

Situation Report

Flood in Maharashtra

Date: 21st July 2023
Time: 10:00 AM (IST)



Source: Media

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- Heavy overnight downpours have caused several rivers in Maharashtra's Konkan region, including Savitri and Patalganga, to swell, resulting in flood-like situations.
- A massive landslide occurred in Irshalwadi village on the night of July 19th, leading to at least 16 fatalities, with many others feared trapped. Among the 50 houses in the village, 17 were buried under the landslide.
- NDRF and police officials recovered 16 bodies from the landslide site, while 21 people were rescued.
- In response to the heavy rainfall and floods, authorities have evacuated approximately 2,227 people from 746 families in the Raigad district. At least 125 houses have been damaged in the district, with evacuations taking place in Poladpur taluka, Chirner village in Uran taluka, and Mahad taluka.
- The situation in Raigad district is critical, with 17 out of 28 dams overflowing, exacerbating the flooding.
- In Ratnagiri, the Jagbudi and Vashishti rivers are flowing aggressively due to heavy rains, with the water level of Vashishti river crossing the 'alert' mark. Waterlogging has been reported in low-lying areas along the river.
- There was a concern for public safety in Bhayandar after a large portion of a building collapsed opposite the Bhayandar Railway Ticket Counter (East side).
- Train services of the Konkan Railway have been affected at Chiplun in Ratnagiri district due to the Vashishti river crossing the danger mark following incessant rains.
- Deputy Chief Minister has instructed officials to relocate people from several parts of Chiplun town in Ratnagiri district due to the rising level of the Vashishti river.

SITUATION UPDATES



Regions Affected –
Konkan and Vidarbha



Human Lives lost– 16
(landslide)



Damaged houses – 125
(Raigad)



Missing Persons - 100



No. of people
Evacuated – 2227
(Raigad)



Rescued people - 21



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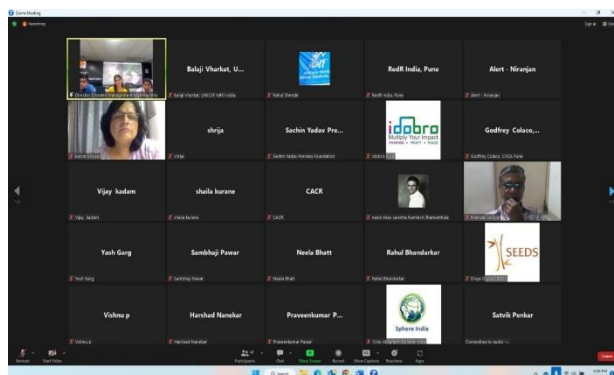
HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Government Preparedness and Response

- The Indian Meteorological Department has issued a red alert for Palghar, Raigad, Pune, and Satara districts for 21st July due to the torrential rains.
- In response to the worsening situation, six NDRF teams have been deployed to Thane, Palghar, Raigad, Ratnagiri, Kolhapur, and Sangli to handle the emergency.
- Chief Minister announced an ex-gratia of Rs 5 lakh to the families of the deceased in the landslide incident.
- Apart from Thane and Palghar, a total of 355 schools in Pune's hilly regions, including Ambegaon, Khed, Junnar, Bhore, Purandar, Mulshi, and Maval talukas, will also remain closed on Friday due to the weather situation.

Response by NGOs

- MahaPECONet is continuously monitoring the ground situation and organized a meeting with a local organization and government officials on 20th July to understand the ground reality. They have activated the Unified Response System (URS) and requested its members to fill out a Google form detailing their activities in response to the situation.
- Sphere India secretariate is monitoring the situation by coordinating with MahaPECONet



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Emerging Needs

- Family Kit (Soap, Oil, Brush, Pest, Mat)
- Blanket
- Towel
- Sanitary napkin
- Utensils kit (kitchen set and hard material)
- Ration kit for the month

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