

Assam flood: 6 lakh people affected in 10 districts



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GUWAHATI: The flood situation in Assam remained unchanged with more than six lakh people in 10 districts reeling under waters, officials said on Sunday.
 Heavy rains in different parts of the state led to the swelling of river water level, forcing affected people in many areas to evacuate to safety, they said.
 Kopili, Barak and Kushiyara rivers were flowing over the danger level.

population) and Cachar (1,12,265).
 More than 40,000 displaced people were taking shelter in relief camps across various districts.
 Rescue and relief operations were being carried out by multiple agencies, including NDRF, SDRF, local administration and people.
 Road and rail communication in several parts of the state remained disrupted, officials said.
 In view of damage to track between New Haflong's Chandranathpur section and water logging at Silechar station of Luning division, at least 10 trains scheduled for commencing journey from Saturday to Monday were cancelled, a Northeast Frontier Railway spokesperson said.

HC takes note of 52.3 deg C temperature in Delhi, says city could become 'barren desert'

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NEW DELHI: Taking note of the recent temperature spike to 52.3 degrees Celsius in the city, the Delhi High Court has observed that the national capital could become a barren desert if the present generation continues an apathetic view on deforestation.



Delhi's Mungeshpur area on Wednesday logged a maximum temperature of 52.3 degrees Celsius, the highest ever recorded in the city.
 "Judicial notice is taken of the fact that as recent as on May 30, the official temperature recorded in Delhi was 52.3 degrees Celsius. It is not far to see the day when this city may be only a barren desert, in case the present generation continues an apathetic view on deforestation," Justice Tushar Rao Gedela said.
 The high court, which had earlier appointed its former judge Najmi Waziri as the chairperson of an internal departmental committee of city officials dealing with the protection of forests in Delhi, was informed that Waziri was unable to perform his duties due to a lack

of infrastructure.
 "This court cannot countenance a situation where the chairperson (Justice Waziri) is unable to discharge the responsibilities on account of lack of an office space or a secretarial and support staff or even transportation.
 "However, rather than directing the department (of Forest and Wildlife) to provide staff in a diverted capacity, it is considered appropriate to direct the department to pursue the matter in all earnest and in no case shall the approval be delayed beyond June 15," the court said.
 As per a report of the chairperson of the committee filed through advocate R

Arunadhri Iyer, the Delhi government was informed of the requirement of infrastructure, along with secretarial support staff and transportation which would be required for the chairperson to efficiently discharge his responsibilities.
 The chief conservator of forests submitted that the approval for the requirements has already been put up to the minister concerned and thereafter, it is to be placed before the Cabinet and then to the lieutenant governor for final approval.
 The amicus curiae appointed in the case submitted that once a judicial order was passed, the infrastructure and other facilities required

Police form more than 12 teams to investigate multiple aspects of Pune car crash

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PUNE: Police have formed more than a dozen teams comprising 100 personnel to look into various aspects of the wide-range investigation into the Porsche car crash case allegedly involving a minor driver, an official said.
 The police have registered three separate cases after the car allegedly driven by a minor boy fatally knocked down two IT professionals travelling on a motorbike in Kalyani Nagar area of Maharashtra's Pune city on May 19.
 The three cases include an FIR in connection with the accident and the second one against the bar that allegedly served liquor to the juvenile. Police have



booked the boy's father, a builder, for allowing him to drive the car without a valid license. A third case is about the wrongful confinement and coercion of the family driver to take the blame for the accident.
 Among the boy's family members, police have so far arrested his father, grandfather, and his (juvenile's)

mother after confirmation that his blood samples were replaced with hers, Pune police chief Amitesh Kumar said on Saturday.
 Other persons in police custody are two doctors of the state-run Sassoon General Hospital and an employee for allegedly swapping the blood sample of the minor boy.

Police have invoked provisions of the Indian Penal Code, Juvenile Justice Act, Motor Vehicles Act, and the Prevention of Corruption Act against the accused in the cases registered in connection with the incident.
 "To ensure that the probe is conducted professionally and effectively, we have deployed multiple teams. Approximately 100 police personnel, including officers, are looking after different aspects of the case," Additional Commissioner of Police (Crime) Shailesh Balkawade said.
 Police have formed three teams comprising 8 to 10 personnel each for investigating the three registered cases, two teams for docu-

mentation to strengthen the cases, a team for CCTV footage monitoring, three teams for technical analysis and as many for field operations. One team each is assigned the task of escorting the accused and for communication.
 "This multi-faceted approach aims to cover all aspects of the investigation, ensuring thorough and meticulous handling of the case," said Balkawade.
 As part of the probe, the police have also spoken to the minor for about an hour at the observation home, where he has been sent till June 5, in his mother's presence.
 An official, however, said "they were not forthcoming during the probe".

