# Assam floods hit 9 lakh, rhino parks bear brunt

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Guwanar, septemble 6
The flood situation continues to remain grim in Assam with rivers still showing rising trend, inundating new areas in many parts of the state. The situation is particularly worse in Marigaon, Dhemaji, Lakhimpur, Dibrugarh and Tinsukia districts.

The current wave of

#### Kaziranga, Pabitora parks submerged

- The core riffine habitat inside latings Kentranga National Park of the Brahmaputra south ball the season and Golagnat districts has been submerged
- The rising water has forced the animals, including elephants and one-horned rhinos, to cross over the perilous \*\* NH-715 to take refuge in Karbi Anglong district
- Forest officials have mounted vigil and introduced a system to regulate the speed of vehicles plying on the highway through the national park

flood has inundated two very important wildlife protection areas and rhino

habitats in the state, Kaziranga National Park (KNP) and Pabitora

Whichife Sanctuary. Besides, nine takh people in 18 districts have been affected and there has been extensive damage to roads, bridges, embankments and houses. Standing paddy over an area of 1.43 lakh hectares has been destroyed.

More than 3.35 lakh people have been affected in Dhemaji district alone while the residents of Dibrugarh town in eastern

Assam have faced unprecedented hardship with flood water from the Brahmaputra submerging almost all the localities in the town. The authorities have borrowed machines from Oil Indian Limited to attempt pumping out flood water from the town area, but in vain.

Union Minister of State for Sports and Youth Affairs, Sarbananda Sonowal, today visited the flood-affected areas of Lakhimpur district and talked to the people who had taken shelter in relief camps in the district.

Sonowal claimed that the Central government had already provided money to the Assam government for various relief operations. He said that all the MLAs in the state should stand by those affected by the floods at this time of distress.

# Time, funds must to save Srinagar from another disaster says govt

#### SUMIT HAKHOO

#### JAMMU, SEPTEMBER 6

After a year that witnessed change of guard in the state, the Irrigation and Flood Control Department headed by Sukhnandan Choudhary is confronted with the challenge to save Srinagar from any possible disaster.

In Jammu, where the Tawi, Ujj and Chenab breached its banks last year, the government has been posed with the task of strengthening flood protection works.

Sukhnandan Choudhary elaborated the long-term flood management plan which includes regular dredging, removal of encroachment along the banks of the rivers and creating alternative flood

### 80% resits restored: Builderi

Talking to The Tribune on the first anniversary of the floods, Minister for Public Works Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari said: "Nearly 80 per cent of road network has been completely restored. The work on the rest is in progress. So far, bridges have been temporarily repaired. I can say with confidence that complete restoration will be done by March 31, 2017, as bridges damaged by the natural calamity need time to rebuild."

### The take that call on 71.35 lake or package

The sale for ammu and Kashmir to get a financial package may are soon and the package could be a staggering T1.35 like crore. The lie is pending with Prime Minister Naran and Modifiche has to take a final call on it.

channels as the only solution, which needs greater synergy between the civil society and the government.

"Decades of neglect and greed has destroyed wetlands and flood channels making the Valley, especially Srinagar, vulnerable to floods, which needs a step-by-step approach. Our main task is to save Srinagar from another flood for which time and funds are necessary," said Sukhnandan.

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# Threat looms as mitigation measures yet to take off

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#### SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 6

With a series of mitigation measures recommended by experts remaining unimplemented over the past year, the threat of floods remains real in Kashmir.

The recommendation and preventive measures to "minimise the risk" associated with floods — suggested by experts and also documented in an official assessment report of the state government — have remained unimplemented even as the Kashmir region is ready to mark the anniversary of last year's devastating floods.

The official report prepared after last year's deluge by the Indian Space Research Organisation's National Remote Sensing Centre and the state government's Department of Environment and Remote Sensing had suggested 14 recommendations aimed at minimising the risk of floods.

The key recommendation



A vehicle makes way through a flooded road in the Kashmir valley. TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

#### Disaster force remains without a boat

The State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) of the region has no boats in its armoury for rescue operations. The state government is yet to procure boats for the SDRF, an auxiliary unit whose personnel are tasked to be among the first responders during disasters such as flood, official sources said. The sources said the SDRF had no boat at the time of the floods last year. It is now relying on a "few rented" boats, parked at its headquarters in Srinagar. The boats are in a decrepit state, the sources said. The SDRF needed at least 20 boats to operate in Srinagar in case of floods.

of the report had suggested digging up of an alternative flood-spill channel for the Jhelum river, which would run parallel to it from south to north Kashmir's Wullar lake. The idea of having an alternative flood-spill channel, an official of the state's irrigation and flood control department said, had been proposed to the Central

government in 2010.

The department had suggested a spill channel which can have an intake capacity of 60,000 cusecs from Dogripora in south Kashmir to Wullar.

The current discharge capacity of the river, which snakes through the region, is 25,000 cusecs and together with the existing flood-spill

channels it takes about

#### Proposals on paper

- Alternative flood spill channel for the Jhelum
- Widening & comprehensive desilization of existing flood-spill channels
- Desiltation of Jhelum and Jakes and strengthening of the river's embankments

#### **Capacity of Jhelum**

- ■The current discharge capacity of the Jhelum river, which snakes through the region, is 25,000 cusecs. With existing flood-spill channels, Jhelum takes about 35,000 cusecs
- Last year in September, the Jhelum volume reached 1.2 lakh cusecs, causing unprecedented flooding

35,000 cusecs of water. Last year in September, the water volume of the Jhelum reached 1.20 lakh cusecs, wrecking the region with an unprecedented flooding.

Several hundred residential and commercial neighbourhoods were wrecked by the devastating deluge last year which took the state government off guard. The Valley has since witnessed an unusually high number of flood alarms.

Officials said the construction of an alternative floodspill channel, which is estimated to run a distance of 80-km, has been hit by lack of funding. The channel will approximately cost Rs 18,000 crore out of which Rs 13,500 crore will have to be spent on land acquisition and compensation.

The report had also suggested desiltation of the Jhelum river and lakes and strengthening of the river's embankments — on which meagre progress has been made in the past months.

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## No end to ordeal of Udhampur's Saddal survivors



Flood victims of Saddal village in Udhampur district outside a relief camp. TRIBUNE PHOTO: INDERJEET SINGH

#### ARTEEV SHARMA

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A year has passed since the entire Saddal village vanished under landslides on September 6, 2014, but there is hardly much change in the ordeal of survivors of the tragedy. They are still awaiting government help for their permanent rehabilitation.

Forced to live in small compartments, separated by fixing plywood in a large cemented hall with tin sheets on the banks of a nullah, 51 Dalit families comprising 215 people from Saddal village are leading a miserable life and grudges against the state government are quite visible on their faces.

Their condition of living could be gauged from the fact that women of these families cook food under open sky by collecting sticks, twigs and leaves, and in rainy season they shift earthen stoves to small compartments allotted to them, causing serious health problems to them.

At least 40 villagers were buried alive after the entire Saddal village in the Panchari Hills of Udham-

#### Yet to be rehabilitated

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pur district came under landslides following incessant rain in September 2014. Bodies of four persons are yet to be traced from the debris. The Centre had also announced that Saddal village would be developed as the first "smart village" of J&K, but nothing has happened in the last one year.

"In the last one year, this is the fourth place where we have been dumped to live an inhuman life. We have been provided kerosene only once in the last one year. Initially, the government announced to provide free ration to all affected families for six months, which we got, but no ration has been provided to us in the past three months," said Ishar Dass, a villager.

# Relief dries up, road to recovery agonisingly slow

## People still picking up the pieces as rehab yet to gather pace

AZHAR QADRI & ARTEEV SHARMA TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR/JAMMU, SEPTEMBER 6 In the first week of September last year, Jammu and Kashmir recorded an unusually high amount of rain, ending with a devastating deluge that submerged residential and commercial neighbourhoods and struck a damaging blow to the region's economy.

The south Kashmir districts of Kuagam, Ananthag, Shopian ai d Pulwama were the first to get affected by the floods in early September as heavy rain wrecked the region and swelled the streams into ravaging water bodies.

Many interlinking roads in south Kashmir and the stretch of the Srinagar-Jammu highway passing through the districts were blocked as the Jhelum began to overflow its embankments.

Kashmir had witnessed similar floods in 1903 and 1959, but the deluge of 2014 is considered to be the most severe and most destructive in magnitude as it was beyond the rescue and relief capacity of the state government.

The floods dealt the most severe blow when the floodwaters entered Srinagar on September 7 and marooned major residential and commercial neighbourhoods and headquarters of the state government, police and emergency services.

Within hours, most parts of western, central and eastern Srinagar were under 10 to 15 feet of water, creating one of

the most distressing humanitarian crises in the region.

Thousands were stranded in the upper storeys of their houses and thousands others displaced, taking shelter in makeshift camps.

For the rest of September, Kashmir struggled with immediate relief and rehabilitation. Communication systems were paralysed and shortage of medicines, food and other essential supplies worsened chaos.

