

Situation Report - 01

Rainfall in Northern India

Date: 09th July 2023
Time: 06:30 PM (IST)



Landslide, Himachal Pradesh
Source: Media

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- A heavy spell of rain occurred over the weekend in several parts of northwest India, resulting in various incidents and disruptions.
- Delhi experienced a record-breaking rainfall, with 153 mm recorded in a 24-hour period ending on Sunday, the highest for a single day in July since 1982. This led to waterlogging and subsequent traffic jams in different areas of the national capital. The heavy rain persisted in Delhi and its neighboring regions on the following day. Gurugram also encountered waterlogging and power outages.
- Tragically, the heavy rain claimed the lives of at least 15 individuals in the past two days across north India.
- In Himachal Pradesh, five people lost their lives, while 7-8 individuals remained stranded in various locations. Additionally, 11 houses, one hotel, and two vehicles suffered damage.
- The situation worsened in Kullu district as a portion of the national highway was washed away due to the Beas river surpassing the danger mark. Flash flooding and landslides further blocked roads in Shimla, Sirmour, Chamba, Solan, and Lahaul-Spiti districts.
- In Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district, two Army soldiers tragically lost their lives after being swept away in flash floods.
- Along the Srinagar-Jammu Highway, which witnessed a road collapse, approximately 3,000 vehicles remain stranded. In Jammu and Kashmir's Ramban district, the road adjacent to the T-5 tunnel at Panthyal was also swept away due to intense rainfall.

SITUATION UPDATES



Affected States – Jammu
Kashmir, Punjab,
Himachal Pradesh,
Uttarakhand, and Delhi



Human Lives Lost – 15
(with in last 24hour)



No. of Partially
damaged houses –
11(Himachal Pradesh)



Injured peoples – 79 (HP
– With in last 2 Week)



Rescue operations by SDRF
Source: Media

- Approximately 200 individuals are currently stranded in the Chandertal area of Himachal Pradesh's Lahaul-Spiti district. The district administration has provided them with food and shelter, and efforts are underway to rescue them once the road becomes accessible. The Mandi-Kullu National Highway in Himachal Pradesh remains closed due to landslides and rock-slides.
- The heavy rains have affected train services in the northern parts of the country, with approximately 29 trains experiencing disruptions.
- In Punjab, continuous rainfall has resulted in a flood-like situation in a private housing colony located in Dera Bassi. During the Shrikhand Mahadev Yatra in Himachal Pradesh, one pilgrim lost their life, while two others went missing after falling from a hill near Parvati Bagh. In Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district, two individuals were killed when a landslide struck a passenger bus on Sunday.
- The continuous rainfall and landslides forced the suspension of the annual Amarnath Yatra for the third consecutive day.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Government Preparedness and Response

- The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has predicted heavy to extremely heavy rain for Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Punjab, and Jammu and Kashmir.
- Several units of the State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) have been deployed in Kangra and Mandi.
- In view of incessant rains in the Central Home Minister Mr. Amit Shah spoke to LG Delhi and took updates. Home Minister also spoke to LG J&K and took updates
- Flood control rooms have been opened in each district of Punjab.
- The Chief Minister of Delhi has canceled the Sunday off for government officials as heavy rain lashes Delhi, instructing them to be on the field.
- All schools and colleges in Himachal Pradesh will remain closed on Monday and Tuesday and schools in Noida will remain closed on July 10
- New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) officials are working tirelessly to drain out the rainwater to prevent the waterlogging
- In Himachal Pradesh, the SDRF has evacuated six people who were trapped in their homes due to the rise in the water level of the Beas River.



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Source of Information

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