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# 9,000 rendered homeless in Tripura

## Toll mounts as flood situation deteriorates in Assam and West Bengal

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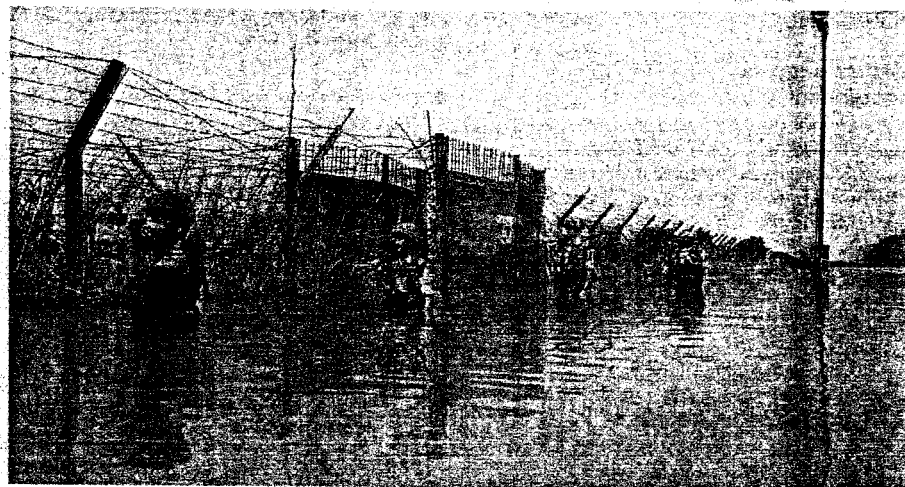
The flood situation in Tripura improved on Saturday after the incessant rain abated. As many as 9,000 people, rendered homeless in the flash floods in the State, are housed in relief camps, said officials of the disaster management authority.

The Opposition BJP alleged that the flood-hit were not provided adequate food and drinking water. "They are almost starving and the government is reluctant to address their needs," party's State president Biplab Kumar Deb told newsmen. He said lack of proper provision to pump out stagnant water and unplanned sewerage systems were responsible for the floods in Agartala city.

### Brahmaputra in spate

Floods in Assam claimed five lives on Saturday, taking the flood toll this year to 89. Nearly 11 lakh people across 19 districts have been affected.

As many as 1,752 villages



**On call, anytime:** BSF personnel guarding the international border in the flood-hit Malda district of West Bengal. ■SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

are under water and crops in over one lakh hectares has been damaged, the Assam State Disaster Management Authority said.

Brahmaputra is flowing above the danger mark at Nimatighat in Jorhat, Dibrugarh town, Tezpur in Sonitpur and Dhubri town.

### Three dead in Bengal

Flood in north Bengal has not only affected the lives of

lakhs of civilians but also the personnel of the Border Security Force.

The Punarbhaba river, which runs parallel to the international border, has breached its banks resulting in knee-deep to waist-deep water in some areas in Malda district.

Senior BSF officials said its personnel were guarding the posts in waist-deep water in two battalion areas.

In Cooch Behar district alone, about 1.86 lakh people have been affected and about 500 flood relief centres have been set up.

In Darjeeling district, two deaths have been reported. One woman was swept away in Sukhiapokhri, while another casualty was reported in a building collapse in Darjeeling. Several tea garden offices in Bengal are also under water.

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# 10 killed in 2nd wave of flood in State



A breached portion of the Besamara-Halodhibari embankment in Majuli on Saturday. — UB Photos

## STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, Aug 12: Ten persons died in the last 24 hours as the number of people affected by the second wave of floods in the State rose to nearly 11 lakh.

According to an evening bulletin of the Assam State Disaster Management Authority, those killed in the flood included six in Kokrajhar district, two in Dhemaji and one each in Lakhimpur and Morigaon.

