING IN PLACES

7 PM ON MONDAY

Flood forecasting site	River	Danger level	Actual level	Previous highest	Current trend	Forecast
Dhubri, Assam	Brahmaputra	28.62	29.4	30.36 (1988)	Falling	Falling
Neamatighat, Assam	Brahmaputra	85.04	85.4	87.37 (1991)	Falling	Steady
Numaligarh, Assam	Dhansiri (South)	77.42	77.59	79.87 (1985)	Falling	Falling
Kahalgaon, Bihar	Ganga	31.09	31.17	32.87 (2003)	Rising	Rising
Darauli, Bihar	Ghaghra	60.82	60.87	61.74 (1998)	Steady	Rising
Kamtaul, Bihar	Adhwara	50.0	50.0	52.99 (1987)	Steady	Falling
Gangpur Siswan, Bihar	Ghagra	57.04	57.21	58.01 (1983)	Steady	Steady
Benibad, Bihar	Bagmati	48.68	48.88	50.01 (2004)	Falling	Falling
Baltara, Bihar	Kosi	33.85	35.23	36.40 (1987)	Steady	Rising
Kursela, Bihar	Kosi	30.0	30.04	32.04 (1998)	Steady	Falling
Dhengraghat, Bihar	Mahananda	35.65	35.84	38.09 (1968)	Falling	Falling
Jhawa, Bihar	Mahananda	31.4	31.65	33.51 (1987)	Falling	Falling
Elginbridge, UP	Ghagra	106.07	106.58	107.616 (2014)	Falling	Falling
Ayodhya, UP	Ghagra	92.73	93.09	94.01 (2009)	Falling	Rising
Turtipar, UP	Ghagra	64.01	64.33	66.0 (1998)	Steady	Rising
Balrampur, UP	Rapti	104.62	104.97	105.51 (2014)	Falling	Falling
Bansi, UP	Rapti	84.9	84.97	85.82 (1998)	Steady	Rising
Birdghat, UP	Rapti	74.98	75.26	77.54 (1998)	Steady	Falling
Farakka, West Bengal	Ganga	22.25	22.88	25.14 (1998)	Steady	Rising
Sahibganj, Jharkhand	Ganga	27.25	27.47	30.91 (1998)	Steady	Rising

Source: Central Water Commission

Northeastern region — had a late beginning to the monsoon this year. When the rest of the country, mainly central India, was getting heavy rainfall at the end of June and first half of July, these areas had been almost dry.

But when monsoon subsided in the other regions, it began to pour in the East and Northeast. In the week between July 21 and July 27, Arunachal Pradesh received rainfall that was 92% more than normal, Assam had 22% above normal, and Meghalaya had 4% more. During the same time, Sikkim had 40% above normal rainfall, and West Bengal had 66% more. Floods resulted in several deaths and affected at least 5 million people in all.

Bihar and Uttar Pradesh actually had below normal rainfall in this week, but they had received heavy rains in the previous week.

Despite the rains that caused flooding, each of these states, barring Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal, is deficient as far as rainfall in this entire season, beginning June 1, is concerned. East and Northeast India received 28% less rainfall in June, and 2% less in July. Together, it has 13% deficiency so far in this monsoon season.

The phase of heavy rainfall is over in these areas, and the flood situation is likely to improve in the next few days. On Sunday and Monday, very little rain fell in these states.

The latest forecast from the Meteorological department shows little rainfall over the next five days as well. Fresh rounds of rainfall in the East and Northeast is predicted only after August 7.

"For the last two days, our teams are reporting a consistent improvement in the situation, both in Assam and in Bihar. At most places, water has been receding. Similar situation prevails in West Bengal and UP as well. We expect the water to drain out from most places over the next two to three days. However, our teams would remain deployed in the flood-prone areas for some more time," OP Singh, director general, NDRF, said.



This tilted pillar at the Lakshmi Narayan temple in Chamba was damaged most likely during the 1555 Kashmir earthquake. Mayank Joshi, via NYT

In Himachal's temple tilts, signature of two massive earthquakes, a peek into the future

PAPER CLIP

FLAGGING INTERESTING RESEARCH

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HIMALAYAN EARTHQUAKES

Published in *Seismological Research Letters* on July 27, 2016

AUTHORS:
Mayank Joshi and V C Thakur

MANY OF the beautiful 7th-century stone and wooden temples scattered across northwestern India, adorned with hand-carved sculptures of Hindu gods and goddesses, have tilted pillars, slanted rooftops and warped stone floors. These aren't merely on account of wear and tear from centuries of aging — to archaeoseismologists, they provide the telltale signs of massive earthquakes in the region.

Researchers from the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology in Dehradun used the damaged temples to better understand the range and extent of damage caused by a quake that struck a nearby district in 1905 and another that hit a more distant region in 1555. They say the marks imprinted by these disasters provide clues of potential tremors to come in this extremely seismologically vulnerable belt.

The archaeoseismologists, who reported their findings on Tuesday, wrote that the 1905 Kangra quake killed 18,815 people, and described the 1555 incident as "a destructive earthquake in Kashmir, which ruined towns, killed several hundred people, and changed the course of the River Veshu, a tributary of the Jhelum".

The work focuses on temples in the

Himachal Pradesh towns of Chamba and Bhamour, which lie just over 60 km apart in the state's Chamba district. The area has remained relatively quiet for some time, but powerful earthquakes of magnitude 7.5 on the Richter scale or larger have ravaged the surrounding regions. One of the deadliest killed more than 85,000 people in northern Pakistan in 2005.

The temples, which are sandwiched between Kashmir and Kangra, escaped the 1905 and 2005 earthquakes generally unscathed, and there were no evident signs of the quakes in the area's geological record.

"The Chamba kings built many temples at different places during their long reign," Mayank Joshi, lead author of the study, said in an email. "Both earthquakes didn't generate any deformation and destruction in the Chamba area. This factor led us to study earthquake history of the area."

By analysing broken bricks, cracked walls and deformed doorsteps in the temples in both towns and comparing that data with historical accounts of natural disasters, the researchers linked the earthquakes with damage in the ancient structures.

They were able to tell the difference between deformation done by earthquakes and that incurred through old age. The tremors created damage with consistent patterns, like shear marks, that were seen on multiple pillars and walls. The damage in the unaffected temples they examined did not have similar patterns.

They concluded that the 1905 Kangra earthquake damaged the Bhamour temples, but left the Chamba temples untouched. They also found that the 1555 Kashmir earthquake shook the temples in Chamba, but did not affect the ones in Bhamour. This latter finding helped provide a clearer picture of how far the historic 1555 earthquake was felt, improving upon the few reports that survived nearly 500 years after that event.

Dr Joshi suggested that because Chamba is surrounded by faults, the area has the potential to become active again. He added that because the findings show that the area had not experienced any major earthquakes in the last 461 years, it could be overdue for a catastrophic quake.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES