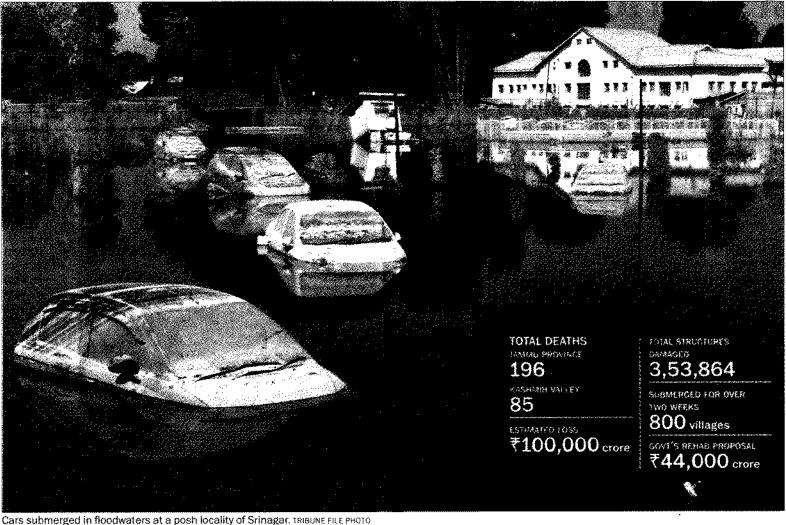
The first response to the devastating floods came from young men who risked their lives to carry out rescue and relief operations.

In the aftermath of the floods, its victims had to undergo a long and agonising wait for rehabilitation and rebuilding of their lives. The state government made a slow start in disbursing interim relief and it took nearly six months for release of the first instalment.

In Jammu division, the floods left a trail of death. Nearly 200 persons lost their lives in flash floods triggered by heavy rain. In Udhampur and Rajouri districts, 33 bodies could not be recovered so far.

Survivors of the Rajouri bus mishap, in which 67 members of a marriage party were washed away, were scarred with painful memories. At least 15 bodies could not be traced so far.

The administration is yet to provide permanent road connectivity to Poonch town as the two main bridges -Sher-e-Kashmir and Nangali — are vet to be restored.



#### **DESTRUCTION IN NUMBERS**

INFRASTRUCTURE DAMAGEO BRIDGES/CULVERTS - 550

ROAD NETWORK - 6,000 km

PUCCA HOUSES FULLY DAMAGED: 83.044

PUCCA HOUSES PARTIALLY DAMAGED: 96,089

KUTCHA HOUSES FULLY DAMAGED: 21,162

KUTCHA HOUSES PARTIALLY DAMAGED: 54,264

HUTS, COWSHEDS DAMAGED: 99,305

POSITION TO THE ENGINEERING Loss: ₹162.85 crore

TOTAL RUBBLE REMOVED FROM SRINAGAR: 68,000 tonnes

AGRICULTURE

TOTAL LOSS: ₹4,043 crore

HORTICULTURE

TOTAL LOSS: ₹1.568 crore

CATTLE PERISHED MILCH CATTLE: 10,050 SHEEP/GOAT: 33,000

MATER LEVEL

SEPTEMBER 3: At 6 pm, Jhelum crosses danger level (red mark) at Sangam

SEPTEMBER 4: At midnight, Jhelum crosses danger

level at Srinagar

SEPTEMBER 5: At 7 am, Jhelum crosses danger level at Asham

#### INTERIM RELIEF

FOR PARTIALLY DAMAGED HOUSES: ₹3.800 (already given)

FOR SEVERELY DAMAGED HOUSES: ₹12,600 (1st. instalment given), ₹50,000 (2nd instalment underway)

FOR FULLY DAMAGED HOUSES: ₹75,000 (1st. instalment given), ₹1 lakh (2nd instalment given), ₹1 lakh (3rd instalment underway)

(Compiled by Azhar Qadri)

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 Flood affected victims shift to safer places using local boats at Kothari village in Nagaon district of Assam on Sunday.

# Over 17 lakh affected, 45 dead in Assam floods

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**GUWAHATE**: The flood situation in Assam remained grim on Sunday with water level of Brahmaputra and its tributaries being above danger level.

As per official statement on Sunday, 17.68 lakh people have been affected in the current floods. As many as 21 districts have been affected in the flood that begun on August 22. A total of 277 relief camps have been opened for flood-affected people.

The death toll has gone up to

45 with five more people dying in flood related incidents in different parts of the state on Sunday.

In Guwahati, the Brahmaputra is flowing over the danger level for the fourth day on Sunday Official sources said that the army, NDRF and SDRF are carrying out rescue and relief operations.

Around 10,000 people have been evacuated in Morigaon and Nagaon districts on Friday.

Nearly 2 lakh people have taken shelter at relief camps and 352 villages have been submerged in Barpeta district.

(With agency inputs)

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# Difficult to release water to TN, says Siddaramaiah



Owing to less rainfall in the catchment area of the Cauvery in Kodagu district, water level in the KRS reservoir near Srirangapatna in Mandya district dipped on August 30.

H.S. Narasimha Kumar

MYSURU: Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has hinted that it may be difficult for the State to release Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu at this juncture as Karnataka is reeling under unprecedented drought.

He was speaking to presspersons after inaugurating the new court building complex in Mysuru on Saturday.

Mr. Siddaramaiah said it was not that the State did not want to release water, but was bogged down by acute distress with storage levels in all reservoirs being low.

"If we receive rain, we will definitely release water. Even in June and July, there was discharge from Karnataka," he said. This is a period of 'This is a period of drought and States should share the distress'

drought and as such, the riparian States should share the distress, he said.

The Chief Minister said the State had recorded 43 per cent deficient rainfall between June 1 and July 15, as per the report of the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC). He said this was the lowest rainfall recorded in the last 42 years. Crops in most districts in the State have withered and groundwater in many districts depleted. Fodder had become

precarious, he said and added that drinking water was being supplied through tankers to over 700 villages.

Centre's assistance had been sought to mitigate the drought situation. Karnataka is supposed to release 192 tmcft of water as per the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal's final order. The water level at the Krishnaraja Sagar (KRS) on Saturday was 103.15 ft against the full reservoir level of 124.8 ft. While the gross storage capacity of the dam is 49.45 tmcft, the storage as on Saturday was 25.38 tmcft. The gross storage capacity in Kabini reservoir is 19.52 tmcft, against which the storage on Saturday was 19.19 tmcft, as per statistics from the KSNDMC.

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## Rains reappear after a break

BENGALURU, DHNS: Rains reappeared in parts of the State bringing respite from the sweltering heat.

Heavy rains lashed Hosapete taluk for around two hours early on Saturday morning. Banana plantations in Kamalapura were damaged due to heavy rains.

A part of the tower of a choultry in front of Vijaya Vittala Mandira in the Hampi ruins collapsed following rains. Vehicular movement on Kamalapura-Talwarghatta road was affected as a canal overflowed. Heavy rain lashed Hubballi and Dharwad towards Saturday evening after a break of nearly a month. The 30 minute show ers brought traffic to a standstill as most of the roads were waterlogged.

After a long break, moderate to heavy rains accompanied by lightning lashed some parts of Shivamogga district.

Shivamogga, Bhadravathi, Hosanagar, some parts of Thirthahalli, Sagar and



Saturday, OH PHOTO

Shikaripur received rains. Among them, Shivamogga city received a good spell of rains that lasted for nearly 40 minutes. The Mysuru region received good rain, except Mandya and Chamarajanagar

While the rainfall started by 8 pm in Mysuru, parts of the district received the showers in the evening. Eight persons of Chakkodanahalli in HD Kote taluk of Mysuru district suffered injuries due to lightning

on Saturday evening at Chakahalli. Hassan received rain for more than one hour. Some parts of the district also received the showers in the evening, accompanied by lightning.

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# Rain deficit rises to 36% in Punjab and Haryana

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 5

Marking an early retreat, the southwest monsoon will withdraw from some more areas of northwest India over the next two-three days with Punjab and Haryana faring the worst with a shortfall of 36 per cent.

The countrywide deficit stands at 13 per cent while Delhi and Chandigarh saw 34 per cent shortfall. The past week saw the country receive 17 per cent below normal rains but northwest India was worst hit with a deficiency of 78 per cent.

The four-month-long season began to withdraw from Rajasthan around the first week of September. As of now, the withdrawal line is passing through Anupgarh, Nagaur, Jodhpur and Barmer in Rajasthan.

The Met department said the monsoon over the past week has been vigorous over south-interior Karnataka and normal over sub-Himalayan West Bengal and Sikkim, Uttarakhand, central Maharashtra,

Marathawada, north-interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

The department says conditions are favourable for further withdrawal of monsoon from some more parts of northwest during the next three to four days. The weather office considers the monsoon as withdrawn if there is cessation of rainfall for five continuous days, reduction in moisture content in the air and establishment of anti-cyclone in the troposphere.

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# Sudden downpour

HASSAN: Heavy rains that conveniences to the comlashed the city for more than an hour brought respite from the heat, on Friday.