A total of 10,99,217 people have been affected in the floods in 1,752 villages of 66 revenue circles in 19 districts — Dhemaji, Lakhimpur, Biswanath, Sonitpur, Baksa, Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Chirang, Kokrajhar, Dhubri, South Salmara, Morigaon, Golaghat, Jorhat, Majuli, Sivasagar, Charaideo, Dibrugarh and Tinsukia. Dhemaji, Bongaigaon, Kokra-

jhar and Dhubri have been the worst hit in this wave of floods.

A report from Lakhimpur said that NEEPCO has been releasing waters from its Ranganadi project since Thursday, leading to flooding in the downstream areas.

The situation worsened in Majuli

## Nearly 11 lakh people in 19 districts affected

where a large area of the Besamara-Halodhibari embankment was breached in Jengraimukh and Nayabazar areas.

According to the Central Water Commission, the Brahmaputra was flowing above the danger level at Jorhat, Dibrugarh, Tezpur and Dhubri. The Burhi-dehing in Dibrugarh district, Subansiri

in Lakhimpur, Dhansiri in Golaghat, Jia Bharali in Sonitpur, Puthimari in Kamrup, Beki in Barpeta, Gaurang in Kokrajhar and Sankosh in Dhubri were also flowing above the red mark.

Altogether 258 relief camps have been set up in the State and 63,797 flood-hit people are taking shelter in them.

Army personnel were deployed in the rescue-and-relief operations in Kokrajhar, while additional NDRF personnel are being rushed to Dhubri, Kokrajhar, Majuli and Chirang districts following requests from the respective Deputy Commissioners.

At least 56 houses have been washed away in the floods which have caused damages to several infrastructure across the State.

Around 1,00,441 hectares of cropland

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## Rain triggers flash floods in Bihar

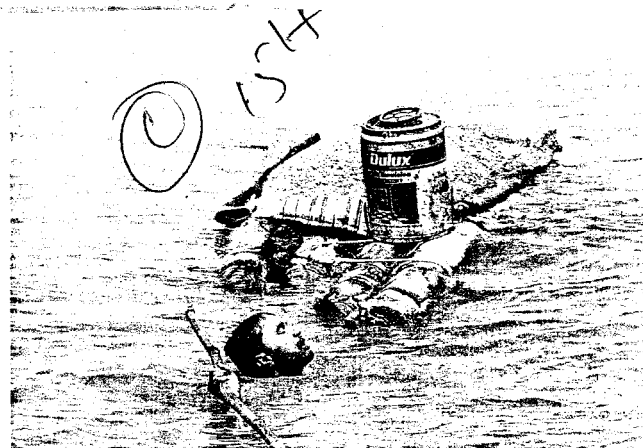
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Pradesh too, the flood situation continued to be grim in several districts with recurring landslips disrupting road traffic.

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**No respite:** Banana rafts have become the mode of transport in the flood-affected Morigaon district of Assam. At right, a villager shifts grains from a flooded village in Araria district of Bihar. ■ RITU RAJ KONWAR & PTI

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41 dead in Bihar, situation grim in Assam, Bengal & Arunachal; crucial rail link to northeast snapped

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to be grim in several districts with recurring landslips disrupting road traffic.

In Assam, floods claimed three more lives, taking the toll this season to 102.

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, who conducted an aerial survey of flood-hit areas, told reporters that Araria was the worst-affected district. Flood waters have engulfed areas in Kisanganj, three blocks of Purnea and

one block of Katihar damaging roads.

Mr. Kumar said heavy rain in Nepal and Bihar in the last three days had led to this situation and the State government was carrying out relief work on a war footing.

### Trains cancelled

The Railway Board has cancelled all incoming trains from various parts of the country towards the north-

east region till 10 a.m. of August 16, a top official said. Tracks have been inundated at various places.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee said: "We are concerned about the flood situation and are monitoring it round the clock." State government sources said Phulahar river had crossed its danger level, while 20 villages, mostly under Harischandrapur block-II

and Ratua block in Malda district were inundated.

### Rhinos in distress

With the Kaziranga National Park (KNP) and the Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary in Assam getting submerged, rhinos and other animals have taken shelter on the highlands. Hence patrolling has been intensified as poachers could take advantage of the situation, a KNP official said.

