

## **Situation Report -1: Jammu and Kashmir Floods**

### **30<sup>th</sup> March, 2015**

#### **A. Situation Report**

Jhelum River on Monday crossed the danger level in Srinagar following heavy rains. At Ram Munshi Bagh the water level stands at 19.40 feet against the flood level of 18 feet, while at Sangam it is flowing at 22.30 feet against the danger mark of 21 feet and at Asham the water level has been recorded as 11.66 feet against the danger level of 14. Further avalanche warning was issued by divisional commissioner (Kashmir) on 29<sup>th</sup> March for next 24 hours in avalanches prone areas of Kulgam, Pulwana, Baramulla, Kupwara, Bandipora, Gabderbal and Kargil districts.

The Meteorological Department predicts another western disturbance which is likely to hit the state on April 2 and advised to watch the mountain streams for any sudden rise that can cause local damage and trigger landslide.

#### **B. Impact**

**Srinagar:** Over 80 structures, including residential homes, school buildings and other structures, have suffered damage due to flash floods since Saturday. The Srinagar-Jammu National Highway was closed following landslides at a number of places. The Srinagar-Gulmarg road was also closed after a bridge in Kunzar village was washed away by the swollen Ferozepur Nallah. There was water-logging in many commercial and residential areas and JVMC hospital, a government hospital on the outskirts of Srinagar, was waterlogged. Patients were being evacuated from the hospital

**Kupwara:** The Khurhama, Kalaroos, Machur and Warnow nallahs in Lolab, Kehmil and Hudh nallahs in Kupwara, Pohru and Mawar nallahs in Handwara and Nallah Batamogi and Kaginaag in Karnah region are reportedly flowing in high spate and restricted normal public movement for Amroi, Prada, Chatkadi, Panjtara, Dhanna and Kagibandi areas in the region. flood threat is looming high in the localities inhabiting alongside the Nallah Kehmil, Nallah Khorhama, Nallah Kalaroos, Nallah Hayhama and Nallah Kohru.

**Budgam:** Two houses at Chadoora area in Kashmir's Budgam district have sunk into the ground. So far 10 bodies are recovered and 21 are still missing as per media sources.

**Baramulla:** Baramulla - Uri road is blocked due to landslide at few places. Due to overflowing of nearby streams the colonies at Baramulla are flooded and 5 houses are reported to be damaged in Khatnai village.

**Udhampur:** Fresh landslides reported in Udhampur, a massive rescue operation is underway. Jammu- Srinagar Highway is blocked at Udhampur due to number of landslides.

**Poonch:** Around 45 villagers are trapped in Poonch and the police and army personnel have been sent for rescue. An approach road to temporary Bailey bridge near SK Bridge installed on the river bed last year has been washed away. Power supply is affected in Loran, Uppar Buffliaz, Upper Hari Marhote, Bhatadhurian, Some parts of Ajote & some parts of Sawjian.

### C. Response from Government and Humanitarian Agencies

- High level officials were sent from center to assess the flood like situation.
- National Crisis Management Committee will meet on 30<sup>th</sup> afternoon to discuss the flood situation in J&K.
- Two teams of at least 100 personnel of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) have been deployed in Srinagar from Bathinda with relief materials and 6 more teams are on standby.
- The state administration has evacuated people living on the banks of river Jhelum and in the view of increasing water level, residents of low-lying areas have been asked to move to safer places.
- Chief Minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed Sunday afternoon flew in from Jammu to take stock of the situation, schools and college exams scheduled for Monday and Tuesday were cancelled and control rooms are set up in the Valley. The contact details of control rooms are attached as annexure I.
- Health authorities were instructed to stock adequate medicines in health institutions so that quality medical facilities are provided to the people. He further directed the concerned to devise a proper mechanism to ensure round the clock availability of medical faculty so that the needy do not face delay in treatment.
- All emergency services including the flood control department have been pressed into service to meet any eventuality in Srinagar district. Advised people living along the banks of Jhelum to remain vigilant and shift the elderly and children to safer places.
- The District Development Commissioner Pulwama directed all the District officers, Teshildars, Naib Teshildars, BDO's , Medical Superintendent to remain present at their respective headquarters and keep all the subordinate office machinery available.
- The DDC Kupwara called team of engineers of PHE, Irrigation and Flood Control to review the preparedness by the Flood Control and Irrigation department in Kupwara district to combat any eventuality.
- In Kulgam, the DDC called a joint meeting of civil, police and army officers and directed the Executive Engineers of Irrigation and Flood Control to ensure timely plugging of the embankment breaches to avoid inundation of low lying areas. Control room was established at the district headquarters. The people have been asked to contact the control room in case of any eventuality.
- DDC Ganderbal convened a meeting of civil administration to take a stock of situation due to rising water level in River Sindh and others. He also visited Arampora, Dhobipora,

