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Batseri tribals face threat as Baspa changes course

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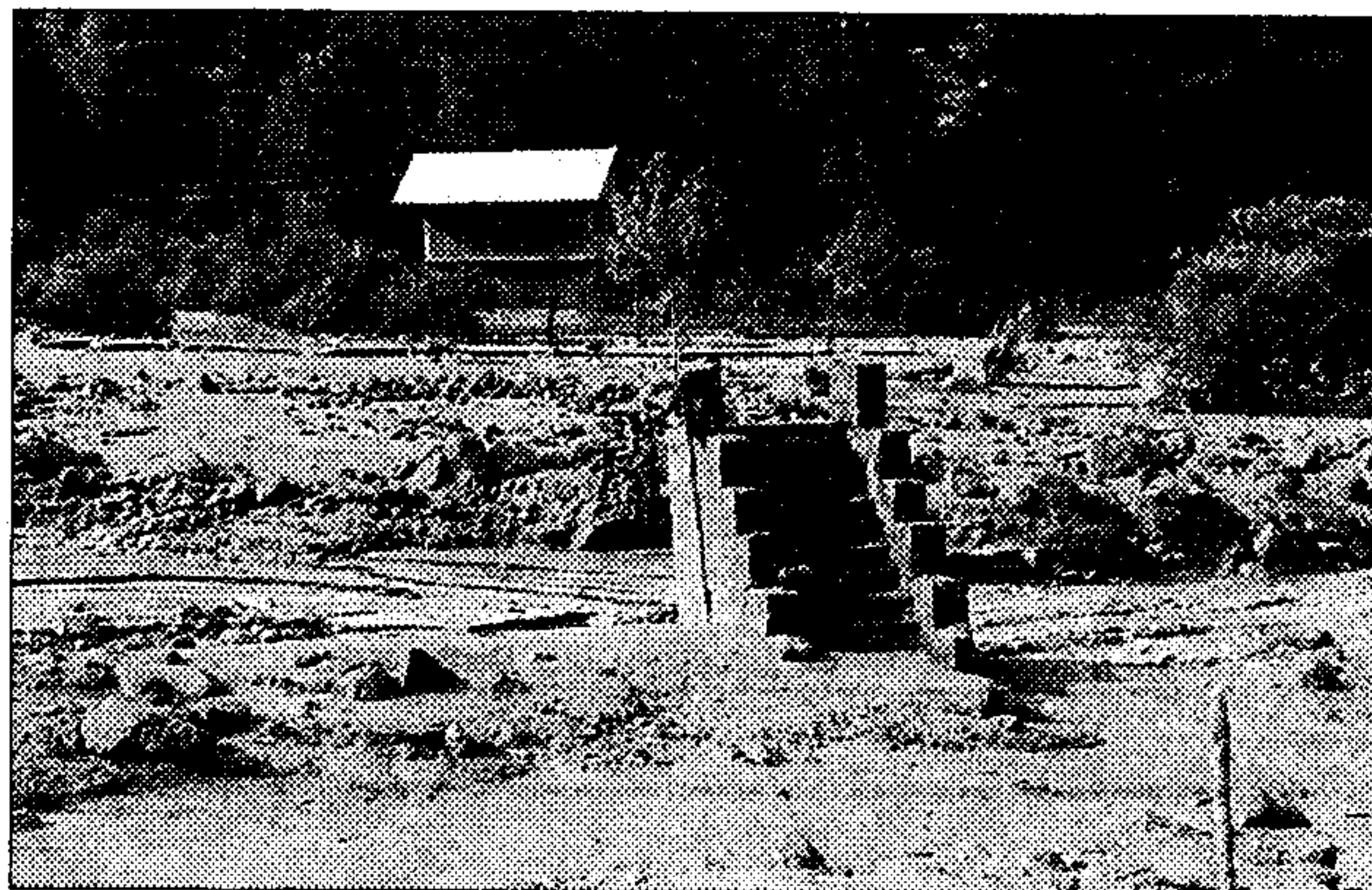
SHIMLA, JULY 20

The flood-hit tribals of Batseri village in the Sangla valley are spending sleepless nights.

They are facing a fresh threat as the Baspa has shifted its course by 60 metre to the left bank, cutting the fragile sandy soil of apple orchards that in turn is threatening the village.

Kinnaur MLA and Deputy Speaker Jagat Singh Negi, who met the flood-hit villagers yesterday, had promised that the PWD would depute three machines to divert the river course to the right bank to save the village from threat. However, only one JCB machine could be deployed which could not serve the purpose, resented the villagers.

Though water and electricity have been restored to

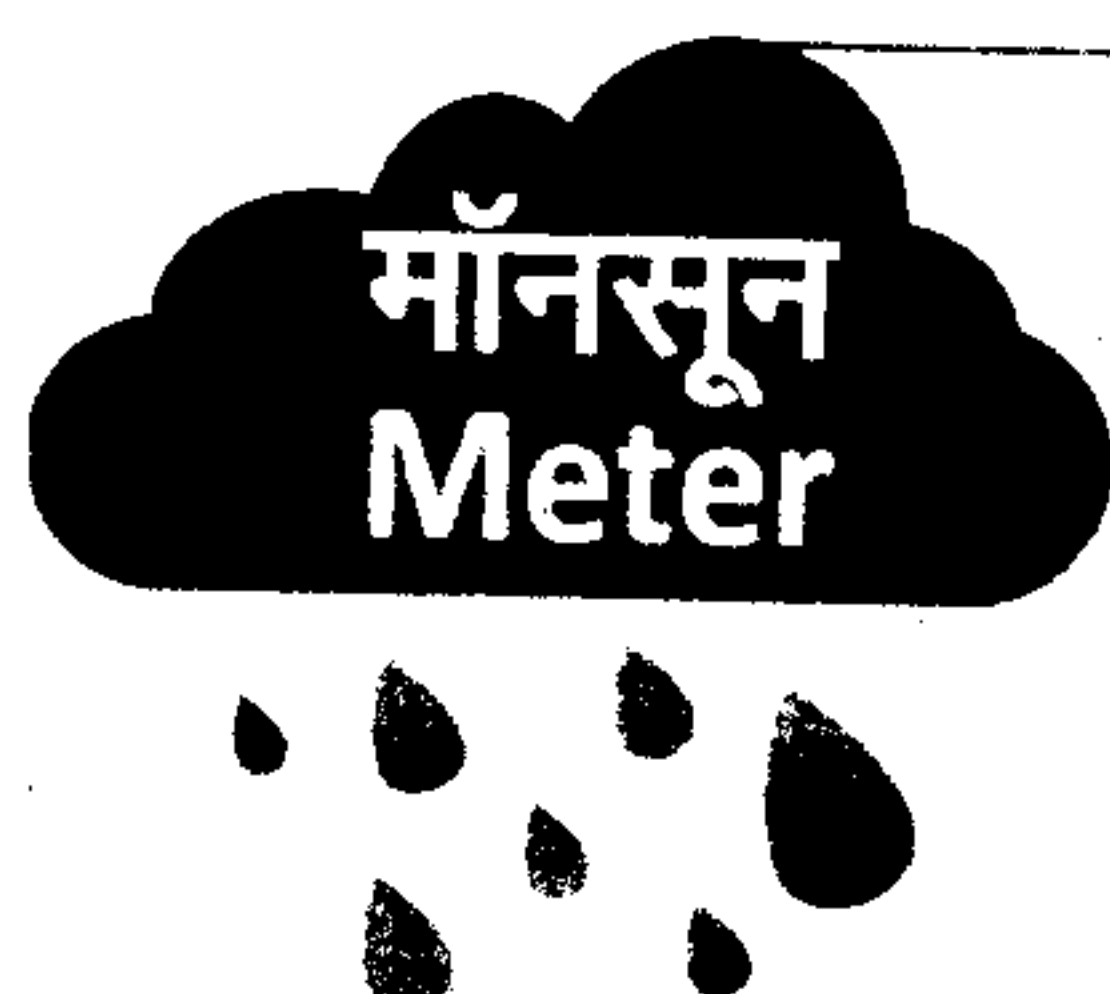


The Kharogla nullah after flash floods in Kinnaur district.

