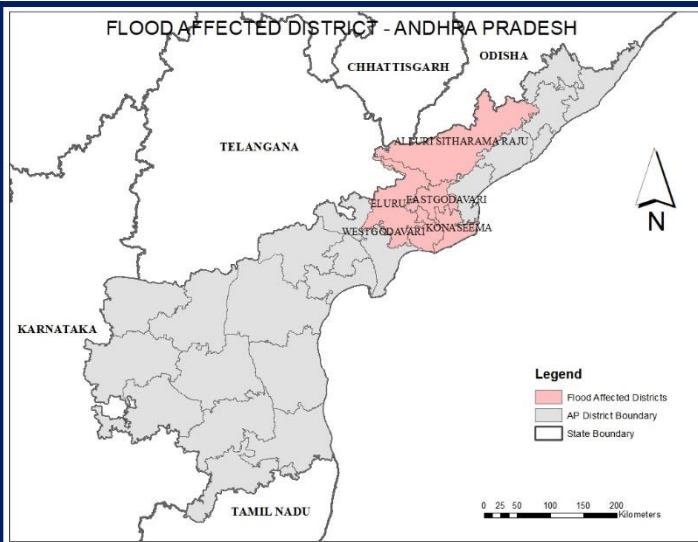




SITUATION REPORT- 1

Flood in Andhra Pradesh

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SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- The Godavari flood which has been raging for the past two days is slowly receding. Flood in Bhadrachalam remained steady for some hours on Tuesday and then subsided slightly.
- The water level in Godavari at Bhadrachalam was at 50.5 feet and the second warning level was in force. The Irrigation Department officials discharged over 12 lakh cusecs from Polavaram project
- The State government has put all five districts -- East Godavari, West Godavari, Alluri Sitarama Raju (ASR), Eluru, and Konaseema -- on high alert. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) have been deployed to rescue people from low-lying areas and evacuate them to relief centres.

West Godavari District

- In West Godavari, 43 villages have been affected by the floods. Paddy sown in over 37,000 hectares has been inundated, and horticulture crops spreading across 154 hectares have been damaged. Approximately 180 km of roads have been partially damaged, and 14 houses have been affected. The NDRF is actively engaged in evacuation efforts.

Alluri Sitarama Raju (ASR) District

- ASR district has seen 177 villages across four mandals (Yatapaka, Chinturu, VR Puram, and Kunavaram) affected by the Godavari and Sabari floodwaters. 54 villages have been cut off from the mainland. A total of 149 relief centers have been set up to accommodate flood victims, and 44 boats, including 11 mechanized ones, have been deployed for evacuations. Low-lying areas in VR Puram, Devipatnam, Chinturu, Yetapaka, and Kunavaram mandals are still under floodwater. Traffic has resumed on some roads as floodwaters recede.

Konaseema District

- In Ambedkar Konaseema district, 186 villages have been affected by the floods. P. Gannavaram mandal is the worst hit, with 17 villages inundated and cut off from nearby towns. Fourteen villages each in the mandals of Mummidivaram and Malkipuram have suffered significant crop losses. By Tuesday, 7,013 acres of paddy land remain underwater. The district administration has prepared 45,000 sandbags to control floodwaters if necessary, and water is receding from over 30,000 acres of submerged crops.

Statistical Overview

Konaseema

Affected Villages : 186

Worst hit Mandal :
P. Gannavaram (17 villages affected)

Crops Damaged: 7,013 acres paddy land

West Godavari

Affected Villages : 43

Infrastructure damages: 180 km partially damaged, 14 Houses

Crop Damaged: Over 37,000 hectares paddy field , 154 hectares horticulture

Alluri Sitarama Raju (ASR)

Affected Villages : 177 in 4 Mandal's

Isolated Villages: 54

Relief Centres: 149

Eluru

Affected Villages :57

No. of People Affected: 11,200 (in Velerupadu, Polavaram, and Kukunur mandals)

Eluru District

- In Eluru district, 36 villages in Velairpadu and 21 villages in Kukunoor have been affected. 3,517 people from 968 families have been relocated to relief camps. Officials have set up 12 generators at the camps and 18 boats for evacuation efforts. Approximately 11,200 people have been affected by the floods in Velerupadu, Polavaram, and Kukunur mandals, with 6,300 villagers shifted to 21 relief camps. Eluru district collector reported that floods and heavy rains have severely damaged 10 villages in Velerupadu and Kunavaram mandals, with 5,000 people moved to 15 rehabilitation centers.



Relief Centres: 12



Houses Affected: 235

East Godavari District

- The East Godavari Collector visited relief centers where 248 flood victims from Kethavarilanka are being sheltered and advised them to remain in the camp until floodwaters recede. During the visit to Maddurulanka, she discussed measures with officials to strengthen the bund using sandbags to prevent breaches, as the river remains in spate.

GOVERNMENT PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE

- The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) have been deployed across the affected districts to rescue people and evacuate them to relief centers. Teams comprising various departments are working in the flood-ravaged areas to provide necessary support.
- The India Meteorological Department has forecast heavy rainfall for the next three days in parts of Andhra Pradesh and Yanam, with strong surface winds expected over the next five days till July 28.



Tribal villagers being evacuated on a boat as the Sabari backwaters entered the outskirts of Chintoor headquarters in ASR district | Source: Media



Villagers erecting makeshift tents in the Agency area as floodwaters entered their habitations, in Eluru district | Source: Media



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