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Indonesia Tsunami Death Toll Hits 430 as Rain Hampers Rescue Efforts

Sumur: Indonesian rescue teams on Wednesday struggled to reach remote areas on the western coast of Java amid an "extreme weather" rain warning after a tsunami killed more than 400 people last week.

Heavy rain lashed fishing villages along the coast, muddying roads and holding up convoys delivering heavy machinery and aid to isolated areas while authorities urged residents to stay away from the shore in case of further waves.

Clouds of ash spewed from the nearby Anak Krakatau, or child of Krakatau, almost obscuring the volcanic island where a crater collapse at high tide on Saturday sent waves up to 5 metres (16 feet) high smashing into the coast on the Sunda Strait, between Java and Sumatra islands.

Indonesia's meteorology agency (BMKG) said the rough weather could make the volcano's crater more fragile.

"We have developed a monitoring system focused specifically on the volcanic tremors at Anak Krakatau so that we can issue early warnings," said BMKG head Dwikorita Karnawati, adding that a two-kilometre exclusion zone had been imposed.

The confirmed death toll is 430, with at least 159 people missing. Nearly 1,500 people were injured and over 21,000 people have evacuated to higher ground.

A state of emergency has been declared until Jan. 4, which authoriti-



es hope will make it easier to deploy assistance, said Sutopo Purwo Nugroho, spokesman for the national disaster mitigation agency.

Search and rescue teams were focused on the town of Sumur near the southwest tip of Java, but "the roads are damaged and clogged" and helicopters had to be deployed to carry out assessments and evacuations, he added.

Volunteers were having to piece together makeshift bridges out of concrete blocks after the waves washed away infrastructure along the coast. The latest disaster, coming during the Christmas season, evoked memories of the Indian Ocean tsunami triggered by an earthquake on Dec. 26, 2004, which killed 226,000 people in 14 countries, including more than 120,000 in Indonesia. Reuters

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Minus 6.7°C, second coldest night in Srinagar in 11 yrs

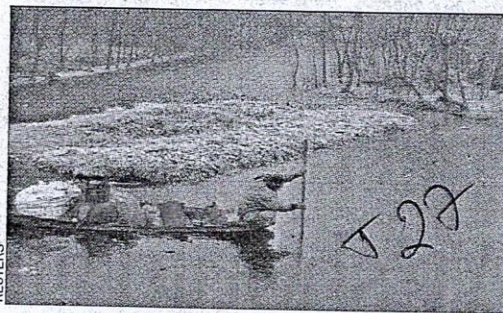
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 26

Srinagar city witnessed the second coldest night of the season as the minimum temperature dropped to -6.7°C. On December 24, the summer capital had experienced its coldest night in 11 years at -6.8°C.

The ski resort of Gulmarg in north Kashmir recorded -9.4°C, making it the coldest station in the Kashmir valley.

As per the morning bulletin of the Srinagar meteorological office, Drass in Kargil district recorded a



A man rows his boat through the partially frozen Dal Lake.

minimum temperature of -21.7°C. It was the coldest place in the state as well as in the country.

Leh town in the Ladakh region registered a minimum temperature of -17.1°C, while Kargil recorded

Cold triggers heart attacks

■ As the cold wave has gripped the Kashmir region, hospitals are getting more heart attack cases. While advising caution, doctors say vulnerable groups should keep themselves warm and also go for regular checkups

■ On Wednesday, a police officer, posted at Srinagar International Airport, was found dead at his residence. The police suspect "heart attack" as the cause of his death

-5.4°C, while Kupwara town in north Kashmir registered -6.4°C last night.

The Srinagar meteorological office has forecast light rain and snow in the upper reaches of the state in the next 24 hours. For the subsequent two days, however, the MET office has predicted mainly dry weather in the state.

The cold wave in the Valley has resulted in freezing of water bodies, including the outer portions of the Dal Lake in Srinagar and water supply pipes in houses in Srinagar and other towns of the Valley.

-14.4°C. The night temperature in Pahalgam in south Kashmir settled at -7.9°C. Kokernag town recorded

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At 3.6°C, city sees coldest Dec in 4 yrs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 26

DELHI RECORDED the coldest December morning in four years on Wednesday, as the minimum temperature dipped to 3.6 degrees Celsius — four degrees below normal. A sunny day, however, meant the day was warmer, with the maximum recorded at 21.3, a degree above normal.

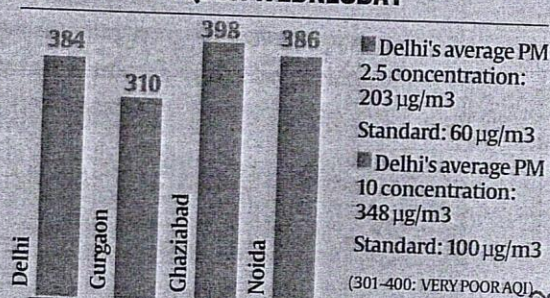
According to IMD officials, temperatures are expected to dip further for five days starting Thursday. Delhi is under the grip of a second cold wave.