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## RELIEF

# Centre steps in with Rs 600 crore, deploys 107 disaster relief teams - 15

**RAHUL TRIPATHI**  
NEW DELHI, AUGUST 14

THE CENTRE has so far released Rs 639 crore to flood-affected states from the State Disaster Relief Fund and Rs 25 crore from the National Disaster Relief Fund. As many as 107 NDRF teams have been deployed in Bihar, Bengal, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Odisha, Gujarat, Rajasthan, MP and Tripura. Each NDRF team includes 47 rescue and relief workers. These include teams that have been pre-positioned at 75 locations. Assam has 7 teams while Bihar has 10 teams.

The Prime Minister's Office has asked the Ministry of Home Affairs not to wait for a memorandum from flood-affected states and immediately send a central team for assessment. Usually, it is after receiving such a memorandum that the Centre sends out a team with representatives from the home, water resources, agriculture and irrigation ministries/departments. The assessment of the central team forms the basis of granting central funds from the Centre, officials said.

## NDRF EFFORT

STATE	RESCUED	EVACUATED
Assam	82	976
Rajasthan	122	847
Gujarat	1,355	7,326
Bengal	253	1,551
UP	—	603
Tripura	23	970

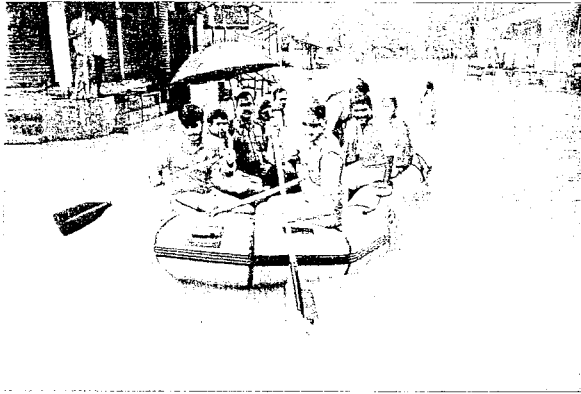
In a recent communication, PMO has not only asked the home ministry not to wait for a report from the states but also urged the ministry's disaster management authority to immediately dispatch a central team headed by a joint secretary, officials added. "We are currently doing it for states in the Northeast but soon plan to extend it to others affected with floods," said a home ministry official.

PM Narendra Modi said he has spoken to Bihar CM Nitish Kumar and Assam CM Sarbananda Sonowal about the flood situation.

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**Clockwise from right: A man carries his son through the flood water in Lakhimpur, Assam on Saturday. The Malda Medical College and Hospital campus flooded after heavy downpour in Malda, West Bengal. The National Disaster Response Force team rescues flood-hit people after heavy rainfall in Agartala, the capital of Tripura.**



## Flood situation worsens in Assam, 5 deaths reported

**NEW DELHI/KOLKATA:** The flood situation in Assam worsened on Saturday with five deaths reported, while flash floods affected three districts in Tripura where at least 4,500 families were rendered homeless.

According to a report by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA), two persons died in Dhemaji and one each in Lakhimpur, Kokrajhar and Morigaon districts.

With these, the total number of people losing their lives in this year's flood-related incidents across Assam went up to 89.

ASDMA said 11 lakh people were affected in Dhemaji, Lakhimpur, Biswanath, Sonitpur, Baksa, Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Chirang, Kokrajhar, Dhubri, South Salmara, Morigaon, Golaghat, Jorhat, Majuli, Sivasagar, Charaideo, Dibrugarh and Tinsukia districts.

The ASDMA report said Dhubri was the worst-affected where 1.92 lakh people were hit, followed by Dhemaji where 1.51 lakh people have been af-

ected by the calamity.

Currently 1,752 villages were under water and over one lakh hectare crop area has been damaged, ASDMA said.

Three districts of Tripura were affected by flash floods due to incessant rain and at least 4,500 families were rendered homeless, official sources said.

