

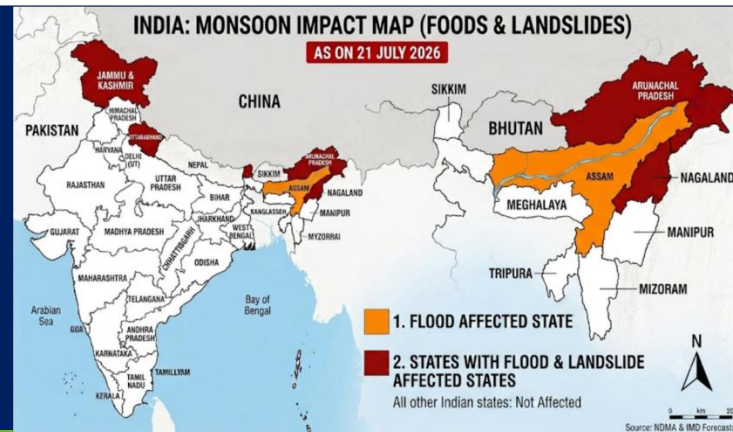


Situation Report 3

Floods and landslides In India

Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Nagaland, Sikkim and Uttarakhand

Date: 21st July 2026



SITUATION UPDATE

A. Situation Overview :

Heavy monsoon rainfall across multiple regions of India has triggered widespread **flooding and landslides**, affecting several states including **Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Nagaland, Sikkim and Uttarakhand**. Rivers such as the **Brahmaputra, Burhidihing, Disang, Dhansiri (S)** and **Dikhou** are flowing above danger levels, with Dikhou crossing the highest flood level. Continuous rainfall has led to large-scale inundation, erosion, road blockages, and disruption of essential services.

1. Assam Flood - Severe Flooding Across 16 Districts

Assam remains the worst-affected state, with **16 districts** impacted and **794 villages** inundated. Major rivers—including the **Brahmaputra, Burhidihing, Disang, Dhansiri (S)**—are flowing above danger levels, with **Dikhou (Sivasagar)** crossing the highest flood level. Large-scale flooding continues in Sivasagar, Charaideo, Jorhat, Dhemaji, Golaghat, and Tinsukia.

Impact on Humans

A total of **362,933 people** were affected across the 16 districts. Sivasagar (157,727 affected), Charaideo (104,415), Jorhat (50,987), and Dhemaji (21,700) reported the highest human impact. **9,606 people** were staying in relief camps, including **3,837 men, 3,828 women, 1,924 children, 16 pregnant/lactating mothers, and 1 person with disability**.

Animal Husbandry Loss

Animal losses increased sharply, with **over 600,000 animals affected** across districts. Sivasagar alone reported **512,041 animals** impacted, followed by Dhemaji (34,618), Jorhat (24,748), Golaghat (10,140), and Tinsukia (4,992). Poultry losses were extremely high in Sivasagar.

Structural and Property Damages

The report does not list specific house damages for 21 July, but widespread inundation and erosion indicate significant risk to residential and community structures across multiple districts.

Road and Transport Infrastructure

Road connectivity was severely disrupted across Dhemaji, Dibrugarh, Biswanath, Lakhimpur, and Sivasagar due to erosion, dyke breaches, and culvert washouts. Several PWD roads, village roads, and embankment roads were damaged, affecting access to relief and essential services.

Irrigation and Water Supply

Multiple crop areas were submerged—**over 19,099 hectares** statewide. Irrigation channels in Sivasagar, Golaghat, and Dhemaji were affected due to prolonged inundation, though no major irrigation bund breaches were reported.

Electricity and Power Supply

No major damage to electrical infrastructure was reported, though localized disruptions occurred in inundated pockets.

Statistical Overview

Assam



Total Affected Districts: 16



Total Population Affected:
362,933 Approx.



Relief Camp : 49
Relief Distribution Centres : 52



Inmates in Relief Camp: **9,606**
(Male: 3837, Female: 3828, Children: 1924, Pregnant/Lactating Mother: 16, PWD - 1)

Non-Camp Inmates in Distribution Centres: 34,905
(Male: 15,652, Female: 12,842, Children: 6,411, Pregnant/Lactating Mother: NIL, PWD - NIL)



Missing Person: 2



Causalities: 5 deaths



Houses Damaged:
Not reported



Livestock Affected: **597273**
(Big -109051, Small -99353 , Poultry - 388869)

Animals in Non-Camp Distribution Centres: Big- 3,606, Small - 323,452 , Poultry - Not reported



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B. Jammu & Kashmir – Flash Floods & Cloudbursts

Severe **flash floods and cloudbursts** struck multiple districts of Jammu & Kashmir, particularly **Poonch and Rajouri**, following intense and sudden cloudburst events. Mountain streams overflowed rapidly, sweeping away homes, vehicles, and livestock. Several villages in the Pir Panjal region have been cut off due to washed-out roads and damaged bridges. Authorities describe the situation as “highly critical” in several pockets due to continuous rainfall and unstable slopes..