Nunnar, Wayil, Wussan, Prang, Sheikhzoo and a number of other flood prone areas with concern officials to personally monitor the situation there.

- DDC Baramulla convened a meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> March.
- Nearly 300 families evacuated to safer places as continuous downpour left many areas inundated in the Srinagar valley. The list of camps at Srinagar is as annexure II.
- Administration has evacuated 221 families of Budgam district to safer places last night.
- A meeting of Inter Agency Coordination Committee of Sphere India is proposed at 5:30 pm on 30<sup>th</sup> March to take a stock of situation.

#### D. Source of Information

- Office of respective District Administration
- Media Sources
- Sphere India members with local office in J&K like IGSSS
- Local representatives/organizations.

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#### Annexure I: Control Room Contact Numbers

Sr. No.	District	Contact Person	Contact Detail
1.	Kupwara	Executive Engineer FC Handwara	9419400839
2.		Executive Engineer FC Kupwara	9419107377
3.		AEE, FC Kupwara	9906796087
4.	Baramulla	Control room Tangmarg	8491821971, 9419731200, 9622558869, 9797241290 9697853938

5.	Kulgaam	Control Room, District Headquarter	01931260500, 9419030228, 9419342881, 9419045444,9419023708
6.	Ganderbal	Control Room, Ganderbal	9419506980
7.	Srinagar	Control Room	0194-2452138, 2474040

### Annexure II: List of camps in Srinagar

S. N	Tehsil	Camp Location	Area to be covered	
1.	<b>Sahlteng</b>	Community Hall kasha Mohalla, Batamaloo	Batamaloo partly, Barthana, Lawaypora, Bermina etc.	
2.		Hussaini Public School		
3.		HMT Quarters Zainakote		
4.	<b>Iddgah</b>	Community Hall Bhagwanpora, Noorbagh	Pamposh Colony, Bemina, Parimpora, Qamerwri, Chattabal, Bagh-i-sunder, payeen bala	
5.		Community Hall, Sokalipora, Kawdara		
6.		Boys Hr. Sec School, Sakidaffar		
7.		New Fire Services Complex, Nalamar Road Nopora		
8.		Govt Hr. Sec. School Palpora		
9.		Imambara Zadibal		Soura, Anchal, Ountabahwan, Bagati Shooru, Amdakadal, Khushalsar
10.		Hussain Sabeelgah, Bhagwanpora Zadibal		
11.		Govt. Boys Hr. Sec School, Amdakadal		
12.		Community Hall, Zadibal		
13.		<b>Chanapora Srinagar</b>		Marriage Hall, Sanat Nagar
14.	Marriage Hall, Rawathpora			
15.	Marriage hall, Gooripora			

16.		MET School	
17.		Salfia School	
18.	<b>South</b>	Shopping complex, ERA, rambagh	Rambagh, Natipora, Jawahar Nagar, Allochibagh, Batamaloo
19.		Community Hall, Maisuma, Gawkadal	Mandir bagh, Chonti khul and adjoining area
20.		Community Hall, Basant Bagh, Habbakadal	
21.		Community Facilitation Center, Barbarshah	Sathu, Barbarshah, Suthrashahi, Balgarden
22.		Community Facilitation center, Chotta bazar	
23.		Community Facilitation center, Nawab Bazar	
24.		<b>Khanyar</b>	Community hall, Mali sahib nowhotta
25.	Community facilitation center, Rozabai, Khanyar		
26.	Community Facilitation Center, General Bagh, (Badamwari)		
27.	Community Facilitation center, Makhdoom Sahib		
28.	Community Hall, Khalifapora, Shiraz		

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