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उत्तराखण्ड में भारी बारिश का अलर्ट



शिमला में रिमक्षिम का माहौल।

■ एजेंसियां, देहरादून : उत्तराखंड में अगले 48 घंटे भारी बारिश के आसार हैं। मौसम विभाग की चेतावनी के मद्देनजर शासन ने विभिन्न जिलों को सतर्क कर दिया है। तीन साल पहले 16 जून को केदारनाथ में बादल फटने के कारण तबाही मच गई थी। राज्य में बुधवार को देहरादून सहित कई जगहों पर रुक-रुक कर बारिश होती रही। दूसरी ओर नासा से जारी डेटा के मुताबिक इस साल मई में गर्मी के वैश्विक तापमान का रिकॉर्ड टूट गया।

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Pre-monsoon showers lash state, Ghumarwin wettest

TRIBUNE REPORTERS

SHIMLA, JUNE 15

Pre-monsoon showers lashed several parts of the state today, causing a sharp fall in minimum temperatures at some places.

Ghumarwin in Bilaspur district was the wettest in the region with 105 mm rain while Berthin and Kasauli recorded 82 mm and 73 mm rain, followed by Paonta Sahib 70 mm, Arki 69 mm, Bhawarna 65 mm and Dehra Gopipur 63 mm.

Aghar, Mehre and Hamirpur had 58 mm, 48 mm and 40 mm rain while Bhoranj and Ghamroor received 35mm rain, followed by Sundernagar and Amb 31 mm, Jhandutta and Dharampur 30 mm, Nainadevi 22 mm, Bilaspur 19 mm and Shimla 15 mm.

The local Met office has predicted rains or



An auto makes way through an inundated road in Mandi.

thundershowers in lower, mid and higher hill over the next six days.

KANGRA: Kangra valley was on Wednesday drenched following heavy rains giving people respite from the scorching heat the valley was experiencing for the last more than a fortnight.

Kangra experienced the hottest day of the season on

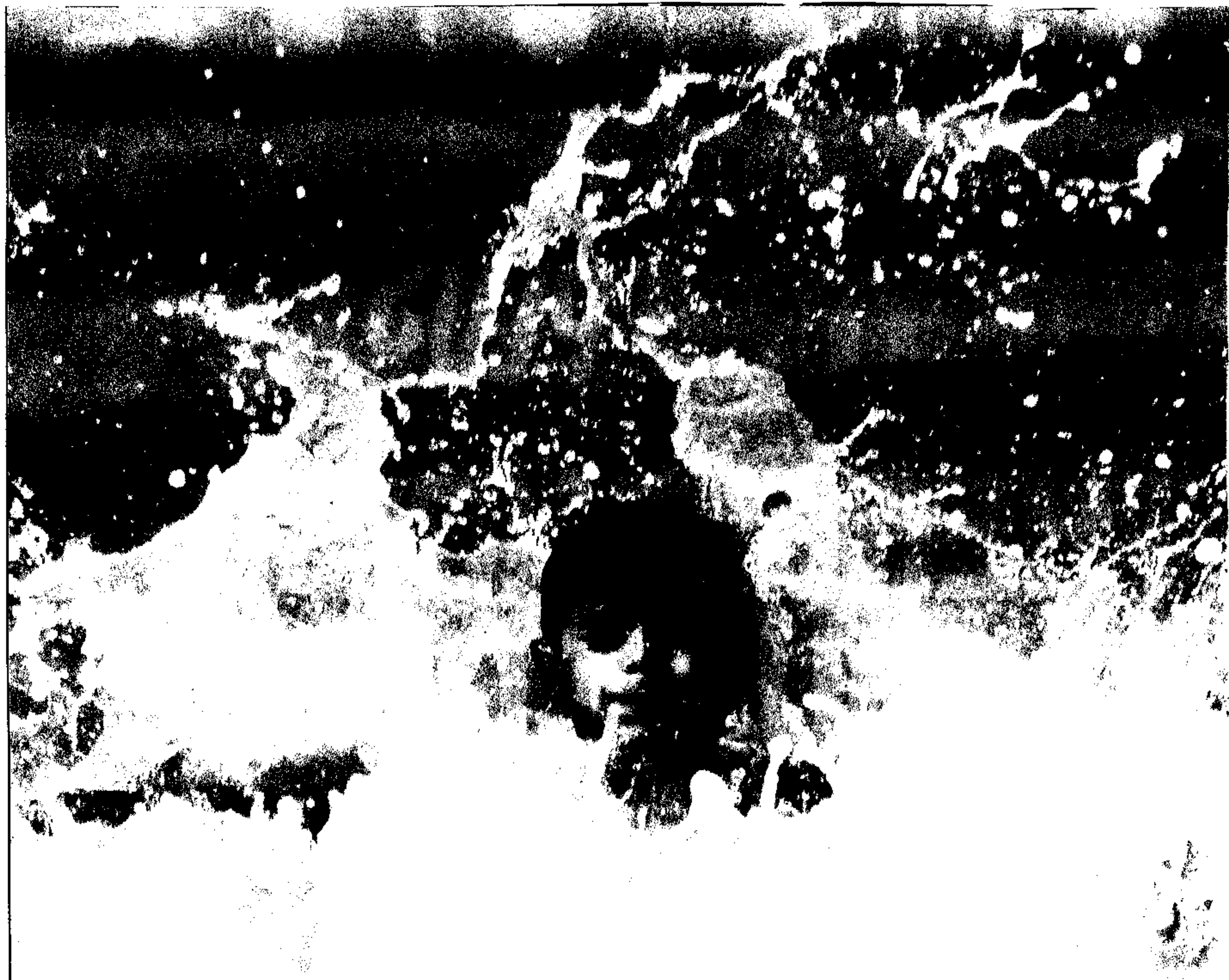
June 4 with mercury touching 41.6 degree Celsius but today's showers gave much needed respite to the people.