Impact on Humans

Over 20 fatalities, including women and children, with several others injured. Multiple families have been displaced as houses collapsed or were swept away. Search and rescue teams continue to look for missing persons in remote and mountainous terrain. Temporary shelters have been activated for affected households.

Impact on Infrastructure

Flash floods caused extensive damage to **roads, culverts, bridges, and village pathways**. Key routes connecting Poonch and Rajouri to other districts have been blocked. Electricity lines and water supply systems suffered disruptions in several affected villages. Landslides triggered by continuous rainfall further hampered access for rescue teams.

C. Arunachal Pradesh Floods & Landslides

Continuous heavy rainfall across Arunachal Pradesh has triggered **flash floods and multiple landslides**, severely affecting several districts including **Papum Pare, Lower Subansiri, East Siang, West Siang, Lohit, Namsai, Tawang, and Changlang**.

Rivers and streams are flowing above safe levels, causing widespread inundation, slope failures, and road blockages. National media reports estimate **around 1.5 lakh people affected** across the state.

Impact on Humans

The disaster has resulted in **7 confirmed deaths, 29 injuries, and 1 missing person** (swept away in East Siang). In the last 24 hours alone, **51 new people** were affected—**41 in Changlang** and **10 in Kamle**. District-wise, **East Siang** is currently the worst affected with **35,500 people impacted**, followed by **Siang (25,365)**, **Kra Daadi (13,731)**, and **Upper Subansiri (13,017)**.

Impact on Infrastructure

Damage across Arunachal Pradesh is extensive, with 806 houses impacted and major disruptions to transport and essential services. Floods and landslides have damaged 192 roads, 32 bridges, and 30 culverts, while 265 water supply facilities have been rendered non-functional. Power infrastructure has also suffered heavily, with 156 power lines and 224 electric poles damaged. Schools, hospitals, government buildings, and flood-protection structures have sustained significant losses. In Upper Subansiri district, flash floods and landslides have affected four circles—Giba, Nilling, Chetam, and Daporijo—covering 35 villages and causing further damage to roads, culverts, a bridge, and retaining walls.

Impact on Agriculture

Agricultural losses have reached **733.36 hectares**, including:

- **312.86 hectares** of farmland
- **420.5 hectares** of horticulture plantations

Given Arunachal's dependence on subsistence and horticultural farming, these losses pose significant livelihood risks.

Statistical Overview

Jammu & Kashmir



Total Affected Districts: 02



Total Population Affected:
Information awaited



Relief Camp : Not Reported



Missing Person:
Information awaited



Causalities: Over 20 reported



Houses Damaged:
Not reported



Livestock Affected:
Information awaited

Arunachal Pradesh



Total Affected Districts: 8



Total Population Affected:
1.5 Lakh



Relief Camp : Not Reported



Missing Person: 1



Causalities:
29 – Injured, 7 - Deaths



Houses Damaged:
Not reported



Livestock Affected:
Information awaited



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D. Nagaland - Landslide

A **massive landslide** struck **Mon district** in Nagaland following intense rainfall, causing severe destruction and loss of life. Initial reports indicate that **at least eight people are feared dead**, with several others possibly trapped under debris. The landslide occurred in a remote, hilly area, making access and rescue operations extremely challenging. Continuous rainfall and unstable slopes have increased the risk of secondary landslides.

Impact on Humans

The landslide has resulted in **significant casualties**, with eight people feared dead and several individuals missing or trapped. Families living in the affected village have been displaced as homes were buried or rendered unsafe. The psychological impact on survivors is considerable, with communities reporting distress and trauma following the sudden disaster.

E. Sikkim - Landslide

Heavy rainfall triggered a major landslide inside an under-construction tunnel of the **Teesta Hydroelectric Project** at **Samardung, Namchi district, Sikkim**, causing a catastrophic collapse. Rescue teams report that workers were trapped **nearly 3 km inside the tunnel**, and operations have been severely hampered by continuous rain, unstable terrain, and hazardous conditions inside the shaft. As of the latest updates, **at least 10 people have died**, and **many others remain trapped**.

