



Sitrep – 2 Flood Incident in Uttarakhand 19th June, 2013

A. SITUATION REPORT:

The monsoon has come 20 days in advance in Uttarakhand with continuous rainfall since Friday (14th June 2013 -17 June 2013). This has resulted in increasing water level and flow of two main rivers Alakhnanda and Bhagirathi. Incidents of cloudbursts and landslides at various locations have also added to the devastation and impact to the life of the people. From the figures available till 17th June, the rainfall ranges between 50mm to 500mm. Over 60 hours of continuous rain has disrupted the normal life of State.

B. KEY HIGHLIGHTS: Table for damages and casualties:

No. of District Affected:	5 Districts
Districts Affected:	Uttarkashi , Rudraprayag, Chamoli, Tehri and Pithoragarh
No. of buildings damaged	350 Collapsed
No. of deaths confirmed:	54
No. of people injured	65
No. of people affected:	75,000
No. of Livestock Dead	1,000 animals

Sources: (Inter Agency Group, Uttarakhand)

C. IMPACT OF THE FLOOD SITUATION:

- Road network and mobile (Communication) networks have been damaged.
- 350 buildings collapsed across the state. (Source : State Control Room)
- 1000 animal loss (Source : State Control Room)
- 54 persons dead and 65 injured seriously. (Source : State Control Room)
- 75000 pilgrims are stranded in all four Dhams (Source : State Control Room)
- In Uttarkashi and Maneri – Matli and Tiloth are badly affected areas.
- In Tiloth Roads and bridges have been washed away.(district Uttarkashi)
- ITBP center, Matli Uttarkashi has suffered badly.
- Bhatukasaur (Near Maneri in Uttarkashi) four houses have been washed away.
- Didsari village, Uttarkashi has been devastated.
- In Ongi village, Uttarkashi, four hotels have been vacated due to flooding, 125 pilgrims are stranded there and have taken shelter in the village.
- A dharamshala (Dilli wali Dharamshala) has been washed away. Sources say that a stampede occurred due to collapsing of stairs, which has caused drowning of about 60 pilgrims.
- Sukkhi band, Bhatwari, Uttarkashi located on the national highway is washed away.
- In Harsil, Bhatwari, Uttarkashi there is severe damage. Pipelines are damaged and there is no drinking water.
- In Narayan Bagar, district Chamoli four houses have been washed away.
- In Tharali, district Chamoli around 100 m roads have been washed away.
- In Jauljivi, district Pithoragarh - 6 houses have been washed away



- Mathkot, district Pithoragarh – Several houses have been washed away
- Dharchula , district Pithoragarh - Several houses have been washed away
- Bedubagad, Augustmuni, district Rudraprayag – 2 hotels have been washed away. The water is flowing over the national highway (Rudraprayag - Kedarnath).
- In district Rudraprayag on Kedarnath national highway between Silli and Chandrapuri 140 houses have been washed away and another 100 are badly affected. No information is available on human casualties.
 - The local state that the muck of the dam was deposited along the river which has diverted the course of water. The vehicles (Buses and dumpers) have been washed away which have in turn damaged bridges at Silli, Rudraprayag. The debris (Buses, trucks, dumpers, tree and muck) has deposited near Bedubagar, Augustmuni and has diverted the course of the water towards the town.
- Casualties are higher at Rambara. 60 people have been washed away in the water from Vasuki Tal. However, unconfirmed reports from various sources claim that casualties may reach up to 1000.
- Kedarnath trek has got severely damaged. Approximately 4500 people are stranded in Kedarnath alone. Sources confirm that the government has started rescue operations.
- In Kedarnath, unconfirmed reports claim that the entire infrastructure has been severely damaged. Even the Kedarnath temple has also been partially damaged.
- In Pilang, district Uttarkashi a cloudburst occurred this morning (18.6.13) and 6 houses were reported to be completely damaged.
- The Village Jadau, district Uttarkashi has suffered badly and shifted completely to nearby Chhanis (Temporary settlements of the villagers). There is no information on human and animal loss so far.
- In Pandukeshwar, district Chamoli 60-70 persons have been washed away of which 40-50 are tourists. 20 houses have been severely damaged. About 250 two wheelers, 20 four wheelers are also reported to have been washed away.

(Source: IAG, Uttarakhand)

D. GOVERNMENT/HUMANITARIAN AGENCIES RESPONSES:

- 10000 food packets are being sent for relief by the State Government (Source : State Control Room)
- District administration of all the affected Districts have released alerts and evacuated population living in the banks of river.
- DM Uttarkashi claims that pilgrims and local affected people have been shifted to safer locations and food arrangements are being made for them.
- IAG member SBMA/Plan deployed 10 staff for search, rescue, and evacuation in Uttarkashi.
- IAG members are collecting information regarding situation at zero ground.
- State IAG called an emergency meeting of core team members at Plan India Dehradun office on 18th June- the meeting minutes have been circulated.
- Govt. has announced the helpline numbers – Uttarkashi -01374226126, 226461, Tehri – 01376-233433, Chamoli – 01372-251437, Rudraprayag – 01364-233727. 1077 is toll free number. There is no information on other districts. (Source : State Control Room)



- State Government, with assistance from Central Government, has deployed 24 helicopters to rescue stranded people from the Kedarnath and Uttarkashi.

E. IMMEDIATE NEEDS:

As rain in the region is continues, there is immediate needs for food, shelter, potable water and clothes.

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