



## Sitrep -5: Flood Incident in Uttarakhand 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2013

### A. SITUATION REPORT:

It has been almost 14<sup>th</sup> day since the disaster occurred in Uttarakhand on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013. Rescue works almost come to an end and Relief works have been carried out by the government and various non-government organizations. Continuous rains have been hampering the relief work every day. Road networks are yet to be cleared for heavy vehicles so that the relief material can be transported and delivered to the disaster affected victims.

Mass cremation of the dead bodies by the local Government to prevent from further epidemics in the disaster affected districts. Now the emerging needs for Authorities to come up with short and long terms Reconstruction, Rehabilitation in the floods affected areas.

For more detailed information are given below.

### B. IMPACTS OF THE DISASTERS:

- 842 died including 20 personnel of IAF and paramilitary forces deployed for rescue operations.
- 4,649 persons are missing of which 3,314 are reported missing only in district Rudraprayag.
- 1,05,412 persons rescued though 3000 pilgrims are still stranded in different places.
- More than 50 bodies have been recovered from Haridwar, Bijnor and Bulandsahar.
- Unconfirmed reports are claiming that dead bodies are lying scattered some of them tied with rope in plastic chairs near Rambara and nearby areas. The unconfirmed report also adds that government is not allowing media persons and others to go there. So far cremation for only 34 dead bodies is done by the government.
- Electricity supply damaged in 382 villages.
- 1,642 roads including national highways and state roads are damaged, 147 bridges destructed, 2232 houses damaged and 968 water supply schemes damaged.
- Two helicopters including one MI-17 crashed during rescue operations.
- A total of 45 choppers and 10,000 personnel from the Army, Air Force, Navy, Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), Border Security Force, National Disaster Response Force (NRDF), Public Works Department and local administrations worked together for quick rescue operations.

### C. GOVERNMENT/ HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE:

- State govt. has established relief camps at different sites in district Uttarkashi, Rudraprayag and Chamoli. Relief camps are established in Kedarnath (Guptkashi, Fata & Agastmuni), Joshimath, Srinagar and Uttarkashi area.
- As per govt. reports approximately 500 pilgrims are stranded in Badrinath, district Chamoli which might be rescued by today.
- DM Uttarkashi claims that local people affected by the disaster have been shifted to safer location and food relief are available to the disaster victims.
- IAG member SBMA/Plan deployed 40 staff for search, rescue, and evacuation in Uttarkashi. One of the IAG member, EHA has supplied relief (food and non food) material in Jaunpur block of Tehri Garhwal district. CASA through its partners has distributed relief (food & non food) material in Joshimath, Dewal, Tharali and Narayanbagar in district Chamoli, Ukhimath in district Rudraprayag and Bhatwari, Naugaon, Dunda, Purola, Mori and Chinyalisaur blocks in district Uttarkashi. Save the Children fund and Care Today provided food and non-food material in the block of Augustmuni, district Rudraprayag.



- IAG members are collecting information regarding situation at zero ground.
- State IAG called an emergency meeting of core team members at CASA office at Dehradun on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013, meeting minutes have been circulated to IAG members.
- Govt. has announced the helpline numbers – Uttarkashi -01374226126, 226461, Tehri – 01376-233433, Chamoli – 01372-251437, Rudraprayag – 01364-233727. 1077 is toll free number for helpline toll free numbers. There is no information on other districts. (Source : State Control Room). The govt. has also declared Maharana Pratap Sports College Raipur, Dehradun as Relief Material Collection and Distribution Center and has issued the numbers of Mr M H Khan, Secretary, Govt. of Uttarakhand/Incharge (0135-2781414), Mr Yugal Kishor Pant, Nodal Officer (07500650000), Mr Bansidhar Tiwari, Nodal Officer (09458911111), Mr Ravi Pandey, Nodal Officer (09837256961), Mr J P Joshi, Nodal officer (09997906948), Mr Manoj Sharma, Nodal Officer (09411715114), Control Room ( 0135-2781414).
- The State Govt. has released Rs 2700/- immediately to the affected families as relief amount.
- Prime Minister has done an Ariel survey of the affected area on Wednesday. He said that Uttarakhand is under huge devastation and such type of devastation has not happened in last 100 years and it will take time to overcome the damage. He assured that center will provide all required support to State Government. He has approved 1000 crores from Prime Minister Calamity Fund, out of which 145 crores are to be released immediately. Announcement of Rs. 340 crores is also made by the center ministry of Village development for village roads and housing.
- State IAG is coordinating with CASA, Plan India, ADRA, Oxfam, Save the Children, World Vision, Help Age India, CARITAS, CARE Foundation, TATA relief Committee, WSPA, RedR India, Star India, and WWF India by updating the situation and for immediate relief to the disaster victims.
- The TATA relief committee is supporting three villages viz. Pilang, Jarao, and Didsari by providing tent and food for one month to each affected household (Total 200 HHs).
- IAG coordinator has attended a meeting convened by Plan India at its state office, where it was discussed and shared by the donor agencies that which are the organization they are working with and in which area they will be intervening in the future for relief and rehabilitation works. A joint assessment is proposed by the donor agencies in near future.

#### D. IMMEDIATE NEEDS:

- Food items and Milk for children.
- First Aid and medicines (life saving drugs).
- Shelter items- Tents, Canvas sheets, Tarpoline.
- Shelter support items- Plastic mats, Blanket, Solar Lanterns, Water purifier, Torches, Candles and Matchbox
- Hygiene and sanitation kit- Soaps, Sanitary napkins, Tooth-brush and Tooth paste, Towels, and comb.
- School Kits for children.
- Water quality testing and water purification kits.
- Detailed need assessment to support shelter and livelihood.
- Temporary schools at the places where the schools are damaged / collapsed or where the villagers are taking safe shelter.

*Sources: (IAG, Uttarakhand)*

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