The sudden downpour, accompanied by thunder and lightning started at 2.45 pm in the city and continued for more than 45 minutes,

Various parts of the city was left waterlogged, causing in-

muters. It is after a long gap that various parts of the district have received good rains.

Halebeedu received rains for half an hour, while Arkalgud, Belur, Holenarasipur and other places received good rains. However, no damage to property was reported. **DN News Service** 

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# Shadow of drought looms over Gujarat as monsoon plays truant

Mahesh Langa

AHMEDABAD: A month-long dry spell in Gujarat has farmers and the government worried as the State is now possibly staring at a drought with the monsoon deficit widening. The State received heavy rain in June and July, leading to floods in Saurashtra and North Gujarat, which killed over 100 people and thousands of animals.

"There was not a single drop of rain in the whole of August so it looks like we already have a semi-drought in the State notwithstanding the rain in June-July," a senior official says. The Cabinet meeting held on Wednesday discussed the problem, he adds.

In the Saurashtra region, comprising seven districts, the situation is worsening with a continued rain deficit as the mainstay crops of groundnut and cotton are in a precarious position.

"To save the standing crops, we urgently need fresh showers; or else, the crops will wilt," says Ramjibhai Patel, a farmer from Rajkot dis-



GRIM PORTENTS: A month-long dry spell in the State has set alarm bells ringing. - FILE PHOTO: AFP

trict, who has grown groundnut and cotton on his 20-acre rain-fed farm.

"It rained heavily in June. Since then, there has not been major spells of rain. Groundwater has also not increased. So we cannot even irrigate our helds from our bore wells."

Those farmers who have access to the Narmada canal in Rajkot, Surendranagar, Mehsana, Patan, Ahmedabad and Banaskantha districts have already started drawing

grown water from it, but they form a on his ntiniscule number.

By July-end, over 90 per cent of the sowing was completed in Gujarat "If it does not rain in the next two weeks, the government will declare semi-drought in the affected areas," Agriculture Minister Babubhai Bokhiria told The Hindu.

"We are prepared to tackle the situation if the monsoon fails. We will start droughtrelief works in the affected areas, and fodder for animals The mainstay crops of groundnut and cotton are in a precarious position

will be made available by the State agencies," Mr. Bokhiria said.

"The average rainfall in the State may have been over 50 per cent by now, but it looks like a bad monsoon for agriculture," Y.K. Alagh, agriculture economist and former Union Minister, says

Officials say providing drinking water will be a daunting task, as the Narmada canal and pipeline network is the main source of drinking water in the parched areas of Saurashtra, Kutch and North Gujarat districts.

"We may have to start supplying water through tankers in those villages which are not connected by pipelines. As of now, 150 villages in Kutch are also being supplied water through tankers," Water Resources Minister Vijay Rupani says.

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## Flood scene worsens in Dhubri

# Prices of essential commodities may rise

SANJOY RAY

DHUBRI, Sept 4: The aggravating flood situation in Dhubri and adjoining areas may have direct implications on the rise in the prices of essential commodities across the State,. including Guwahati, with hundreds of goods carrying trucks from West Bengal and other States stranded on the Bogoribari-Bilasipara route on the National Highway 31 for more than 18 hours now.

Movement of these trucks, mostly Guwahati-bound, have been restricted along with other heavy vehicles as the road condition have deteriorated with the flood water breaching quite a few points, including at Bilasipara (NH 31) and the situation does not seem to be improving.

District administration

the goods-laden trucks will and Srirampur gates. now have to take the route through Kokrajhar, which is again a dicey proposition.

"If the situation does not improve, the supply chain of essential and perishable items will be largely hampered. The NH 31 is a crucial route," he pointed out

"Some of them (truckers) may opt to move through the alternate route via Kokrajhar tomorrow morning but most of them appear reluctant due to the law-and-order issue. Even if all the trucks are diverted through the Kokrajhar route, the cost of transportation would increase, besides it would effect movement hassles," sources stated.

The trucks carrying essential items from other parts of the country enter Assam sources told this reporter that through Baxirhaat (Chagalia)

Meanwhile, flood water has entered urban areas in and around Dhubri town today with the water level in the river Brahmaputra rising up to 29.59 metre compared to last night when it was recorded to be 29.52 metre.

Rescue operation across the chars and other low-lying areas has also been intensified.

A district administration official informed that an added number of rescue boats have been pressed into service as part of the intensified rescue operations.

Meanwhile, Dhubri MLA Jahan Uddin while talking to this reporter said that rescue and relief operations needs to be carried out in a war-footing manner, "Both the State and the Centre must act in coordination to aid the flood-affected. especially the char areas. Chars are one of the main sources of supply of eggs, vegetables, fish, milk and labour force for people residing across the Lower Assam," he said.

"I have spoken to the Deputy Commissioner on these issues," he added.

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# 352 villages affected by flood in Barpeta

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BARPETA, Sept 4: Flood situation in Barpeta district still remains to be critical and according to government estimate 352 villages have been affected in the district so far.

According to official sources, 105 in Baghbar, 50 in Kalgachia, 75 in Sarthebari, 23 in Sarupeta, 37 in Barpeta, 53 in Chenga, 8 in Bajali and 1 village in Barnagar Revenue Circle have been affected by flood.

The official estimate counts the number of population at 2.35 lakh in the affected eight circles the highest being in Sarthébari Revenue Circles at 95,000.

Till now six hundred people have sheltered in three relief camps two in Baghbar with 300 inmates and one in Sarthebari with 300 inmates.

The district administration has supplied relief materials to the affected people today. Altogether 1,311.42 quintal of rice, 232 quintals of dal and 913 quintals of fodder had been supplied to the worst affected Sarthebari circle.

In Sarthebari Revenue Circle especially the Paka Mouza had been hadly affected by the flood this year. Rivers namely Pahumara, Kaldia, Tihu and Burhadia had breach its embankment in several places making lives miserable in Paka Mouza and in some parts of Sarukshetri and Betbari Mouza.

The role of public representatives have been severely criticised by the people in Barpeta district. Though lake of people are reeling under severe flood for a long time neither the MLA of Sarukshetri Constituency, Ali Hussain nor the MP of Barpeta, Chirazuddin Azmal have visited the area till now. Krishak Mukti Sangram Samiti has burnt the effigy of these two leaders at Batia on Thursday last.

## महनाक **र्जनित्र कर्न** को भिजनालेखित रामाचार पत्र में प्रकाशित मानस्न/ बाल सम्बन्धी समाचार

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## CM seeks Central assistance for flood relief

DIBRUGARH, Sept 4: After making an aerial survey of the flood affected areas in the districts of Dibrugarh, Dhemaji, Lakhimpur and Tinsukia for more than two hours today Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi said that the flood had indeed caused massive devastations in the region, adding that it was one of the biggest floods in recent times.

He said that relief distribution and disaster mitigation works will continue till flood waters had subsided. "I have directed all departments to

to mend and restore the breached bunds and embankments immediately," Gogoi

On permanent solution to the recurring waterlogging, flood and erosion in the region, Chief Minister said that permanent solution is impossible without the assistance from the Centre. "Brahmaputra Board must take up major works to check the flood and erosion. We can take up small temporary works with our limited fund but this is not adequate: The Centre has to restep up measures to assist the lease funds. At present we

STAFF CORRESPONDENT flood affected people and also have asked for Rs 500 crores urged upon the departments but we need around 1500 crores," the Chief Minister said.

> Immediately after the aerial survey, the Chief Minister had called for a review meeting with the district administrations of Dibrugarh and Tinsukia districts at the Dibrugarh Airport VIP lounge, During the aerial survey, the Chief Minister was accompanied by Additional Chief Secretary Subhash Das, Commissioner Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management. Pramod Kumar Tiwari, and Secretary, Water Resource Haren Borah, among others.

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# State flood affects 15 lakh in 21 dists

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 4: The overall flood situation in the State worsened further today with the number of affected districts shooting up to 21 and the number of affected people crossing 15.88 lakh. During the last 24 hours, five flood-related death cases have been reported from various parts of the State, said the official flood bulletin of the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) here this evening.

The Army has been deployed

for the rescue operations, besides State Disaster Response

#### Aerial visit

GUWAHATI, Sept 4: Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi today made an aerial inspection of the flood situation in Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts. He was accompanied by Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue and Disaster Management) Subhash Chandra Das, Commissioner Secretary of the Revenue and Disaster Management PK Tewari and Secretary of the Water Resources Department H Bora. Staff Reporter

Force (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) personnel in Nagaon district, while NDRF personnel have been deployed in Dibrugarh district and SDRF personnel have been deployed in Dhubri and Sonitpur districts, said the ASDMA flood bulletin.

According to the Central Water Commission (CWC) flood bulletin this evening, the Brahmaputra is flowing above the danger level at Neamatighat, Tezpur, Guwahati, Goalpara and Dhubri. However, the river is maintaining a falling trend at Neamatighat, Tezpur and (See page 4)



Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi making an aerial survey of flood-affecte Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts on Friday. – UB

## State flood ...

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Guwahati this afternoon. It is maintaining a steady trend at Goalpara and a rising trend at Dhubri, the CWC bulletin said.