Batseri village that houses about 150 tribals families spreading across both sides of the Baspa, Chitkul and Rakcham villages have remained cut off from the Sangla since Sunday night.

The flash flood in Kharogla nullah, a right bank tributary of the Baspa that joins the Baspa about three km from Rakcham village, struck last Sunday. Apple orchards on

more than 350 bighas of land have been washed away, destroying the source of livelihood of villagers, said Balbir Negi, a resident of Batseri. The flood-hit tribals led by panchayat pradhan Seema Negi apprised Deputy Speaker of the damage to the apple orchards and 'dogris' located on the left and right banks of the river.



असम, बंगाल में भारी बारिश के कारण 4 मौतें हुईं। जलपाईगुड़ी, दार्जिलिंग, कूच बिहार में सबसे ज्यादा बारिश हुई।



यूपी में सबसे ज्यादा बारिश लालगंज, महाराजगंज, जमिनिया में दर्ज की गई। शारदा, गंगा, यमुना नदी उफान पर हैं।

चीन के विभिन्न प्रांतों में भारी बारिश और उसके कारण विभिन्न घटनाओं में 13 लोगों की मौत हुई है, जबकि 34 लोग लापता हैं।



Monsoon havoc: 19 deaths reported in state; Ganga reaches danger mark

Flood situation in UP remains grim

DH - 20 July

LUCKNOW/MUMBAI/JAIPUR/GUWAHATI/CHENNAI: Flood situation in Uttar Pradesh worsened with rivers flowing above the danger mark, while rains returned to Mumbai amid intensifying monsoon situation throughout the country.

Nineteen deaths were reported in UP, as Ganga and Yamuna reached closer to danger marks in several places and Ghaghra, Sharda, Rapti, Saryu and other rivers crossed danger levels.

Overflowing Ganges submerged several Ashrams in the Sangam area of Allahabad and inundated the city's low-lying areas, forcing hundreds to abandon their homes and take refuge in safer places.

The situation was particularly alarming in Lakhimpur-Kheri, Baharaich, Sambhal and Barabanki districts, reports said.

Four people were killed in house collapse incidents in Mathura and Agra districts, as death toll rose to 19 in the heavy rains that pounded the state for the past three days.

Heavy rain in Mumbai

Heavy rains that returned to Mumbai partially affected rail and road traffic on Tuesday, as the city's major water source, Tulsi lake in Sanjay Gandhi National Park, began to overflow.

Reports said there was waterlogging and flooding in some parts of the Sindhudurg district that slowed-down traffic in Goa-Mumbai road. The rain had no impact on the rail traffic with trains on the Konkan Railways running on schedule.

Before the Tulsi overflow, which was observed from 6 am, the Powai lake that provides

water for industrial areas began overflowing on July 2, allowing water to enter the Mithi river. Water storage in Vihar lake has also been considerable.

Main and Harbour lines of the city's Central Railway experienced delays of five to 15 minutes as heavy rains continued throughout the afternoon on Tuesday. Roads experienced major pile up due to accident involving four cars on the Eastern Freeway and a morcha from Byculla to Azad Maidan.

Though waterlogging was reported from Bhiwandi and Ambernath, it was not reported to be serious. The Regional Meteorological Observatory in Mumbai predicted few showers over the city and the suburbs. They predicted heavy rains on south Konkan and Goa coast, asking fishermen not to venture into the Arabian Sea.

"At present, Mumbai is witnessing moderate to heavy

rains over several places. Moreover, weather conditions remain favourable for the rainy spell to continue throughout the day. This spell (of rain) is likely to stay at least for next 24 to 48 hours," skymetweather.com said.

Rajasthan situation

In Rajasthan, clear skies enabled rescue teams to shift people to safer places. Nearly 23 deaths due to drowning in overflowing rivers were reported in Sikar and Kota.

Social Justice Minister Arun

Chaturvedi visited flood hit area in Karauli with a high-level delegation and directed his team for the immediate relief. Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje also directed collectors to distribute relief to flood victims immediately.

On Tuesday, rescue teams aided by the army continued pumping out the water at various inundated villages of Sikar and Karauli.

Overflowing water blocked major roads between Karauli to Dholpur and Karauli to Sawai Madhopur. Karauli dis-

WREAKING HAVOC: (From top left) People walk in between water pipes as they cross Mahim creek during rains in Mumbai; a flooded road after heavy rain in Hyderabad; rickshaw pullers transport customers through floodwaters in the Anilnagar area of Guwahati on Tuesday. AFP/PTI

trict collector said people whose houses have been flooded were shifted to government schools. However, rising water levels in Panchna dam has kept villagers in Karauli, Bharatpur and Dholpur districts on the edge.

Flash floods in Assam

In Assam, Guwahati was once again marooned due to flash floods on Tuesday. Overnight rains brought life to a standstill in the city, as floods affected 1.58 lakh people across the state and submerged six dis-

tricts.

The Brahmaputra is flowing above the danger level in Jorhat and Dhubri, and its tributaries, the Dikhow, Dhansiri, Jai Bharali, Puthimari and Sankosh, are also in spate. Thirty relief camps in the state house nearly 7,000 people displaced by floods, as the SDRF and NDRF teams were dispatched to vulnerable areas.

Tamil Nadu

An upper-air cyclonic circulation over the Arabian Sea triggered rains on the coastal districts of Tamil Nadu on Monday night, throwing normal life out of gear in many places. "Due to upper-air cyclonic circulation over east-central Arabian sea and adjoining north Kerala and Karnataka, the southwest monsoon has picked up pace along the east coast from north of Tamil Nadu", a senior met official told

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Yadgir village turns island, residents stranded

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YADGIR: The Neelakantaraya Gaddi village in Surapur taluk of the district has turned into an island, after 1.25 lakh cusecs of water was released from the Basavasagar reservoir into the Krishna river on Monday.

The worst-affected are pregnant women requiring urgent care. People are also suffering as there is not enough stock of foodgrains. Neelakantaraya Gaddi is part of ward number 17 in Kakker town of the taluk.

The village - with 300 residents in 80 houses - remains cut off from the rest of the world whenever water surrounds it from all sides during rains. Usually the residents buy foodgrains and other essentials at the weekly fairs, when alerts are issued ahead of the water release.

