

Press Release
Flood Situation in Orissa
Date: 27.09.11

The water level in different major Rivers in the State is indicated below:

Water level (in Metre at 3 PM):

| River | Gauge Station | Warning Level | Danger Level | Present Water Level | Trend |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|---------|
| Brahmani | Jenapur | 22.00 | 23.00 | 21.84 | Falling |
| Baitarani | Anandpur | 37.45 | 38.36 | 35.95 | Falling |
| | Akhuapada | | 17.83 | 17.21 | Falling |
| Subarnarekha | Rajghat | 9.45 | 10.36 | 9.14 | Falling |
| Budhabalanga | NH-5 | 7.21 | 8.13 | 3.66 | Falling |
| Mahanadi | Naraj | 25.41 | 26.41 | 24.38 | Falling |
| Bansadhara | Gunupur | 83.00 | 84.00 | 80.91 | Steady |
| | Kasinagar | 53.60 | 54.60 | 52.90 | Steady |
| Rushikulya | Purusottampur | 15.83 | 16.83 | 13.08 | Steady |

Flood in all the Rivers in the State has receded below the danger level. However, it will take some more time for clearance of marooning and water logging in the Districts of Jajpur, Kendrapada and Bhadrak.

Ten Districts have been affected by this fresh spell of flood. 3459 villages of 68 Blocks and 12 ULBs namely Angul-7, Balasore-12+1ULB, Bhadrak-6+2ULB, Deogarh-1, Dhenkanal-6+1ULB, Jajpur-10+1ULB, Keonjhar-9+4ULB, Kendrapada-8+1ULB, Mayurbhanj-4+1ULB, Sundargarh5+1ULB have been affected by the current flood.

27 persons (Balasore-2, Bhadrak-6, Dhenkanal-2, Jajpur-7, Keonjhar-2, Kendrapada-3, Mayurbhanj-1 and Sundargarh-4) have lost their lives in the calamity due to drowning/snakebite/ wall collapse. Besides, there is report of 3 persons missing in Angul, Mayurbhanj and Kendrapada Districts. The District-wise details are given in the statement overleaf.

ODRAF (55 units), NDRF (77 units), Fire Services (28 units) (Total 160 units) have been deployed for search & rescue operation. Boats of Special Relief organisation and private boats have also been engaged for rescue & relief operation. 542 free kitchens have been opened to provide cooked food to the persons evacuated/ marooned. Dry ration has also been provided to people in different affected areas.

Five helicopters of Indian Air Force and Indian Navy have been pressed into service for airdropping of food packets in most affected areas of Jajpur, Bhadrak and Kendrapada Districts.

A sub-team of Inter Ministerial Central Team comprising of four members arrived on 26.9.2011 is visiting the flood affected areas of Sambalpur, Bargarh and Subarnapur districts today. The remaining six members including the Team Leader are arriving at Bhubaneswar tomorrow. The members are: -

1. Shri O. P. Mahey, Joint Secretary, Ministry Of Home Affairs, Govt. of India
2. Shri R. K. Verma, Director(CEA), Central Electricity Authority, Ministry of Power
3. Shri Anar Singh, Sr. Research Officer, Planning Commission
4. Shri D. K. Singh, Under Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
5. Shri Deena Nath, Dy. Director, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure
6. Shri Sudhir Saxena, Sr. Consultant, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation

Hon'ble Chief Minister visited the flood affected areas of Sambalpur and Subarnapur Districts and reviewed the flood situation in a high level meeting at 04.30 PM today.

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2. Dr. M.C.Diwakar, Director, DRD, Min. of Agriculture (D/o Agril.Coopn), Patna
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