More than 2,000 families were forced to take refuge in different government buildings as large part of the state capital and its low lying outskirts were inundated, state Revenue Minister Badal Chowdhury, who visited the affected areas, said.

Chowdhury said the water was flowing above the danger level in Howrah river.

District Magistrate of Sipahijala Pradip Chakraborty said that at least 2,500 families were affected due to flood in the district and were sheltered in 60 relief camps opened in the government buildings.

Chowdhury said many parts of Khowai district were also inundated and many people

were rendered homeless.

Director of Meteorological department Dilip Saha said the regional weather station here recorded 116.55 mm of rain.

In Imphal Pradesh, moderate rain occurred in some parts as monsoon remained subdued and there was no significant change in maximum and minimum temperatures. Aghar was wettest in the state with 42mm rain.

Very heavy rain continued to lash sub-Himalayan districts of West Bengal with several places receiving extremely heavy precipitation leading to a deluge, the weather department said on Saturday.

Very heavy to extremely heavy rain occurred at most places in Jharguri, Cooch Behar and Alurduar districts, while heavy to very heavy rain occurred at many places over Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts, the regional Met department said here.

The highest rainfall in the state was recorded at Hasimara in Alipurduar district at 480 mm, it said.

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मौसम विभाग ने चेताया, पंजाब में हजारों एकड़ फसल जलमग्न, अरुणाचल में बाढ़ की स्थिति गंभीर

# पंजाब में सैकड़ों लोग बेघर हुए



नई दिल्ली | हिटी

हिमाचल प्रदेश सहित नदियों के जलग्रहण क्षेत्रों में हो रही लगातार वर्षा के कारण जलाशयों का जल स्तर बढ़ने और इनका पानी छोड़े जाने से पंजाब में हजारों एकड़ में खड़ी फसलें जलमग्न हो गई हैं और सैकड़ों लोग बेघर हो गए हैं। आधिकारिक सूत्रों ने बताया कि पौंग डैम से पानी छोड़े जाने तथा अन्य सहायक नदियों के पानी ने पंजाब के तरनतारन जिले तक व्याप्त नदी के पानी ने तवाही मचाई जिससे गांव वाले घरों को छोड़कर सुरक्षित स्थानों पर शरण लेने को मजबूर हो गए हैं।

**हिमाचल में भारी बारिश की आशंका**  
: हिमाचल प्रदेश के कुछ हिस्सों में मंगलवार को भारी बारिश हो सकती है। स्थानीय मौसम विभाग के निदेशक मनमोहन सिंह ने बताया कि सोलु,



पश्चिम बंगाल के बेलूरघाट में भारी बारिश और बाढ़ के बीच सुरक्षित स्थान की ओर जाते लोग। • प्र

शिमला, सिरमौर और बिलासपुर जिलों में भारी बारिश की आशंका है। शिमला, नरफडा, कुफरी, चैल, कसौली, चंबा, धर्मशाला, पालमपुर और मनाली जैसे प्रमुख पर्यटन स्थलों में बोते एक सुप्ताह से अच्छी बारिश हो रही है। मंडी में भारी बारिश के बाद शनिवार रात भूस्खलन

हुआ। इससे 150 मीटर के क्षेत्र में जमीन धंस गई। दो बसें और वाहन मलबे में दफन हो गए। इस घटना में 46 लोगों की मौत हो गई, जबकि पांच घायल हो गए।

**अरुणाचल प्रदेश में भी हालात गंभीर**  
: अरुणाचल प्रदेश में बाढ़ की स्थिति गंभीर बनी हुई है क्योंकि राज्य में विभिन्न स्थानों

पर सड़क यातायात बाधित है। अंजाव, पूर्वी सियांग और नमसाई जिलों का बड़ा हिस्सा बाढ़ से प्रभावित हुआ है जबकि पपुम पारे, पूर्वी कर्मेग और पश्चिमी सियांग आंशिक रूप से प्रभावित हुआ है। इसी बीच चीन से सटे जिले में व्यापक तौर पर भोजन का संकट उत्पन्न हो गया है।