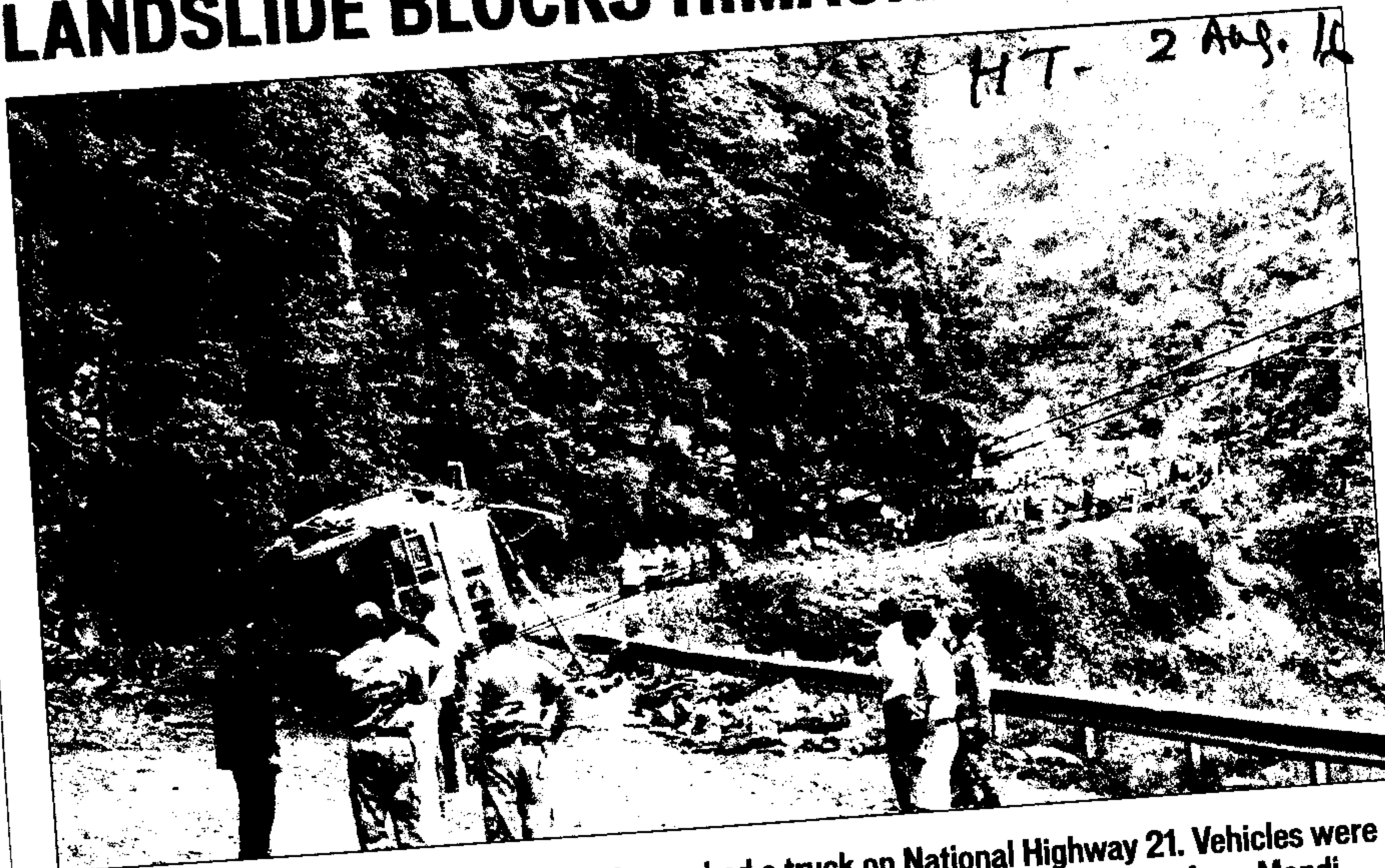
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LANDSLIDE BLOCKS HIMACHAL HIGHWAY



■ Two people were injured when a landslide crushed a truck on National Highway 21. Vehicles were stranded for around 14 hours after the debris blocked the road near Hanogi, 30km from Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, late on Sunday.

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नवभारत 2/8/16 बारिश ने रोकी मोनो रेल, क्रेन से निकाले गए यात्री

■ एजेंसियां, मुंबई : भारी बारिश के कारण सोमवार को मुंबई में मोनो रेल तक रुक गई। यह पहली बार है जब यह डेढ़ घंटे तक रुकी रही हो और यात्रियों को क्रेन से निकाला गया हो।

दरअसल रविवार रातभर हुई बारिश के बाद सोमवार सुबह अचानक मोनो रेल बीच ट्रैक पर ही खराब हो गई। तकरीबन 350 पैसेंजर डेढ़ घंटे तक फंसे रहे। उन्हें बाहर निकालने के लिए क्रेन का सहारा लेना पड़ा। सभी पैसेंजर्स को सुरक्षित निकाल लिया गया। माना जा रहा है कि भारी बारिश की वजह से पावर फेलियर हो गया था। इस वजह से मोनो रेल रुक गई। सुबह 6:30 बजे से ट्रैक पर फंसी हुई ट्रेन को हटाने के लिए एक और मोनो रेल बुलाई गई।

दूसरी ओर उत्तराखंड में बारिश की वजह से भूस्खलन होने से बदरीनाथ और गंगोत्री के रास्ते समेत कई प्रमुख मार्गों पर सोमवार को भी यातायात बाधित रहा। जबकि देहरादून के पास टौंस नदी का जलस्तर अचानक बढ़ने से उसमें इंजीनियरिंग का एक स्टूडेंट बह गया।



2, Aug. 2016



असम, बिहार में 15 मौतों के साथ बाढ़ की स्थिति और गंभीर हो गई। काजीरंगा में एक और गैंडे की मौत के बाद आंकड़ा 13 हो गया।

बारिश के कारण ऋषिकेश-बदरीनाथ और ऋषिकेश-गंगोत्री हाइवे चार दिनों से बंद होने की वजह से चारधाम यात्रा प्रभावित है।

हिमाचल में चंडीगढ़-मनाली NH-21 सोमवार को छह घंटों तक बंद रहा। वहीं नाहन-शिमला रोड रविवार रात से बंद है।



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Yamuna level rises, alert sounded

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YAMUNANAGAR, AUGUST 1

Heavy rainfall in upper reaches of Himachal Pradesh has led to a sudden rise in the water level of Yamuna river. Over 1.59 lakh cusecs of water flowed through the Hathnikund Barrage, the highest during the rainy season, today.

The administration has asked the residents, living in the vicinity of Yamuna, Som, Pathrala and other rivers, to be vigilant.

Source said the water level was 45,796 cusecs at 10 am and it was recorded 1.59 lakh at 12 noon, but receded after 1 pm. Besides Yamuna, a rise in the water level of seasonal rivulets Somb Nadi and Pathrala river was also witnessed. However, there was no report of loss of life and property from anywhere.

Deputy Commissioner SS Phulia said he had asked the

“We have alerted the Yamunanagar residents and informed the Deputy Commissioners of Karnal, Panipat and Sonapat districts about the rise in water level of Yamuna”

SS Phulia, YAMUNANAGAR DC

officers and employees on flood risk management duty to keep a watch on flood-prone areas. He said the administration had made the arrangements related to flood protection.

Phulia said: “We have alerted the Yamunanagar residents and informed the Deputy Commissioners of Karnal, Panipat and Sonipat districts about the rise in water level of Yamuna.”

After the sudden rise in water level, eight farm labours were stranded in the river near the district's Mandewala village on July, 27 and they were airlifted by the Army.

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Landslides, widespread flooding in state