The rains started in the night. In the morning it rained heavily for an hour. The sky was overcast in the valley with clouds since morning and remained so for the entire day.

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HOT STREAK

May's temperatures broke global records yet again, as the northern hemisphere's hottest spring on record ended, statistics by NASA showed

ARCTIC MELTING

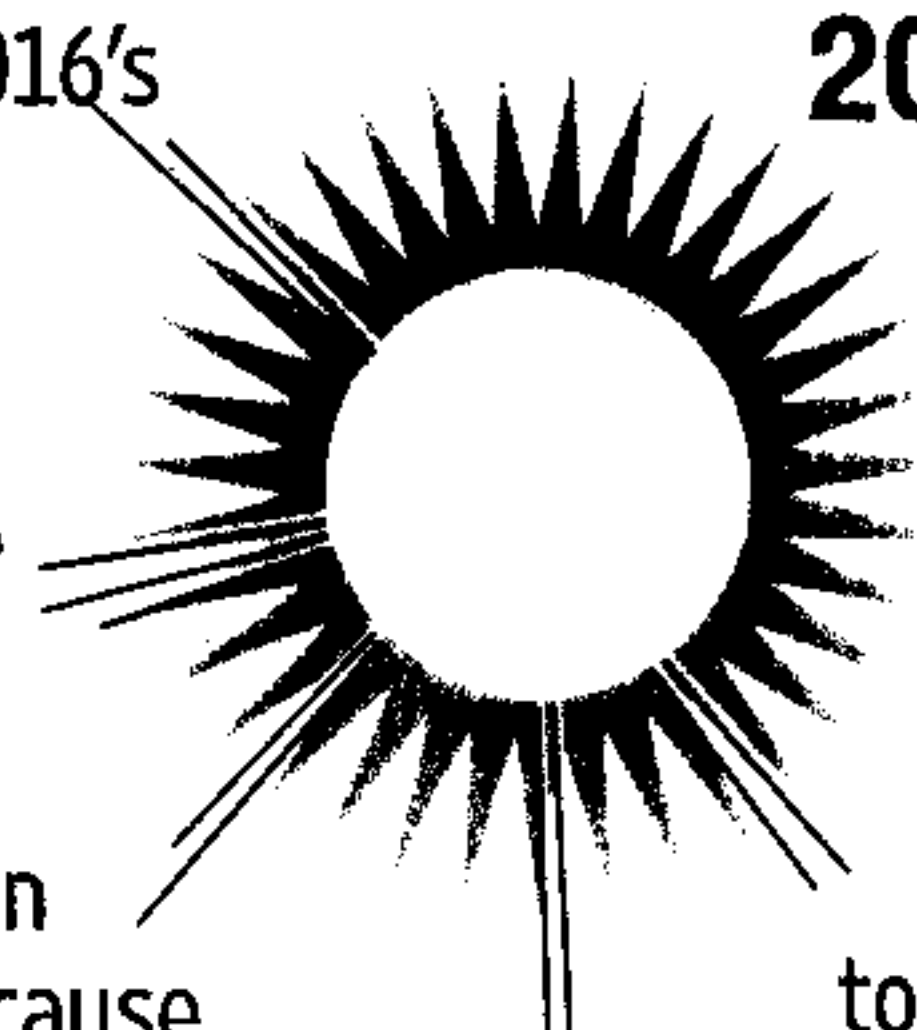
The Arctic in particular experienced abnormal heat, causing Arctic sea ice and the Greenland ice sheet to start melting unusually early, said NASA

