



SITUATION REPORT- 1

Cloudburst in Himachal Pradesh

Date: 26th July 2024 (Thu)
Time: 01:00 PM (IST)



Machines being used to remove debris from a bridge after a flashflood in the Anjani Mahadev area

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- Himachal Pradesh experienced a severe flash flood triggered by a cloudburst in Manali district on 25th July, which swept away three houses and led to landslides.
- The cloudburst in Manali resulted in significant flooding from Dhundi to Palchan.
- Heavy rains caused the Anjani Mahadev drain to overflow, sending large stones onto the Manali-Leh National Highway, leading to its closure. Traffic to Lahaul Valley has been redirected via Rohtang Pass due to the highway's closure.
- Residents of Palchan village had to abandon their homes in the middle of the night due to the intense rainfall.
- Twenty sheep and three houses were washed away in a flash flood at Palchan village following the cloudburst around 1 am on 25th July.
- Another house, the office building of Mahila Mandal, and a private power project were also damaged.
- The Dhundi nullah was flooded, and debris accumulated along the snow gallery near Dhundi.
- Residents of Ruaru, Kulang, Nehru Kund, and Patlikul had affected
- Rising water levels in the Beas River caused flooding near Aloo Ground, and a portion of the Kullu-Manali National Highway caved in near 15 Mile.

Statistical Overview

 Affected Area: Dhundi to Palchan, Palchan Village Dhundi Nullah, Kullu-Manali National Highway (near 15 Mile), Bridge at Kalath

 Family Affected: 03 (13 individuals)

 Infrastructure Damage Details:

- Houses Washed Away: 3,
- Houses Damaged: 1
- Office Buildings Damaged: 1 (Mahila Mandal),
- Private Power Projects Damaged: 1

 Livestock Affected: 20 Sheep

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

- The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) restored the National Highway for single-lane traffic in the afternoon, while essential traffic was diverted through Rohtang Pass.
- Kullu Deputy Commissioner took stock of the rescue and relief operations in the affected areas and stated that 13 persons from three families were rendered homeless and temporarily accommodated in a school building.
- Immediate relief measures have been taken to help the flood victims, and a rehabilitation plan is being prepared for the affected families.
- Manali MLA provided Rs 25,000 each to the affected families of Dhani Ram, Khimi Devi, and Tej Ram, and assured further assistance for damaged houses and lost livestock.

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