Over 100 roads closed in interiors of Shimla, Kullu, Mandi | Power supply hit

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SHIMLA, AUGUST 1

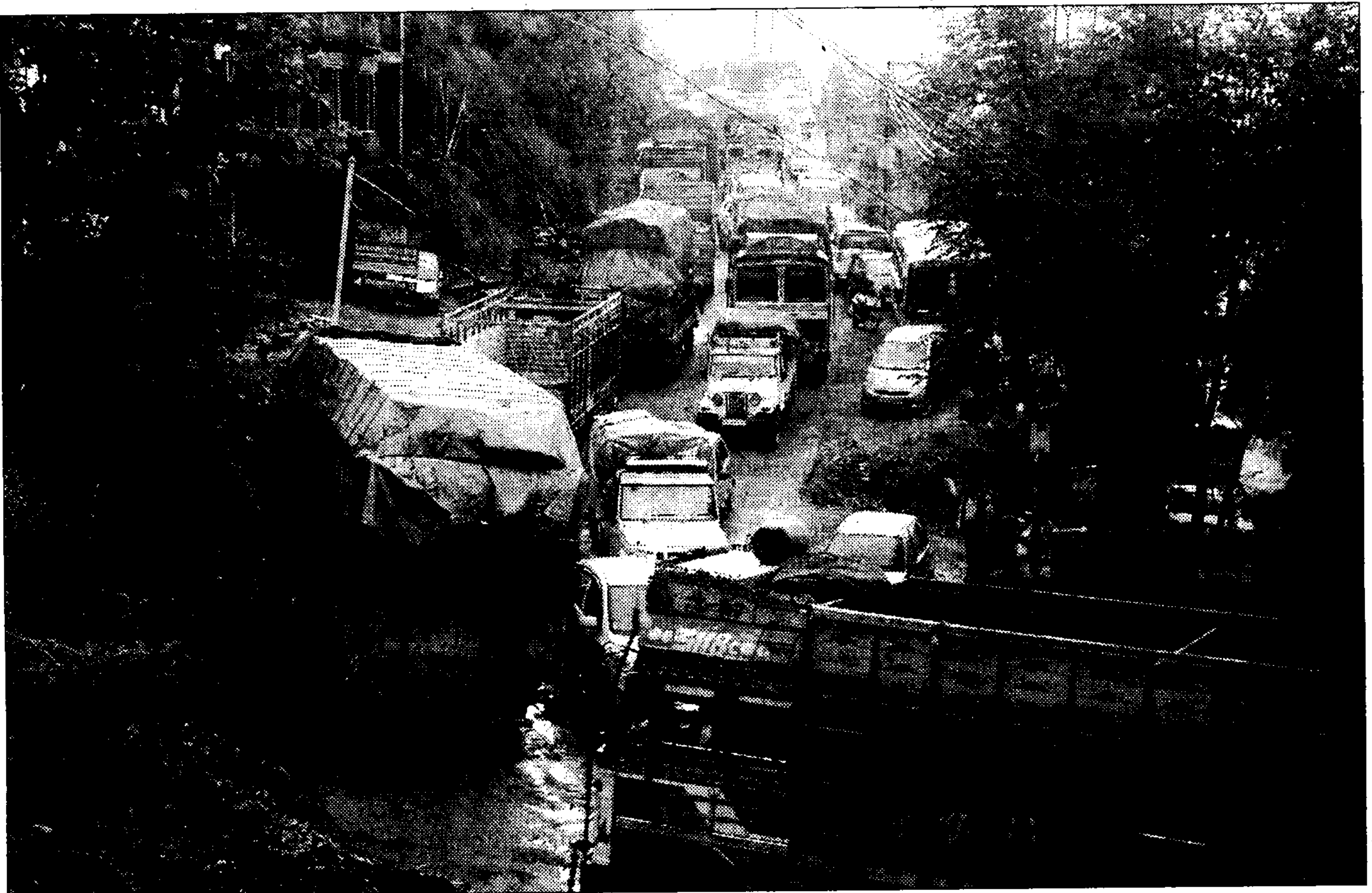
Incessant rain crippled normal life in several parts of the state today, triggering landslides and causing damage to roads, water supply schemes and interrupting power supply.

Landslides occurred at 150 places, including the Kiratpur-Manali and Hindustan-Tibet National Highways. Over 100 roads, including links roads, were closed due to landslides in the interiors areas of Shimla, Kullu, Mandi, Sirmaur, Hamirpur and Kangra districts.

The Kiratpur-Manali road, which was blocked due to a landslide near Hanogi, was opened after 11 hours while the Hindustan-Tibet road, which was blocked due to the blockade of Broni khud near Jhakri, 150 km from here, was opened after more than four hours.

The landslides uprooted trees and power supply was interrupted in parts of Shimla and many areas remained without power for several hours. Landslides occurred at six places in Shimla town, disrupting vehicular traffic. The heavy rain damaged the main pipeline of gravity water supply in Nahan, while several low-lying areas in Hamirpur were inundated.

The rain-related incidents have claimed 22 lives from June 15 to July 31, while the loss to property is estimated at Rs 203.29 crore, which includes loss of Rs 124.70



Vehicles stuck in a traffic jam in Shimla; and (below) a damaged truck on the Chandigarh-Manali NH. PHOTOS: AMIT KANWAR AND JAI KUMAR



Drains choked, roads flooded in Shimla

- Apart from uprooting 22 trees, the rain has caused losses amounting to ₹2.5 crore to the retaining walls and other infrastructure in the city.
- MC Commissioner Pankaj Rai said the damage could go up, while Assistant Commissioner Prashant Sirkek said 17 more trees could fall anytime.
- In some wards, the retaining walls have given way, exposing the poor quality work.
- The rain has left drains choked and roads flooded. Officials said some retaining walls were old and needed repairs.

crore to the Public Works Department, Rs 42.86 crore to the Irrigation and Public Health Department, Rs 15.70 crore to the Horticulture Department, Rs 8 crore to the

State Electricity Board and Rs 4 crore to the Agriculture Department. Further, 71 heads of cattle perished, over 80 houses were totally damaged and over 210

houses suffered partial damage due to the rain.

"About 100 roads were blocked, mostly in rural areas, and work was going on a war footing to clear the roads and

11 JCB of the PWD, 10 hired JCB, six tractors and other machines were deployed at various sites," said DD Sharma, special secretary, Disaster Management.

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Worst flood in decade takes toll on Kaziranga

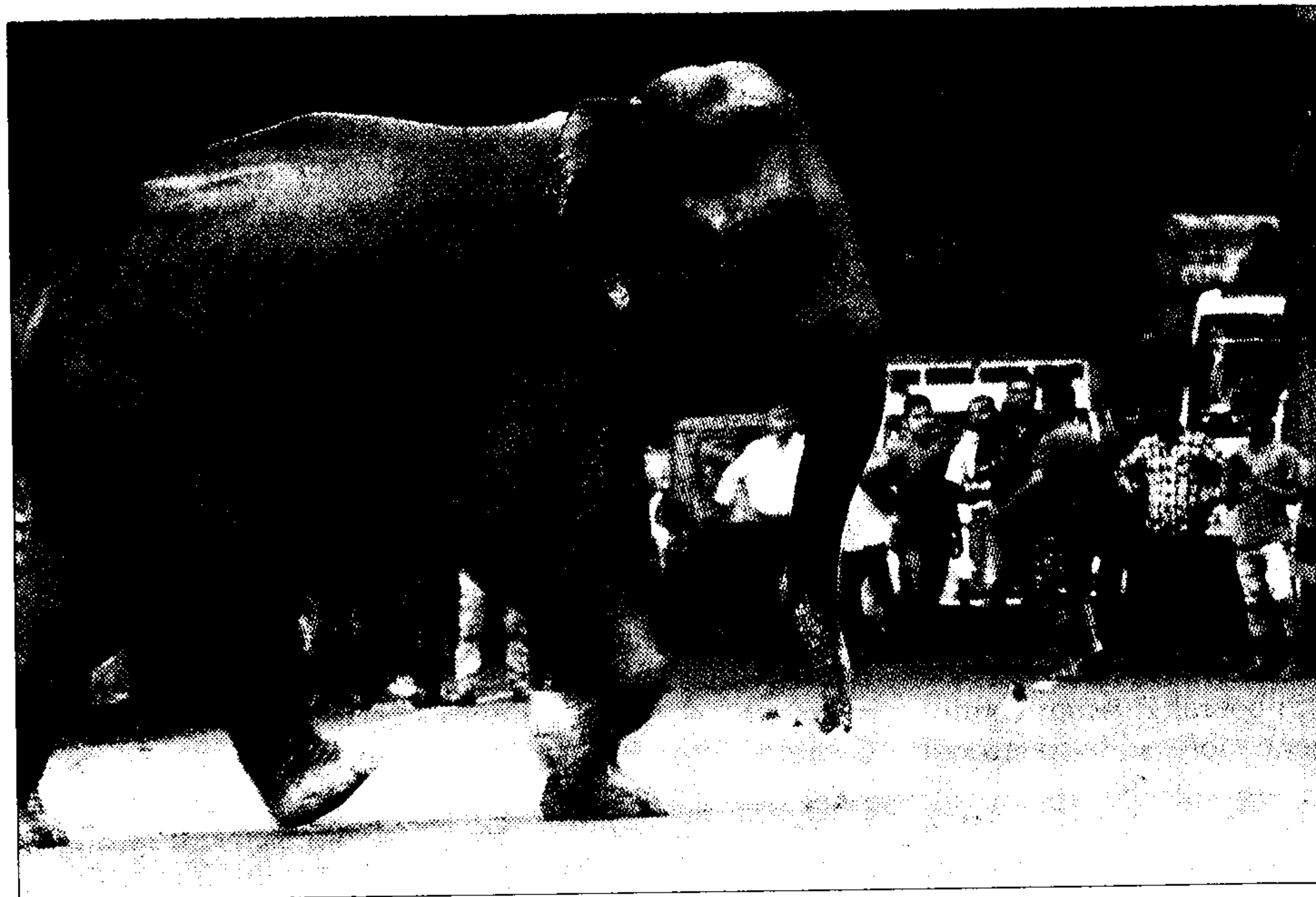
Large number of animals forced to flee; many rescued; 107, mostly hog deer, treated by vets

BIJAY SANKAR BORA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

GUWAHATI, AUGUST 1

The UNESCO World Heritage site and abode of one-horned rhinoceros, Kaziranga National Park (KNP) in Assam has faced worst flood this year in a decade that precipitated unprecedented animal movement and large number of casualties, especially hog deer, a KNP official said.

