

## Meeting minutes on thunderstorms in Uttar Pradesh

**Date:** 04 May 2018

**Venue:** UNICEF Office, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

**The IAG-UP was held a coordination meeting of humanitarian agencies in UNICEF office, Lucknow in UNICEF on 04 May 2018 in the evening.** The purpose of the meeting was as follows:

- Information collection and sharing about the impact of thunderstorm in Uttar Pradesh
- Planning of grass route level information collection through JRNA (Rapid assessment)
- Sharing the good practices about risk mitigation against thunderstorm.
- Developing common understanding about the potential action in upcoming days

**Dr. Bhanu**, welcomed all the members and shared the relief commissioner's office info about thunderstorms and rains lashed four districts of western Uttar Pradesh on Wednesday night, killing at least 64 people, including 45 in Agra, 35 injuring dozens and 150 livestock's lost their life. There were the impact of 130/ 140 KM per hour wind velocity. He also discussed about what to be done next in immediate effect, short term and long term for prevention, mitigation and preparedness action.



**Dr. Urvashi Chandra** said that districts of eastern Uttar Pradesh will be likely to be affected through weather warning prediction "thunderstorms accompanied with gusty winds" at several places in the state during Friday to Saturday morning. The high sensitive divisions are Gorakhpur and Basti.

**Mr. R Patra, Unicef** shared the sub division wise thunderstorm impact in Agra district which is as follows:

- 25 peoples died in Kheragarh sub division
- 12 peoples died in Fatehabad sub division
- 04 peoples died in Bah sub division
- More than 100 injured

He also told that 13 children also died in Agra district.

**Mr. John Varun**, World vision shared the activities already done for risk reduction in urban areas in the district Agra.





**Mr. K. K. Tripathi, PGVS shared** about the preventing measures to be taken in high wind velocity areas during construction like using 'J' hook in Tin shed roof construction to hold the tin tightly at place, X blessing for strong wall construction for and Y blessing to support roof etc.

**Mr. Rajan Singh, Action aid** suggested the immediate action during upcoming 2 days in eastern Uttar Pradesh division like Gorakhpur division (Gorakhpur, Mahrajganj, Kurshinagar etc.) and Basti Division for risk reduction through awareness generation where we are present.

**Mr. Umesh Kumar Gupta, CRS** suggested the quick information messages dissemination through voice message technology by IAG partners who are able to do easily and advocacy with government, electronic and print media etc., BSNL for immediate messages dissemination in high sensitive divisions of eastern UP.

**The decisions taken for upcoming days as follows:**

- Inform all partners concerned for safety and security
- Coordinate with District Administration
- East Uttarpradesh NGOs need to be individually contacted and activated quickly
- Rapid Assessment of severely affected districts and focusing the damage assessment specially schools, AWW centers, houses, live loss and agriculture loss etc.. Mr Varun of world vision and Mr. Manoj Singh from Unicef has planned to cover the district Agra for rapid assessment on JRNA format

Attachments:

JRNA Format and what to do in case of Thunderstorms and Lightning

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