As water was released all of a sudden on Monday, people could not go to the weekly fair on Wednesday. They swim to Kakker to buy the essentials if the water flow is less. But that is not possible now.

Five pregnant women in Neelakantaraya Gaddi are living on the edge, as they will not be able to reach the hospital if they have labour pain. Last year, when there was a flood, Yellavva, a pregnant woman, was forced to swim across the river to reach the hospital for delivery. People in Neelakantaraya Gaddi have demanded that the government should open a hospital here. The government school is under locks as teachers are unable to reach there as the river is in spate.

Demands for constructing a bridge to Kakker have fallen on deaf ears. The people have now urged the authorities concerned that at least boat facilities should be provided for the benefit of the residents of Neelakantaraya Gaddi. Surapur tahsildar Arun Kumar said that



Heavy rains lashed Vijayapura on Tuesday. A waterlogged KC Market Road in the city. DH PHOTO

Caution against venturing into rivers

Belagavi district administration has cautioned people against venturing into the rivers in the district with water levels in the Krishna, the Hiranakeshi and the Doodhganga being above normal. There was fear of humans and livestock being washed away due to the water currents. Deputy Commissioner N Jayaram in a release said, prohibitory orders under Section 144 CrPC have been clamped along the banks of the rivers. Bathing, swimming, washing of livestock and crossing the rivers by using boats has been banned.

he would visit the village on Wednesday and that boats have been stationed to help people reach Kakker.

Meanwhile, rains resumed in Vijayapura on Tuesday, after a gap of four days. Several roads in the town were waterlogged due to the heavy rains.

Roads and bridges in Chikkodi, Raibag and Athani taluks of Belagavi district which were submerged under the waters of river Krishna and its tributaries opened for traffic on Tuesday. Heavy downpour in Hukkeri taluk during the past 24 hours led in 21 houses getting partially damaged.

Rainfall has receded in Kodagu district. In the last 24 hours, the district received 10.51 mm rainfall. Moderate rains lashed some parts of Shivamogga district. Thirthahalli, Hosanagar, some parts of Bhadravathi and Sagar received moderate rains.

There was a slight increase in the inflow into the Tungabhadra reservoir in Hosapete of Ballari district. The meeting of the irrigation consultative committee held in Bengaluru decided to release water to high and low level canals from July 26. The dam had 38.70 tmc feet of water.

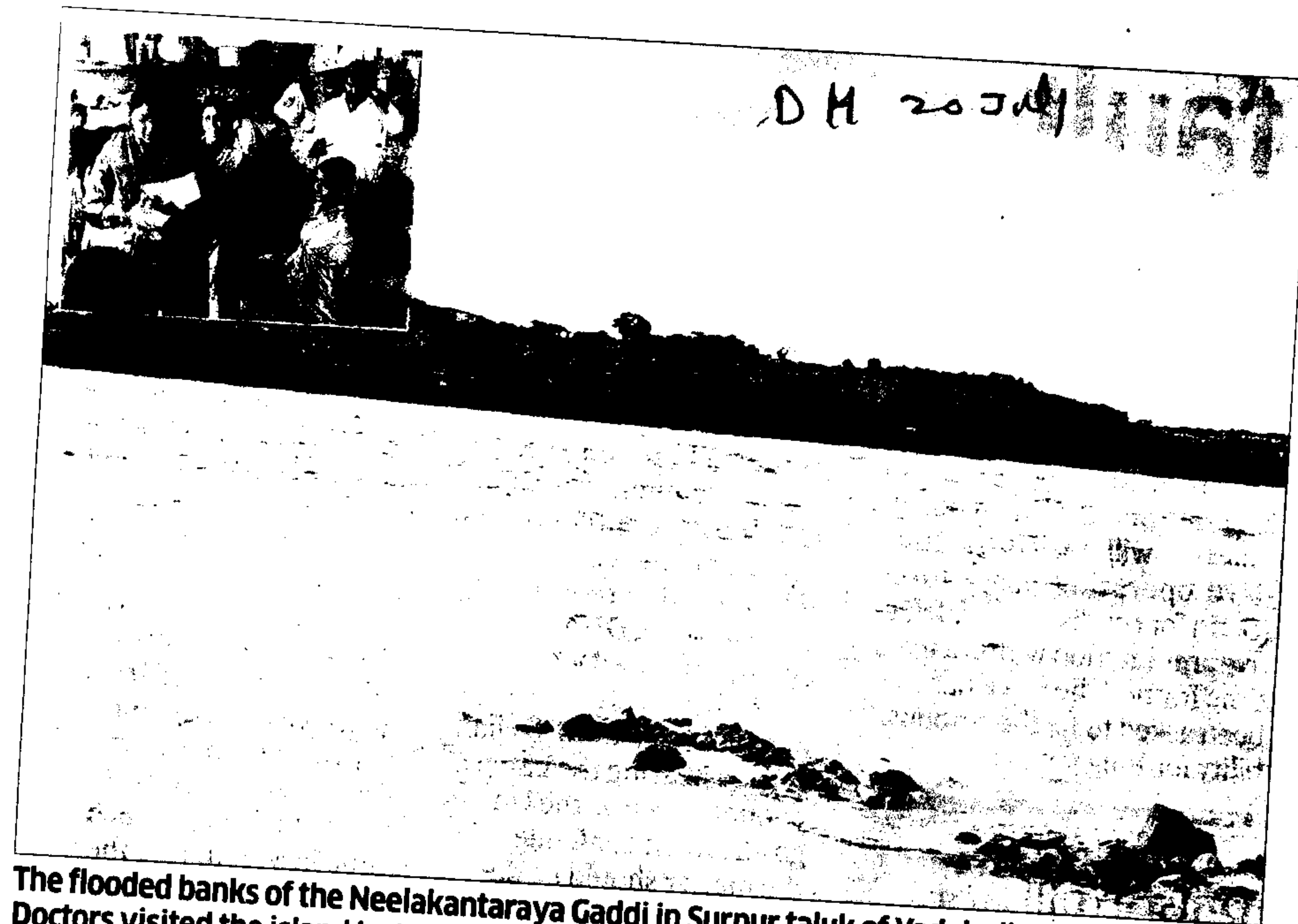
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The flooded banks of the Neelakantaraya Gaddi in Surpur taluk of Yadgir district. (Inset)
 Doctors visited the island last month for a check-up of pregnant women. DH PHOTOS

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Motorist struggle to move on water-logged road at the Oliphant Bridge in Secunderabad on Tuesday.
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There's more rainfall on the way, says city Met

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, JULY 19

Hyderabad on Tuesday registered 1.1cm of rainfall-registered during the past 24 hours (from 8:30 am on Monday)

Overall, the city has received a good 47 mm of rainfall, which is the first good spell of monsoon rains in the month of July. These rains can be attributed to the cyclonic circulation which has formed over the west-central Bay of Bengal. The city is expected to receive some additional rain during the next 24 hours. But the downpour could be of reduced intensity as the circulation is expected to move away from the region. However, rainfall could pick up once again

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after July 21.

The Meteorological Department has also announced that a low pressure area is continuing over Coastal Andhra, stretching from Odisha to Tamil Nadu. This weather system will be responsible for the likely heavy rain and thundershower

Rayalaseema and Coastal Andhra will witness for next three or four days, officials from the Hyderabad MET Department said.