The Mobile Veterinary Service (MVS) units of the Centre for Wildlife Rehabilitation and Conservation (CWRC) — the wildlife rescue, care and rehabilitation facility jointly run by the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI), Assam Forest Department (AFD) and International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) — have attended to 107 wildlife rescued in the current wave of flood so far in the national park. As large areas were inundated in the park located on the south bank of the Brahmaputra, wild animals came out of it seeking higher ground across National Highway-37 towards the foothills of Karbi Anglong.



HABITAT LOST An elephant crosses a highway as it flees a flooded Kaziranga National Park; and (right) a rhino calf trapped in a drain. PH

While the Kaziranga Forest Authority had introduced a 'Time Card' system to regulate the speed of vehicles on NH37 during the floods, the role of MVS units — three from CWRC and one from WTI and the Japan Tiger and Elephant Fund's Wildlife Res-

cue Centre at Diphu — in running round-the-clock rescue and wildlife crisis mitigation operations in the four Forest Ranges adjoining the highway was crucial.

The MVS teams have handled 107 rescue cases in seven days. They have released 62

hog deer out of 92 rescue cases attended to date; they have also attended three eastern swamp deer rescues (two of the deer survived and were brought to CWRC for treatment).

Working with the Kaziranga Forest Authority, MVS teams have also attended to



10 flood-hit Asian one-horned rhinoceros, out of which one died before it could be brought to the rescue centre. The sudden influx of rescued animals, especially the large number of rhino calves, into CWRC has stretched the centre's resources to the limit.

21% of country has received 'deficient' rain

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 1

Nearly 21 per cent of the country has received "deficient" rainfall till July 31, the India Meteorological Department today said as it released the forecast for August and September, which are expected to witness "above normal" precipitation.

According to the IMD, deficiency has reached 49 per cent in Saurashtra and Kutch region, followed by Gujarat region (39), Himachal Pradesh (27), Assam and Meghalaya (26), Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura and Kerala (25) and Odisha (20). Regions like Vidarbha and Marathwada, which faced acute drought crisis due to two consecutive droughts, have received normal rainfall so far.



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To 1 Aug 2016 In 2 months, city has already got 75% of its average rainfall

GOOD MONSOON SPELL



RAINFALL ON SUNDAY
(8.30 am to 8.30 pm)

COLABA
22mm

SANTACRUZ
72.1mm

TOTAL RAINFALL SINCE JUNE 1

1,285.2mm

1,693.3mm

LAKE LEVELS

Figures in lakh million litres

	JULY 31, 2016	JULY 31, 2015
Modak Sagar	95,099	1,18,306
Tansa	1,14,369	87,877
Vihar	23,538	10,839
Tulsi	8,046	7,193
Upper Vaitarna	1,06,359	76,605
Bhatsa	4,83,582	3,35,900
TOTAL	9,58,426	8,22,166

FORECAST FOR 24 HOURS

Intermittent rain or shower likely in city and suburbs. Heavy rainfall likely to occur at one or two places. Maximum and minimum temperatures likely to be 28° C and 25° C respectively



TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Mumbai: As this monsoon season touched the halfway mark on July 31, the city has already received 75% of its average annual rainfall.

The India Meteorological Department's Santacruz station has recorded 1,693.3mm of rainfall, this monsoon, till 8.30pm on Sunday. With two months of monsoon left, the city is short of only 565mm of the annual mean rainfall of 2,258 mm.

On Sunday, between 8.30am and 8.30pm, Santacruz recorded 72.1mm rainfall and Colaba 22mm.

Mumbaikars can expect heavy rains for the next 48 hours, predicted weathermen. "Various conditions are complementing one another to give the city and state such good rainfall. There is an upper air cyclonic circulation over eastern Uttar Pradesh and also interior Karnataka and a low pressure is developing over the Bay of Bengal," said K S

Hosalikar, deputy director-general, western region, IMD.

Significant rain was received in the catchment areas. While Tulsi lake has already swelled, Vihar lake is less than 1m metre away from the overflow-mark. The full supply level of the lake is 80.12m and it currently stands at 79.34m.

The total amount of water stock in the seven lakes that supply water to Mumbai as on July 31 was 9.58 lakh million litres; it was 8.22 lakh million litres on the same day last year.

193mm rainfall in Thane sparks 2005 deluge fear

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Thane: Flash floods in most residential enclaves, a near-complete disruption of public transport and the nagging fear of a repeat of the 2005 deluge disrupted Sunday for lakhs of Thaneites who witnessed the wettest day of the season.

The skies seemed to have opened up on Sunday as Thane recorded the highest rainfall of 193mm in the last 12 hours, while Navi Mumbai recorded 103mm rainfall in the 24-hour period from 4pm on Saturday to 4pm on Sunday.

"Usually, we describe heavy rains when the downpour is between 40mm and 45mm. In the last 12 hours, Thane received four times more rain coupled with a high tide in the creek front," an official of the disaster management unit told TOI.

The incessant rainfall inundated 26 road stretches in Thane, resulting in traffic jams.

While the low-lying areas—Vandana depot area, Ram Maruti Road, parts of Panchpakhadi, Teen Haath Naka, Thane (E) subway and Kalwa—were waterlogged as usual, the otherwise dry pockets, such as GB Road, Hiranandani Estate and Waghbil, were also submerged. Manish Patil, a marketing executive from Thane said, "I was stranded in a traffic jam on the Eastern Express Highway...I had no option but to return home."

While MSRTC buses were seen running packed to capacity, fewer number of taxis and autos were seen on the roads. Citizens were forced to wade through knee- and waist-high water.

Firemen rescued 12 picnickers from a flooded spot near Hware city on Ghodbunder Road and 60 students from a flooded Majiwada school. Heavy showers brought down eight trees and five house walls in Thane; no casualties were reported.

The Thane Municipal Corporation urged citizens to refrain from venturing out. "Every police, civic, traffic and fire brigade official was on duty. Luckily for us, it was a Sunday and there were not as many people on the streets," said civic chief Sanjeev Jaiswal.

Sunday's downpour washed away the tall claims of the Navi Mumbai civic officials of providing pothole-free roads this monsoon. Fresh potholes surfaced on the Sion-Panvel Road even as poor visibility troubled motorists. Traffic on the Thane-Belapur Road came to standstill as a state transport bus broke down in the middle of Vitawa subway.

Turbhe MIDC police station, located in a low-lying area, was submerged yet again this monsoon, while rainwater gushed into Panvel Rural police station and DCP zone-II office.

—Inputs from BB Nayak

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Hiranandani Estate in Thane was inundated following heavy rains

TRANSPORT WOES IN THE CITY



RAILWAY

➤ Due to waterlogging near Kalwa and soil falling on the tracks near Parsik tunnel, CR services were suspended on slow tracks from 11am. CR then decided to cancel the mega block

➤ 32 CR services were cancelled and 22 partially terminated

➤ Manmad-CST Rajya Rani Superfast Express engine broke down near Asangaon, delaying long-distance services by an hour

ROAD

➤ Waterlogging was reported at Mulund, Ghatkopar, Chembur, Dahisar, Borivli, Bandra, and Malad



➤ Fare refusals were rampant among taxi and auto drivers

➤ Waterlogging affected traffic movement between Malad Link Road and Oshiwara and near Oberoi Mall in Goregaon

AIR | Morning flights were delayed by 20-30 minutes, which had a cascading effect throughout the day



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Landslide, floods derail CR services



A train passes through a flooded Kalwa station on Sunday

Thane: Railway services on the slow corridor between Diva and Thane were disrupted for nearly four hours on Sunday morning following three back-to-back incidents of landslide, waterlogging and a technical snag.