The Brahmaputra tributaries Burhidehing (at Khowang), Desang (Nanglamaraghat), Dhansiri-S (Numaligarh), Jia Bharali (NT Road Crossing), Kopili (Dharamtul), Puthimari (NH Road Crossing) and the Beki (Road Bridge) are also flowing above their respective danger levels. In the Barak Valley, the Kushiyara is also flowing above its danger level at Karimganj, said the CWC evening flood bulletin.

The water level of the Brahmaputra touched 50.21 metres at 8 am with a rising trend, against its danger level of 49.68 metre in the city. However, the trend became steady around 3 pm and around 6 pm its water level sunk to 50.19 metres.

Barpeta, with 2,34,578 flood-affected people, has emerged as the worst-hit district, followed by Darrang (2,29,469 people), Morigaon (1,64,466), Nalbari (1,25,314), Dibrugarh (1,18,415) and Dhubri (1,01,784). In terms of damage caused to infrastructure, Baksa is the worst-hit, followed by Sonitpur.

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# Monsoon retreat begins, deficit at 13%

## To Withdraw From Northwest India In 3-4 Days

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New Delhi: Even as the rainfall deficit for the season grew to 13%, the monsoon began to retreat on Friday, leaving India staring at a second successive drought year.

The India Meteorological Department said the southwest monsoon had withdrawn from parts of west Rajasthan and conditions were favourable for its retreat from more areas in northwest India in the next three-four days. "The withdrawal could extend to parts of Punjab and Haryana, and more areas of Rajasthan in the next few days," said B P Ya-

### **DRYING GRAIN BOWL**

- ➤ Haryana, with 34% rain deficit so far, heading for 6th drought in 11 years
- ➤ Punjab's deficit at 36%, 5th drought in 11 years likely
- ➤ In 17 years since 1998, monsoon in Haryana has been 10% or more in deficit in 12 years
- ➤ In Punjab, such deficits seen in 11 out of 17 years
- > Droughts do not lead to huge drops in crop output in both states but put severe strain on groundwater

GROUNDWATER CRISIS

> Punjab on average draws
45% more groundwater than is
replenished. Haryana 9%

➤ A 2009 NASA study said groundwater in Punjab, Haryana & Raj had decreased by more than 88 million acre-feet in 10 yrs — nearly 8 times the water held in Lake Wead, the largest water body in US

day, director, IMD.

Another top IMD official said monsoon's retreat could be faster than normal. The withdrawal usually takes more than a month, begin ning with west Rajasthan and spreading eastwards.

Last year, the monsoon was 12% below normal and with indications that this year's rainfall too will end

# Sown area of kharif up despite poor rains

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New Delhi: Overall monsoon rainfall deficit this year is higher than the corresponding period last year, but the sown area under kharif (summer) crops has reported an improvement with some of the crops—including pulses and sugarcane—even exceeding their normal sown area.

Latest data, released by the agriculture ministry on Fridax showed that the area

up with a deficit of over 10%, the country faces the prospect of the first back-to-back droughts since 1986-1987.

For September, IMD had predicted a huge 25% rain

under kharif crop touched 998.67 lakh hectares as compared to 979.40 lakh hectares this time last year.

Though overall production will depend on other factors including distribution of rainfall till the end of this month, the area under kharif crop appears to be encouraging as it has already covered nearly 95% of the normal sowing area of 1,050 lakh hectares.

For the full report, log on to www.timesofindia.com

shortfall and Yadav said the monsoon's performance was likely to be in that range. "September rainfall usually has the highest correlation with El Nino," Yadav

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## Flood situation worsens in Assam

GUWAHATI: The flood situation in Assam turned worse on Friday with water level raising in 21 districts in lower and upper Assam districts.

At least five people have died in the past 24 hours. Nearly 16 lakh people have been affected and over 2 lakh of them are in relief camps while lakhs are waiting for relief to reach them.

According to the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) sources, at least five people – one each in Mayong, Naharkatia and Dibrugarh and two people in Goalpara district have lost their lives in the deadly deluge in the past 24 hours.

Flood waters have completely ravaged 2080 villages.

The Brahmaputra is flowing above danger mark in five districts, and its tributaries are also in full spate across the state.

Apart from Dibrugarh districts, the Army has been called in rescue operation in Nagaon districts. Several teams of NDRF and SDRF are involved in relief works, government sources added.

Assam Chief Minister Tarun

Gogoi made an aerial survey of floods affected Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, North Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts.

Wild animals in Kaziranga National Park and Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary are marooned and forest guards are trying to move them to higher grounds.

Taking advantage of rising flood waters poachers killed a one-horned male rhino and took away its horn in Bagori Range of Kaziranga.

Meanwhile, Assam government has reacted to Union Minister of State for Sports and Youth Affairs Sarbananda Sonowal's recent statement that the Centre had released Rs 207 crore for flood relief.

The state government had clarified that the Central funds of Rs 207 crore released to the state government by the Centre was only the first installment of the current year's central allocation of Rs 414 crore available under the State Disaster Response Funds.

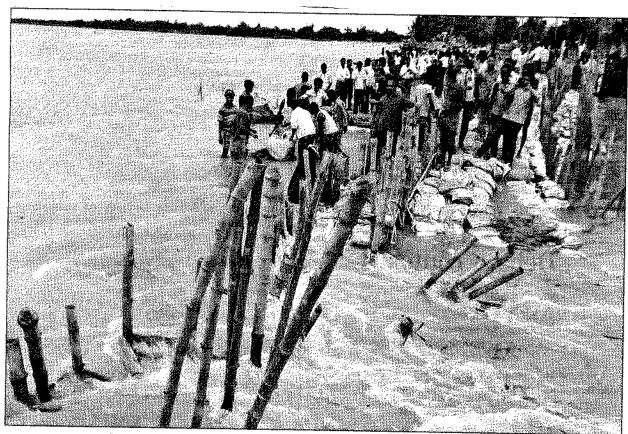
The State government has last week urged the Centre for immediate release of Rs 500 crore for better flood relief.

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Biringabari-Muwamari embankment breached by flood water, under Dhing Revenue Circle in Nagaon on Wednesday. -UB Photos

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# State flood situation worsens, 19 dists hit

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Sept 3: The overall flood situation in the State worsened further today with the number of affected people swelling up to around 14 lakh in 19 districts. Meanwhile, three more deaths have been reported in the last 24 hours from the flood-hit areas.

According to the evening flood bulletin of the Assam State Disaster Management Authority. Barpeta is the worst-hit district with over 2.19 lakh people affected, followed by Dhemaii with over 1.50 lakh, Mori-

brugarh with over 1.37 lakh. Nalbari with over 1.28 lakh and Sonitpur with over 1.26 lakh of people being affected by the current wave of flood.

In all, over 1.76 lakh hectares of crop area in 2,199 villages under 74 revenue circles of the 19 affected districts was damaged by the flood waters. Nearly 2.70 lakh affected people have taken shelter in 385 relief camps set up by the authorities. In Dibrugarh district, State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Force personnel are engaged in rescue operations,

gaon with over 1.46 lakh, Di- while in Nagaon and Sonitpur districts, SDRF personnel are engaged for the purpose.

> The Brahmaputra is flowing above the danger levels at Nematighat, Tezpur, Guwahati, Goalpara and Dhubri, while its tributaries - Burhidihing (Khowang), Desang (Nanglamaraghat), Dhansiri (Numaligarh), Jia Bharali (NT Road Crossing), Kopili (Kampur), Puthimari (NH Road Crossing), Beki (Road Bridge) and Sonkosh (Golokganj) are also flowing above their respective danger levels. In Barak Valley, Kushiyara is flowing above its danger level in Karimganj.



SDRF personnel rescuing flood-affected people of Dhing Gayangaon in Nagaon district on Thursday. - UB Photos

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# Rescue ops begin in Dhubri dist

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DHUBRI, Sept 3: Rescue operations have begun in the Dhubri district, especially in the chars and other low-lying areas, even as the water level continues to rise above the danger mark in river Brahmaputra and its tributaries.

Significantly, there are no signs of any respite coming for the flood affected with the weather forecast for the district also hinting towards further rise in the water level in the next 24 hours.

Official sources said that there has been absolute damage of crop areas in most parts of the district, which is a matter of worry keeping in view the timing of the flood.

Several rescue teams comprising the panchayat and mandal level functionaries have been pressed into action since this morning and additional boat services have been introduced to ferry people and cattle from low-lying areas to safer places, district administration officials told *The Assam Tribune*.

At the moment, the water is flowing at 29.50 m, much above

the danger level of 28.62. The forecast for the next 24 hours is that the water level will further increase up to 29.60 m.

Deputy Commissioner of Dhubri Nazrul Islam informed that the water level is consistently rising above the danger level, which is not a good sign.

He said that if the scenario does not improve, more lowlying areas would be flooded and that is when rescue teams from the Army and other agencies would be pressed in.

"As of now, we are keeping them on stand-by but they could be put into action anytime," he said.

Sources further stated that as more and more people are fleeing their homes due to floods, relief camps will have to be set up, especially for people in the char areas.