"The trough along the sea level, running from Odisha to Tamil Nadu and across Coastal Andhra Pradesh persists. An upper air cyclonic circulation lies over Rayalaseema and the neighbourhood and extends between 4.5 kms and 5.8 kms above mean sea level. All the 10 districts in Telangana are recording normal to heavy rains during the past 24 hours. Adilabad, Medak, Karimnagar, Warangal, Nalgonda and Khammam have also witnessed heavy rains of over 6cm.

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20 July DC

Rain slows down Mission Kakatiya

■ Full-fledged work to resume in Oct.

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, JULY 19

Rains of the last two weeks might have brought relief to the people, especially farmers, but they have had an impact on Mission Kakatiya works.

In Adilabad, Khammam, parts of Nalgonda, Mahbubnagar and Warangal districts, heavy rains have resulted in tanks and lakes being filled to the brim.

Not only the lakes where restoration work was undertaken as part of Phase-I and phase-II of Mission Kakatiya have reached surplus level, even those not touched by officials are in same condition.

Of the 22,725 lakes in the five districts in Godavari basin — Adilabad, Karimnagar, Warangal, Khammam and Nizamabad — nearly 7,000 lakes (about 33 per cent) are either filled to the brim or the water levels have reached between 75 and 80 per cent of their capacity.

Even in some parts of Nalgonda, Mahbubnagar and Ranga Reddy districts, heavy downpour in the last two weeks resulted in a thousand tanks touching the surplus mark or have water level at 50 to 100 per cent.

Water may reach Jurala from Narayanapur today

DC CORRESPONDENT
HYDERABAD, JULY 19

Inflows into the Almatti dam in Karnataka came down to 95,656 cusecs on Tuesday against the 1.6 lakh cusecs on Monday.

With the dam full, officials released about 93,000 cusecs of water through 23 of the 26 gates in the evening.

Once the Narayanapur dam is filled, the water will be released for Telangana state, officials said.

Besides this, the one lakh cusecs of water released from Almatti reached Na-

rayanapur on Tuesday. Officials are expecting that the water will reach Jurala by Wednesday.

Officials from Karnataka have raised 11 gates up to 60 cm at Narayanapur and are releasing 43,488 cusecs of water.

Inflow in Jurala was recorded at 71 cusecs and the same quantity has been released from the dam.

Inflow and outflow in Srisailem was 40 cusecs, in Nagarjunasagar it was 301 cusecs, in KDS inflow was 2,717 cusecs and the same quantity of water was released.

Irrigation staff monitoring Mission Kakatiya at the ground level said that it would be difficult to carry out any kind of work in the surplus tanks until October.

It is not possible to manoeuvre vehicles or equipment for taking up any restoration work in tanks that are filled to the brim, officials said.

Apart from removing silt, the works involve repair of the bund,

sluice, canals and feeder channels near the water body.

In lakes that are partially filled with water, Mission Kakatiya works will not stop completely but will slow down. Except for de-silting, other repair works will be carried out.

The irrigation department had identified nearly 45,000 lakes to be revived under the initiative over a period of five years.

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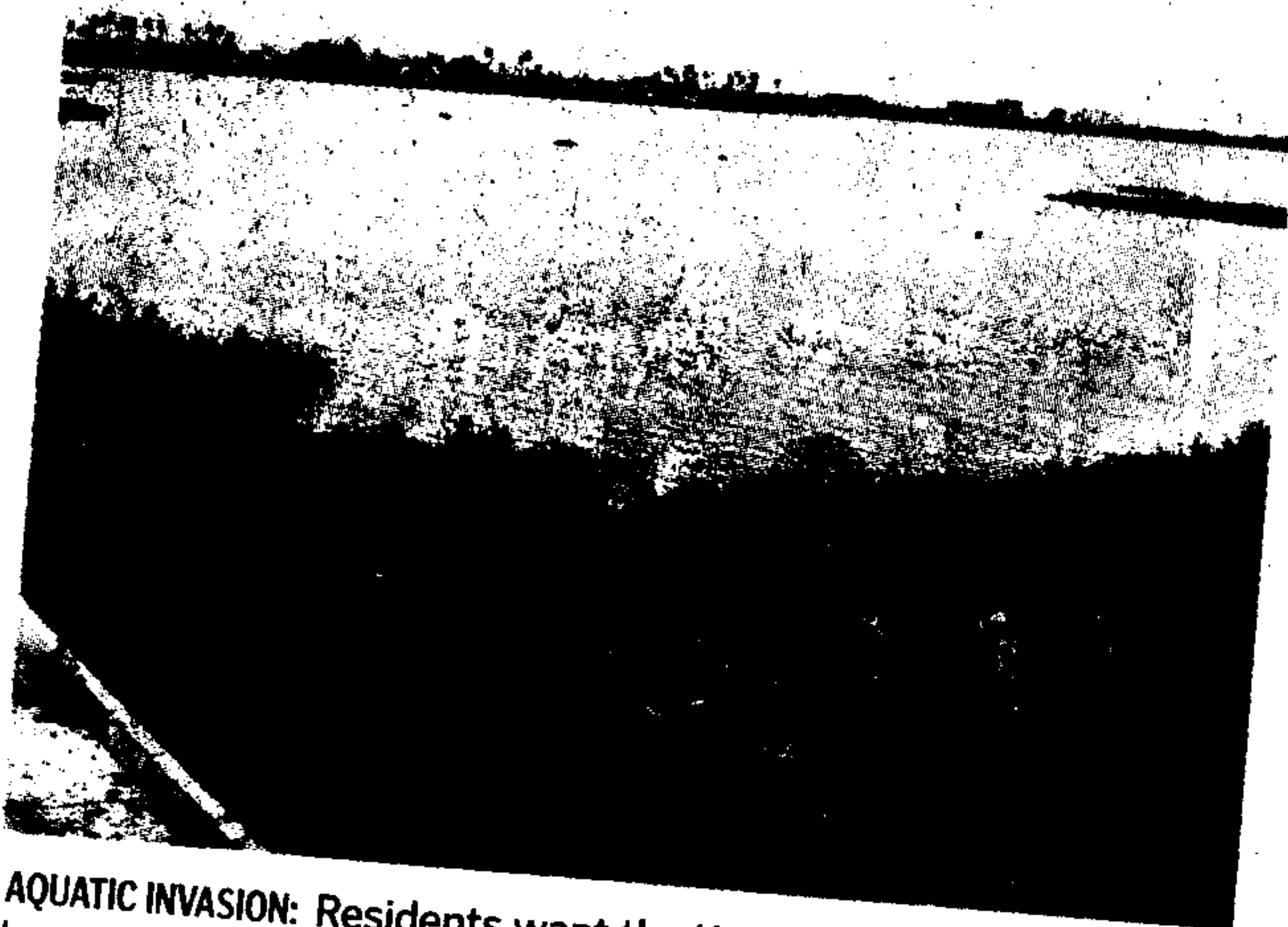
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I WARD WATCH I

The Assembly polls are just over and a new government is in place. But, it will soon be time to vote again. Elections to the local bodies, the last line of governance, are likely to be held in October. Here, we give you valuable nuggets of information about your neighbourhood, so you will be prepared when the time comes to ink your other forefinger

Hyacinth robbing lake of life



AQUATIC INVASION: Residents want the Korattur lake cleared of hyacinth, and encroachments too. — PHOTO: M. VEDHAN

K. LAKSHMI

With the Korattur Lake forming one part of the boundary, groundwater availability has never been a problem in ward 83, which falls under Ambattur zone. But the water body is still waiting to be completely rejuvenated.