Central Railway services were restored by evening, but the administration had to cancel nearly 22 services and short-terminate another 32. Thane-Vashi train services were also affected due to a signal failure at Thane station.

Around 9.30am, heavy rain loosened the soil along one of the tunnel bridges between

Mumbra and Kalwa and stones fell on the tracks. "We shut the lines between 11am and 11.30am to clear the tracks," said an official.

Nearly 20 minutes after the section was opened for traffic, water levels at Thane and Kalwa stations started rising beyond the permissible limits forcing CR to shut it again. After the water level near Kalwa reached the red mark of 8 inches above tracks following, the slow line was shut between Mulund and Diva. The situation aggravated when a Titwala-bound train developed a snag at Kalwa station around noon.—Manoj Badgeri

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A bridge constructed across the Kagina river near Dandoti village of Chittapura taluk in Kalaburagi district was submerged, affecting traffic for more than 10 hours. (Right) A part of the tower of the historic Hazrat Safdar Hussain Darga in Ratkal village in Chincholi taluk of Kalaburagi district, which collapsed due to heavy rains. DH PHOTOS



Rains submerge bridges in Kalaburagi district

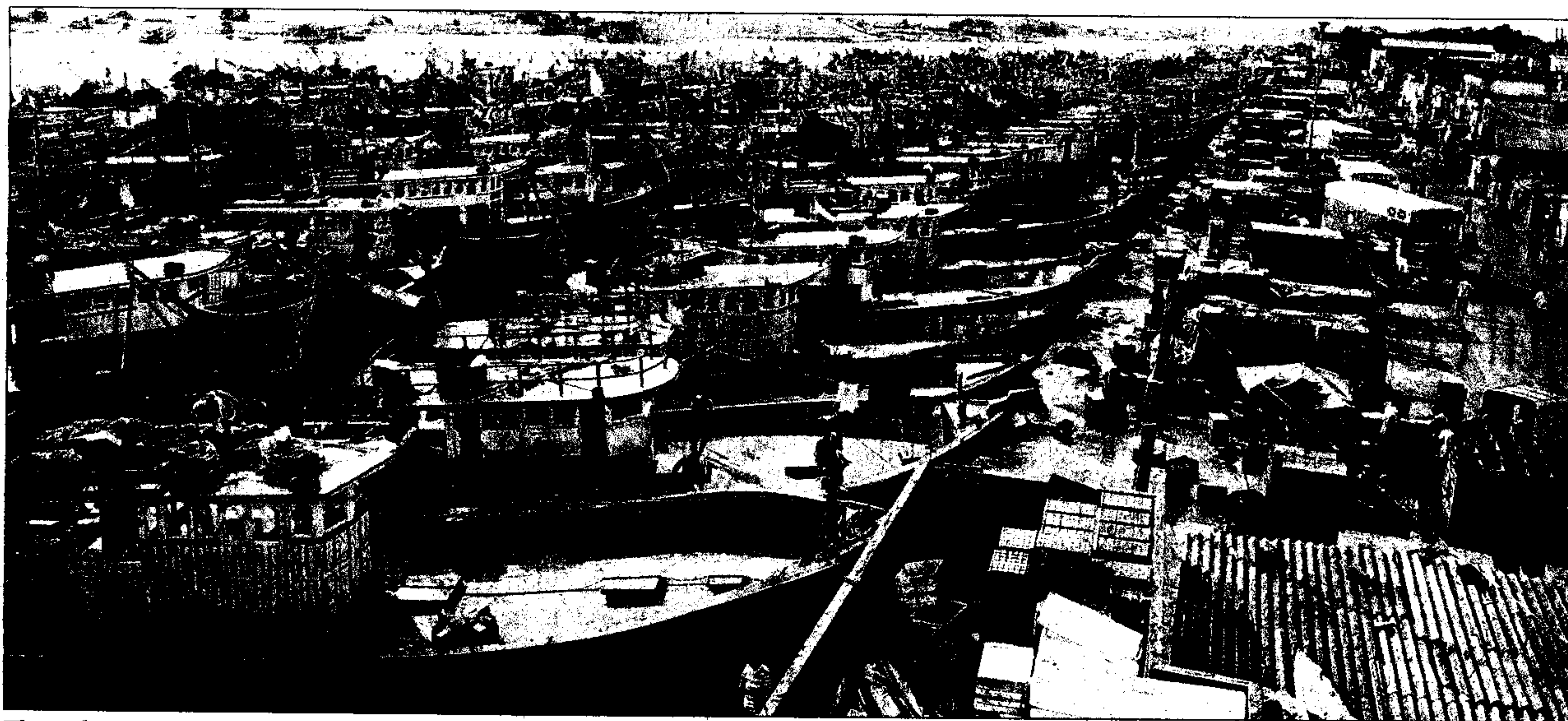
Fishing to resume in coastal districts after 61-day ban

KALABURAGI/MANGALURU: Heavy rains lashed Kalaburagi and Mangaluru districts on Sunday.

A part of the tower of the historic Hazrat Safdar Hussain Darga in Ratkal village in Chincholi taluk of Kalaburagi district collapsed due to the rains which battered the district in the intervening night of Saturday and Sunday.

The tower, which had been closed for some time now, had grown weak. The recent rains weakened the structure leading to its partial collapse. The darga structure is 700 to 800 years old.

A bridge-cum-barrage across the River Bennethora near Malakooda village in Chittapura taluk was submerged,



These boats anchored at the Old Port in Mangaluru will venture into the sea for fishing on Monday after a 61-day break. DH PHOTO

following floods in the river in the wee hours of Sunday.

Crops grown on hundreds of acres of land adjoining the barrage were washed away in the flood.

Chittapura taluk has been receiving heavy rains for the past few days and the River Bennethora was flowing above the danger mark.

This is for the third time in a week that the barrage submerged, the villagers said.

A bridge constructed across Kagina river near Dandoti village in the taluk was also submerged due to incessant rains. Vehicle movement on the route came to a standstill for more than 10 hours.

Incessant rains continue to

lash Dakshina Kannada on Sunday.

In the last 24 hours, Belthangady received 32.9 mm of rains followed by Sullia—32.9 mm, Puttur—22.7 mm, Bantwal—20.8 mm and Mangaluru—19.1 mm. Kodagu district recorded an average of 16.36 mm rainfall.

The fishing season will re-

sume in the coastal district on Monday after a 61-day ban.

The government had banned fishing from June 1 to July 31 in the west coast since monsoon is the breeding season for fish.

Reckless fishing during monsoon will adversely affect fishing in the later months.

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Woman, her 4 sons among 8 dead in Bhiwandi bldg crash

Two Eviction Notices Had Been Ignored

Pradeep Gupta

Bhiwandi: Eight people died and 20 were injured when a two-storey dilapidated building collapsed after hours of heavy rain in Bhiwandi on Sunday morning. The dead include five of a

City has already got 75% of avg rainfall

At the halfway mark of the monsoon season, the city has already received 75% of its average annual rainfall. Sunday's downpour affected railway, road and air traffic in the city. Mumbai can expect heavy rains for the next 48 hours, said weathermen. **P 2**

family (a mother and four sons, three of them minors).

Rain and Bhiwandi's infamous narrow lanes hampered rescue operations. Among two pulled out of the debris



unhurt is a seven-month-old baby. Two of the injured are in a serious condition.

Kabir Building in Gaibi Nagar, which had 22 flats, was 30 years old and in poor condition. The Bhiwandi-Nizampur Municipal Corporation had put it on the dangerous

buildings list and had served its owner and occupants with two eviction notices, which were resisted by some. A source said 18 families had shifted, but four continued to stay on as they were locked in a dispute with the building's owner about redevelopment rights.

RAIN, NARROW ROADS HAMPER RESCUE EFFORTS

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> A few families stayed on in the building as they were fighting the owner over redevelopment rights

CRASHES IN RECENT YRS

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The incident occurred around 9.15am. Locals told TOI that they had informed the police and the fire brigade immediately, but the latter took around 30 minutes to arrive due to heavy rain and traffic jams.