Several areas in char and other low-lying areas have been eroded and the scenario is expected to aggravate when the water level dips.

Road communication continues to remain largely affected and several approach roads have been damaged including those in the Indo-Bangla border.

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## Waterlogging eases in Dibrugarh, situation bad in dist

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT

DIBRUGARH, Sept 3: While the waterlogging is gradually subsiding in the city here, thousands continue to grapple with the flood waters in the rural areas. The worst is that the people have lost both standing crops and their well stocked paddy in the flood.

Domestic animals, cattle and birds, which is the occasional food and additional income source for the farmers, are also now on the verge of death.

The people are being provided food items but the cattle, livestock and birds have not eaten for almost a week.

In the Dibrugarh (West) revenue circle, deaths of cattle and birds have been reported from Lezai, Kalakhowa and Gorudhuria gaon panchayat areas. "Several goats and birds including boiler chickens have died. Animals like cows, bulls and pigs are starving and looking sick," Pradip Dehingia, the Gaon Burha of Sessa Nagaon village told *The Assam Tribune*.

Dehingia said that the people did not get the time to carry their accumulated paddy and other essentials to safer places. "The water level of the flood suddenly rose and gushed into the store houses. The little grains we had stored also got damaged in the flood waters," he narrated. Although several have taken shelter on roadsides and on the sides of railway tracks besides being in relief camps, some have chosen to stay at home to protect their other belongings.

Total number of animals and cattle affected in the flood has been estimated to be about 14,000 and birds including ducks affected are estimated to be around 3500.

People in 20 wards of the municipality here and in altogether 248 villages in the district are today reeling under the deluge. The district administration has been dispatching quintals of rice, dal, salt and other essentials but has overlooked the safety of animals, birds and cattle as so far no fodder or other food has been provided to them.

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# HC asks Centre to submit relief policy for flood-hit

-Wants compliance report on ₹44,000 or package sought by J&K

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SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 4.
The Jammu and Kashmir High Court has directed the Central government produce the policy for grant of relief to flood victims and also submit its compliance report on the Rs 44,000-crore relief package sought by J&K within one week.

The directions were issued today by a division bench headed by Chief Justice N Paul Vasanthakumar, which is hearing the public interest litigation on the floods of 2014, which caused havoc in central Kashmir, including Srinagar city, south Kashmir and the Jammu region.

On August 19, the Centre had sought two weeks for disclosing the status of the flood relief package of Rs 44,000 crore sought by the J&K Government. However, as



Floods caused widespread devastation in the state. A FILE PHOTO

## Centre to reply on September 10

- The J-K High Court is hearing a PIL on the roods of 2014, which caused havoc in several parts of the state
- The Centre has been told to submit a report by next Thursday on the status of the \$44,000-crore relief package sought by the J&K Government
- ■The Centre revised its relief policy on April 1 but is providing relief to flood victims as per the earlier policy. The court has sought a copy of the old policy

the matter came up before the bench on Thursday, assistant solicitor general SA Makru, representing the Central government, sought more time to file the report.

Granting his plea, the bench in its orders observed that the "counsel appearing for the Centre will submit a compliance report on Thursday (next week). On that day, the policy for grant of relief formulated prior to April 1, 2015, shall also be filed."

The Central government revised the policy for grant of relief on April 1 this year but it is providing relief to the flood victims in J&K as per the policy which existed earlier. The court has now sought the copies of the old policy.

Immediately after the floods in September 2014, the state government had sought a 'special financial package' of Rs 44,000 crore to rehabilitate the flood victims. Official estimates say 2.61 lakh structures, including residential houses, were damaged in the floods.

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## Project to beautify ghats, clean Ganga soon: Mahesh Sharma

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VARANASI, 5 SEPT: With an aim to fulfil the wishes of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Mahesh Sharma today announced introduction of a project for restoration and beautification of ghats and cleaning of the Ganga river

Launching a special 'cleaning campaign' at the recently renovated Assi Ghat here, the Union Minister for Tourism and Culture said, the ministry is set to prepare a comprehensive plan for the all round development and beautification of the ghats and cleaning of Ganga river.

A plan is being drafted to clean garbage by using boats as its disposal was a major problem in the historic city of Varanasi due to its narrow lanes. Now boats would ferry garbage and dump it at certain specific points, he said.

'Light and Sound shows' would soon be introduced at Assi Ghat, the minister said while releasing a A plan is being drafted to clean garbage by using boats as its disposal ■ Boats will ferry garbage and dump it at certain specific points The minister also Inaugurated a Sulabh public toilet

song and a quawali based on the theme of Ganga and Varanasi written by social worker and Sulabh International founder Bindeshwar

He also inaugurated a Sulabh public toilet on the occasion. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had launched a cleaning drive at Ghat and Sulabh International has excavated and cleaned it.

Lauding the efforts of Sulabh International, Sharma called upon other organisations to come forward to adopt and clean other ghats.

Sulabh International, which runs public tollets for decades and has been maintaining some of the ghats in Varanasi, recently only cleaned Assi Ghat, but also excavated at least 25 steps which lay buried under mud for several decades.

The cleaning of the famous Kashi Viswanath Temple was also being done by this organisation. Also the widows at various ashrams in Varanasi are being looked after by Sulabh International, which is taking care of their health and day-to-day requirements.

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# Vigilance tightened on Dal Lake encroachments

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SRINAGAR, 5 SEPT: Irked over the failure of the Lakes and Waterways Development Authority (LAWDA) to halt encroachments in Dal Lake, Jammu and Kashmir High Court has appointed two Vigilance Commissioners for reporting any violation of the ban imposed on construction activities around the famous water body.

"We are of the view that two independent and impartial court Vigilance Commissioners preferably with administration of justice and law enforcement background need to be appointed to keep vigil and regularly report to the Court the construction activity, if any, undertaken in the Lake and its adjoining areas so that action warranted is taken without

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- The court appointed Muhammad Shafi Khan, former Principal District and Sessions Judge, Srinagar and Abdul Hamid Bhat, former Senior SuperIntendent of Police as the Vigilance Commissioners
- The Commissioners will inspect the Dal Lake area possibly on a daily basis and submit weekly report to Registrar Judicial

any delay," a division bench of the High Court said in an order yesterday.

The bench, comprising Chief Justice N Paul Vasanthakumar and Justice Hasnain Masoodi, expressed disappointment over the failure of the the Lakes and Waterways Development Authority LAWDA to halt encroachments in Dal Lake here.

The court appointed Muhammad Shafi Khan, former Principal District and Sessions Judge, Srinagar and Abdul Hamid Bhat, former Senior Superintendent of Police as the Vigilance Commissioners.

The court directed the Commissioners to inspect the Dal Lake area possibly on a daily basis and submit weekly report to Registrar Iudicial, indicating construction activity undertaken within Dal Lake and its prohibited area with necessary details like identity of the violators, nature of the construction and its dimensions. The court also directed the Commissioners to report violation of any of the directions passed by the court since 19 July 2002 regarding transportation of building material, earth filling, and release of untreated effluents by any commercial establishment into the Dal Lake.

The court directed the Vice-Chairman LAWDA to provide the Commissioners reasonable office space within LAWDA Complex and services of at least one steno typist and orderly and also provide transport facilities so that they are in a position to discharge their duties without any difficulty or impediment.

Each Commissioner, the court said, shall be paid ₹ 30,000 per month as honorarium, by Vice Chairman LAWDA.

"They shall in the first instance inspect alleged violation identified in the applications in hand and submit their report," the court added. Pointing out that the Dal Lake, spread over 50 Square kilometers half a century back has shrunk to 13.5 Square kilometers, the court said: "We have thus lost a little less than 3/4th of Dal Lake during last few decades. Significant decrease in area of Dal Lake is mainly attributable to illegal constructions and encroachments because of such constructions.

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# Amid drought, Maha may halt hydro plants to check water flowing into sea

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Maharashtra is considering a complete stoppage of hydro-power generation in the state till the next monsoons to conserve water for drought-affected areas.

Sources said a final decision on stoppage of hydro-power generation was likely to be taken next week. As a first step, the administration would halt the release of water to generate power from the gigantic Koyna dam. This move is expected to save nearly 1,600 million cubic metres of water from flowing into the sea.

The government is also considering getting the Tata Power Company to shut down its three hydro-



Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis (L), Union Ministers Rajnath Singh (2L) and Piyush Goyal (R) at a function in Mumbai. PTI

power stations located at Khopoli, Bhivpuri and Bhira, which would help save another 1,000 MCM of water till the next rains. However, getting the Tata Power Company to halt power generation would be problem-

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would have to compensate the company.

Pressure is mounting on the Devendra Fadnavis government to conserve water from these dams as several regions in the state, particularly Marathwada and parts of Western Maharashtra, are facing drought. On Saturday, Nationalist Congress Party chief Sharad Pawar warned the state government that riots could break out in affected areas of the state if the administration failed to provide adequate drinking water for people and cattle.

