

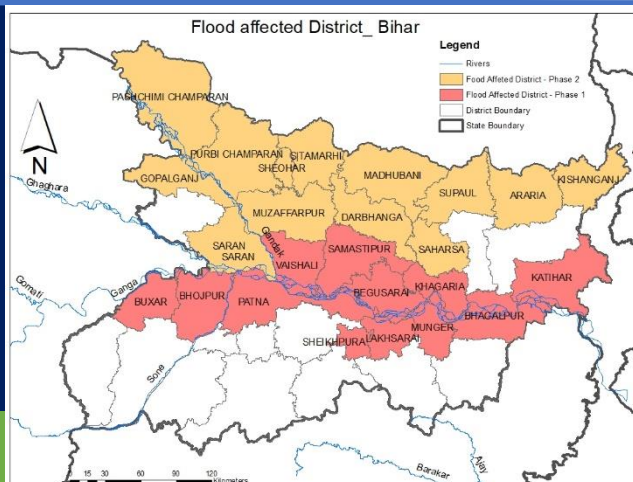
SITUATION REPORT- 3

Flood Situation in Bihar (Phase 1 & 2)

Date: 30th September 2024 (Mon)

Time: 11:00 AM (IST)

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE



PHASE – 1 Flood:

- The flood situation in Bihar remains critical, with embankment breaches reported along several rivers, particularly impacting districts near the Indo-Nepal border.
- The rising water levels of the Ganga River have severely impacted 67 blocks across **13 districts**, including **Bhagalpur, Patna, and Katihar**. Approximately **28.71 lakh** people have been affected by the floods across **450 villages**. Out of it, **13.78 L** are estimated to be children. [>> For More details](#)

PHASE -2 Flood:

- According to reports of the SEOC, Bihar is facing a flood situation due to heavy to very heavy rainfall between **September 26 and September 28, 2024** in Nepal, combined with the discharge of excessive water (approximately **600,000 cusecs**) from the Birpur and Valmiki Nagar barrages into the **Kosi, Gandak, and Bagmati** rivers on **September 28, 2024**.
- The breach of 06-embankments within 24 hours on Sunday worsened the situation, causing the overflow of major rivers like the **Kosi, Gandak, and Bagmati**. Floods in these rivers, as well as the **Mahananda**, have affected **206 blocks across 16 districts**, including **East Champaran, Araria, and Sitamarhi**. Approx. **696,000** people across **1,206 villages** have been impacted. Out of it, **3.34 L** are estimated to be Children. [>> For More Details](#)
- In **Sitamarhi district**, embankment breaches in several blocks led to severe flooding. The affected population relocated to safer areas with the assistance of the district administration and rescue teams.
- The **Central Water Commission (CWC)** reported the **Gandak, Bagmati, and Dhardha** rivers currently flowing at their highest levels, while the **Ganga, Burhi Gandak, Koshi, Adhwara, Kamlabalan, Mahananda, Parman, and Fulhar** rivers are flowing above the danger mark. All major trans-border rivers of Bihar, inc. the **Mahananda, Parman, Koshi, Kamla, Bagmati, Adhwara, Gandak, Burhi Gandak, Burhi Rapti, and Rapti**, are experiencing severe flooding.
- 02 nos. of embankment breaches have been reported: **Breach 01** on the **Bagmati River** in **Sitamarhi district**, affecting approx. **1,400 families**, and **Breach 02** on the **Gandak River** in **Bagaha block of West Champaran district**, affecting around **500 families**. Despite these breaches, the two key barrages, **Valmiki Nagar** and **Birpur**, remain fully functional and open.
- The **Bagmati River's** embankments breached at four locations in **Sitamarhi district** on Sunday evening, impacting thousands of people along its banks. In **West Champaran** and **Sheohar districts**, additional embankments were breached, with the breach on the Gandak River in **West Champaran** directing large volumes of floodwater into the **Valmiki Tiger Reserve**.

