

SITUATION REPORT-3

Wayanad Landslide

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SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- In the early hours of July 30, massive landslides devastated Wayanad, Kerala, causing significant loss of life and property. The landslides, triggered by unprecedented rainfall, have claimed 270 lives so far, with around 378 people still missing.
- Currently, 85 relief camps have been set up in the district, housing 8,577 people, including 1,822 in Chooralmala alone across 9 camps.
- Medical point, oxygen ambulance being set up at disaster-hit Chooralmala by district collectorate. Doctors' teams from four cooperative medical colleges, including the ones at Kozhikode and Thalassery are preparing to reach Wayanad. Read More>>.
- The state Health Department has also opened a control room. Those in need of emergency assistance can contact authorities on helpline numbers 9656938689 and 8086010833.
- Food materials including drinking water (Around 250 Kgs 100 packets) provided by the Kozhikode Dist Admin distributed in the affected areas of Chooralmala and Mundakkai by Indian Air Force Helicopters.
- District authorities in <u>Kerala</u>'s landslide-struck <u>Wayanad</u> started collecting data to determine the number of people missing following the massive tragedy, as rescue operations resumed to trace persons suspected to be trapped.
- The Commandant of the Para Regimental Training Centre, said that 500 to 600 personnel from the NDRF, Army, State Police, forest officials, and volunteers have been carrying out the rescue operations.
- The teams present are trying to build the bridge again to enable faster movement of the earth-moving equipment and make the digging process easier.
- Prime Minister is continuously monitoring the situation in Kerala's Wayanad district in the aftermath of the landslides and all possible help is being extended to the state by the Centre," the government told the Rajya Sabha today.
- A sum of ₹145 crore has been disbursed from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) to the Kerala government and there is a balance sum of Rs 394 crore in the SDRF.
- Karnataka Chief Minister on July 31 announced a compensation of ₹5 lakh to the families of Kannadigas who died in landslides in neighbouring Kerala. According to government sources, "at least six people from the state are feared dead in July 29's landslide."

Statistical Analysis



Worst Affected Areas: Mundakkai, Chooralmala, Attamala, and Noolpuzha villages



Number of Causalities: 270



Hospitalised people: 214



No. of Relief Camps: 85



Inmates in Relief Camp: 8577



Missing people: 378



Electricity damage: 03KM High tension line, 08 KM low tension line



Houses Washed away: More than 300





GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

- Karnataka Chief Minister appealed to the corporate world to contribute generously for the relief and rehabilitation of people hit by massive landslides in Wayanad district in neighbouring Kerala.
- One Bailey Bridge & 3 Search & Rescue Dogs airlifted from Delhi to Kannur. Under aegis of #DSCCentre of Indian Army, these specialised Dogs will support in searching Humans under the landmass.
- The University of Calicut has postponed all the exams scheduled till August 2 in view of the rains. The new schedule will be announced later. Colleges in Kozhikode, Malappuram, Palakkad, Wayanad, and Thrissur are under its jurisdiction.
- More families to be relocated from vulnerable spots in Kerala's Kozhikode district. Efforts underway in 07-Grama panchayats which have the highest number of vulnerable locations. Read More>>.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSES

- IAG Wayanad is monitoring the situation regularly, and supporting rescue operations and coordinating relief activities. They have **scheduled a IAG meeting tomorrow 02:30PM** to assess situation an enhance coordination efforts
- Sphere India deployed two technical staffs to Wayanad to support state and DDMAs. The IAC Committee also met on 31st July morning and activated the URS. Link to URS 5W Matrix: http://tiny.cc/URSMapping Wayanad
- IAG-Kerala through district IAGs supporting DDMAs and collection points in Calicut.
- Adani Group announced a contribution of ₹5 crore to the Kerala Chief Minister's Distress Relief Fund to help the state whose hilly region on Wayanad was hit by devastating landslides triggered by incessant rains.
- Trained professionals affiliated to the Kerala wing of the Indian Association of Clinical Psychologists (IACP) are extending a helping hand to the survivors of the devastating landslides. The Kerala wing of the Indian Association of Clinical Psychologists has initiated a two-way approach by offering counselling services over phone and conducting one-to-one sessions at relief camps. Read More>>.
- Mobilization of humanitarian aid is in full swing for victims of landslides that hit Wayanad district in Kerala with the support of various district administrations and socio-cultural organizations in the State.
- Collection centers have been opened at several places to receive packaged food items, emergency medicines, clothes and sanitation accessories for speedy delivery.
- Social media groups are also actively engaged in coordinating the collection of essential items with the support of their volunteers in various districts.
- For effective delivery, most of the district administrations have called upon the volunteers to make use of the delivery support of the district-level cells constituted for the purpose. Read More>>.
- Students from a Government Higher Secondary School at Meppadi here are tirelessly volunteering in the relief camps, working diligently to assist survivors of the massive landslides that hit the high-range district with food and supplies.
- School teachers are also playing a crucial role, motivating and supporting the students, many of whom are part of the NSS and NCC programmes, in their efforts.
- They are not only providing physical assistance but also offering emotional support, helping survivors cope both mentally and physically. "The people residing here are our friends and their families. We are deeply saddened by this incident, but I am happy to help," a student volunteer.



Source of Information

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