In 20 districts of Odisha, around 1.4 million people of 3256 villages under 896 GPs in 112 blocks are hugely affected. Jajpur district is the worst hit - 75,737 hectares of farmland got submerged and under sand-cast in the floodwater. In Bari block, 13 out of 29 flood affected GPs are still fighting to stay safe. 4,000 hectare of farmland submerged.

Issues and Concerns of Bari Block
- Water sources, hand pumps, dug wells, ponds are contaminated by flood water;
- People are in need of Drinking Water;
- There is every possibility of spreading waterborne diseases due to water contamination;
- Villages have become the breeding grounds for mosquitoes to spread malaria and dengue.

Setting up Flood Relief Nodes

3 Flood Relief operation Nodes are set up in three different villages of Bari block, fully managed by the NYP volunteers, to coordinate the sanitation and disinfection drive along with facilitating health check-up camps on day to day activities.
In second day (7th Sept) of its sanitation and disinfection drive, CYSD partnering with two like minded NGOs, like Abhiyan and Amrut Global Network, has undertaken total cleaning and sanitisation of roads disposing of garbage/debris in 7 worst affected villages of 4 Panchayats of Bari Block. The drive also ensured disinfection of 29 drinking water resources of dug-wells and tube-wells along with several ponds administering bleaching power. The villages include Dimiripal, Sahupada, Dalei Sahi, Sahupada, Malika Sahi, Rampa, Rampa Jena Sahi and Gamu of Ratnagiri, Rampa, Sahupada and Gamu Panchayts. Around 15 lead volunteers were deployed in each operational village who could mobilise youth volunteers and SHG members of the concerned village and actively engaged them in cleaning, sanitization and disinfection activities. The volunteers, repaired on destitute person’s damaged house too. The participating volunteers have their working lunch in community kitchen arranged at the camp sites.
Health Check-up Camp

As part of the sanitation and disinfection drive, CYSD has started Health Check-up camps in Bari block of Jajpur district. In first day, a health check-up camp was organised at Gamu Panchayat inviting health professionals to deal with the health issues. Around 171 patients (125-male and 46-female) got treatment for Acute respiratory infection, Acid peptic diseases, fever with influenza, skin infection in general and pelvic inflammatory disease. 37 Geriatric cases and seven adolescents were treated for mostly pandemic flu with other MCD, Hypertension, Diabetes and CVD. Around 36 local volunteers, guided by 4 NYP volunteers, were deployed for smooth functioning of the camp adhering the COVID-19 guidelines.

Drone-based Rapid Damage Assessment

On 7th of Sept. the Drone-based assessment team undertook mapping exercise in 5 villages of Bari block like, Isanpur, Golkunda, Sahoopada,, Matiapada, etc. where the floods have caused havoc breaching the river embankments and could assess the damage and loss of houses and crops including environment.

This rapid damage assessment is being undertaken by CYSD in partnership with HAI using drones in different Panchayats of the block in close coordination with the ODRAF team and district administration. This assessment would certainly help planning the immediate relief and recovery support required by the affected population.