"A cold wave is declared when the temperature drops four degrees below normal for three or more days in a row. Delhi is expected to see a minimum temperature of below 4 degrees till Sunday or Monday. Thereafter, a slight improvement is expected," said an IMD official.

This is the first time since 2015 that the minimum temper-

POLLUTION STILL HIGH

AQI ON WEDNESDAY



FORECAST FOR THURSDAY

182 (MODERATE) | **314** (VERY POOR)
PM 2.5 | PM 10

Increased wind speed is expected to clear air slightly. But low temperature and high humidity will lead to radiation fog, which will not allow air quality to improve beyond the very poor category in the coming four days.

(Source: SAFAR)

ature has been consistently low in the last two weeks of December.

In 2015, the minimum temperature did not fall below 5 degrees Celsius throughout the month. December was warmer still in 2016 and 2017, with the minimum temperature staying near the 6 degree mark. In 2014, the minimum temperature in December had dropped to 2.6 degrees Celsius. The coldest December temperature in a decade was recorded in 2013, when the mercury dropped to 2.4 degrees Celsius. The lowest minimum temperature ever recorded at 1.1 degrees Celsius in 1945.

According to IMD officials, moderate fog is expected on Thursday and Friday. Higher wind speed, however, means that it will not persist longer into the day.

On Wednesday too, fog was seen early in the morning, but it dispersed as the day proceeded.

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11 projects to stop sewage from flowing untreated into city's stretch of Yamuna

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: The national capital has got 11 projects for cleaning of the Yamuna which, once completed, will not allow untreated sewage to get discharged into it. At present, 51 crore litres of untreated sewage is discharged into the river everyday, making the entire stretch in the city highly polluted.

Union water resources minister Nitin Gadkari and Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal will jointly lay foundation stone of some of these projects on Thursday.

Most of the projects are for the sewerage infrastructure including creation of new sewage treatment plant (STP), upgradation of existing ones and rehabilitation of trunk sewer.

These projects, under Rs 1,656 crore Yamuna Action Plan (YAP)-III, will come up in three drainage zones namely Kondli, Rithala and Okhla in the capital. The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) will be the executing

agency for these projects which are now linked to the ongoing 'Namami Gange' (Ganga Rejuvenation) programme of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG).

New projects on Yamuna include creation of 56.4 crore litres per day capacity of STP at Okhla and rehabilitation of trunk sewer of 35 km length in Kondli and Rithala zones. Besides, two projects at a to-

tal cost of Rs 580 crore will come up in north Delhi and Chhattarpur.

A waste water treatment plant of 31.8 crore litres per day, costing over Rs 515 crore, will come up near Coronation Pillar in north Delhi while nine decentralised STPs (2.25 crore litres per day), costing Rs 65.24 crore, will be set up at Chhattarpur.

The current sewage genera-

tion for Delhi is about 327 crore litres per day against the existing treatment capacity of 276 crore litres per day. The new STP projects in the capital will increase the sewage treatment capacity by over 138 crore litres of sewage per day, taking care of the city's future demand.

These 11 sewerage infrastructure projects are part of the total 131 projects which are being implemented by the NMCG in cities and towns along the river Ganga and its tributaries. Being the largest tributary of Ganga, the river Yamuna has always been in focus of the 'Namami Gange' programme of the Centre which was launched in 2015 with an estimated budget of Rs 20,000 crore.

At present, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) assisted YAP-III is under implementation for rehabilitation and upgradation of existing STPs and trunk sewers in different parts of the city.



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IMD now says North to see severe cold wave

On December 3, predicted below normal cold conditions | Dense fog to continue in Punjab, Haryana

VIBHA SHARMA
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 26
Official forecaster IMD appears to have got it all wrong yet again. After predicting a "below normal cold wave in cold wave zone" earlier this month, it today said North India will see cold wave to severe cold wave conditions till the yearend, which will extend to other parts as well.

A December-3 statement by the India Meteorological Department (IMD) had forecast "above normal subdivision averaged seasonal minimum temperatures" during the cold weather season (December 2018 to February 2019) over all meteorological subdivisions of the country. "Below normal Cold Wave



(CW) conditions are likely over core CW zone of the country," it also said.

According to its latest update though, cold wave to severe cold wave conditions are prevailing over major parts of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi, north

Rajasthan, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Saurashtra and Kutch and isolated pockets over Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar.

This situation is very likely to continue over these regions during next three days, it further said, adding cold wave conditions are very likely to extend over to parts of Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand and north Maharashtra between December 28 and 30.

Temperatures, both day and night, are currently appreciably below normal at many places over many parts of North India, including Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi and Punjab.

This is not the first time that IMD's prediction has

been off the mark. The four-month monsoon season this year ended with nine per cent below average rain, less than what it had predicted earlier in the season. As per its 2018 forecast, India was supposed to get "normal" monsoon rain.