Alaska recorded its warmest spring on record by a wide margin, and in Finland the average May temperature was between three and five degrees warmer than usual in most regions, according to data from the Finnish Meteorological Institute

THE REASONS

Now dissipated, the El Nino weather pattern

factored into 2016's record-setting heat, but meteorologists say greenhouse gases emitted from human activities remain the underlying cause



2016 HOTTEST YEAR?

The US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is expected

to announce complete global May temperature records in the coming days

OTHER EXTREME EVENTS

The record temperatures in May were accompanied by other extreme events, including very heavy precipitation in parts of Europe and the southern US, and widespread and severe coral reef bleaching

Recent predictions by US scientists anticipate that 2016 will go down as Earth's hottest year on record — on the heels of record-setting years in 2014 and 2015

The first four months of 2016 were the warmest globally in 136 years.

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A woman gets drenched as heavy rain lashes Mangaluru on Monday. DH PHOTO

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200-acre Madiwala Lake to get a fresh lease of life

BENGALURU, DHNS: The brains behind the revival of the Yamuna banks are now working to rejuvenate Madiwala Lake to make it a model biodiversity park in five years.

On the recommendations of the Karnataka Jnana Ayoga (Knowledge Commission), the Karnataka Lake Conservation and Development Authority (KLCDA) will revive the 200-acre lake, K Kasturirangan, scientist and KJA chairman said on Monday.

He was speaking at the workshop - Bring Back the Lakes - organised by KLCDA, Department of Forests, Environment and Ecology and CII-Bengaluru. The workshop was inaugurated by Forest, Environment and Ecology Minister Ramanath Rai.

Kasturirangan added that after a detailed survey of the city's lakes, the commission chose Madiwala lake and started the rejuvenation in January. C R Babu, ecologist and Delhi University professor, who worked on reviving the Yamuna banks, is guiding the development.

With a fund of Rs 25-28 lakh from the Karnataka government, KLCDA will make Madiwala lake a biodiversity park. Tendering for desilting is under way. State-of-the-art technology from Maharashtra will be used to desilt the lake without draining the water. A herbal garden with native tree species, walkways and interpretation centre will be created. In five years time, the lake will be revived to what it was 50 years ago.

In 2008, locals and the forest



The Madiwala lake will be developed as a biodiversity park in five years. DH FILE PHOTO

department had revived Madiwala lake. But because of poor maintenance, it was contaminated again. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had allocated Rs 24.72 crore in the state budget for Madiwala lake.

Additional chief secretary, DFEE, T M Vijay Bhaskar said sewage was the biggest problem for city lakes. Tenders by BWSSB are in the process to install sewage treatment plants in three to four years.

KCLDA CEO Ajai Misra said the body will be a link between lake custodians and people coming forward to revive lakes under corporate social responsibility. A special purpose vehicle will be created for each lake.

