

## A. Thunderstorm, lightning and floods in India (22-30 May, 2018)

Thunderstorm, lightning and floods triggered by heavy rainfall has claimed almost 71 lives in between 22nd -30th May, 2018 in different states across India. The details information on humanitarian snapshot report is given below.



## B. Impact of the Situation

\*\* Type of incidents: Thunderstorm, lightning and floods due to heavy rainfall.

\*\* Total no. of people displaced : 23000 approx.

\*\* Total no. of death : 71 people approx.

\*\* Total no. of states affected : 07 states in India  
Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Tripura, Karnataka and Madhya

## 1. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh

The death toll in the thunderstorm and lightning strikes across different states of India reached 54 (on 29 May, 2018) - 17 from Uttar Pradesh, 19 from Bihar, 12 from Jharkhand, 02 from West Bengal and 04 from Madhya Pradesh.

In Uttar Pradesh, six people died and three were injured in Unnao when two houses collapsed in thunderstorms. Three people died in Rae Bareilly while two deaths each were reported from Kanpur City, Pilibhit, Gonda and Sitapur. In the state of Madhya Pradesh, most of the deaths were reported from the Bundelkhand region.

In Bihar, Gaya and Aurangabad districts reported five deaths each, while four died in Munger, three in Katihar and two in Nawada. The state of Jharkhand has seen 29 thunderstorm-related deaths this month i.e. May 2018.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has alerted thunderstorm accompanied with squall and lightning winds till 3rd of June in the above states.

## 4. Tripura

Floods triggered by heavy rainfall has displaced more than 23,000 people in 03 districts of Tripura- West Tripura, Khowai Tripura and Gomati.

This year at least 14 people have been killed in pre-monsoon showers and thunderstorms in the state, while at least 24 have been injured and more than 10,000 huts affected.

## 3. Karnataka (flooding in Mangaluru and Udupi)

Coastal districts of Karnataka were receiving intermittent rains for the past three days because of depression formed in Arabian Sea, and this has led to inundation of low lying area and water logged streets in many parts of the city.

Advance forecast was given by IMD and KSNDMC, which was disseminated to all concerned through email and social media sites, but the intensity of this magnitude was unexpected. All necessary support is extended for rescue and relief operations by the concerned department's and NDRF.

## C. Government Response

\*NDRF, SDRF and Civil Defence Quick Response team deployed for search and rescue in Karnataka. Police was alerted to divert traffic entering low lying area and also to maintain law and order.

\* Helpline number 0824-1077 disseminated to public using TV, Social media(WhatsApp) and Radio in Karnataka.

\* District administration is monitoring the flood situation and providing relief materials to those affected.

\* In Tripura, food, drinking water and milk for children is being distributed in the camps while doctors have been stationed there to cater to any medical emergency.

\* NDMA - Dos and Don'ts during floods, storms and lightning strikes were disseminated to public.

\*IMD has been issuing regular bulletin and alerts.

## D. Humanitarian Response by Non Government Organisations

\*Inter-Agency Groups in the respective states is closely monitoring the situation in coordination with concerned departments.

\* In Tripura, JUST with the support of Caritas India is planning to support 12 villages based on needs assessment in the worst affected district of West Tripura, through a cash transfer programme.

**Source Of Information: Media and IAGs WhatsApp Groups**

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