



Situation Report -1: Unseasonal Rain and Hailstorm

A. SITUATION REPORT:

Unseasonal rain and hailstorms have destroyed crops in many parts of the country, including Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Haryana and Andhra Pradesh and heavy snowfall and avalanche hindered the daily life in J&K.

States affected	Uttar [radish, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Haryana and Andhra Pradesh
Impact on Maharashtra	A crop on nearly 20 lakh hectares is feared to have been destroyed, state officials said. Besides, hailstorms have claimed 2 lives, damaged over 18,222 houses and killed around 9,180 poultry birds and farm animals. A total of 30,000 villages were affected because of rains and hailstorm in 28 districts of Maharashtra.
Impact on Punjab & Haryana	Wheat crops at several places including Ferozepur, Gurdaspur, Pathankot, Nawanshahar, Mohali, Tarn Taran and in Palwal and Yamunanagar in neighbouring Haryana were flattened because of rain and high velocity winds.
Impact on MP	9800 villages have been affected
Impact on J&K	8 people died and several others injured in avalanches and incidents of house collapse in Jammu and Kashmir. The Srinagar-Jammu highway remained closed and also hindered the air service.
Other states	Extensive damages to crops and fruits

Source: TDH, The Indian Express, NDTV, ZEE TV, IBN

B. Response from Government and Humanitarian Agencies

- State governments sought relief from the Centre.
- Maharashtra Govt. has sought permission from the Election Commission of India to give other benefits to affected farmers such as additional loans, waiver of electricity bills etc.
- A government of India team arrived in the state on Wednesday to survey the damage.



- The Maharashtra state cabinet proposed a relief package of Rs 3,000 crore and decided that a delegation led by CM would meet the PM and Union Agriculture Minister in this regard.
- Special Girdawari (revenue assessment) of villages has been recommended to assess the actual loss to farmers due to hailstorm in Punjab.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan in MP announced relief measures for farmers in at least 49 districts. Also announced monetary relief for the families of farmers who had died due to rains or, had lost their livestock and appealed to the central government to provide aid to the affected people, and to form schemes to protect the victims in future.

Source: Media Sources and TDH

C. EMERGING NEEDS:

- Micro level Rapid Need Assessment.
- Temporary shelter, immediate relief for the crop, livestock damages and psycho social counselling for the affected people.

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