Former Karnataka Task Force Chairman V Balasubramaniam said in 10 years, half of Bengaluru will have to be evacuated as no water will be left. A report by Institute of Social and Economic Change states 50% borewell water is contaminated, which makes re-

Lake concerns

Companies which signed expression of interest and lakes chosen

■ Biocon - Hebbagodi Lake in Electronics City

■ United Breweries Ltd - Bommanahalli Lake in Nelmangala

■ Wipro - Marakondanahalli Lake

■ Mphasis - Mahadevapura Lake

■ Sansera Engineering Pvt Ltd - Bommasandra and Kelsanayakanahalli Lakes

■ BEL - Doddabommasandra lake

viving lakes essential.

The workshop was aimed at reaching out to stake holders and bringing about a coherent change in the current system. Corporates signed an expression of interest with KLCDA which will act as a single-window agency for lake revival.

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A tree branch crashed on a tempo following heavy rain at Agara, HSR Layout, on Monday evening. A man runs to escape from heavy rain near Town Hall. Motorists struggle to navigate the waterlogged Sirsi Circle flyover, which witnessed traffic traffic jam following rainfall. DH PHOTOS

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Rains batter Hosapete, Kodagu; Cauvery swells

DH - 14 June 2016

BENGALURU: Rains continued to lash parts of the state on Monday.

Dakshina Kannada district experienced moderate rainfall on Monday. In the last 24 hours, the district received an average of 26.8 mm rain. This includes—Mangaluru (41.5 mm), Belthangady—(26.3), Puttur—(25.9) Sullia—(22.2) and Bantwal—18 mm.

Udupi district recorded 44.5 mm of rain on Monday.

Monsoon has intensified across Kodagu district. The district experienced rainfall for the whole day. There was heavy rain in Virajpet and Somwarpet. The water-level in river Cauvery at Bhagaman-dala has increased.

Dharwad city too received heavy rain towards evening. With the taluk receiving good rains for the last 15 days, agricultural activities have picked up. Some farmers have taken up sowing operations. Hubballi received light drizzle in the afternoon.

Bhatkal, Honnavar, Karwar and Gokarna in Uttara Kannada district received moderate rains. There was only drizzle in Haveri though the sky remained overcast. Gadag district has been receiving light



Abbey Falls near Madikeri in Kodagu district has become a dazzling sight for the tourists, following showers in the last few days. DH PHOTO/RANGASWAMY

rains for the past three days. The district has recorded a rainfall of 44 mm till June 12.

A house collapsed in Nar-gund killing an ox and damaging household articles. Bagalkot town and surrounding areas received light rains for the whole day.

Hospate town in Ballari district received heavy rains for the whole day on Monday. The showers which started around 11 in the morning lashed the town till 6 pm affecting normal life.

Students had to struggle reaching their schools and col-

leges. Several roads in the town were waterlogged. However, there have been no reports of any loss of life or property.

Moderate rains lashed several parts Shivamogga the district. Shivamogga, Bhadravathi, Shikaripur, Hosanagar, Sagar and Thirthahalli received moderate rains intermittently throughout the day. The intensity was less compared to the previous days. Most parts of the district witnessed cloudy weather throughout the day.