#### **Decision next week**

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# Govt set to clean Sutlej on pattern of Ganga

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The state is all sectio initiate
'Operation Sutlej clean-up'
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The accumulation of silt and sand on the riverbed and along its banks from Anandpur Sahib up to Ferozepur has forced the state government to take this step. Sources said the cleanup operation would not only save several villages from the threat of floods, but also generate a lot of revenue from the sale of sand excavated from the riverbed.

"We have sought permission from the state Mining Department to excavate sand from the riverbed. Chief Minister Parkash Singh Badal also wants the river to be cleaned," said state Irrigation Minister Sharanjit Dhillon.

He said the Irrigation Department officials had been directed to prepare for the operation. Dhillon said after the clean-up, the river

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would flow in a narrow stream, removing the threat of floods.

State Agriculture Minister Jathedar Tota Singh said residents of a large number of villages situated along the Sutlej had complained to him about the accumulation of sand along the river. "Several farmers have suffered damage to their crops due to the Sutlej overflowing often," he said.

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# Assam flood: Landslides cut-off communication

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The flood situation in Assam continues to be grim, even as rains receded in the last few hours. Road communication between Guwahati and Shillong remained cut off today following landslides triggered by heavy rainfall for the past few days.

The current wave of flood has claimed 37 lives till today Nearly 17 lakh people in 20 districts of the State are still suffering from the disaster. Over 2 lakh homeless people are taking shelter in relief camps.

According to the official flood bulletin of Assam State disaster management authority, 11 people have died in flood-related incidents in the past 48 hours.

Landslides were reported from the Byrinhat area last evening and again today at Unming near Nongpoh, bringing road traffic along National Highway 40 to a standstill, an official source said here today.

The National Highway Authority of India has pressed into service several buildozers to clear the landslide and the road was expected to be cleared by tomorrow.



Hundreds of vehicle have been stranded on both the Assam and Meghalaya sides.

NH-40 links Assam with Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram along with South ern Assam's Barak Valley

Surface communications have not restored completely in many areas.

Goalpara, Barpeta and Morigaon districts have been reported as the worstaffected districts. Rescue and relief operations are being carried out by State Disaster Response Force, National Disaster Response Force and the Army personnel.

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10,000 villagers correct river course in 5 yrs

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Pratapgarh/Allahabad: Afier five years of collective work, over 10,000 people in nearly 50 villages of Pratapgarh and Allahabad districts have been successful in bringing the Bakulahi river back to its natural course.

If Bihar's Dasrath Manjhi's resolve to break a mountain was for carving out a road, these Manjhis from Mandhata block of Pratagarh were determined to end their water woes. The digging work of about 18km started in August 2011 and finished by July endthis year. The dug-up stretch, barring some patches, is now full of water.

About 25 years ago, the irrigation department had diverted the flow of the river for 'loop cutting' work to check annual flood in the area. Although the flood menace was checked, the step triggered a water crisis in the region.



"Till 1987, the river used to pass through Torai, Babupur, Gaura, Nanda Ka Pura, Saray Deorai and other villages towards Dhema and people would get adequate water. But after the route was changed, the villagers started facing problems in getting drinking water and that for agricultural fields," said Samaj Shekhar, convenor, Bakulahi River Rejuvenation Campaign. There

were three blocks which were majorly affected, Mandhata in Pratapgarh, which has a substantial part of the newly dugup stretch, Holgarh and Soraon in Allahabad.

In 2003, the Magsaysay Award winning 'Waterman' Rajendra Singh visited the affected villages and stressed on the need for bringing the river back to its natural course to end the water crisis.



TURNING THE TIDE: The Bakulahi river (left) which was brought back to its normal course by 50 villages of Pratapgarh and Allahabad

"In 2011, thousands of villagers from 50 villages resolved to put the river on its natural course. Locals collected about Rs 12 lakh for the entire work. Besides manual digging, we also hired JCB machines for deeper digging," said Shekhar.

The work started without any government support. Shekhar says villagers had dug up 15.5km out of the 18km route of the river when the Pratapgarh administration chipped in to help out in the remaining part through NREGA.

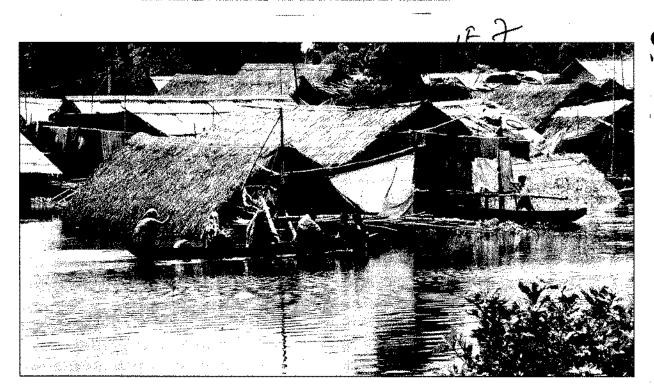
Villagers are demanding a permanent cemented dam at Pure Turai village in Pratapgarh, claiming there is urgent need of the cemented dam to be built to check strong water currents. Shekhar said they have sent a letter to the chief minister's office in this regard.

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Flood-affected victims move with a help of a boat at Kothari village in Nagaon district of Assam on Sunday. Pil

■ The death toll in the Assam flood rose to 54 on Sunday with the death of five more persons.

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- The victims included a four-year-old who died in a relief camp in Golaghat district Saturday night.
- Though the water-level of Brahmaputra reduced slightly on Sunday, it was way above the danger mark.

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की है, ताकि ऊपरी जलधारा-रखने वाला राज्य इस संबंध में पंचाट के अंतिम आदेश का पालन करे। जयलिलता ने कहा 🦟 'कावेरी जल विवाद पंचाट के<sub>ं</sub> अंतिम आदेश के अनुरूप हमारे-वैध हिस्से का जल छोड़ने करी बजाय कर्नाटक समूचे पानी कर्र लगातार अपने जलाशयों 🕻 इस्तेमाल करता है।' पत्र की प्रदि जानबूझकर गड़बड़ कर रहा है। शनिवार को मीडिया को जा

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# गंगरेल बांध में भरपूर पानी फिर भी कर रहे आना-कानी

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प्रदेश के गंगरेल बांध में पानी का पर्याप्त भंडारण है बावजूद इसके जल संसाधन विभाग किसानों को पानी देने से आना-कानी कर रहा है। जानकारों का कहना है कि गंगरेल में मौजूद पानी को पेयजल के लिए सुरक्षित रखने के बाद भी उसे किसानों को दिया जा सकता है और फसल को बरबाद होने से बचाया जा सकता है मगर ऐसा नहीं हो रहा है। दूसरी ओर जलसंसाधन विभाग के अधिकारियों का कहना है कि जब तक राज्य की मंत्रिपरिषद में कोई निर्णय नहीं हो जाता तब तक किसानों के खेतों के लिए पानी नहीं छोड़ा जा सकता है।

जल संसाधन विभाग के आंकड़ों पर गौर करे तो शुक्रवार तक की स्थिति में गंगरेल में लगभग 10 टीएमटी पानी था। इसके अलावा दूधावा, सोंदूर व मुरुम सिल्ली जलाशय का पानी छोड़ने पर गंगरेल बांध में ही एकत्र होता है। वर्तमान में दूधावा में दो टीएमटी से अधिक, सोंदूर में लगभग चार टीएमटी और मुरुम सिल्ली में एक टीएमटी पानी

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व्यवसम्बन्धः में गंगरेल और तांदुता में जलभाराय की रिचांत लगभग एक जैसी है। गंगरेल में 36.28 प्रतिशत और तांदुता में 110.62 प्रतिशत जलभाराय है। इसके बाद

है। इसके अलावा जल संसाधन विभाग ने महानदी में ही छोटे-बड़े करीब सात एनीकट और बैराज बनाकर रखे हैं। इसमें भी जलभराव की स्थित ठीकठाक है।

### सालभर के लिए पानी

जानकारों का कहना है कि गंगरेल से पेयजल के लिए 2.2 टीएमसी, भिलाई इस्पात संयंत्र के लिए 2.6 टीएमटी और वर्षभर में संभावित बाष्मीकरण में चार टीएमटी पानी चला जाता है। इस स्थिति में आठ टीएमटी पानी को रखकर शेष पानी को खेतों की सिंचाई के लिए छोड़ा जा सकता है। खास बात यह है कि यदि अभी भी तांबुता से ज्यादा पानी छोड़ा जा रहा है। चुक्रांतर की रिप्रति में गंगरेल से 0.71 क्यूमेंक पानी छोड़ा गया। वहीं तांबुता से 56.83 क्यूमेंक पानी छोड़ा गया है।

सिंचाई के लिए पानी छोड़ा जाता है, तो उद्योगों के पानी चोरी की संभावना कम रहेगी। फिलहाल उद्योगों के पास पानी का पर्याप्त भंडारण है, लेकिन बांधों में जमा पानी यदि दो-तीन महीने बाद छोड़ा जाएगा तो चोरी की संभावना बढ जाएगी।