After much struggle, the lake was taken up for res-

toration as an eco-tourist spot. However, the water body is covered with thick vegetation and the work is being executed in phases.

Thanu S. Pillai, president of Santhosh Nagar Residents Welfare Association, said, "Efforts of the Water Resources Department are being wasted due to the slow pace of work. The damaged walkers' path needs to be improved and encroachments removed."

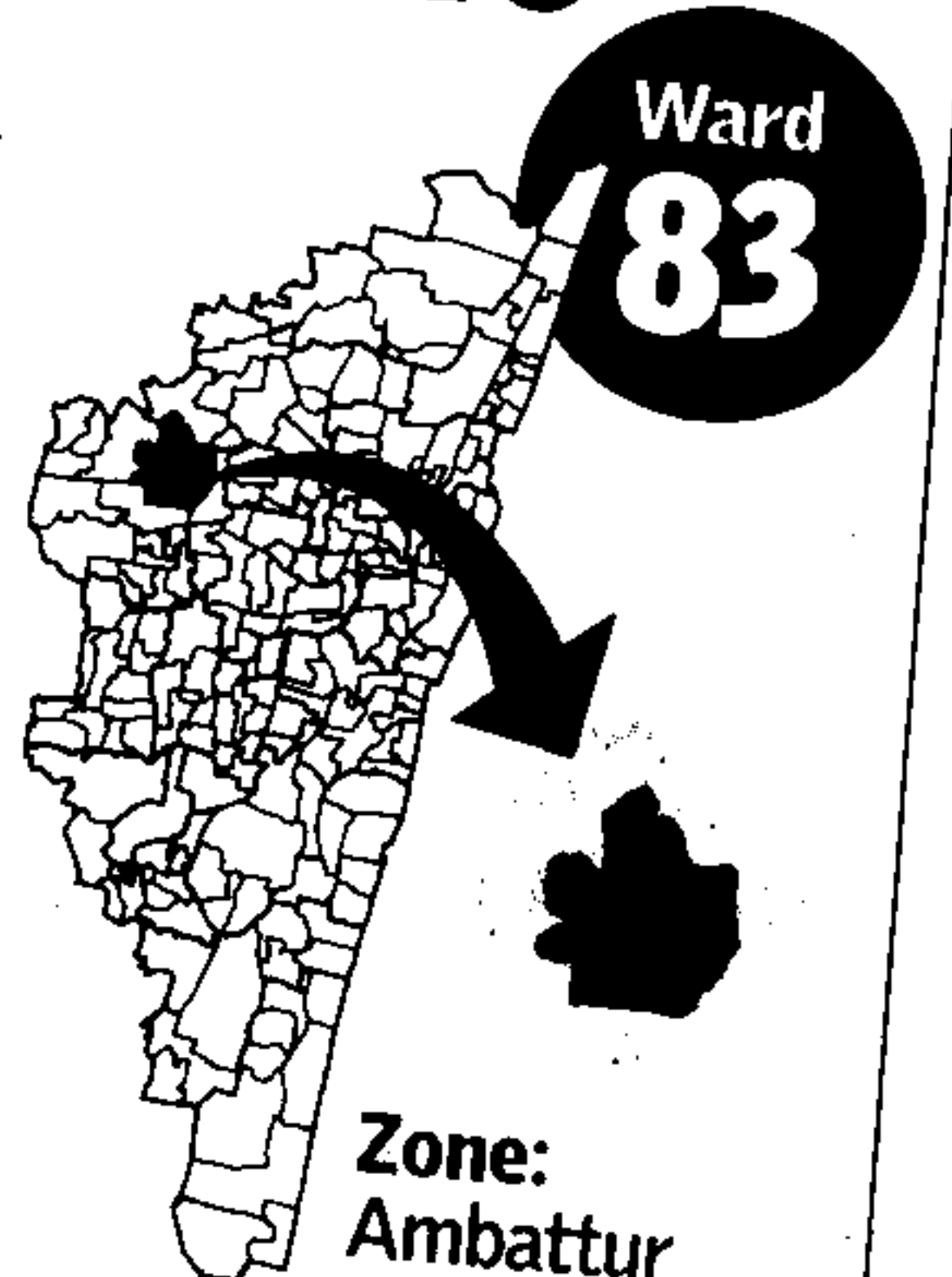
Another major issue plaguing the ward is the long-pending construction of a subway to replace the level crossing at Korattur railway station.

In the past five years, many facilities have been added and upgraded in the ward covering several parts of Korattur north. The residents have benefited by better roads and illuminated streets after the areas were merged with the Chennai Corporation.

Listing out the works taken up in the past few years, AIADMK councillor T. Ezhildevi said roads have been laid at a cost of Rs.133 crore and a branch library has been opened. "Four parks have been created in the ward and one more is being developed at Kandigai at a cost of Rs.1.9 crore. Most parts have sufficient drinking water and a good drainage network," the councillor added.

Councillor:
T. Ezhildevi,
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Junior engineer:
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Key Boundaries
Puthagaram, Thiru Vi Ka Street, East Avenue, Central Avenue, Korattur lake



Population
45,000



Voters
27,000



Number of streets
485



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tonnes of garbage generated per day