## बिहार में सेना बचाव और राहत कार्यों में जुटी

दिनांक

पटना | हिन्दुस्तान ब्यूरो

बिहार और नेपाल में हो रही बारिश के कारण 13 जिले बाढ़ की चपेट में हैं। प्रभावित जिलों में रेल व सड़क संपर्क सेवा बाधित हुई है। सेना, एनडीआरएफ व एसडीआरएफ की टीम के अलावा सेना के दो हेलीकॉप्टर की सहायता से युद्धस्तर पर राहत और बचाव कार्य चलाया जा रहा है।

स्थिति की भयावहता को देखते हुए मुख्यमंत्री नीतीश कुमार ने मुख्य सचिव अंजनी कुमार सिंह और जल संसाधन विभाग के प्रधान सचिव के साथ प्रभावित इलाकों का हवाई सर्वेक्षण किया।

**सीएम ने हवाई सर्वेक्षण किया**

मुख्यमंत्री नीतीश कुमार ने सोमवार को बाढ़ प्रभावित पूर्णिया, अररिया, कटिहार और किशनगंज जिले का हवाई सर्वेक्षण किया। दोपहर 12 बजे बारिश के बीच पटना एयरपोर्ट से वे रवाना हुए और शाम 4 बजे लौटे। लौटने के तुरंत बाद पटना में आलाधिकारियों की बैठक की और कई दिशा-निर्देश दिए।

तटबंध टूटा

कमला बलान में तटबंध के दावें हिस्से में 73.54 किलोमीटर व 74.6 किलोमीटर पर बांध टूट गया है। महानंदा का बेलगच्छी झीआ में दायां तटबंध मीनापुर प्रखंड के डगरुआ और गुदौनी प्रखंड के आजमनगर के पास टूट गया। परमान नदी में खाताहाट तटबंध पीपरपाती व एकमा के पास, बागमती नदी का बायां तटबंध भादाडीह ग्राम के निकट टूट गया।

**ट्रेन सेवा पर असर**

कटिहार मंडल के किशनगंज व हटवार स्टेशन के बीच पुल संख्या 117 पर पानी खतरे के निशान से ऊपर बह रहा है।

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# Submerged and stranded, North to Northeast

THE STATES

## 32 lakh hit by floods in Assam, 35 lakh in Bihar

**SAMUDRA GUPTA KASHYAP,  
SANTOSH SINGH, RAMENDRA  
SINGH & SANTANU CHOWDHURY**  
GUWAHATI, PATNA, LUCKNOW, KOLKATA,  
AUGUST 14

NEARLY 67 LAKH people in Assam and Bihar, and thousands more in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal, have been affected by floods caused by rainfall over the last one week. Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar and UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath surveyed affected areas Monday.

### Assam

A first wave of floods had left nearly 90 dead and damaged infrastructure worth over Rs 2,000 crore when the second wave struck, affecting over 32 lakh people in 25 districts. The Brahmaputra and most of its tributaries are flowing above the danger mark, with crops damaged over 1.79 lakh hectares.

"The situation is very critical," said Water Resources Minister Keshab Mahanta, whose own village in Kaliabor is waist-deep in water.

While incessant rain across the Northeast and Bhutan has been the major cause of rivers overflowing, poor maintenance of ageing embankments is another reason. The Brahmaputra alone has caused at least 10 major breaches this year, while several of its tributaries have caused dozens of breaches.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who was in Guwahati on August 1, had announced Rs 100 crore for a study to find out the reasons behind the annual problem and suggest long-term measures. He had announced a Rs 2,000-crore package for rehabilitation and repair in the Northeastern states. Assam's share of Rs 1,200 crore would be spent on infrastructure alone. A sum of Rs 400 crore would be provided to improve water-holding capacity of the Brahmaputra, the PM had announced.