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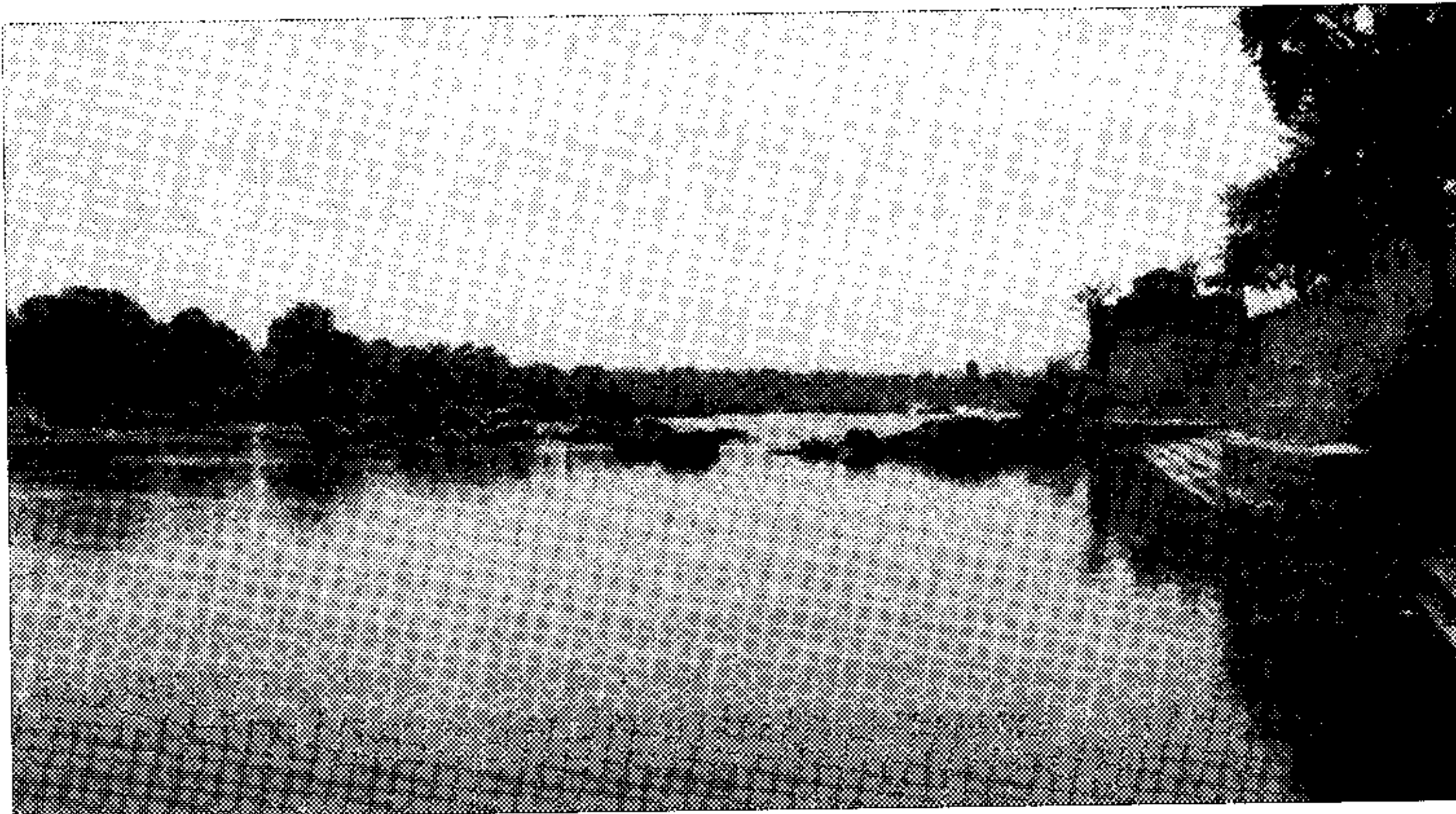
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Link the rivers to benefit farmers

SIR, The environment approval for the Ken-Betwa river linking project together with the associated dam on Ken river is justified. The proposal was mooted by Uma Bharati, the Water Resources minister, according to a report in your paper on 8 June. The project will benefit the farmers of the Bundelkhand region that straddles Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. Both Ken and Betwa rivers are part of the Ganga basin and the proposed dam with the reservoir will store the monsoon water, which is otherwise wasted. This will in the long run improve the water regime of the river basin and even check floods.

The linking of rivers proposed during the Atal Behari Vajpayee government involved 14 Himalayan and 16 peninsular rivers, which were proposed to be connected by canals. The Himalayan rivers are all part of the Ganga basin and they feed the Ganga throughout the year. Any attempt to divert water from these rivers into the Deccan outlets might spell disaster for the Ganga basin which is the granary of the country. Although a perennial river, the quantum of summer flow into the Ganga is already under considerable strain because the



Gangotri has started to recede due to global warming. Another factor is the reckless use and wastage of water for irrigation and industries in Uttarakhand, UP and Bihar.

The situation is already alarming at the Farakka Barrage site located in the Lower Ganga basin, where some units of the Super Thermal Power Station of NTPC have to be clo-

sed every year for dearth of water in summer. In March this year, all the six units of the power station had to be shut down for two weeks and 13 barges carrying coal to Farakka from Haldia were stranded in the Bhagirathi bed. The stipulated volume of water from the Farakka Barrage to Kolkata Port cannot be ensured, and this has resulted in siltation. Thus,

every drop of water in the Ganga basin must be conserved where it is generated to augment the summer flow. In this context there seems to be no other alternative but to construct the proposed dam on the Ken river and other tributaries of the Ganga, wherever feasible.