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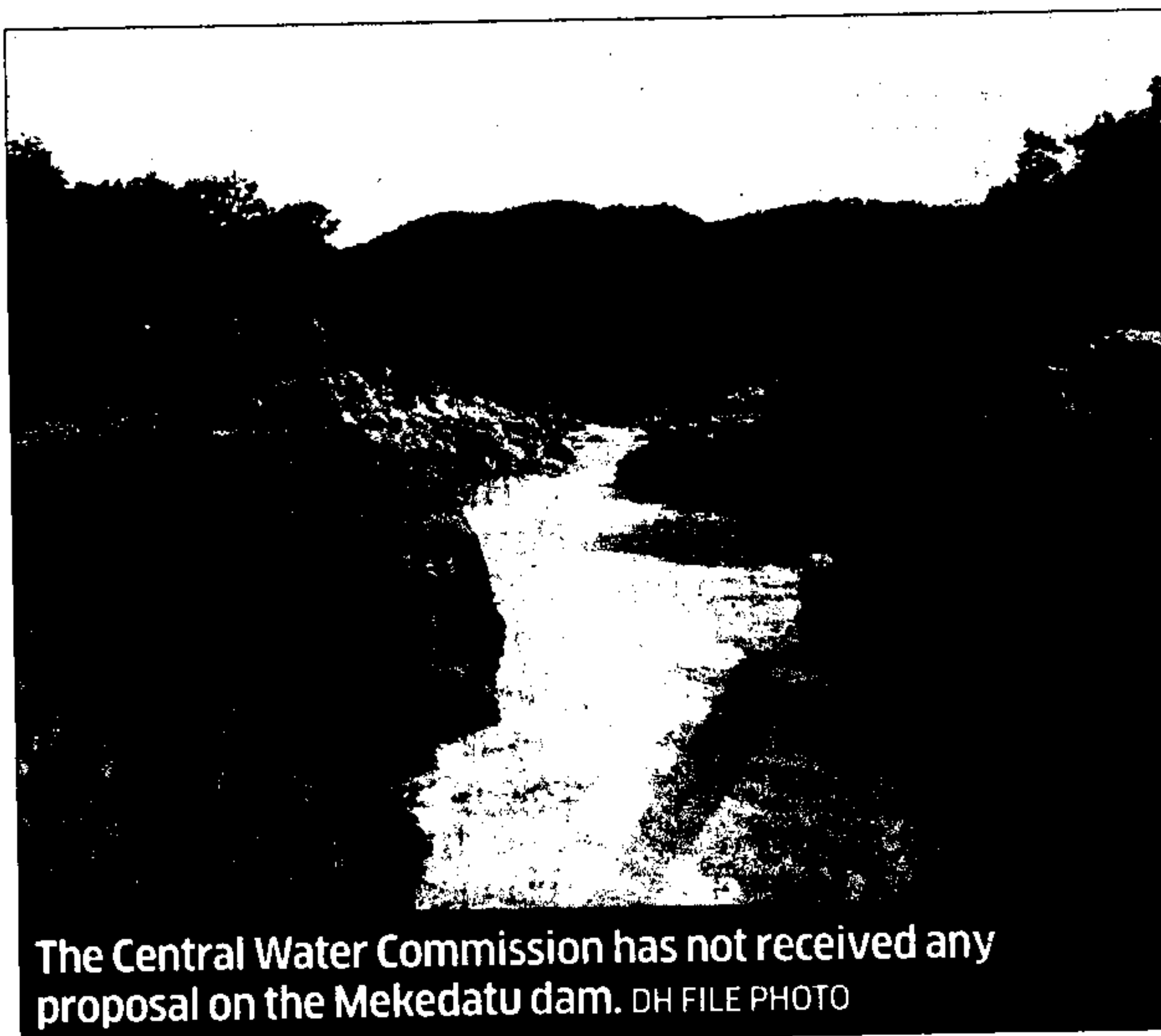
Consult panel before starting Cauvery basin projects, K'taka told

State asked to share power plant plans with other riparian states

NEW DELHI: The Ministry of Water Resources has informed the Karnataka government that before taking up any projects in the Cauvery basin area, it has to get them examined by the Cauvery Supervisory Committee headed by Union Water Resources Secretary.

The Cauvery Supervisory Committee has been set up on the orders of the Supreme Court to implement the award of the Cauvery Water Dispute Tribunal (CWDT) on the water shares allocated to Cauvery basin states of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry.

Union Minister of State for Water Resources and Ganga Rejuvenation Sanjay Kumar Balyan in his written answer



The Central Water Commission has not received any proposal on the Mekedatu dam. DH FILE PHOTO

to the Rajya Sabha on Monday said that the Ministry has also asked Karnataka to share its

plans for the proposed power project it intends to build on the Cauvery river with the co-

basin states (Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry) and bring them on board before taking up a detailed project report (DPR) or construction.

The minister was replying to a question whether the government has received any representation from the Tamil Nadu government requesting the Centre to advise Karnataka not to proceed with the construction of a reservoir at Mekedatu and Shivanasamudram run of the river power project.

The Central Water Commission (CWC) has received a DPR for Shivanasamudram run of the river power project from Karnataka Power Corporation Ltd in 2014.

The same has been returned to Karnataka asking it to obtain views/comments of

basin states in view of the final award of CWDT to facilitate its examination from inter-state angle, Balyan said.

No proposal received

However, the minister said that the CWC has not received any proposal from Karnataka on Mekedatu project.

But, the Karnataka Government had informed the CWC that Tamil Nadu has filed an interim application in the Supreme Court objecting this project.

The Karnataka government also clarified that it has no plans to proceed with the construction of the above projects without informing the Supreme Court as the interim application is pending before it, the minister added.

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Rains pick up pace in U-K district

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BENGALURU, DHNS: Several parts of Uttara Kannada district received moderate rains on Monday. While it drizzled for the whole day in Karwar, there were reports of intermittent rains in Bhatkal, Honnavar, Ankola, Kumta, Sirsi and Siddapur.

In the past 24 hours, the district recorded 147 mm of rains, with Karwar registering 70.2 mm of rainfall.

Meanwhile, As much as 1.91 lakh cusecs of water was released from the Almatti reservoir on Monday as the dam filled to the brim. Water is being released from all the 26 gates of the dam for the first time in the past two years.

The inflow from Rajapur barrage into River Krishna came down on Monday as rains receded in Konkan and southern Maharashtra regions.



Schoolgirls head home amid rain in Karwar on Monday. DH PHOTO

Seven low-lying bridges and roads that had submerged in the river waters opened for road traffic, while six continued to remain submerged in Bela-

gavi district.

Water level in Hidkal dam reached 2126.08 feet while Malaprabha dam had 2046.05 feet of water.

The Kodagu district experienced scanty rainfall on Monday. In the last 24 hours, the district received an average of 4.31 mm rainfall.

House panel wants Ravi Belagere jailed for libel

BENGALURU, DHNS: A Legislative Assembly committee on Monday recommended one year imprisonment and a fine of Rs 10,000 fine on journalist Ravi Belagere for publishing defamatory article against Speaker K B Koliwad.

The article was published in the Kannada tabloid "Hi Bengaluru" edited by Belagere in September 2014.

Koliwad had lodged a complaint to the then Speaker Kagothu Thimmappa against the journalist. He had also moved a breach of privilege motion in this regard. The then Speaker had referred the issue to the Privilege Committee, which submitted its report in the Assembly.

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MONSOON MAYHEM

Villagers in Assam move to safer area (Picture) as rains wreak havoc in the state and West Bengal with four persons dying in landslides, and leaving rivers flooded in Uttar Pradesh. The weatherman has warned of 'extremely heavy' rains in Assam and Meghalaya and very heavy rains in sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand, Konkan and Goa and Vidarbha. *Afp

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RAIN HEATS UP MP LA, CONG STAGES WALKOUT

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Bhopal, 20 July

Alleging extreme insensitivity of the Madhya Pradesh state government towards the plight of victims hit by the recent rain fury, the main Opposition Congress today staged a walk out of the state Assembly over the issue of distribution of wheat in Bhopal yesterday.

Congress MLA Jaivardhan Singh raised the issue and charged that several of the wheat sacks distributed yesterday contained a large amount of mud pieces.

The state government went on the back foot and legislative affairs minister Narottam Mishra told the house that Bhopal Collector had already ordered an inquiry into the matter. Mishra further assured the house that the guilty would not be spared.

Former chief minister and senior BJP leader Babulal Gaur (86), who was recently forced to resign from the post of Home Min-



The rain situation in Madhya Pradesh. * file photo

ister on grounds of his age, too jumped into the issue with vengeance and cornered his own government. He alleged that rotten wheat was being distributed to hapless flood victims.