### Bihar

An estimated 35 lakh people in 12 districts have been affected by floods caused by rains and discharge of water from Nepal, the worst hit being the Seemanchal districts of Kishanganj, Araria, Purnea and Katihar, besides Supaul, Madhepura, East Champaran, West Champaran, Madhubani, Sitamarhi. The disaster management department has

Trains from Kishanganj and Araria have been cancelled while highways are submerged at several points.

After an aerial survey, Nitish said NDRF and SDRF teams have been pressed into action and helicopters deployed. "Flash floods have entered villages and will take sometime to recede. The Centre immediately responded after I spoke to the PM and the Union home and defence ministers. The Centre sent four NDRF teams Sunday and more teams are joining today." Home Minister Rajnath Singh tweeted: "The Centre is rushing additional NDRF teams to Bihar to help the ongoing rescue & relief operations in the flood affected region of the state".

At Baisi block of Purnea, Araria block of Araria, Kishanganj and Bahadurgarh blocks of Kishanganj, people have taken shelter in roads and in school buildings.

Principal secretary (disaster management) Pratya Amrit said Army men have been sent out from Bihar Regimental Centre, Danapur. District magistrates and ministers in charge of districts concerned have been asked to monitor the situation. Chief secretary Anjani Kumar Singh said 60 relief camps have been set at Kishanganj, out of 150 in Seemanchal.

### Uttar Pradesh

Over 650 villages in 18 districts have been affected — 5 in Terai region, 2 in the west, 4 in central UP, 7 in eastern UP — with 19 deaths until Sunday, according to reports prepared by the office of the relief commissioner. Six rivers — Sharda, Ghaghra, Rapti, Budhi Rapti, Rohini and Gandak — are flowing above the danger marks at 10 places, according to the irrigation department's flood report Monday. Teams of NDRF and state's Provincial Armed Constabulary have been deployed.

### West Bengal

Large areas in of South Dinajpur, North Dinajpur and Malda have been inundated. Train services between South and North Bengal have been disrupted; road connectivity too has been affected on NH-34 and NH-31, with thousands stranded in North Bengal.

CM Mamata Banerjee tweeted: "We are concerned about the flood situation across the country. Earlier floods had affected south Bengal. Now north Bengal also affected. We are monitoring the situation 24x7 for relief



A villager ferries his grains as he moves out of a flooded village in Araria district of Bihar Monday. PTI

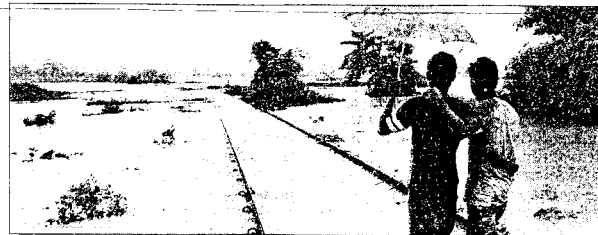
### RAILWAYS

## N-E lines under water, 50 trains cancelled or stranded

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 14

RAILWAY CONNECTIVITY to the Northeast, which houses the strategic lines for the defence forces, is cut off from the rest of the country amid heavy rain and floods.

Lines beyond Katihar in Bihar and Malda in West Bengal, the two points from where trains enter Northeast Frontier Railway, are affected with trains terminated in the last 24 hours. The situation is expected to continue for the next day or two and may start improving by the morning of August 16, the railways ministry has been informed by NE Railway authorities.



Villagers walk along submerged tracks in Jokha'abandha, Assam. Dusarati Deka

Sampark Kranti, Amritsar Katihar Express etc were among several cancelled.

"The situation aggravated last night when rain water submerged tracks near Dalkhola, Barsol, Sudhani stations and the main line connecting Northeast with the rest of the country being blocked with water under a bridge near Kishanganj station flowing over danger level," said a statement from the railways.