Statistical Analysis



Affected District:

13 (Phase 1), **16** (Phase -2)



Affected Blocks :

67 (Phase -1), **206** (Phase-2)



Affected Villages:

450 (Phase -1), **1206** (Phase 2)



No. of Deaths:

06 (in Phase 2)



Affected Population : **28.71**

Lakh (Pha-1), **6.96 Lakh** (Pha-2),

17.12 lakh estimated children population



No. of Relief Camps :

05 (Phase 1), **80** (Phase 2)



Inmates in Relief Camps:

47,227 (in both phases)



No. of Community Kitchens: **18**

(Phase 2), **204** (Phase 1)



No. of houses Damaged –

128 (Fully), **961** (Partially)



No. of Person Evacuated:

27,544 (Until 27th Sep)



EHA's Community Kitchen in Kishanganj

- In **Darbhanga**, the **Kamla Balan** stream overflowed, submerging a government school in the **Raisari** area. In **Muzaffarpur**, floodwaters entered a power grid control room, threatening to cut power for **42,000 to 43,000 consumers**. Infrastructure across the state has been severely affected, leading to power supply disruptions in thousands of homes.
- The worst-hit areas include **East Champaran, Gopalganj, Araria, Supaul, Katihar, and Purnea**. On Sunday, a breach occurred in the Bagmati River embankment at **Madhkaul village in Sitamarhi**, while the **Gandak River's** left bank embankment in **West Champaran** was damaged due to excessive water pressure, allowing floodwaters to enter the **Valmiki Tiger Reserve**.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

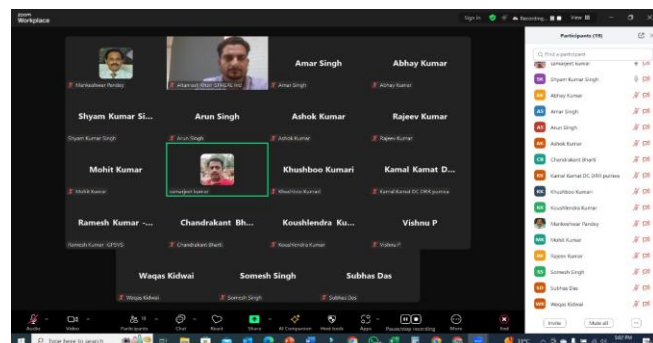
- A total of **85 relief camps** are operational, providing shelter to approximately **47,227 people** and serving meals to **175,600 individuals** daily. Additionally, the government has distributed **279,450 polythene sheets** and **108,200 dry ration packets**, with **1,170 boats** deployed for evacuation operations.
- Medical teams** with adequate stocks of medicines have been stationed in the flood-affected areas to offer healthcare services. Furthermore, **11 mobile medical teams** are operational to address immediate medical needs in these regions.
- The **state government** is closely monitoring the flood situation **24/7**, implementing all necessary preventive measures, including the **evacuation** of affected individuals to safer locations.
- All **District Magistrates** are stationed in the affected areas, personally overseeing relief operations. A total of **22 teams from the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF)** have been deployed to assist with rescue and relief efforts.
- To further manage the crisis, the **district administration** has deployed **13 National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)** teams and **16 SDRF teams**. Additionally, teams from **West Bengal** and **Jharkhand** have been mobilized to provide reinforcement for the ongoing rescue operations.
- 222 community kitchens** are operational, providing meals to approximately **175,600 people** daily. [DMD](#), [SEOC](#) PressR>>

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSES

- The Bihar Inter Agency Group (B-IG), in collaboration with UNICEF Field Office Bihar, and Sphere India is actively coordinating and responding to the emerging needs of the affected population caused by the recent floods.
- On 27th September, an online emergency coordination meeting was held with B-IG, local responding organizations, UNICEF India, and Sphere India to evaluate the current situation. During this meeting, it was suggested to conduct a Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA) after building a consensus with B-IG.
- Emanuel Hospital Association (EHA) has been running a community kitchen for the past three days, serving hot meals to affected communities.
- Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), along with UNICEF, and B-IG is assessing the updated situation and planning to respond in most affected districts in Bihar.
- Several District level IAG members are supporting in their respective districts and geographies.

EMERGING NEEDS: Shelter and Protection:

Polythene Sheets, Blankets, Mosquito Nets; **Food & Nutrition:** Ready-to-Eat Food Packets, Dry Food Ration (for 15 Days), Utensils; **Health & Hygiene:** Basic medicines (paracetamol, anti-diarrheal, antibiotics), Water purification tablets, ORS; **Hygiene Kits:** Dignity Kits, Fuel and Cooking; Safety Items, Tarp/Plastic Sheets



Emergency Coordination Meeting with stakeholders in Bihar

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Source of Information

IAG Bihar, SEOC Bihar, DMD Bihar, MHA, Media, Social Media, Sphere India WhatsApp Group

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