Yours, etc., Dilip Kumar Roy,
Kolkata, 11 June.

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Situation dismal, says SC food panel member

SEEMA CHISHTI
NEW DELHI, JUNE 15

THE PRINCIPAL Advisor to the Supreme Court Food Commission, Biraj Patnaik, has termed the overall food situation in the country as "dismal", saying that despite clear directions from the apex court on drought, nothing has happened on the ground.

The Food Commission was appointed by the Supreme Court in 2003 to monitor schemes of the government in the landmark Right to Food case. Its commissioners oversee food schemes in states, assist state and Central governments in policymaking, and provide periodic reports to the apex court.

While monsoon has arrived, the recent drought, among the worst in independent India, continues to have its impact on about one-fourth of India's population and a significant portion of rural India.

On May 11, the Supreme Court

had ruled that the drought be considered a disaster, laying down certain directions for the Centre and state governments to follow.

"The court directed states to provide mid-day meals to children even during the summer break at schools," Patnaik says. "But states like Jharkhand had not even bothered to go to the Centre for funds till the summer vacations started."

In many blocks of Jharkhand, some of the most marginalised communities like the Ho tribe have not got even their regular PDS foodgrains for two months now, he adds, while in Maharashtra, which is among the worst-hit, many schools are not offering mid-day meals.

"Not a single state has issued instructions to make the provision of foodgrains through PDS universal," Patnaik adds. "Even the roll-out the National Food Security Act (NFSA) enacted in 2013 is not complete. In UP, for instance, only names have been added to the website, and no distribution of



cards has happened except in parts of Bundelkhand. UP is hence losing out on Central funds."

Patnaik, who was closely involved in drafting of the NFSA, slams the states and Centre for the delay. "The NDA government has chosen to extend the deadline for compliance for the Act

three times. Such 'extensions' cannot be done through an executive action but need parliamentary sanction, which was not taken in this case."

Right now, the NFSA is being implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in just 53 districts, as a badly de-



Biraj Patnaik (above) says measures like the water train to Latur are nothing more than photo opportunities, given the scale of the problem.

signed pilot, with new and tricky requirements like two-child norm and a minimum age for pregnant mothers.

While the NFSA implementation is estimated to cost around Rs 15,000 crore in all, the Centre budgeted just Rs 400 crore for it in 2016. Even the pilot

alone cost Rs 438 crore.

"The budget for the flagship Integrated Child Development Services programme, also a part of the NFSA, has also seen severe cuts," Patnaik adds.

If this had been the third year of the implementation of the NFSA instead, he says, "systems would have been in place to reach out to 75 per cent of the rural population".

Patnaik points out that the delay on the NFSA has coincided with "budgetary cuts" in the MNREGS. "The standard response in any drought situation is drought-relief works, and creation of employment and assets that help people. This has been in place since before Independence, in the form of 'famine codes'. But the MNREGA, our flagship employment programme, has been a victim of budgetary cuts, with no attempts to bolster spending in the present year. There is a 'hike' in the MNREGA, with a total allocation of Rs 43,000 crore, but in reality, this masks the burden of last

year's unpaid wages. So you can subtract Rs 12,000 crore from this... In a drought year, the tragedy is that the allocation is less by 220 million MNREGA days!"

Patnaik says measures like the water train to Latur are nothing more than photo opportunities, given the scale of the problem. "The media covered these trains with much fanfare. As far as the train to Latur in Maharashtra goes, the first train delivered just 1.5 litres of water per capita to the parched town."

In comparison, he says, more water is supplied per tiger to national parks such as in Jim Corbett every summer.

Stressing how governments can do much more, Patnaik says, "There is an old Marathi saying, that drought is 'not aasmani but sultani', referring to droughts as a failure of administration rather than the failure of rains. Sadly, this centuries-old saying holds true even today, in this era of 'no vision, all television' model of governance."

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WELCOME RELIEF: People returning from work were caught in a sudden shower in Lucknow on Wednesday. PHOTO: RAJEEV BHATT

Rain lashes many areas in North India

NEW DELHI: Mercury hovered around normal levels as rain lashed many areas of northern India on Wednesday even though high levels of humidity caused discomfort to people.