Meanwhile, as per the IMD, cold wave conditions are likely to continue over parts of northern plains and central India in the first week of the New Year as well, but with less severity. A fresh feeble western disturbance is likely to affect western Himalayan region from January 1. Dense fog will also continue over parts of Punjab and Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi during late night and morning hours of December 27, 29 and 30, it said.

SHIVERING CITIES

Leh	-17.1°C
Srinagar	-6.7°C
Manali	-3.4°C
Hisar	-1°C
Solan	-0.7°C
Amritsar	1.5°C
Ludhiana	2.4°C
Shimla	2.7°C
Jammu	3.5°C
Delhi	3.6°C

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यमुना संरक्षण की 11 परियोजनाओं का शिलान्यास आज

नई दिल्ली, (वाता): केंद्रीय जल संसाधन, नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण मंत्री नितिन गडकरी नमामि गंगे कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत गुरुवार को यहां यमुना संरक्षण की 11 परियोजनाओं का शिलान्यास करेंगे।

नमामि गंगे कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत राष्ट्रीय स्वच्छ गंगा मिशन (एनएमसीजी) द्वारा दिल्ली में यमुना नदी के संरक्षण के लिए कुल 11 परियोजनाओं का दायित्व लिया गया है। इनमें अधिकतर परियोजनायें सीवरेज की बुनियादी सुविधाओं से संबंधित हैं और कार्यान्वयन के विविध चरणों में हैं। ये परियोजनायें यमुना कार्य योजना (वाईएपी)-3 के अंतर्गत हैं और दिल्ली के तीन ड्रेनेज क्षेत्रों कोडली, रिठाला और ओखला में स्थित हैं। दिल्ली में वाईएपी-3 के अंतर्गत कुल आठ सीवरेज अवसंरचना परियोजनाओं का शिलान्यास होगा। ओखला में प्रतिदिन 56.4 करोड़ लीटर

● राष्ट्रीय स्वच्छ गंगा मिशन ने लिया है परियोजनाओं का दायित्व

● कोडली, रिठाला और ओखला में स्थित हैं दिल्ली के तीन ड्रेनेज क्षेत्र

की एसटीपी क्षमता का सृजन, प्रतिदिन 38.6 करोड़ लीटर एसटीपी क्षमता का जीर्णोद्धार और उन्हें अपग्रेड करना तथा कोडली और रिठाला जोन में 35 किलोमीटर लंबाई वाले टंक सीवर और राइजिंग मेन की बहाली शामिल है।

सीवरेज परियोजनायें कोडली के लिए चार पैकेज (के1, के2, के3, के4), रिठाला के लिए तीन पैकेज (आर1ए, आर1बी और आर2) तथा ओखला जोन (ओ) में चलाई जा रही हैं। इनमें से सात परियोजनाएं कार्यान्वयन के विभिन्न चरणों में हैं। ओखला जोन की एक परियोजना निविदा की प्रक्रिया के स्तर पर है।

इनके अलावा 580 करोड़ रुपये

की कुल लागत वाली दो परियोजनाओं को मंजूरी दी गयी है। ये परियोजनाएँ हैं - 515.07 करोड़ रुपये की लागत से 31.8 करोड़ लीटर दैनिक क्षमता वाले अशोधित जल उपचारित संयंत्र तथा छतरपुर में 65.24 करोड़ रुपये की लागत से नौ विकेंद्रीकृत एसटीपी (प्रतिदिन 2.25 करोड़ लीटर)। शिलान्यास के मौके पर केंद्रीय वन एवं पर्यावरण मंत्री डॉ. हर्षवर्धन और दिल्ली के मुख्यमंत्री अरविंद केजरीवाल भी मौजूद रहेंगे। दिल्ली शहर में इस समय प्रतिदिन 327 करोड़ लीटर सीवरेज उत्पन्न होता है, जबकि उसके पास प्रतिदिन 276 करोड़ लीटर की जल शोधन क्षमता है।

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मेकेदातु बांध पर बैठक जल्द

■ नई दिल्ली, (भाषा) : केंद्र सरकार ने कावेरी नदी पर मेकेदातु बांध बनाने के प्रस्ताव को लेकर कर्नाटक और तमिलनाडु के मुख्यमंत्रियों की बैठक जल्द बुलाने का निर्णय किया है। कर्नाटक के मुख्यमंत्री एच. डी. कुमारस्वामी ने बुधवार को केंद्रीय जल संसाधन और परिवहन मंत्री नितिन गडकरी के साथ हुई बैठक में मुद्दे पर विस्तार से चर्चा की। बैठक में गडकरी ने कहा कि उन्हें विश्वास है कि मेकेदातु परियोजना से तमिलनाडु को लाभ होगा। हम अधिकारियों को निर्देश देंगे कि दोनों राज्यों के सीएम के साथ जल्द बैठक तय करें।

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हिमाचल के लाहौल-स्पीति में ठंड
का प्रकोप इस कदर बढ़ गया है कि
चंद्रभागा नदी का पानी जम गया।

