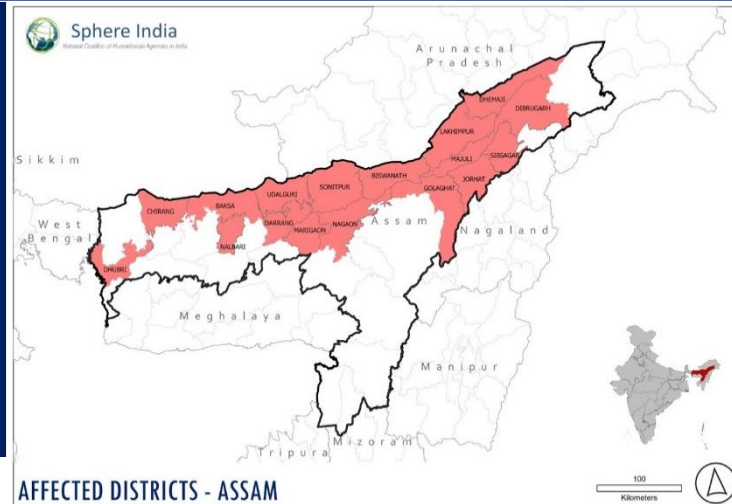


# Situation Report Floods in Assam

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## Background:

Unrelenting torrential rainfall in Assam and the neighbouring state Arunachal Pradesh has once again led to a rapid escalation of the flood situation in Assam. As a result, 17 districts have been severely affected, impacting nearly two lakh people and over one lakh animals. The situation is compounded by breached embankments, damaged infrastructure, and the collapse of a concrete bridge, exacerbating the challenges faced by the affected communities.

## SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- Incessant rains in the higher altitudes have led to an increase in water levels of most rivers with many flowing above the danger mark including Brahmaputra (Dibrugarh; Dhubri; Tezpur; Neamatighat), Beki (Road Bridge), Jia-Bharali (Nt Road Crossing), Disang (Nanglamuraghat), Dikhou (Sivasagar), Subansiri (Badatighat).
- A fisherman's drowning in the Sivasagar district of upper Assam has tragically added to this year's flood-related death toll, which has now reached 15.
- The floods have adversely affected around 190,675 people across the state, primarily concentrated in Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts with 47,338 and 40,997 individuals affected respectively.
- Presently, 17 districts are grappling with the inundation, namely, Biswanath, Chirang, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Golaghat, Jorhat, Lakhimpur, Majuli, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari, Sivasagar, Sonitpur, Tamulpur (in the Baksa region), and Udalguri.
- Altogether 427 individuals are seeking shelter in two relief camps, and there are 45 operational relief distribution centers

### Statistical Overview



Population Affected - 1,90,675



District Affected - 17



Human Lives Lost - 1 (15 in total)



Animals Affected - 130514



Crop Area Affected - 8086.40 Hect.



No. of Relief Camps – 2



Partially damaged house - 111 (Kuccha)

- The floods have breached four embankments in Biswanath, Darrang, and Udalguri districts, damaging to 18 roads, two bridges, anganwadi centers, protective embankments, electric poles, and schools.
- In Baksa district's Kumrikata area, a concrete bridge collapsed due to the flooding, prompting local residents to construct a makeshift bamboo bridge to cross the Daranga River.
- Erosion has been reported in various districts including Barpeta, Biswanath, Dhubri, Lakhimpur, Morigaon, Nalbari, Sivasagar, Sonitpur, Tinsukia, and Udalguri.
- The situation is anticipated to deteriorate further due to ongoing heavy rainfall across multiple areas in Assam, as well as in the hills of neighboring Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya.

## HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

- Local administration and SDRF are carrying out rescue operations in different affected areas
- The Inland Water Transport Department said that ferry services in Guwahati and Nematighat in Jorhat will remain suspended from Tuesday in view of the rising water level of the Brahmaputra.
- Medical teams have been deployed to assist stranded individuals in the heavily impacted Dibrugarh and Chirang districts.
- Members of IAG Assam are distributing dry ration kits in the affected districts and have plans for extended assistance in Darrang, Bongaigaon, Dhemaji, and Lakhimpur.
- Task force members are both providing early warnings in affected regions and coordinating evacuations to safer locations.
- Cooked food is being provided by IAG members to those who are stranded in the embankments in the Darrang district.
- Sphere India and IAG Assam are closely monitoring the situation



Source – Media



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