Floods 2020 !!

Heavy rain triggered by a low-pressure area over the Bay of Bengal led to flood-like situation in several parts of Odisha. Major rivers including the Baitarani, Brahmani, Subarnarekha and Budhabalanga are in spate. The number of blocks affected are 112. Number of GPs affected are 896 and villages affected 3256, ULB affected 21, Wards affected - 75, Population affected 1432701, number of villages marooned (today) 340, Population marooned (today) 2,65,723.

Response so far..

A total of 557 free kitchens/centres were opened today covering 57,824 beneficiaries. A total of 45 medical and 42 veterinary, 14 NDRF, 17 ODRAF, 22 Fire Services teams and 254 boats have been deployed in the affected areas. 107 roads have been cut off in 11 districts and 52 river embankment have breached in five districts.

Major land erosions have been averted by officials from the Water Resources department. District officials along with officers on special duty have been conducting regular night patrolling and embankment patrolling. A special ODRAF team assigned to Mahanadi basin in addition to seven teams of ODRAF, NDRF, and local Fire Service. Seven additional Fire Service teams have also been deployed to handle the rescue and relief operations.

Engineer in Chief (Planning) has been deployed to handle breach in the embankments across Odisha. “Necessary workforce and machinery have been allocated. And once the water recedes the teams will inspect and do the necessary.

Flood Threat In Mahanadi Adds To Woes Of Odisha !!

While floods in rivers Budhabalanga, Subarnarekha, Brahmani and Baitarani have already played havoc in vast areas in the northern districts of the state, incessant rains in the upper catchment areas have raised the spectre of floods in the downstream of Mahanadi, the lifeline of Odisha.

As many as 14,32,701 people in 20 districts have been affected due to the ongoing flood situation in Odisha, and 340 villages and a population of 2,65,723 have been marooned till Sunday/30th August 2020. While 17 human casualty has been reported, around 10,382 houses have been damaged and 1,68,904 hectares of crop area has been affected.
The worst affected Jajpur district has witnessed a severe damage due to the current unprecedented flood. About 115 villages of 22 Panchayat of Bari Block is affected. Mainly Rampa, Aruula, Sahoopada, Mandari, Mahakalapada, Sasana, Dattapur, Narayanpur, Deulisahi Panchayats are mostly affected. About 115 villages of 22 Panchayat of Bari Block are affected. Mainly Rampa, Aruula, Sahoopada, Mandari, Mahakalapada, Sasana, Dattapur, Narayanpur, Deulisahi Panchayats are mostly affected. More than 23000 houses are damaged including 11000 Kachha Houses. More than 1.5 lakhs people are under critical crisis. About 30000 People have been evacuated by District Administration to cyclone shelter, Schools etc. but dry ration, cooked food and medicines are yet to reach sufficiently. Only small packets of dry food was distributed by District Administration. Communication has failed due to unavailability of boats. The clean Drinking water is the main problem in affected areas as all the water sources are affected. About 10000 domestic animals are affected with a damage of at least 2500 sheds

Highlights

- Number of People Affected- 14,32,701
- Number of District Affected- 20 (Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Bhadrak, Boudh, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Jagatsinghpur, Jajpur, Jharsuguda, Kendrapara, Keonjhar, Khordha, Mayurbhanj, Nayagarh, Nuapada, Puri, Sambalpur, Subarnapur and Sundargarh.)
- No of Block Affected- 112 and 21 Urban Local Bodies and 75 Wards have been affected.
- No of GP affected- 896
- No of Village Affected- 3256
- Number of Houses Damaged- 10,382
- The highest speed of cyclone in Odisha was 106 k.m per hour.