Jaivardhan Singh expressed concern that the situation might be worse in rural and far-flung areas that had been hit by the recent floods. Legislative affairs minister Narottam Mishra said the wheat had come from the farmers.

This prompted sharp reaction from the Congress and the opposition MLAs said that the state Civil

Supplies Corporation had purchased the wheat for distribution.

Congress members Arif Aqueel, Ramniwas Rawat, Jeetu Patwari and Mukesh Nayak demanded stern action against the guilty and pressed for tabling an adjournment motion on the issue.

Rawat demanded that the probe should be completed and put forth during the ongoing Monsoon session of the Assembly itself, to which Mishra agreed.

There was a heated argument between the Treasury and Opposition Bench-

es before the Congress members walked out of the House.

Later, outside the house, Congress MLAs and affected persons displayed some sacks of wheat full of mud pieces.

Yesterday evening, the distribution of relief articles began in Bhopal's Kotra Sultanabad area. However, people noticed that the wheat was full of mud.

They lodged a complaint and the area's SDM, Kamal Singh Solanki, verified that the wheat was full of mud pieces and inedible. He submitted a report to Bhopal Collector Nishant Warwade, who promptly ordered an inquiry into the matter. The Collector also recalled the wheat sacks and ordered for fresh wheat to be distributed.

District Food Controller Jyoti Shah said the State Civil Supplies Corporation had supplied the wheat.

Civil Supplies Corporation MD Faiz Ahmed Kidwai is said to be in Singapore at the moment.

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Saraswati river

ging along the dry river bed at Yamunanagar that the Haryana government found reason to cheer. The discovery of some artefacts strengthened the claims of the government that an ancient civilisation used to exist along the river.

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has said that the project to unearth the Saraswati river was a mission "to keep

alive the soul of a community", even if it meant creating a symbolic or artificial water body.

The Centre has set up a panel under former Kumaon University vice-chancellor Prof KS Valdiya to verify Haryana's claims of discovery of the river.

In 2002, too, the Atal Bihari Vajpayee government had constituted a panel to find the river. But after the UPA government came to power two years later, the project was scrapped.

Haryana set to pump water into Saraswati river route

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THE HARYANA government is set to make the "lost" river Saraswati flow by the end of this month, with preparations underway to release water into what is believed to be the route of the river.

As per a proposal discussed by the Saraswati Heritage Development Board (SHDB), water from Uncha Chandana village would be discharged on July 30 through the Dadupur feeder into the route, where cleaning work is currently going on.

The route covers Yamunanagar, Kurukshetra and Kaithal districts.

The board believes the monsoon should keep the river flowing for now. In the long run, the plan is to construct a dam at Adi Badri, considered the origin of the Vedic era river.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, SHDB deputy chairman Prashant Bhardwaj said, "We are working on a plan to release water into Saraswati river through the Dadupur feeder. The modalities are being worked out. It is a fact that Saraswati flowed up to Rajasthan. Even ISRO has acknowledged it."

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राज्य सरकार, नगर निगम सहित अन्य से हाईकोर्ट ने किया जवाब-तलब

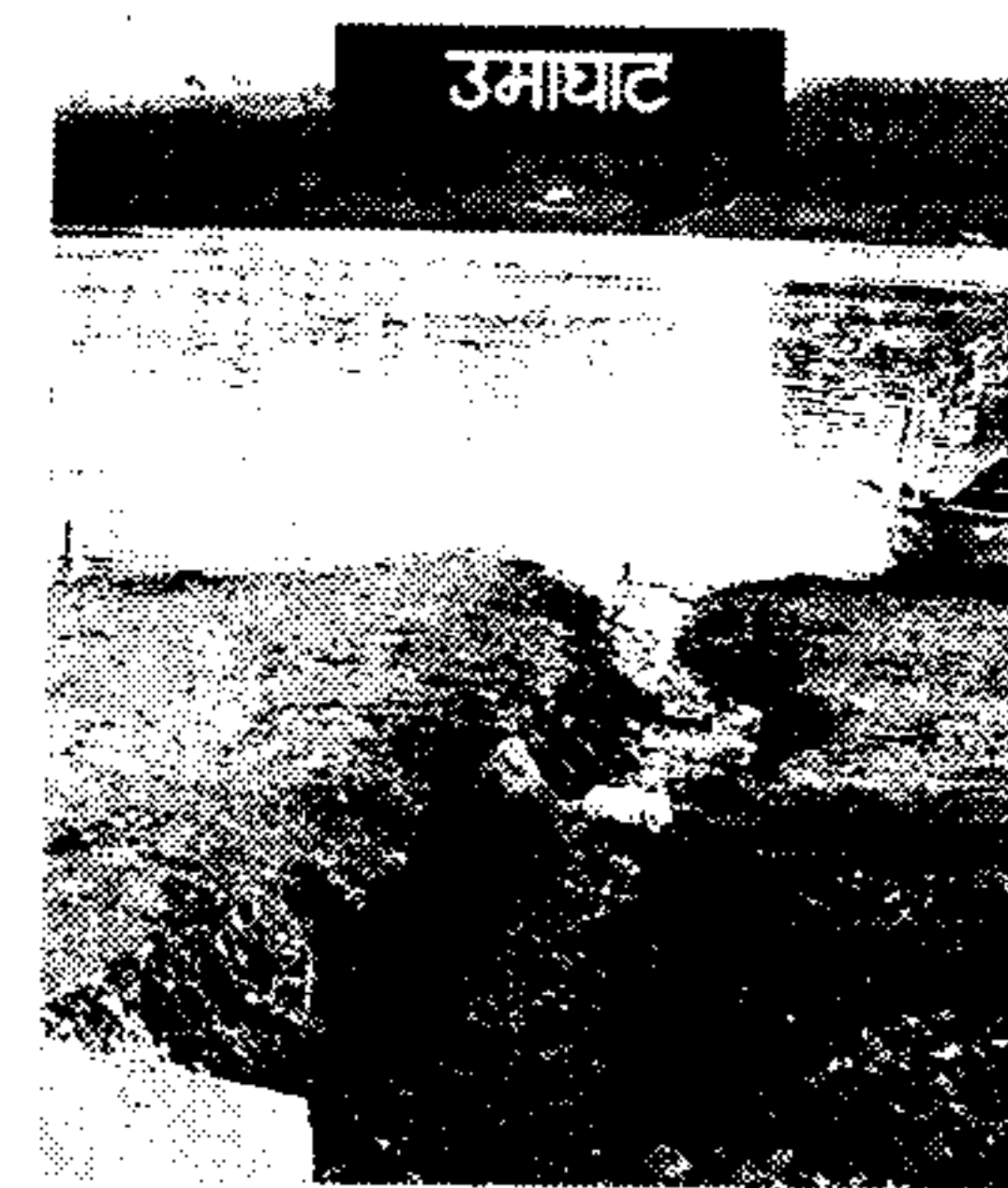
रोका जा सकता है, फिर क्यों मिल रहे नर्मदा नदी में गंदे नाले