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Overflowing Sarakki lake inundates many houses

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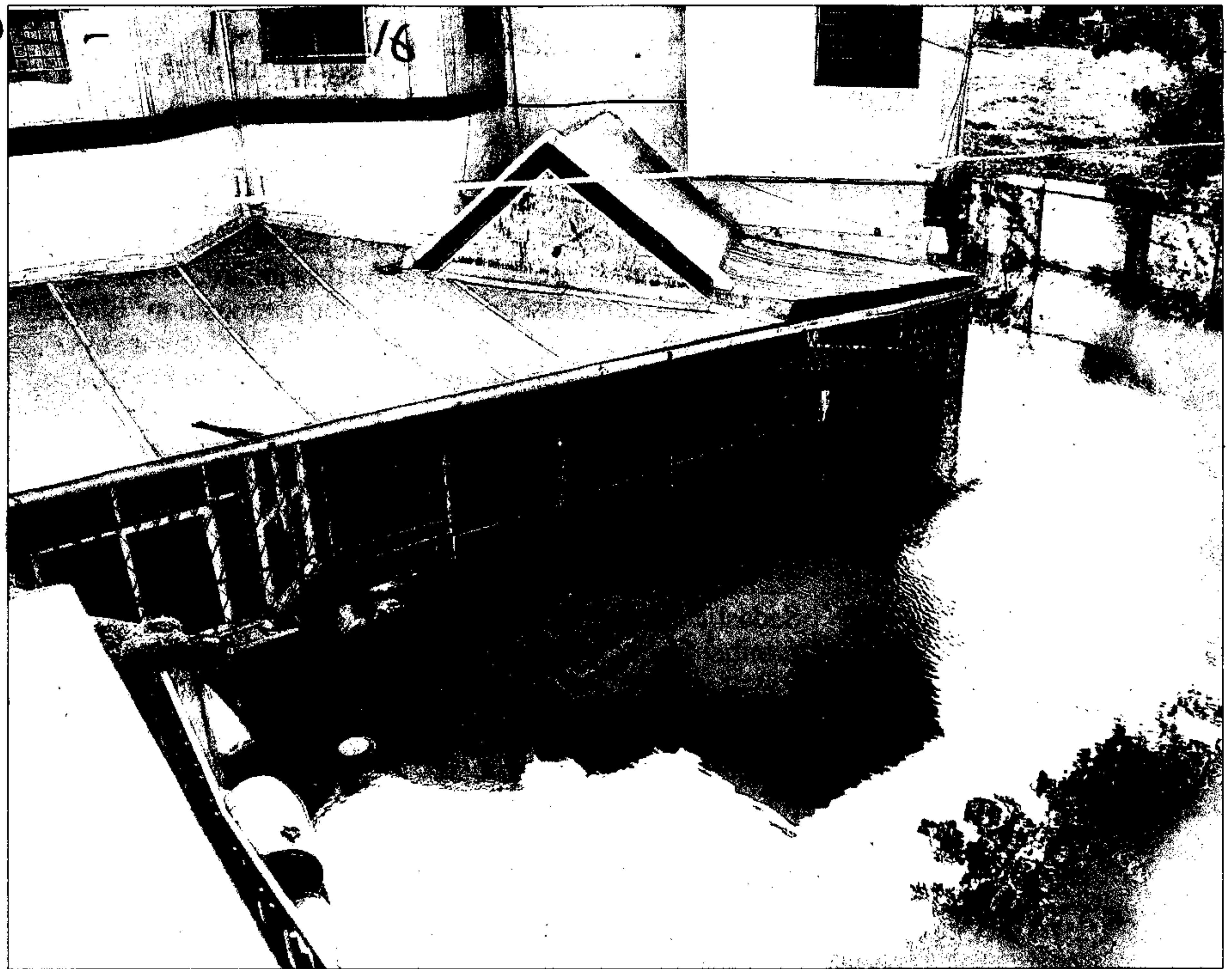
"We have been neglected by the civic authorities. The BBMP officials have done nothing to drain the water for the last three days. The toilets are overflowing and sewage water has entered into the sumps. We do not even have clean drinking water," said Veena Mahesh, a resident of Ashwath Narayana Layout.

With the water level showing no signs of receding, many are considering shifting to other localities. "I am scared of the building's foundation being weakened.

Nearly 100 houses in and around the locality have been affected by the floods. There cannot be a free flow of water unless the BBMP desilts and de-weeds the drains," said Yeshwanth M, another resident from the same area.

These views were echoed by another resident, Deepa N B. "The entire area is covered with water. We have many children in the area. It is a challenge to relocate, especially shift senior citizens. There is no means of transport too," Deepa expressed.

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An ashrama at Ashwath Narayana Layout in JP Nagar is flooded after the Sarakki lake overflowed on Sunday. DH PHOTO

Sit up and take note



Deccan Herald reader Sharath Ahuja sent us this picture of a chair placed near potholes in the middle of K Kamraj Road in the central business district. Just off Kamraj Road is the famous Commercial Street, home to some of the most glitzy shops. The chair is perhaps placed by good Samaritans of the area to alert vehicle riders to the presence of the craters, so that they do not lose control of the vehicles and fall down. It is time for the authorities to sit up and take note.

Rain will start receding soon, says IMD

BENGALURU: Sunday turned out to be a cloudy and chill day for Bengalureans who came out of their homes to enjoy the weekend after Saturday's successful shutdown over the Mahadayi river water dispute. There was little rain to spoil their plans.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has some good news. It has forecast a cloudy sky and a few spells of thundershowers for the next 24 hours, after which the monsoon will recede.

Geeta Agnihotri, director in-charge at IMD, Bengaluru, said the models had indicated active monsoon till July 31 and rains would come down after a day or

two. Rains will recede from Monday onwards when the southwest monsoon ends.

The city received 10.5 mm rainfall up to 8.30 am on Sunday morning but there was no rainfall till 5.30 pm. The same was the case at HAL airport.

The HAL weather monitoring station recorded 8.5 mm rainfall till 8.30 am and no rainfall till 5.30 pm. The Kempegowda International Airport received 19.7 mm rainfall till 8.30 am on Sunday morning and just 0.4 mm till 5.30 pm.

Heavy rains in the last week threw normal life out of gear in the city and inundated several residential areas.

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Rain fury: People spend weekend cleaning slushy homes

Life limping to normalcy in flood-hit S-E Bengaluru

BENGALURU The clear skies on Sunday brought much-needed relief to residents from inundated roads in the flood-affected areas of South East Bengaluru. Almost all residents spent their weekends cleaning their houses that were filled with rain water coupled with slush.

While the fire personnel had almost completed the work of draining out water from the roads, the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) workers were engaged in clearing the rajakaluve and stormwater drains to make way for the water to flow smoothly to the downstream of the Madiwala lake from the Hulimavu and Arekere lakes.

Kodichikkanahalli, BTM layout and Central Silk Board junction among others were the worst affected areas after three lakes breached their boundaries owing to heavy rainfall.

The waters had gushed into more than 300 houses in these areas and DUO Enclave and Anugraha layout were the worst-hit. These localities are limping back to normalcy.

With situation almost returning to normalcy, the fire personnel left the area on Sunday afternoon.

N R Markandeya, deputy director (fire prevention), Karnataka State Fire and Emergency Services (KSFES) told *Deccan Herald* that the entire area has been dried up using motor pumps since three days.

Unscientific construction

"The situation is normal now. But, all these areas can flood again as the rajakaluve is blocked and buildings are constructed unscientifically. At least 250 personnel were part of rescue operations for the last three days and we are prepared for the worst again", he said.

Manoj Bhandary, a resident of DUO Enclave layout said: "We spent the weekend draining out the water. It was a holiday and there were hardly any labourers around. We had access to electricity by afternoon as well as Cauvery water. We are somehow settling down

The fire personnel were of big help to the residents", he noted. Bhandary said he shifted his grandparents to his friend's house in the neighbouring Vijay Bank layout and would get them back if it does not rain heavily in the coming days.

'There is no outlet still'

Sethu Madhav, a retired government employee residing in Anugraha layout was not happy with the work done by the

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Palike. "The inflow of water from the Hulimavu lake to the residential areas has come down. However, the flood-like

situation is going to return as BBMP has not created an outlet still. The civic authorities have only drained out excess water using motor pumps. But, where is the outlet for the rainwater to flow, if the inflow is more?"