Woman kidnap case: SIT searching for Bhavani Revanna

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BENGALURU: The Special Investigation Team carried out searches at various locations in the last 24 hours looking for Bhavani Revanna, mother of suspended JD(S) MP Prajwal Revanna, in connection with a woman kidnap case as she was not present at her residence at Holenarasipura in Hassan district, sources said on Sunday.



Meanwhile, Karnataka Home Minister G Parameshwara said a search is on to "arrest" Bhavani, who is found "absconding". She is hiding somewhere and will be arrested soon, he added.
 "They (Special Investigation Team) are searching for her (Bhavani) to arrest her. It's not known where she is. She will be arrested once she is found. It is a due process of law and nothing else," Parameshwara told reporters here.
 The SIT had issued a notice to Bhavani asking her to be present at her home on June 1 as there was a need to question her in the kidnap case linked to allegations of sexual abuse against her son. When a team of SIT sleuths reached Bhavani's house, 'Chennambika Nilaya', she was not present.
 Two women lawyers reached

'Chennambika Nilaya' on Saturday evening and met the SIT officials. They did not disclose the purpose behind the meeting.
 It is learnt that Bhavani had communicated through her lawyers that she was unwell and would appear before them (SIT) shortly.
 Bhavani's husband and Holenarasipura JD(S) MLA H D Revanna is on bail in the same case.
 The SIT carried out searches at various locations including Mysuru, Hassan, Bengaluru, Mandya and Ramanagara. The searches were also done at Bhavani's relatives' houses to track her, but she was not found, sources said.
 Sources said the SIT has constituted various teams to look for Bhavani.
 Prajwal was arrested over allegations of sexually abusing several women.

The JD(S) first family, especially former Prime Minister H D Deve Gowda's son H D Revanna, his wife Bhavani and son Prajwal, is in soup after scores of explicit videos came out on April 21 and Prajwal, who is seeking a reelection from Hassan Lok Sabha segment as an NDA candidate, fled to Germany.
 The Karnataka government formed the SIT to probe the cases against Prajwal on the recommendation of the Karnataka State Commission for Women chairperson Nagalakshmi Chowdhary, who wrote to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to investigate the matter.
 Prajwal, facing sexual abuse allegations, returned from Germany on Friday and was immediately arrested by the SIT at the Bengaluru airport. A special court in the city remanded him to police custody till June 6.

Bopanna-Ebden pair moves to French Open second round with tough win

AGENCY
PARIS: Second seeds Rohan Bopanna and Matthew Ebden overcame fighting Brazilians Orlando Luz and Marcelo Zormann in a testing three-set opening round at the French Open here on Sunday.
 The Brazilians made life tough for the Australian Open champions who scraped through 7-5 4-6 6-4 in two

hours and seven minutes.
 Entering as an eighth alternate pair, Zormann and Luz would not have hoped to feature in the tournament but a spate of withdrawals cleared their way. They threatened to upset the second seeds but Bopanna and Ebden had the experience to shift momentum at crucial stages of the match.
 The second seeds raced to a 4-

1 lead, riding on a double break but the Brazilian put up a great fight to reel off four straight games to make it 5-5 in the opening set.
 From there on, the Indo-Australian combine found a way to break Luz with Bopanna firing his returns from the baseline and Ebden supporting him with well-timed volley winners. The Australian served out the set with ease.
 Zormann was broken in the opening game of the second set with Ebden and Zormann locking in an intense baseline rally in which the Brazilian erred on 30-40 to hand the advantage to the seeded team.
 More drama followed, as now Bopanna was down 0-40. He saved the first two break chances with some accurate serving but Zormann blasted a winner on the third to make it even seven.
 Ebden's serve came under tremendous pressure in game four that featured six deuce points in nine intense minutes.

