

Press Release
Flood Situation in Orissa
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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	20.30	Falling
Baitarani	Anandpur	37.45	38.36	35.61	Steady
	Akhuapada		17.83	16.97	Steady
Subarnarekha	Rajghat	9.45	10.36	8.07	Falling

Ten Districts have been affected by the 2nd spell of flood. 4054 villages of 71 Blocks and 12 ULBs namely Angul-7, Balasore-12+1ULB, Bhadrak-6+2ULB, Deogarh-2, Dhenkanal-6+1ULB, Jajpur-10+1ULB, Keonjhar-13+4ULB, Kendrapada-6+1ULB, Mayurbhanj-4+1ULB, Sundargarh5+1ULB have been affected by the current flood.

40 persons (Angul-1, Balasore-3, Bhadrak-10, Dhenkanal-2, Jajpur-9, Keonjhar-4, Kendrapada-6, Mayurbhanj-1 and Sundargarh-4) have lost their lives in the calamity due to drowning/ snakebite/ wall collapse. Besides, there is report of 2 persons missing in Mayurbhanj and Kendrapada Districts. The District-wise details are given in the statement overleaf.

Water level is fast receding and accessibility to villages by road is being established. 626 free kitchens were opened to provide cooked food to the persons evacuated/ marooned. In the meantime, free kitchens have been closed in all the Districts except Jajpur and Kendrapada. 50 free kitchen centres are operating in Jajpur District and 211 free kitchen centres in Kendrapada District for 33,400 and 58200 people respectively. Total 730 boats were deployed for rescue and relief operation in different Districts. Four helicopters of Indian Air Force including one available for anti-insurgency operation were pressed into service for airdropping of food packets in most affected areas of Jajpur and Kendrapada Districts. Since, water has receded from most of the areas and transportation of food materials by road will be economical, the air-dropping operations shall be closed from tomorrow.

Yesterday, the Government had decided to provide Rs.1000/- to each village which was inundated by flood water for clearance of debris to ensure proper sanitation. It has further been decided to provide Rs.25000/- to each of the Blocks, which were inundated by flood water, for clearance of debris and sanitation work at Block headquarters.

The following additional medical, veterinary and sanitation teams have been deployed in Bhadrak, Jajpur and Kendrapada Districts.

District	Medical Team	Paramedical Team	Veterinary Team	Veterinary mobile vans	Sanitation Team (Tube well & Well)	Sanitation Mobile vans
Bhadrak	10	10	12	3	28	11
Jajpur	18	22	42	7	41	13
Kendrapada	20	22	40	7	26	14

The Inter Ministerial Central Team divided into 3 sub-teams visited the following affected Districts yesterday and today for assessment of damages caused due to flood.

Group-A (Puri District)
1. Shri O. P. Mahey, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India (Team Leader)
2. Shri Deena Nath, Dy. Director, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure
3. Shri Anar Singh, Sr. Research Officer, Planning Commission
4. Shri Sunil Kumar Verma, Chief Engineer, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
Group-B (Kendrapada and Jagatsinghpur Districts)
Shri Sudhir Saxena, Sr. Consultant, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
1. Shri D. K. Singh, Under Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
2. Sri Ambarish Nayak, Suptd, Engineer (Coordination), Mahanadi & Eastern Rivers Orgn.
Group-C (Cuttack, Bhadrak and Jajpur Districts)
1. Dr. M.C.Diwakar, Director, DRD, Min. of Agriculture (D/o Agril.Coopn), Patna
2. Dr. A.K.Satpathi, Regional Director, Regional Office of Health & FW, Bhubaneswar
3. Shri R. K. Verma, Director(CEA), Central Electricity Authority, Ministry of Power