A number of rivers in Alipurduar and Katihar divisions are in spate, affecting lines and bridges. The railways ministry is waiting for the forecast from the zonal railway about the resumption of service, and are on standby. "Efforts are being made to see that passengers get food and water at wherever the trains are stranded. Beyond that, relief



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## उत्तराखंड में बादल फटने से 17 मौतें, तो सैलाब ने यूपी, असम, बिहार में ली कई जान

## नेपाल में फंसे भारतीय पर्यटक निकाले गए

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नेपाल में भूस्खलन की घरेलू बारिश की वजह से आई बाढ़ और भूस्खलन में 80 लोगों की मौत हो गई है, जबकि करीब एक हजार लोगों को बचा लिया गया है। सोमवार को 12 लोगों की मौत भूस्खलन से हुई थी। नेपाल के चितवन जिले के सौराहा इलाके में बाढ़ की वजह से करीब छह सौ पर्यटक फंसे हुए थे। इनमें 35 भारतीय शामिल थे जिन्हें सुरक्षित निकाल लिया गया है। सौराहा के क्षेत्रीय होटल संघ के अध्यक्ष सुमन धिमरे ने बताया कि नदियों का पानी कई होटलों में घुस गया था। जिले के मुख्य अधिकारी नारायण प्रसाद भट्ट ने कहा कि पर्यटकों को सुरक्षित स्थान तक ले जाने के लिए सभी प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं।



नेपाल बिजली प्राधिकरण के मुताबिक, हजारों एकड़ जमीन पानी से डूब गई है और पूर्वी इलाके में बिजली आपूर्ति पूरी तरह से ठप हो गई और कई राजमार्ग भी बंद हो गए हैं।

### बांग्लादेश की मुश्किल

■ लगातार हो रही बारिश की वजह से आई बाढ़ के कारण बांग्लादेश में कम से कम 20 लोगों की मौत हो गई है और लगभग दर्जन भर जिलों में हजारों लोग फंसे हुए हैं। बारिश बंद हो चुकी है लेकिन ऊपरी इलाकों से लगातार जल का प्रवाह होने की वजह से उत्तरी बांग्लादेश के कम से कम 10 जिलों में बाढ़ का पानी घुस गया है। अब बाढ़ देश के मध्य क्षेत्र में फैल रही है। बाढ़ पूर्वानुमान और चेतावनी केंद्र ने अनुमान लगाया है कि जल स्तर बढ़ता रहेगा क्योंकि भारत के पूर्वी राज्यों में भारी से बहुत भारी बारिश होगी।



### मंडी में लोगों की तलाश

भूस्खलन में 46 लोगों की मौत के बाद हिमाचल के मंडी जिले में सोमवार को मलबे में लोगों की खोजबीन की गई। यहां सड़क का 150 मीटर हिस्सा तबाह हो गया था। बचावकर्मियों को मलबे में एक से दो लोगों के फंसे होने की आशंका है। यहीं मंडी-पठानकोट नेशनल हाइवे के पास के एक गांव को असुरक्षित घोषित कर दिया गया है। यहां लोगों से घरों को छोड़कर चले जाने को कहा गया है। यही नहीं ऐतिहासिक के तीर पर हिमाचल रोडवेज ने शिमला जिले की 65 सड़कों पर रात के समय बस सेवाएं रोक दी हैं।

■ सीएम योगी आदित्यानाथ बाढ़ से उपजे संकट का जायजा लेने सोमवार को गौड़ा गए। उन्होंने कहा कि बाढ़ में लापरवाही के मामले में सरकार बड़ी कार्रवाई करेगी। बाढ़ पीड़ितों से मुलाकात के बाद उन्होंने कहा कि राहत और बचाव में किसी भी प्रकार की कमी नहीं होने दी जाएगी। ध्यान हो कि यूपी में गोरखपुर एमएलए के रनवे पर पानी भर गया है। वहां से सारी फ्लाइट रद्द कर दी गई है।

