

Situation Report - 01

Assam Floods 2023

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Flooded river, Assam
Source: Media

Background

Floods in Assam continue to wreak havoc as incessant rains inundate new areas, leaving nearly 1.2 lakh people in 20 districts affected. The joint efforts of the Army, paramilitary forces, NDRF, SDRF, F&ES, civil administrations, NGOs, and locals are underway to conduct rescue operations and provide assistance to those affected by the devastating floods. The situation remains challenging as authorities strive to mitigate the impact and provide support to those affected by the ongoing floods in Assam.

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- The flood situation in western Assam has worsened as incessant rainfall continues to lash the state. As of now, nearly 1.2 lakh people have been affected by flooding across 20 districts
- The latest bulletin from the Assam SDMA reports that currently, 780 villages are submerged, and approximately 10,7479,85 hectares of crop areas have been damaged statewide - [Daily Flood Report 21.06.2023.pdf \(asdma.gov.in\)](https://www.asdma.gov.in/Daily-Flood-Report-21.06.2023.pdf)
- One of the hardest-hit areas is Barama Town in the Baksa district, where floodwaters have engulfed 3,874 hectares of cropland and displaced 26,500 people. To provide relief, the local administration in Baksa has set up four relief camps and distribution centers.
- Nalbari is another severely affected region, with approximately 45,000 people suffering from the torrential rains. The villages of Moiraranga and Batahghila in Nalbari have been particularly impacted, forcing many families to seek shelter on roads and embankments, constructing temporary tents.
- Currently, there are 14 relief camps operating in five districts, accommodating 2,091 displaced individuals. Additionally, 17 relief distribution centers are functioning in these districts.
- The floods have caused significant damage to infrastructure, including embankments, roads, bridges, and other essential facilities in Baksa, Nalbari, Barpeta, Sonitpur, Bongaigaon, Darrang, Chirang, Dhubri, Goalpara, Kamrup, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Nagaon, Udalguri, Dhemaji, and Majuli districts.
- In urban areas, inundation has been reported in several places across Barpeta, Darrang, Kamrup Metropolitan, Kokrajhar, and Nalbari districts.

SITUATION UPDATES



Affected population - 119830



Affected Districts - 20



No. of Partially damaged houses - 03



No. of Fully damaged houses - 01



No. of Relief Camps - 14



No. of persons Rescued - 1280



Affected agricultural land - 10591.85 Hect



Animals affected - 107479

- Efforts to manage and mitigate the impact of the floods are ongoing, with the involvement of various authorities, organizations, and community members. The situation is being closely monitored, and additional relief measures are being implemented to assist the affected population.
- Multiple organizations and local authorities are actively involved in rescue and relief operations. The army, paramilitary forces, NDRF, SDRF, Fire & Emergency Services, civil administrations, NGOs, and locals have successfully rescued 1,280 individuals from various locations

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Government Preparedness and Response

- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for Bongaigaon district and an orange alert for several western districts of Assam on 22nd June, predicting 'very heavy' to 'extremely heavy' rainfall.
- The Central Water Commission has issued an extreme flood warning for the Puthimari River in the Brahmaputra basin, specifically in Baksa district. Severe flood warnings have also been issued for the Pagladiya, Beki, and Brahmaputra basins, as well as Kamrup areas.
- In response to the situation, ten teams of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) have been deployed in Assam to assist in the ongoing relief efforts.

Stakeholder's Preparedness and Response

- IAG Assam, Sphere India, and other humanitarian actors are continuously monitoring the situation



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