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जबलपुर. मप्र हाईकोर्ट ने शहर की सीवर लाइन से जुड़े गंदे नालों के नर्मदा में मिलने से हो रहे जल प्रदूषण के मामले पर चिंता जताई है। कार्यवाहक मुख्य न्यायाधीपति राजेंद्र मेनन व जस्टिस अनुराग कुमार श्रीवास्तव की युगलपीठ ने एक जनहित याचिका की प्रारंभिक सुनवाई करते हुए राज्य सरकार, जबलपुर कलेक्टर, नगर निगम आयुक्त सहित अन्य से जवाब-तलब किया है।

याचिका में कहा गया है कि इन नालों को नर्मदा में मिलने से रोका जा सकता है, लेकिन ऐसा नहीं

किया जा रहा है। हाथीताल निवासी कांग्रेस नेता संजय यादव ने याचिका दायर कर कहा है कि शहर के तीन बड़े नालों से लगातार नर्मदा नदी में गंदगी उड़ेली जा रही है, जबकि इस पर प्रतिबंध है। ओमती नाला परियट में मिलता है। परियट नदी नर्मदा में मिलती है। इसी तरह खंदारी नाला पोलीपाथर से शुरू होने वाले शाहनाला में मिलता है। शाहनाला ललपुर के पास नर्मदा में मिल जाता है। इस तरह इन तीनों नालों से सीवर लाइन की गंदगी सहित शहर का तमाम कचरा नर्मदा में जा रहा है। इससे नदी का जल संक्रमित हो रहा है।



तिलवारा केनाल में मिलाओ

याचिकाकर्ता की ओर से अधिवक्ता विपिन यादव ने कोर्ट को बताया कि तिलवारा के पहले ललपुर के समीप नर्मदा में मिलने वाले सबसे बड़े नाले को फिल्टर प्लांट के पास से

तिलवारा केनाल में मिलाया जा सकता है। यह केनाल पाटन तक जाती है। इससे किसानों को भी फायदा होगा और नर्मदा का जल प्रदूषित होने से बचेगा।

पुल पर लगाओ फेंसिंग

याचिका में कहा गया है कि तिलवारा पुल से आम नागरिक सूखे फूल, मालाएं, पूजा-पाठ का अवशेष व अन्य कचरा फेंकते हैं। पुल से कूदकर आत्महत्याओं के मामले भी बढ़ रहे हैं। लिहाजा इस पुल पर दोनों ओर पांच फीट ऊंची फेंसिंग लगाई जाए। अधिवक्ता यादव ने बताया कि मामले की शिकायत

कलेक्टर, निगमायुक्त सहित अन्य आला अफसरों से की गई, लेकिन कोई हल नहीं निकला। प्रारंभिक सुनवाई के बाद कोर्ट ने राज्य सरकार, कलेक्टर, संभागायुक्त, निगमायुक्त, पीसीबी निदेशक व रानी अवंती बाई सागर परियोजना बरगी के सीई को 4 हफ्ते जवाब पेश करने के निर्देश दिए।

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सिंचाई परियोजना...

रमन ने कहा, महानदी के पानी पर ओडिशा को दिक्कत, तो बोर्ड बनाएं

रायपुर. महानदी के पानी को लेकर ओडिशा और छत्तीसगढ़ के बीच उठे विवाद पर मुख्यमंत्री डॉ. रमन सिंह ने बुधवार को कहा, ओडिशा के मुख्यमंत्री द्वारा उठाए गए मुद्दे तथ्यों पर आधारित नहीं है, बल्कि राजनीति से प्रेरित हैं। उनका कहना है कि अंतरराज्यीय नदियों के पानी का बंटवारा एक संवेदनशील विषय है और राजनीतिक लाभ के लिए इसका उपयोग नहीं किया जाना चाहिए। ओडिशा के मुख्यमंत्री पटनायक ने महानदी पर निर्मित सात पिकअप वियर सहित उसकी कुछ सहायक



कहा- ओडिशा के मुख्यमंत्री का विरोध राजनीति से प्रेरित

नदियों में स्वीकृत और प्रस्तावित सिंचाई परियोजनाओं को लेकर चिंता प्रकट करते हुए प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी को पत्र लिखा था। इस पर रमन ने कहा, ओडिशा के हितों को प्रभावित

किए बिना महानदी के पानी का सीमित उपयोग किया जा रहा है। प्रदेश के कुल भौगोलिक क्षेत्र के लगभग 55 प्रतिशत हिस्से का पानी महानदी में जाता है। महानदी और इसकी सहायक नदियों के कुल ड्रेनेज एरिया का 53.90 प्रतिशत छत्तीसगढ़ में, 45.73 प्रतिशत ओडिशा में और 0.35 प्रतिशत अन्य राज्यों में है। हीराकुंड बांध तक महानदी का जलग्रहण क्षेत्र 82 हजार 432 वर्ग किमी है, जिसमें से 71 हजार 424 वर्ग किमी छत्तीसगढ़ में है, जो कि इसके सम्पूर्ण जल ग्रहण क्षेत्र का 86 प्रतिशत है।

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कम बारिश में भी फलता-फूलता अभियान

अगर बढ़िया जल प्रबंधन हो, तो कम बारिश से कोई फर्क नहीं पड़ता।

दिल्ली में इस बरसात में एक अजीब बात हुई है। लगभग पूरी दिल्ली में इस बार सामान्य बारिश हुई है, कुछेक जगहों पर सामान्य से ज्यादा बारिश हुई है, पर पूर्वी दिल्ली और उससे जुड़े गाजियाबाद व नोएडा जैसे उपनगरों में बहुत कम बारिश हुई है। दो दिन पहले खबर आई थी कि पूर्वी दिल्ली में -98 प्रतिशत यानी सामान्य की कुल दो प्रतिशत हुई है। और हम इन्हीं इलाकों के वासी हैं। लेकिन यहां यह सब लिखने का उद्देश्य अज्ञानी लोगों को यह बताना है कि अगर बढ़िया जल प्रबंधन हो, तो कम बारिश से कोई फर्क नहीं पड़ता।

हमारे इलाके में बारिश होने का एक उद्देश्य यह है कि उससे पर्याप्त मात्रा में कीचड़ हो जाए और जो गड्ढे हैं, उनमें पानी भर जाए। यहां पानी

को जमा करने के लिए असंख्य गड्ढे हैं, सड़कों पर गड्ढे हैं और जहां सड़कें नहीं हैं, वहां भी हैं। इसी तरह, जहां सड़कें हैं, वहां और जहां नहीं हैं, वहां भी, कीचड़ होने का इंतजाम है। दूसरी अच्छी बात यह है कि पानी की निकासी का कोई इंतजाम नहीं है, जिससे पानी गड्ढों में बना रहता है। सुना है, कुछ जगहों पर सीवर में पानी चला जाता है, यहां पानी सीवर से निकलकर सब जगह भर जाता है। इससे फायदा यह होता है कि अगर थोड़ी भी बारिश हो जाए, तो जो कीचड़ बनता है और गड्ढों में जो पानी इकट्ठा होता है, वह महीनों बना रहता है।

यहां तरह-तरह के गड्ढे हैं। कुछ में अपेक्षाकृत साफ पानी रहता है, कुछ में ज्यादा गंदला, कुछ में भयानक बदबूदार। इससे तमाम प्रजातियों के मच्छर और कीड़े-मकोड़े अपनी-अपनी दिलचस्पी के मुताबिक पानी में अंडे दे