However, BBMP officials said they have taken up the work of desilting the periphery of the Madiwala lake which would create an outlet.
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Condition of Kodichikkanahalli, after firemen drained out the water from the inundated streets, on Sunday. DH PHOTO

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Overflowing Sarakki lake inundates many houses

30 girls from an ashram shifted to safer place

BENGALURU: Even as the situation is returning to normal in the flood-affected areas of BTM Layout and Kodichikkanahalli in South East Bengaluru, little has been done to safeguard the residents of Puttenahalli.

For, these people are living in constant fear after water from the overflowing Sarakki Lake has been gushing into their houses over the last three days. Many anxious residents were forced to leave their houses, with the roads being inundated all through the day and night. Around 30 girls aged between four and 18, all residents of the Prasanna Jyothi Ashram, were forced to evacuate.



A resident of Ashwath Narayana Layout in JP Nagar moves out of his submerged house with his belongings on Sunday.

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To make matters worse, the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) is yet to find a way to drain the stagnant water.

“The lake, spread across 84 acres, has two waste weirs, but only one is functional. The civic agencies are scared of opening the second waste weir as it leads to the swollen Kodichikkanahalli lake, which

has wreaked havoc in parts of BTM Layout and surrounding areas,” a resident said.

The affected areas include Ashwath Narayana and Sharadha Layouts. Besides the disconnection of power supply, residents also have to worry about snakes and a possible epidemic outbreak.

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After 6 long months, water to flow from taps in Latur

Sudden Excess Rain Resolves Water Crisis

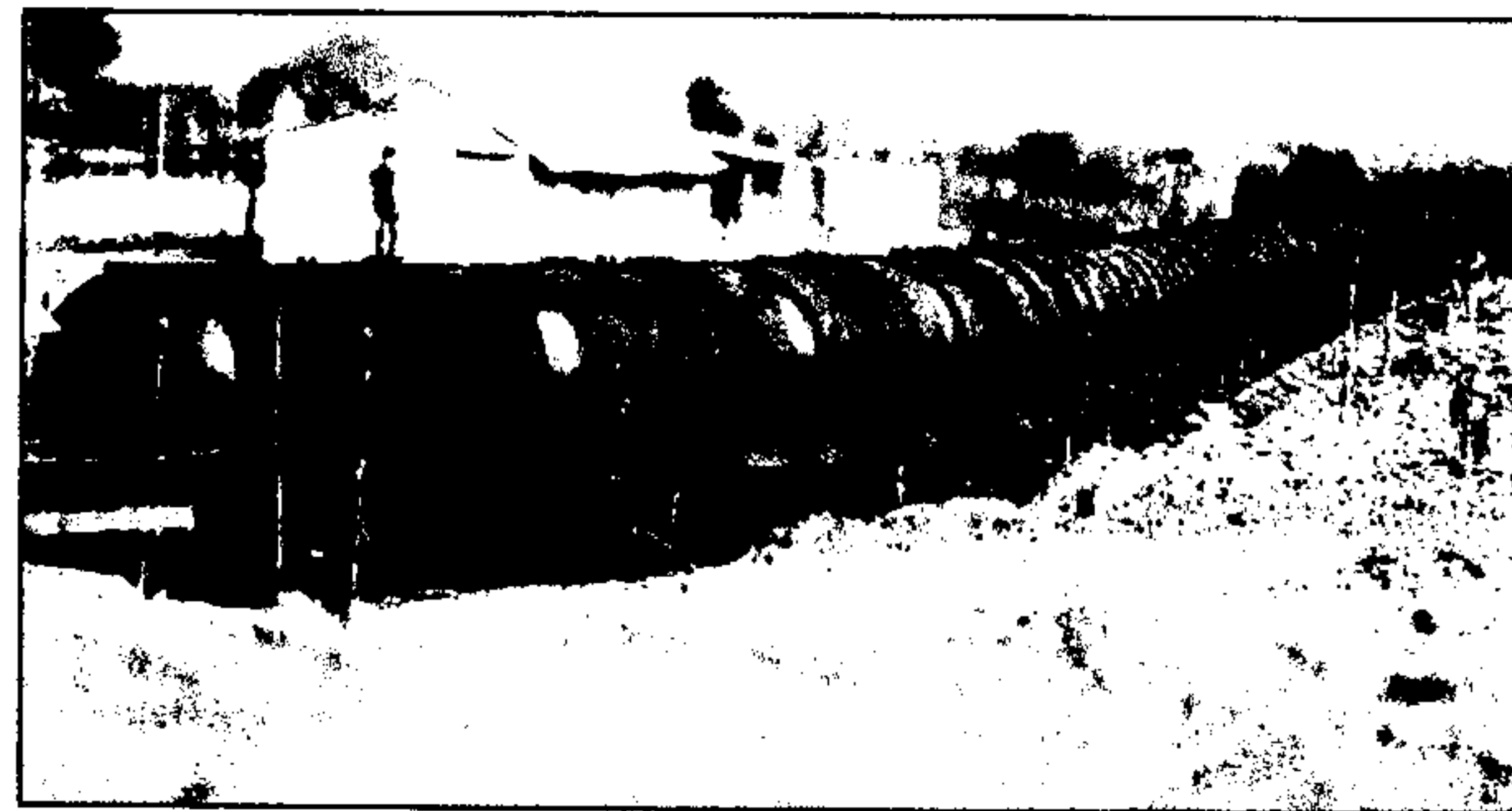
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Aurangabad: Spells of heavy rain over Saturday and Sunday have washed away water scarcity worries from Latur city. The downpour is set to revive tap water supply in the parched city, which was depending on the water trains from Miraj for its daily supply.

At a joint meeting of the local district administration and the Latur civic body on Sunday, it was decided to restart the water supply through taps, which had run dry six months back. The city, which has a population of nearly 4 lakh, last received drinking water through taps in the second week of February.

Latur district received around 68.2mm rain in the 24 hours from 8.30am on Saturday, the highest for this season. The district has received a total of 448.6mm rain since June 1, accounting for 132.6% of the normal expected rainfall. In addition, a couple of supplementary water sources for Latur have suddenly revived.

Latur municipal commissioner Sudhakar Taleng told TOI, "Nagzari barrage and Sai barrage on the Manjra riv-



The city was dependent on water supply through trains, tankers

er have shown a combined rise of nearly 3.5 million cubic metres due to the latest rainfall. Latur city and nearby areas will start receiving drinking water through taps again once in 15 days."

The administration has decided to lift 20 millions litres of water daily from Nagzari barrage and Sai barrage for drinking water supply through pipelines.

Taleng said, "The current stock in both barrages will last for at least four months. We have two months of the monsoon to go. If the good run of the monsoon continues, Manjra dam, that has run dry, will also receive water and help alleviate the scarcity."

Sakeb Osmani, disaster management officer for Latur district, said the current supply of tankers to the city would be gradually phased out once the water supply through taps resumed. "Around 154 water tankers are being supplied in Latur city alone to fulfil drinking water needs. The alternative water supply will be gradually reduced," he said.

News of the revival of the routine water supply spread through the city. Rajesh Washikar, a resident of Mitra Nagar area, said he could not recall the last time the taps at his home had water. "We have become completely dependent on tankers now. Tap water had become a luxury," he said.

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Flood situation stays grim across states, toll now 74

Over 27 Lakh In Bihar And 16 Lakh In Assam Affected

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The flood situation in Assam, where two more people were killed on Sunday, and Bihar remained grim, while the death toll in lightning strikes in Odisha in the last 24 hours climbed from 32 to 45, taking the overall number of casualties to 74.

In Assam, 29 people have so far died as more than 16 lakh people remain affected in 21 districts. About 150 rural roads have been damaged, and 1.47 lakh people are forced to live in 310 relief camps. So far, 1,729 people have been rescued. Rain and thundershowers are likely in Assam in the next 24 hours.

After union home minister Rajnath Singh's visit to the state on Saturday, former chief minister and AGP functionary Prafulla Kumar

Mahanta accused the BJP-led Centre of having failed to deal with the crisis. AGP is a government ally in Assam's BJP-led government. Assam CM Sarbananda Sonowal said that a committee to avert breaches in any embankment in flood-hit Assam would be set up.