अभिन्नहरूव के निर्णय के अनुसार जलाशय से पानी नहीं दिया जा रश है। उद्यीर एक बार मंत्रिप्रिक्टर से मंजूरी किल गई तो किसानों को पानी देने में कोई परेशानी नाषी होगी। परमाल और किसारी के लिए भी पानी की जरूरतों को ध्यान में रखा जा रशा है।

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हर बार बांघों में जलभराव और रिवाई की रिप्यति को देखते हुए पानी छोड़ जाता था। इस बार वैश्वेत्र की बैठक में बांघों में 50 प्रतिश्वत जलभराव होने पर ही पानी छोड़ने का निर्णय तिया गया। हालांकि दुर्ग में कांग्रेस के प्रदर्शन के बाद तांदुला से पानी छोड़ने का पैतराना तिया गया था, लेकिन गंगरेल के मामले में राजनीति होने लगी जिसका सीधा नुकसान किसानों को उठाना पड़ रहा है।

#### शासन का तर्क

मंमरेल बांध से पेयजल और किस्तारी के लिए धमतरी खहर, नवापारा, अभनपुर, रायपुर, भिलाई शहर, बलौदाबाजार-भाटापारा के साध-साथ गर्मी के मौराम में लगभग 966 तालाबी को भरने के लिए पानी दिया जाता है। इन झहरों में पेयजल व्यवस्था तथा तालाबी को किस्तारी के लिए भरने लगभग 225 मिलियन घन मीटर पानी की आवस्थकता होती है, जो गंगरेल बांध के वर्तमान जल भराव के बराबर है। Revie hemilietie heribieleditorial published on 6/3/15

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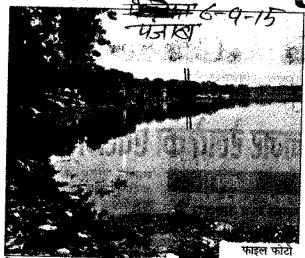
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नई दिल्ली, (निहाल सिंह): नालों की भारत दिसने वाली यमना अब कागजों में नहीं हकीकत में अविरल और निर्मल होगी। यह कहना है कि दिस्त्री सरकार के मंत्री कपिल मिश्रा का। कपिल मिश्रा ने कहा कि यमुना को साफ करने के लिए पहली बार केंद्र की ओर से सकारात्मक सहयोग मिल रहा है। जिस पर दिल्ली सरकार के अधिकारी भी कड़ी मेहनत से काम कर रहे हैं। हाल ही में उमा भारती ने मुख्यमंत्री अरविंद केजरीवाल से मुलाकात की थी, जिसमें उनसे इस संबंध में विस्तृत चर्चा हुई थी। पंजाब केसरी से बातचीत करते हए दिल्ली जलबोर्ड के चेयरमैन और पर्यटन मंत्री कपिल मिश्रा ने बताया कि केन्द्र सरकार ने दिल्ली में यमना में बोट चलाने को बात ···कही हैं. हम केन्द्र सरकार के इस प्लान से सहमत हैं, इसलिए यमुना के प्रवाह को अविरल बनाने की योजना पर काम हो रहा है। इसके



लिए प्लान बनाने को लेकर केन्द्र सरकार और दिल्ली सरकार के संबंधित विभागों के वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों की देखरेख में कमेटी का गठन कर दिया गया है। कमेटी काम कर रही है। उन्होंने कहा कि दिली में देखा जाता है कि अक्सर

यमना अपने रूप में बस बरसात के मौसम में नजर आती है। बाकी समय में गंदे नाले की तरह दिखाई देती है। यमुना हर समय यमुना दिखे इसके लिए यमना में समान पलो का प्रवाह करने के लिए काम किया जाएगा। इससे एक तो

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मिश्रा ने बताया कि हमारा प्लान है कि अगले तीन साल में सीवर का पानी बिन ट्रीटमेंट के यमुना में नहीं गिरेगा। इसके लिए बर्डे तौर दिल्ली जल बोर्ड काम कर रहा है। कुछ पायलट प्रोजेक्ट भी शुरू किए जाएंगे। विदेश तकनीक पर भी अध्ययन चल रहा है। सभी प्रक्रियाएं पूरी होने के बाद यमना की सफाई का काम होगा।

बता दें कि यमुना पर अब तक अरबों रुपए खर्चे हो चुके हैं,

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स्मार्ट सिदी की लिस्ट में शुमार भोपाल की झीलों और नदियों में रोज 25 करोड़ लीटर (250 एमएलडी) सीवेज मिल रहा है। इन्हीं जल स्रोतों के जरिए यह सीवेज भूमिगत जल को दुषित कर रहा है। यह सब बरसों से चल रहा है। यह तथ्य सेंट्ल पॉल्यूशन कंट्रोल बोर्ड (सीपीसीबी) की ताजा रिपोर्ट में सामने आए हैं। 23 से 27 जुलाई तक राजधानी के सभी एसटीपी के निरीक्षम के बाद यह रिपोर्ट एनजीटी में पेश की गई है। रिपोर्ट में सीपीसीबी ने 15 खामियां बताते हुए 12 स्झावों पर अमल करने को कहा है। यहां पीएचई की सबसे बडी लापरवाही सामने आई है। क्योंकि पीएचर्ड के पास सीवेज ट्रीटमेंट नेटवर्क के संचालन व रखरखाव की जिम्मेदारी है। खास बात यह है कि क्षेत्रीय प्रदुषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड (पीसीबी) के अधिकारियों ने इसकी जानकारी होने के बाद भी इस संबंध में आज तक पीएचई को नोटिस जारी नहीं किया।



शाहपुरा झील में पहुंचता है वह सीवेज।

### न शासन से अनुमति, न पीसीबी ने कभी पुछा

सीपीसीबी की रिपोर्ट के मुताबिक राजवानी में जो 7 सीवेज ट्रीटमेंट प्लांट चल रहे हैं, उनकी अनुमति के संबंध में पीसीबी ने न तो शासन को लिखा और न कोई कार्रवाई की। जबकि यह एसटीपी दशकों से बगैर पीसीबी की अनुमति के संचालित हो रहे हैं।

### ऐसे नाले में मिलता है टीटेड वॉटर

न्यू मार्केट, साउथ टीटीनगर, माता मंदिर क्षेत्र का सीवेज माता मंदिर रिथत ट्रिकलिंग फिल्टर एसटीपी में अता है। यहां सीवेज का ट्रीटमेंट होता है। ट्रीटमेंट के बाद यह पानी पंचशील नाले में छोड़ दिया जाता है। जिसमें पहले से ही सीवेज मिक्स होता है।

#### निरीक्षण में सामने आई ये बड़ी कमियां

- एसटीपी संघातन के लिए मा प्रमुख नियालय बोर्ड से सलाह नहीं तो गई।
- एसटीपी की रेगुलर मॅनिटरिंग नहीं होती.
- 🗯 ट्रीटेड वॅटर के री-यूज का प्लाब वहीं।
- 🗯 ट्रीटेड कॅटर भी जांच में अमानक पाया।
- एसटीपी में क्लोरीन का इस्लेमान नहीं।
   ऑक्सीडेकन पॉड में गांद जमा है।
- ऑक्सीडेंसन पॉड के आर-प्रस एग्रेय रोड, बाउडीवॉल और फॉसेंस की व्यवस्था नहीं है।
- एकात पार्क रियत एसटीयी में अन्द्रीटेड सीर्पेड भी ऑक्सोडेशन पॉड तक ज रहा है।
- रोवान करीब 83 प्रीसदी अन्द्रीटेड सैंदेज तीय बेदपा नदी, हलाली डेंग और क्रियासीता नदी में विस्त रहा है।

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### पानी का हो इस्तेमाल

अगर इस पानी का सही इस्तेमाल किया जाए तो एक बड़े भू-भाग के लिए पर्यात पानी की व्यवस्था हो सकती। सुभाष सी पांडेख, पर्यावरणविद

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रिपोर्ट हमारे पास आई नहीं है। सीपीसीबी ने सैंपल लिए हैं। सोमवार तक रिपोर्ट हमारे पास आ जाएगी।

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### सिद्दरामय्या की सोच हठधर्मिता की

सिद्दामय्या की आलोचना करते हुए रामदास ने कहा कि वे दोनों राज्यों के बीच के रिश्तों को बिगाड़ने की कोशिश में हैं। वे कावेरी पंचाट के अंतिम फैसले के विरोध में कार्य कर रहे हैं।

तिमलनाडु को पानी नहीं छोड़ने का उनका फैसला अस्वीकार्य है। सिद्दामय्या कहते हैं कि तिमलनाडु को उसी सूरत में पानी छोड़ा जाएगा जब वहां अच्छी बरसात होगी और सभी बांध भर जाएगे। उनकी यह सोच हठधर्मिता को उजागर करती

#### है। तमिलनाडु के प्रति विरोधी खेया

पीएमके प्रमुख ने माना कि कर्नाटक में औसत से बीस प्रतिशत कम बरसात हुई है लेकिन उसके चारों बांधों का जलस्तर 74.23 टीएमसी फीट से अधिक है। यह कर्नाटक को विधिसम्मत राय है कि वह कावेरी पंचाट के जल के आनुपातिक बंटवारे के फैसले को सम्मान दे और तिमलनाडु के लिए पानी छोड़े। यह दर्शाता है कि कर्नाटक का तिमलनाडु के खिलाफ हमेशा से ही विरोधी रवैया रहा है।