In the national capital, maximum temperature was recorded at 38.4 degrees Celsius, a notch below normal, while the minimum temperature settled at 30.5 degrees Celsius, three notches above the season's average, a MeT

department official said.

However, high humidity, which oscillated between 73 and 48 per cent, caused discomfort to the people.

Rains lashed many areas in Punjab and Haryana, leading to drop in day temperatures.

The Union Territory of Chandigarh recorded 11.1 mm of rain. It recorded its maximum at 33.5 degrees Celsius, five notches below normal.

In Haryana, Ambala and Yamunanagar received 14.4

mm and 14 mm of rain, while Panchkula and Karnal recorded 9 mm and 3.2 mm rain, respectively. Amritsar in Punjab received heavy showers at 18.4 mm and Ludhiana got 7.2 mm of rain.

Thundershowers

Meanwhile, some parts of Uttar Pradesh witnessed light to moderate rain and thundershowers, leading to a fall in day temperatures.

According to the MeT of-

fice in Lucknow, day temperatures fell in Agra, Bareilly and Meerut divisions. Day temperatures hovered below normal levels in Agra and Meerut divisions.

Allahabad recorded the State's highest temperature at 43.5 degrees Celsius, three notches above normal, followed by Churk (42.4 degrees Celsius), Banda (42.2 degrees Celsius) and Lucknow (41.8 degrees Celsius).

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WATER DISPUTE

'Haryana must get its share from Yamuna'

HT Correspondent

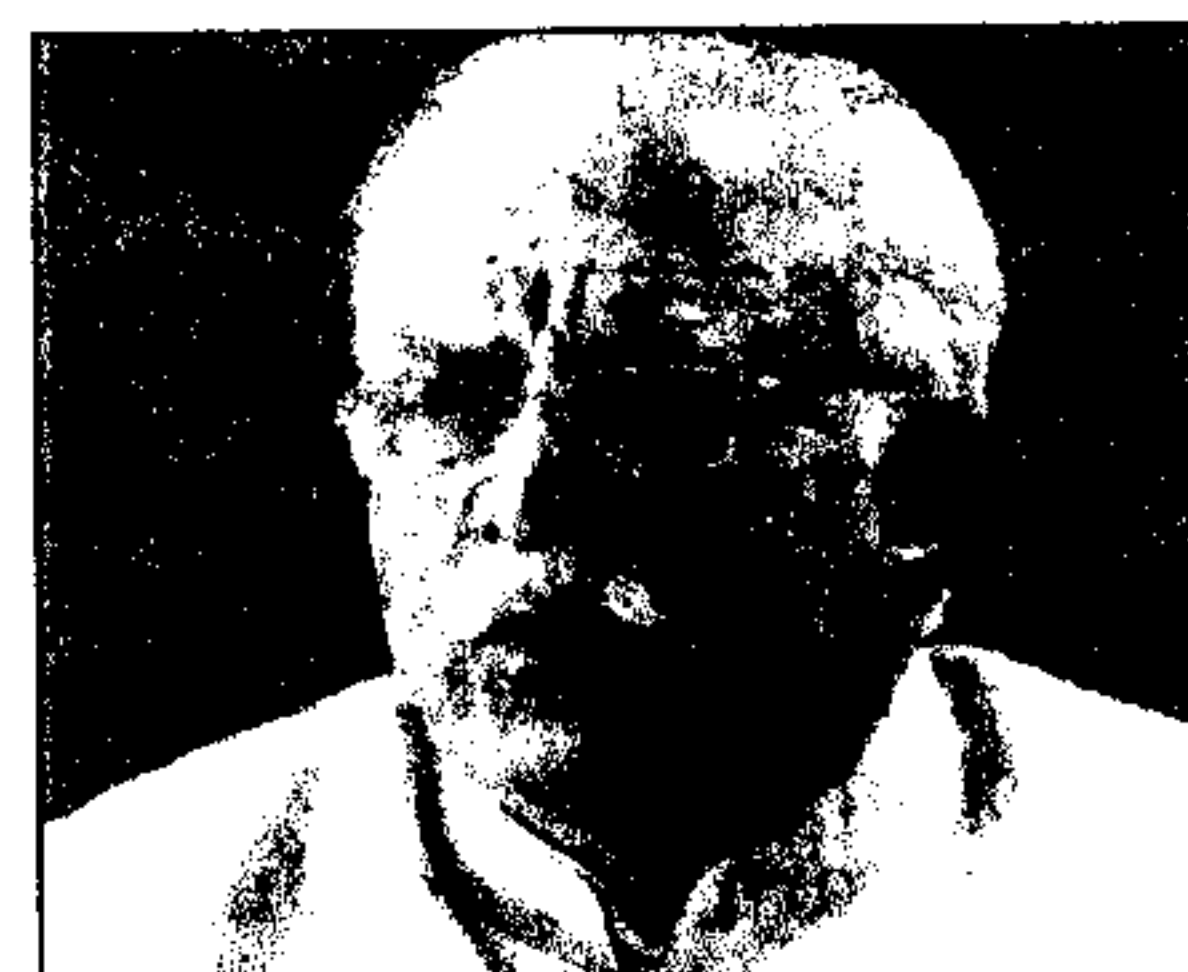
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CHANDIGARH: Haryana chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Wednesday urged the National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB) to ensure release of the state's legitimate share of water from Yamuna and asked the Delhi government to pay ₹150 crore on account of the extra raw water supplied.