Floodwaters in Assam's Kaziranga National Park started receding on Sunday, uncovering several more carcasses of animals. At least 198 animals, including 16 rhinos, have so far died in the rains. About half of the park's 430-sq km area is still under water.

In Bihar, the situation in four districts of Purnia division hit by Mahananda, Bakra, Parman and Kosi rivers remained grim with 3 lakh people living in 415 relief camps. So far 26 people have died. About 150 jawans of disaster response forces are

conducting rescue and relief operations in Purnia.

Overall, 27.5 lakh people in 2,162 villages are affected in Bihar's 12 districts. Five engineers were on Sunday suspended for alleged corruption in flood-protection measures in West Champaran district.

Uttar Pradesh continued to receive heavy downpour with many rivers, including Ganga and Sharda, flowing near or above the danger mark, creating flood-like situations in several villages. In Uttarakhand, five pilgrims were injured following a landslide in Rudraprayag where incessant rain led to blocking of several roads including Chardham routes. In Odisha, heavy rainfall and thundershowers coupled with gusty surface wind are likely to lash several parts.

(With inputs from Guwahati, Patna and Lucknow)

Met dept hits bullseye with rain forecast

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New Delhi: The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has hit bull's-eye with its countrywide monsoon forecast for July. The month ended with a rain surplus of 7%, exactly as the IMD had predicted, leading to higher than normal sowing activity across the country.

In its second-stage monsoon forecast released on June 2, IMD had predicted monsoon's performance in July to be 107% of the long term average (that is, a surplus of 7%), with a model error of 9%. It has forecast 104% rain in August and an "above-normal" overall monsoon performance at 106% of average.

Halfway into the monsoon season, the department's regionwise forecasts are also more or less on track.

As against a prediction of 108% of average rainfall for the entire season in northwest India, the region has so far received 106%.

Central India too has so far received 106% of average rainfall, as against a forecast of 113% for the season. Likewise, the prediction for south India was 113% while actual rain so far has been 104%. For east and northeast India, actual rain has been 87% of average while the prediction is 94%.

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Water level receding at Dhubri

A CORRESPONDENT

DHUBRI, July 30: With the water level of the Brahmaputra river going down, the flood situation in the entire district of Dhubri is expected to improve soon.

The Central Water Commission (CWC) stated that though the river had been flowing above the danger level of 28.62 metres since the last few days, it came down on Friday. On Thursday, the level was 30 metres, while on Friday it came down to 29.97 metres and by Saturday, it fell down further to 29.82 metres. It is expected that the water level will further go down to 29.55 metres by Sunday night.

Officials at the Flood Forecast Site

of the CWC said that if there was no rainfall, the water level would go below the danger level within a week. "Within a few days, the water will drain out of Dhubri town, where eight wards are still under water," said an official. They also hoped that the flood situation would improve in the villages within a week.

Regarding the current flood situation, the District Disaster Management Authority stated that more than 478 villages under all the six revenue circles of the district are still submerged, affecting the lives of 8.41 lakh people. It added that 112 relief camps have been set up in the district. As many as 1,62,28.72 quintals of rice, 1,972.28 quintals of dal

and 519.07 quintals of salt, have already been distributed in the flood-hit areas of the district.

"In view of the current situation, we are making arrangements for a few more relief camps in the district," said an official of the district administration, who also added that arrangements for potable drinking water, food and medicines are being made in these relief camps.

Meanwhile, many people have complained that they are not happy with the arrangements in the relief camps. As the camps have not been able to accommodate all the flood-affected people, a lot of them have been forced to live in makeshift camps on the roadside.

Minister takes stock of Darrang flood scene

CORRESPONDENT

MANGALDAI, July 30: Minister of State for Revenue, Disaster Management and Labour and Employment Palab Lochan Das on Friday visited the flood-affected Darrang district and took stock of the relief and rescue measures.

Accompanied by Mangaldai MLA Gurujyoti Das and Sipajhar MLA Binanda Kumar Saikia, the minister visited the areas under the worst-hit

Mowamari Panchayat and Garukhuti Panchayat and interacted with the people staying in relief camps. Earlier, he reviewed the flood situation in the district and the relief measures undertaken to tackle it.

Meanwhile, referring to an allegation made by MLA Binanada Kumar Saikia against the Executive Engineer of the Mangaldai Water Resources Division, Bhogeswar Saikia, of not responding to his phone calls, minister Das directed the

government officials concerned to ensure round-the-clock communication during flood or face disciplinary action. According to Narnarayan Nath, in-charge Deputy Commissioner, a total of 1,85,000 people and 17,000 hectares of cropland, besides around 1,50,000 livestock, have been affected in 128 villages under four revenue circles of the district. The death of a two-and-a-half-year-old child at No. 3 Dholpur village has been reported in the flood, added Nath.



Two elderly women moving to a safer place on a country boat in flood-affected Mayong on Friday. – UB Photos

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3 more die as flood hits 23 districts

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GUWAHATI, July 30: The havoc created by the current wave of flood in the State remained intense even today, as the number of flood-affected districts rose to 23 and three more cases of flood-related deaths have been reported.

The worst affected districts include Golaghat, Bongaigaon, Barpeta, Goalpara, Dhubri, Darrang and Morigaon. In each of these districts, over one lakh

people were affected by the flood. In all, 2,40,680 people are taking shelter in the 402 relief camps and 291 relief distribution centres set up by the authorities, said a flood bulletin issued by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) here this evening.

According to the evening flood bulletin of the Central Water Commission (CWC), the Brahmaputra is flowing above its danger levels at Neamatighat, Tezpur, Goal-

para and Dhubri. At Neamatighat it is maintaining a steady trend, while at the other three areas it is maintaining a falling trend.

Dhansiri (South) is flowing above its danger level at Numaligarh with a falling trend, while the Jia Bharali is flowing above its danger level at NT Road Crossing with a steady trend, the Puthimari is flowing above its danger level at NH Road Crossing with a falling trend. (See page 13)

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strengthened and repair works will have to be done wherever necessary.

Singh also appealed the non-government organisations to come forward to help the people in distress. "The NDRF and the SDRF are doing good work and so far 6,000 affected persons have been rescued. The NDRF has pressed into service as many as 60 boats for rescue work," the Home Minister added.

It may be mentioned that the State government will give ex gratia of Rs 4 lakh to the next of kin of those killed in flood.

Earlier, Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal also submitted a memorandum to the Home Minister seeking assistance from the Centre for the flood-affected people. Sonowal also told media-persons that the State government has decided to bear all the medical expenses of one Binita Dutta, a cancer patient, who has also been severely hit by flood.

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Yemen govt accepts UN peace plan, rebels reject it

KUWAIT CITY, AFP: Yemen's government on Sunday accepted a UN proposed plan to end fighting that has killed thousands, but the rebels rejected it, insisting that any settlement must first tackle a unity administration.

The draft agreement, which follows several months of UN-brokered negotiations in Kuwait, stipulates that the Iran-backed Huthi Shiite rebels must withdraw from Sanaa, which they overran in September 2014.

Yemen, home to what the United States sees as Al-Qaeda's deadliest franchise, descended into chaos after the



NORMAL TROUBLES: People cross a flooded road after heavy rain on the outskirts of Yemeni capital Sanaa on Sunday. AFP

2012 ouster of longtime strongman Ali Abdullah Saleh.

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A bloodbath

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led Arab coalition launched a military campaign to support Hadi.

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The proposed peace deal is broadly in line with the demands of Hadi's government.

It replaces a roadmap previously proposed by UN envoy Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed that stipulated the creation of a unity government including the insurgents, which was rejected by Hadi's government.

Under the new plan, a political dialogue between the factions would start 45 days after the rebels withdraw and hand over heavy weapons to a mili-

tary committee to be formed by Hadi. Prisoners of war would also be freed.

The government's acceptance came after a meeting in Riyadh chaired by Hadi.

"The meeting approved the draft agreement presented by the United Nations calling for an end to the armed conflict and the withdrawal (of rebels) from Sanaa" and other cities they have seized, said a statement.

According to sources close to the delegates at the Kuwait talks, the government accepted the deal following pressure from Saudi Arabia which wants to show the rebels are unwilling to accept a political solution.

Turkey sacks 1,400 from army, changes military council

Flash point: Prez candidate a 'black soul', says slain soldier's dad

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