असम में जानवरों का जीना मुहाल। असम में भी बाढ़ ने आम जनजीवन के साथ-साथ कालीरांग नेशनल पार्क के जानवरों की जिंदगी पर भी संकट ला दिया है जिसका 85% हिस्सा बाढ़ में है। बताया जा रहा है कि लगभग तीन दशकों बाद कालीरांग पार्क को ऐसी भयानक स्थिति देखनी पड़ रही है। राज्य में रिविंजर को 10 लोगों की मौत हुई। यहाँ 21 जिलों में 22.5 लाख लोग प्रभावित हुए हैं। सेना को बचाव के काम में लगाया गया है।



बाढ़ की चपेट में है। निवासियों को बाढ़ प्रभावित इलाके खाली करने के आदेश दिए गए हैं। बेतिया और मोतिहारी के कुछ हिस्से भी बाढ़ की चपेट में हैं। कटिहार का रेलवे संपर्क टूट गया है। अररिया का जोगबनी स्टेशन पानी में डूबा है। अररिया-जोगबनी रेलवे लाइन पर फिलहाल ट्रेनों का परिचालन रोक दिया गया है।

यूपी का हाल भी जुदा नहीं: यूपी

## पहाड़ से लेकर मैदान तक बाढ़ ने मचाई तबाही

पहाड़ों से लेकर मैदानों तक में बारिश और बाढ़ से हाहाकार मचा है। उत्तराखंड, बिहार समेत अन्य राज्यों में कई लोग अपनी जान गंवा चुके हैं। बिहार में लगभग 12 जिले बाढ़ की चपेट में हैं तो उत्तराखंड में बादल फट जाने से 17 लोगों की मौत हुई है। उत्तर-पूर्व के लिए ट्रेन सेवाएं 16 अगस्त तक बाधित रहेंगी। टैक्स अफसर एक दिन की सैलरी पीएम रिलीफ फंड में दान देंगे।

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**कैलाश मार्ग पर बादल फटा:** उत्तराखंड के सीमांत जिले पिथौरागढ़ के धारचुला में कैलाश मानसरोवर यात्रा मार्ग में मालपा और घट्टाबाड़ के मांगली नाले में बादल फटने से 17 लोगों की मौत हो गई। इससे आई आपदा में सेना के पांच जवान समेत 11 लोग अब भी लापता हैं। मालपा में तीन दुकानें टूट गई थीं और यहां से चार शव निकाले गए हैं। मालपा नाला उथान में आने से तीन होटल भी बह गए। बादल फटने की घटना रविवार देर रात 2 बजकर 45 मिनट पर हुई थी। धारचुला तहसील से आगे पांगला से लेकर मालपा तक जगह-जगह भूस्खलन से भारी तबाही मची हुई है। यह मार्ग कैलाश मानसरोवर यात्रा मार्ग है। पिथौरागढ़ जिला प्रशासन के अनुसार कैलाश मानसरोवर व आदि कैलाश यात्रा के दल सुरक्षित हैं। इस

हादसे के बाद जो दल जहां पर हैं, उन्हें वहीं रोक दिया गया है।  
**बिहार के 12 जिले बाढ़ में:** नेपाल के तराई क्षेत्र में पिछले कुछ दिनों से लगातार होती बारिश और सीमांचल क्षेत्र में भारी बारिश के कारण बिहार के किसानगंज, पूर्णिया, अररिया और कटिहार जैसे जिलों में बाढ़ आ गई है। नीतीश कुमार ने बाढ़ प्रभावित इलाकों का हवाई दौरा किया जबकि पीएम नरेंद्र मोदी ने उनसे फोन पर बात कर हर मदद का आश्वासन दिया। एनडीआरएफ के 320 कर्मी भेजे गए हैं। नीतीश ने रविवार को राहत एवं बचाव के लिए सेना और वायुसेना की मदद मांगी थी। इसके बाद सेना उतार दी गई है। नई इलाकों में रेल, बिजली और संचार सेवा ठप है। किसानगंज, अररिया, पूर्णिया, कटिहार, पश्चिम चंपारण, सहरसा और सुपौल जिले बाढ़ की चपेट में हैं। विभिन्न जिलों के 40 प्रखंडों की लगभग 65 लाख आबादी