रामदास ने इस मसले को पेचीदा बनाने के लिए पूर्ववर्ती यूपीए और

मौजूदा भाजपा नीत एनडीए को भी जिम्मेदार टहराया।

उनका कहना था कि अगर 2007 में ही यूपीए कावेरी न्यायाधिकरण के फैसले को अधिसूचित करा कावेरी प्रबंधन बोर्ड का गठन कर देती तो इसका निपटारा हो जाता। पंचाट के फैसले के छह साल बाद यूपीए ने सुप्रीम कोर्ट के आदेश पर पंचाट के निर्णय का प्रकाशन राजपत्र में कराया।

### कावेरी प्रबंधन बोर्ड नहीं बना

रामदास ने कहा कि यूपीए के बाद भाजपा सरकार आई और केंद्रीय मंत्री उमा भारती ने जून 2014 में ही घोषणा कर दी थी कि

काबेरी प्रबंधन बोर्ड की स्थापना होगी। उनकी इस घोषणा के पदह महीने बीत चुके हैं लेकिन इसे अमलीजामा नहीं पहनाया गया है।

रामदास ने आरोप लगाया कि कर्नाटक के केंद्रीय मंत्रियों के दबाव की वजह से केंद्र सरकार ने कावेरी प्रबंधन बोर्ड गठित करने के फैसले को ठण्डे बस्ते में डाल दिया है। उन्होंने प्रधानमंत्री से आग्रह किया कि वे कर्नाटक के सीएम पर तमिलनाडु को पानी जारी करने का दबाव बनाएं और कावेरी प्रबंधन बोर्ड का गठन कराएं। मुख्यमंत्री जयलिलता भी इस मसले पर सर्वदलीय बैठक बुलाकर चर्चा करें तािक केंद्र सरकार पर दबाव बनाया जा सके।

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## आलमाति एवं नारायपुर बांध में रह गया है 37 टीएमसी फीट जल

बेंगलूरु. पिछले 40 वर्ष में सबसे खराब सूखे की स्थिति का सामना कर रहे राज्य के जलाशयों का जलस्तर भी अब तेजी से नीचे गिरने ल्गा है। हालत यह है कि आलमाति और नारायणपुर बांध का कुल पानी 40 दिनों से भी कम के लिए रह गया है। राज्य के जल संसाधन मंत्री एमबी पाटिल ने कहा कि दोनों जलाशयों का पानी कुल मिलाकर 37 टीएमसी फीट से भी कम रह गया है। विजयापुर में शुक्रवार को पत्रकारों से बातचीतं करते हुए पाटिल ने कहा कि स्थित इतनी खराब हो चुकी है कि अगर आने वाले दिनों में बारिश नहीं हुई तो पेयजल के लिए भी पानी रह जाएगा। इस साल जिले में 52 फीसदी कम बारिश हुई। विजयापुर सूखे से सबसे अधिक प्रभावित जिला है। उपरी कृष्णा परियोजना-3

के तहत सिचाई परियोजना के लिए भूमि अधिग्रहण में कांग्रेस की कथित नाकामी पर भाजपा के धरना प्रदर्शन को गैर जरूरी बताते हुए पाटिल ने कहा कि केंद्र की भाजपा सरकार इसमें देरी कर रही हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि भाजपा सरकार ने भूमि अधिग्रहण विधेयक पर अडियल रवैया अपना रखा है जिसके चलते सरकार भूमि अधिग्रहण प्रक्रिया शुरू नहीं कर रही है।

इसमें राज्य सरकार की कोई
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### वृन्दावन हिन्दुस्तान संवाद

केन्द्रीय जल संसाधन मंत्री उमा भारती ने कहा कि गंगा नदी की तर्ज पर यमुना शुद्धीकरण का प्लान तैयार कर लिया गया है। इस विशेष प्लान में तीन राज्य उत्तर प्रदेश, हरियाणा और दिल्ली राज्यों को शामिल किया गया है। इसकी रिपोर्ट प्रधानमंत्री को दे दी गई है। केन्द्र सरकार ने भी इस योजना के लिए धन स्वीकृत कर दिया है।

उमा भारती यहां जन्माष्टमी पर्व पर सुप्रसिद्ध बांकेबिहारी के दर्शन करने आई थीं। प्रभु दर्शन एवं पूजन के पश्चात मंदिर के येट संख्या एक पत्रकार वार्ता में उन्होंने बताया कि जल्द ही यमुना शुद्धीकरण का कार्य शुरू होगा और ब्रजवासियों को  यमुना शुद्धीकरण के प्लान में यूपी, दिल्ली और हरियाणा शामिल

 केन्द्र ने विशेष योजना के लिए धन देने की स्वीकृति दी

फिर एक बार निर्मल यमुना के दर्शन करने को मिलेंगे। इसके लिए केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा निरंतर प्रवास किए जा रहे हैं। नेशनल ग्रीन ट्रिब्यूनल ने भी यमुना की दशा में सुधार के लिए आदेश दिए हैं।

उन्होंने कहा कि उन आदेशों पर भी अमल कराने का हर संभव प्रयास किया जाएगा, ताकि यमुना की दशा में आमूल-चूल सुधार हो सके। इसके लिए जन सहयोग की आवश्यकता है। News Remiliers energiate editories published on 2/2/15 in the

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पिछले ११ वर्षों में सात बार मानसून ने देश को दगा दिया

देश में 2005 से 2015 तक यानी 11 सालों में सात वर्ष ऐसे रहे. जब सामान्य से कम या बहुत कम बारिश हुई। इनमें से तीन साल बरसात सामान्य से 12 से 22 फीसदी तक कम रही।

मीजंदा साल इस मामले में दूसरा सबसे खराब वर्ष साबित हुआ। इस साल अब तक सामान्य से 13 फीसदी कम वर्षा हुई है। इतना ही नहीं इस दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश, बिहार, झारखंड, उत्तराखंड, दिल्ली जैसे राज्यों में चार से छह साल बहुत कम बरसात हुई।

मौसम विभाग के आंकड़ों पर गौर किया जाए तो 2015 सहित 11 साल मानसून के लिहाज से अच्छे साबित नहीं हुए। सिर्फ 2007 और 2013 में सामान्य से छह फीसदी बारिश ज्यादा हुई। सामान्य सालों 2010-11 में सिर्फ दो प्रतिशत ही ज्यादा बरसात हुई।

**तीन साल बुरा हालः** तीन साल सबसे विफल गानसून वाले रहे। 2009 सबसे सखा बीता। इस वर्ष



मौसम विभाग के 36 सबडिवीजनों में से 22 में बहुत कम वर्षा हुई। देश में कल 22 फीसदी से कम बारिश दर्ज की गई। दूसरा सबसे खराब साल

2015 रहा। पांच सितंबर तक 13% कम बरसात हुई है। 2014 में 12 फीसदी कम बरसात दर्ज हुई। यानि दो साल बारिश 12% व 13%कम रही।

## देशभर में वर्षा की स्थिति

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## दिल्ली, वेस्ट यूपी में कम होती बारिस

चिताजनक बात यह है कि यूपी, बिहार, उतराखंड, झारखंड, दिल्ली जैसे राज्यों में बहुत कम बारिश का आंकड़ा लगातार बढ़ रहा है। इनमें वेस्ट यूपी और दिल्ली सबसे खराब स्थिति में है। यहां छह साल ऐसे रहे जब सामान्य से बेहद कम बारिश हुई। बिहार में पांच साल, पूर्वी यूपी,उत्तराखंड में चार साल तथा झारखंड में तीन साल कम बारिश हुई।

## चंडीगढ़, पंजाब और हिमाचल में भी लोग बारिश को तरसे

फीसदी में अविक बारिश

केंद्र शासित प्रदेश चंडीगढ, पंजाब, हिमाचल प्रदेश में भी बहुत कम बारिश वाले साल बढ़ गए। चंडीगढ़ में सात. हिमाचल प्रदेश और पंजाब में पांच, हरियाणा में तीन मानसूनी साल ऐसे रहे जब बारिश के लिए लोग तरस गएँ।

## सबडिवीजन वार वर्षा की स्थिति

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	2006	6	20	10
	2007	13	18	8
	2008	2	31	3
	2009	3	11	22
	2010	14	17	5
	2011	7	26	3
	2012	1	22	13
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	2014	1	24	11
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### सौराष्ट्र-कच्छ, मध्य महाराष्ट्र और पश्चिमी राजस्थान में ज्यादा वर्षा

बहुत ज्यादा वर्षा वाले क्षेत्रों में सौराष्ट्र-कच्छ सबसे आँगे है। यहां 11 में सात साल बहुत ज्यादा बारिश हुई। वहीं पश्चिमी राजस्थान और मध्य महाराष्ट्र में पांच साल, गुजरात-दमन में चार साल बहुत अधिक तर्षा रिकॉर्ड की गई।