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Update on Flood Situation in Odisha:

Even as the district of Sundargarh returned to normalcy after the water level in Brahmani, Koel and Ib receded there, flood situation is continuing in the districts in the downstream. In Jajpur district, River Brahmani is flowing at 68.20 ft. near Jenapur against the danger level of 67 ft. at 6.00 PM. A major breach of about 150 ft. has occurred in the afternoon on the Brahmani Left Embankment at Kimbhiriapal under Bari Block of Jajpur district affecting 16 villages under 4 GPs of Bari Block and 18 villages under 4 GPs of Jajpur Block. Massive evacuation of people from the affected areas has been taken up by the District Administration. Three ODRAF teams and two Fire Service teams have been pressed into service for rescue and evacuation. 5 power boats are engaged in the rescue services and the operation is in progress. Two more ODRAF teams and more Fire Service teams are being rushed to the spot. Sufficient inflatable tower lights are being organised for illuminating the affected sites and shelters, where required. The operation is being monitored by the Collector, Jajpur and other Senior Officers of the districts. There are 7 multipurpose flood shelters of 2000 persons capacity each in Bari Block and 5 more similar shelters in Jajpur Block constructed by the Government of Odisha to house the people during flood and cyclone. The evacuated persons are being shifted to these flood shelters as well as to schools and other public buildings. Dry food and free kitchen are being organised for them.

18 villages of Kaniha block of Angul district and 5 villages of Bhuban and Gondia Block of Dhenkanal district have been affected by Flood in River Brahmani. Flood water is being released through 10 nos. of Gates from Rengali Dam.

Hon'ble Chief Minister took a high level meeting at 6 PM today to review the flood situation and discuss on the reports and observations submitted by the Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department Shri Asit Tripathy and Shri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra, the Additional Chief Secretary, Forest & Environment Department who had visited the flood affected districts of Rayagada and Bhadrak respectively to monitor the relief and restoration measures.

Hon'ble Chief Minister directed that the assessment and enumeration of house damages in Rayagada, Bhadrak and other flood affected districts should be completed without any delay and disbursement of the house building assistance must be completed by 5th August, 2017.

Rural Development Department shall immediately take up the works of 6 bridges which have been washed away and the other rural roads in Rayagada district damaged due the recent flood, at an estimated cost of Rs.25 crore. Similarly, WR Department shall take immediate steps for repair/ restoration of the severely damaged Kalyani and Hatimunda MIP and other 7 MIPs. Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water Department shall take up immediate restoration of damaged structures and roads in the affected Blocks in Rayagada district.

Similarly, it was decided to take up immediate steps for restoration of the roads and other structures damaged due to flood in Bhadrak district.

Hon'ble Chief Minister directed to take all necessary steps for evacuation of the people from the villages near the breach occurred in Bari Block of Jajpur district to the safe shelters and make necessary arrangement of food, drinking water and other necessities at the shelters.

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