Impact on Infrastructure

The landslide caused a **partial collapse of a 7-km under-construction tunnel** of the Teesta Stage-VI Hydroelectric Project. The internal structure has been compromised, blocking exit routes and trapping workers deep inside. Hazardous conditions—including methane gas pockets, unstable debris, and water seepage—have made the tunnel extremely unsafe for responders. Ventilation systems are being reinforced to make the environment survivable for rescue teams.

F. Uttarakhand (Lightning Strike & Heavy Rainfall Incidents)

Heavy rainfall across Uttarakhand on Sunday triggered multiple hazardous incidents, including fatal lightning strikes and localised flooding. Weather conditions remained unstable across several districts, with thunderstorms and intense showers reported. Haridwar district witnessed a deadly lightning strike that resulted in loss of life, adding to the rising toll of monsoon-related incidents across the state.

Impact on Humans

At least **two people died** in **Haridwar district** after being struck by lightning during heavy rainfall. Additional injuries were reported in scattered pockets as thunderstorms and intense showers continued. Several families in low-lying areas experienced temporary displacement due to waterlogging and rapid runoff. The overall risk to communities remains high due to continued unstable weather.

Impact on Infrastructure

Heavy rainfall caused waterlogging in multiple rural and peri-urban pockets, affecting local roads and disrupting movement. Minor damage to electricity lines and village pathways was reported. No major structural collapses have been confirmed yet, but continuous rainfall has increased the vulnerability of slopes and riverbank settlements.

Statistical Overview

Nagaland



Total Affected Districts: 10



Total Population Affected: 7000 Approx.



Relief Camp : Not Reported



Missing Person:
Information awaited



Causalities: 8 deaths



Houses Damaged:
Not reported



Livestock Affected:
Information awaited

Sikkim



Total Affected Districts: 1



Missing Person:
Information awaited



Causalities: 10 deaths

Uttarakhand



Total Affected Districts: 1



Missing Person:
Information awaited



Causalities: 2 deaths



Government Response

- The **Government of India** has placed **NDRF teams on standby and active deployment** across multiple states, including Sikkim, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, and Jammu & Kashmir.
- **IMD is issuing regular early-warning alerts** for heavy rainfall, thunderstorms, and landslide risks to all state governments and district administrations.
- The **Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)** is monitoring multi-state monsoon impacts and coordinating with SEOCs for resource mobilisation.
- **BRO** has intensified road-clearance operations in Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, and J&K to restore connectivity in landslide-affected corridors.
- Central agencies (NHPC, NDRF, BRO, IMD) are providing **technical support, rescue reinforcement, and risk monitoring** in high-impact zones.

Assam

District administrations and the SDRF have been deployed across flood-affected districts to conduct evacuations, rescue stranded families, and restore disrupted road links. Authorities are monitoring river levels and issuing continuous advisories. Relief distribution is being coordinated through local administration and panchayat networks, with search and rescue teams active in severely inundated pockets.

Arunachal Pradesh

The SEOC, SDRF, district administrations, and police are conducting coordinated rescue and relief operations across affected districts. Search efforts continue for missing persons, while road clearance teams and heavy machinery are working to restore connectivity. Temporary shelters have been activated, and **IMD's frequent rainfall and landslide warnings** are being disseminated to communities. BRO teams are clearing strategic mountain roads and stabilising landslide-prone slopes.

Jammu & Kashmir

District administrations in Poonch and Rajouri have mobilised SDRF, police, and local rescue teams to respond to flash floods and landslides. Evacuations have been carried out in high-risk slope zones, and advisories have been issued for residents near nallahs and riverbanks. Road clearance operations are ongoing, guided by **IMD's regular thunderstorm and heavy-rainfall alerts**, which are helping authorities monitor vulnerable terrain and prevent further incidents.

Nagaland

Nagaland SDRF, district authorities, and police have launched intensive search and rescue operations in Mon district following the massive landslide. Teams are clearing debris manually due to difficult terrain and have mobilised additional personnel from nearby districts. Temporary shelters have been arranged for displaced families. **IMD's continuous heavy-rainfall warnings** are being used to monitor slope stability and anticipate secondary landslides. Relief materials are being channelled through village councils and local administration.

Sikkim

A multi-agency rescue operation is underway involving NDRF, SDRF, Sikkim Police, Fire & Emergency Services, NHPC, and district authorities at the Teesta Hydel Project tunnel collapse site. Rescue teams are working continuously despite hazardous tunnel conditions, reinforcing ventilation systems and deploying specialised equipment. Hospitals in Namchi, Singtam, and Gangtok are on alert. The Chief Minister is overseeing coordination and has directed full mobilisation of resources. **IMD's persistent heavy-rainfall and landslide alerts** are guiding safety measures and operational planning.

