



Situation Report 01

Uttarakhand Cloudburst

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SITUATION UPDATE

- Between 15 and 17 September 2025, Uttarakhand experienced a catastrophic weather event marked by severe cloudbursts, moderate to heavy rainfall, and intense thunderstorms accompanied by lightning.
- The disaster primarily affected eight districts, with Dehradun and Champawat experiencing high severity, while Haridwar, Pauri Garhwal, Bageshwar, Pithoragarh, Nainital, and Udham Singh Nagar were impacted at a moderate level.
- In Dehradun, areas such as Sahastradhara, Maldevta, Tapkeshwar Mahadev Temple, DIT College area, and Bhagat Singh Colony were severely affected. Sahastradhara recorded 192 mm of rainfall, followed by Maldevta with 141.5 mm, Hathi Barkala and Jolly Grant with 92.5 mm each, and Kalsi with 83.5 mm.
- The most devastating cloudburst occurred on 15 September in Dehradun, particularly impacting the Sahastradhara, Mussoorie, and Prem Nagar areas.

Statistical Overview



Districts Affected: 80



Population Displaced: 900+



Causalities: 15



Missing Persons:

- The extreme weather event resulted in widespread landslides, severe waterlogging, complete road submergence, and extensive damage to residential and commercial structures. A critical bridge was washed away, severely disrupting transportation networks.
- At least 15 people have lost their lives, and 16 are reported missing following cloudbursts that triggered landslides and caused rivers to swell in Dehradun and surrounding districts. The Disaster Management Authority confirmed that 13 bodies were retrieved in Dehradun, while one body each was recovered in Pithoragarh and Nainital.
- The total estimated damage in Dehradun due to the floods is over ₹10 crore. Among the reported losses, approximately 13 bridges were damaged, amounting to ₹1.5 crore; 12 agricultural fields were affected, resulting in a revenue loss of ₹2.3 crore; damage to 21 roads is estimated at ₹1.2 crore; and embankments worth ₹1.7 crore were also destroyed.
- Additionally, the Sahastradhara-Karligad road was damaged at more than nine locations due to landslides, and several shops were washed away by the downpour.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

- The District Magistrate of Dehradun has announced a compensation package to support affected families. Under this scheme, each impacted family will receive ₹4,000 per month for a period of three months to assist with relocation to safer rental accommodations.
- To date, over 900 individuals have been successfully rescued through coordinated multi-agency operations. Rescue efforts are being actively conducted by the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), and teams from the Public Works Department (PWD). At least 30 people remain trapped in Raipur's Panchkuli area, while 500 individuals are being evacuated to safer locations at the Shri Dev Bhoomi Institute in Premnagar.
- The Chief Minister of Uttarakhand personally visited the rain-affected areas to review and assess the ongoing rescue and relief operations. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah have communicated with the Chief Minister and assured full support and all possible assistance from the Central Government.
- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued red warnings for Dehradun, Champawat, and Udham Singh Nagar districts, which will remain in effect until 20 September 2025. Authorities continue to monitor the situation closely and are providing necessary guidance and resources to manage the disaster.

Source of Information

Media, Social Media, Sphere India WhatsApp Group

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