

## **Situation Report 1**

# **Odisha Floods**

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#### SITUATION UPDATE

- Over 50,000 people across 17 Gram Panchayats in the blocks of Bhograi, Baliapal, Basta, and parts of Jaleswar NAC in Balasore district have been severely affected due to the overflow of the Subarnarekha River.
- The Subarnarekha River crossed the danger mark and peaked at 11.9 meters. However, the river level began receding and was recorded at around 9.94 meters by 22nd June
- A total of 73 houses were partially damaged, and one casualty was reported due to flood-related incidents in the affected regions of Odisha. In addition, one person is reported missing, presumed to have been swept away by the floodwaters
- More than 50 villages were marooned as floodwaters inundated habitations and agricultural fields, causing widespread disruption. Local authorities estimate that it may take four to five days for floodwaters to fully recede and for normalcy to be restored.
- Many residents from the inundated villages have shifted to river embankments and are currently taking shelter under temporary polythene sheet covers
- A total of 53 people were temporarily evacuated from Jaleswar Municipality to safer areas. Some regions in Baliapal and Kamarda experienced partial flooding, but no mass evacuation was required.

#### **Statistical Overview**



District Affected: 01 Balasore



Villages Affected: 50+



Population Affected: 50,000+



Houses Damaged: 73



Causalities: 01



Relief Camp: 01

### **GOVERNMENT RESPONSE**

- The State Government has deployed a comprehensive rescue and relief mechanism to address the flood situation in Balasore district. Five teams from the Odisha Fire Service, three ODRAF teams, and one NDRF team have been mobilized to support rescue operations.
- Multiple boats have been deployed as road connectivity to several villages remains disrupted due to submerged roads; boats are currently the only means of transportation in the affected areas.
- ASHAs under Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) are actively engaged in distributing ORS
  packets and halogen tablets in 11 submerged villages under Bhograi and Dahamunda PHC areas, and 17 villages under Ghantua
  and Jamkunda PHC areas.
- The Chief District Medical Officer (CDMO) has ensured readiness of medical supplies and is closely monitoring the situation in coordination with the Irrigation Department regarding the water discharge from Chandil Dam.
- The Balasore District Collector has instructed all Block Development Officers (BDOs) and Tehsildars to remain on high alert and be ready to execute immediate evacuation of at-risk populations.
- The Civil Supplies Officer (CSO) has been directed to ensure the availability and adequacy of food grains and other essential
  commodities in flood-affected areas.
- Leaves of all government staff in the district have been cancelled until further orders, and a directive has been issued prohibiting government officials from leaving headquarters without prior permission to ensure full administrative preparedness.

Source of Information

IMD, Media, Social Media, Sphere India WhatsApp Group

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