Uttarakhand

District authorities and SDRF have issued weather and lightning-safety advisories following fatal lightning strikes in Haridwar. Rapid response teams have been deployed to monitor vulnerable areas, assist affected families, and manage waterlogging. Awareness drives on lightning safety are being conducted. Authorities are closely tracking slope stability and rainfall patterns, supported by **IMD's regular thunderstorm and cloudburst warnings**, to prevent further casualties.



Humanitarian Response

Assam

- NEADS, RVC, SEEDS India, and District IAG members are actively responding to the Upper Assam floods through relief mobilisation, field assessments, and community support.
- IAG Assam has scheduled an emergency coordination meeting in Guwahati today to plan and organise a Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA) for the Upper Assam flood-affected districts.
- Sphere India, together with District IAGs in Assam, is closely monitoring the evolving situation and stands ready to alert national agencies should conditions escalate, including facilitating Rapid Needs Assessment support where needed.

Other States (Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, J&K)

- **Sphere India**, in close coordination with its member organisations, State IAGs, and District IAGs, is **closely monitoring the evolving flood and landslide situation** across all affected states.
- **Regular Situation Reports and IMD early-warning alerts** are being disseminated to member organisations, State IAGs, and District IAGs to support preparedness and response planning

National-Level Coordination

- The **Sphere India – Inter Agency Coordination (IAC) Committee** convened an **emergency call today from 3:00–4:00 PM** to review the ongoing flood and landslide situation across India.
- The meeting was attended by **State and District IAG representatives** from **Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland**, and other affected regions, who shared updates on ground conditions, response actions, and emerging needs.
- The call also included participation from **IAC Committee member organisations**, including: **ADRA India, Change Alliance & Partners, Humanity & Inclusion (HI), Humanitarian Aid International (HAI), SPACE, AmeriCares India, UNICEF India, CNI SBSS, JOTI Foundation, EFICOR, NEADS, RVC, GBSJ, HWVO (J&K), and ELFA International.**

Key Decisions of Today's IAC Committee Meeting :

- **Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA)** in Assam will commence on **22 July 2026**, led and coordinated by **IAG Assam**.
- **IAG Assam** will share the **detailed RNA timeline** with Sphere India for alignment and wider dissemination.
- **Sphere India sectoral committees** and the **report-writing team** will provide technical support to IAG Assam for drafting the RNA, as required. The date for this support will be communicated by IAG Assam.
- **IAG Assam** will compile **situation reports**, including **immediate needs and gaps**, and share them with Sphere India for national-level dissemination.
- All partners planning response interventions in Assam are requested to keep **local IAGs** and **Sphere India (kennedy@sphereindia.org.in)** informed to ensure coordinated action.
- Sphere India will maintain **close coordination** with IAGs in **Assam, Jammu & Kashmir, Nagaland, and Arunachal Pradesh** to monitor developments and support joint actions.
- Partners are advised to remain **prepared for potential escalation** in **Jammu & Kashmir and Nagaland**, given continued heavy rainfall alerts.
- Sphere India will continue to **monitor the evolving situation** and share updated **Situation Reports (SitReps)** with national members.
- The **next IAC emergency call** will be scheduled in consultation with the IAC Committee **if the situation escalates in additional states beyond Assam.**



Emerging Needs

Upper Assam Floods 2026

- Immediate food and nutrition support
- Safe drinking water and emergency WASH supplies
- Temporary shelter materials and essential NFIs
- Basic health services and medicines
- Livelihood restoration support
- Protection for vulnerable groups
- Cash assistance for urgent household needs

Arunachal Pradesh Floods & Landslides

Emerging needs in Arunachal Pradesh include temporary shelter, essential relief supplies, health and medical support, emergency cash assistance, short-term livelihood support, slope stabilisation measures, strengthened early warning dissemination, and psychosocial support for affected families.

- Given that the situation in several states like J&K, Nagaland, Uttarakhand and Sikkim is still unfolding, a clear picture of emerging needs has not yet fully developed. District administrations are currently in the early phase of search and rescue operations, as the affected population is scattered across multiple locations, making rapid assessment and mobilisation challenging. Impact assessments are underway, and authorities are continuing to gather detailed information from affected districts. At present, it remains difficult to define specific sectoral needs beyond immediate rescue, safety, and stabilisation measures. Continuous monitoring is being undertaken, and emerging needs will be updated as soon as validated field reports and ground assessments are received.
- **Overall, Communication & Early Warning Dissemination:** Strengthening local communication channels to ensure IMD's heavy-rainfall and landslide alerts reach vulnerable communities promptly.

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