He also sought early execution of the Renuka, Kishau and Lakhwar dam projects to overcome water shortage in the state.

Speaking at the 36th meeting of NCRPB in Delhi, Khattar said that Delhi's withdrawal of water from Haryana resulted in reduction of the state's legitimate share from Yamuna and caused extreme hardship to the people of the state.

Khattar said that large dry and arid areas of Faridabad, Palwal



■ Manohar Lal Khattar

and Mewat districts of Haryana falling in the National Capital Region were being deprived of their legitimate share in Yamuna water as water meant for the areas was not being released at Okhla.

The chief minister said the Upper Yamuna River Board is planning to install telemetry system at different points on Yamuna for accurate assessment of the flow in the river and this will help Haryana get water as per its share in Gurgaon canal.

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लखनऊ | विशेष संवाददाता

यूपी सरकार बुंदेलखंड के बाद चार और जिलों इलाहाबाद, सोनभद्र, मिर्जापुर व फतेहपुरमें सूखा रहत पैकेट बाटेगी। यह फैसला मुख्यमंत्री अखिलेश यादव ने कैबिनेट बाई सर्कुलेशन कराया है। इसके तहत राजस्व विभाग चारों जिलों को एक-एक करोड़ रुपये देगा।

विदित हो कि राज्य सरकार ने वर्ष 2015 में कम बारिश होने पर प्रदेश के 50 जिलों को सूखाग्रस्त घोषित किया था। इनमें से 21 जिले सर्वाधिक सूखा

प्रभावित है। मुख्यमंत्री अखिलेश यादव ने बुंदेलखंड के दौर के बाद वहां के सूखा पीड़ितों के लिए रहत पैकेट बांटने की योजना शुरू कराई है। इसमें एक किलो चीनी, एक किलो नमक, 200 ग्राम हल्दी, 10 किलो चावल, 10 किलो आटा, 25 किलो आलू, पांच किलो चने की दाल, एक किलो सरसों का तेल, एक किलो पराग का देशी घी तथा कुपोषित बच्चों के परिवार वालों को एक किलो मिल्क पाउडर दिया जा रहा है। मुख्यमंत्री को विगत दिनों सूचना मिली थी कि लोगों को खाना नसीब नहीं हो रहा है।

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**चारों धाम में 21
जून तक बारिश**

देहरादून। चारों धाम समेत हेमकुंड साहिब में 21 जून तक बारिश होने की संभावना है। बारिश का यह दौर गुरुवार से शुरू हो जाएगा।

मौसम विभाग की माने तो 16 जून को गंगोत्री, यमुनोत्री, बद्रीनाथ और केदारनाथ में दिन भर हल्की बारिश और कुछ समय तेज बारिश हो सकती है। जबकि 16 से 21 जून तक चारों धाम समेत हेमकुंड में मौसम खराब रहेगा।