The Australian finally held the serve with an overhead smash.
 Ebden was put under pump again when he returned to serve in game eight. He began with a double fault and then hammered one forehand return on the net. Luz dispatched a volley winner at net on Ebden's return on the next point to earn plenty of break chances.
 The second seeds saved the first but Ebden double faulted again as the Brazilians led 5-3.
 Luz came out to serve for the set and parity and had four set points to finish it but Bopanna was splendid - both at net and from baseline - as the second seeds broke again to bounce back.
 However, the Indian dropped serve for the third time in the match and it was one-set all.
 A break of serve in the fifth game gave Bopanna and Ebden advantage and they did not squander the chance this time with the Indian closing out the match.

GHRT INDIA organise free mega medical camp

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Ramban: To providing essential medical services to the local community Global Human Rights Trust (GHRT) held a free medical camp. The camp, aimed at improving healthcare accessibility, successfully treated over 1,000 individuals.
 A diverse team of healthcare professionals, including doctors, nurses, and volunteers, participated in the event.
 They offered a range of medical services such as general health check-ups, specialist consultations, and distribution of free medications along with health tests. The initiative also included health education sessions focusing on preventive care and awareness about common health issues. GHRT medical camp was a significant step in addressing the healthcare needs of the Ramban community, particularly for those who have limited access to medical facilities. Local residents



expressed their gratitude, highlighting the positive impact of such initiatives on their overall well-being.
 The organization plans to continue its efforts in other underserved regions, reinforcing its commitment to human rights and health equity.
 The Doctors who were present in the camp are Dr Nadeem Niyaz Jan Founder Director Varicose & More MBBS, DNB, MRCGP, Dr Shafeeqa Bano Gynaecologist & Obstetrician Government of J&K MBBS, MD (Gynaecology) Dr Mushtaq Ahmad Consultant Anaesthesia Critical care & Pain medicine Dr Mubeen Rashid Lecturer & Anatomist MBBS, MD Dr Bushra Rahman MDS Dental Surgen and Gennext Jammu also Support to this Camp.
 The Volunteers who Make this Camp Successful are Abid Mughal, Ajaz

Hussain, Kuljeet Singh, Santosh Kumari, Mohd Latief, Shabir Sheikh, Paramjeet Singh, Abrar Mughal, Muzaffar Hussain Naik, were present.
 Jammu Kashmir Police, Health Department Ramban, Revenue Department, and Tourism Department also support to organise Camp.
 The camp was launched by DR H R Ramban Managing Director GHRT INDIA along with President Seerat Committee Ramban Jenab Showkat Mughal.

Army hosts painting competition

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Kishtwar: Army undertook a noble initiative of organising a painting competition at Navapachchi, Kishtwar. Nearly 67 students exhibited their talent. The painting of students reflected the spirit of patriotism and love for country in the young minds. The creativity of the students were commendable and praiseworthy. Various themes of the painting competition evoked patriotism on one hand and love for nature on the other.

The Army officials gave away prizes to best student from each class and recognised their efforts. The Army officials praised the participants for showing gritty determination and also encouraged them to practice and excel in all such events in future. Teachers and students from the school highly appreciated the efforts of Indian Army towards providing the students with such activities which prove quite helpful in their all round development.

DC expressed heartfelt appreciation for the departing teachers, highlighting their dedication, passion, and unwavering commitment to the noble profession of teaching.
 The farewell function was held to honor the contributions and service office of the teachers at the school.

JK Teacher Forum Bhallessa hosts farewell for retiring colleagues



DC Doda Harvinder Singh speaking at an event at Bhallessa.

STATE TIMES NEWS
DODA: JK Teacher Forum Bhallessa, in a heartfelt gesture, organized a memorable farewell function for retiring colleagues here at Sanjay Aarya Memorial Higher Secondary School Kilhotran today. The event was graced by Deputy Commissioner (DC)

Doda Harvinder Singh as the Chief Guest along with other dignitaries and a significant turnout of dedicated teachers.
 The occasion was marked by a spirit of gratitude and camaraderie as attendees bid farewell to esteemed colleagues, celebrating their contributions and commitment to education.

DC tours Sub Division Gandoh, inspects development activities, working of local administration

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DODA: Deputy Commissioner (DC) Doda, Harvinder Singh on Sunday embarked on a comprehensive day-long tour to Sub-Division Gandoh, meticulously inspecting ongoing development activities and administrative blocks in the region.
 Sub Division Magistrate Gandoh, Tehsildars, BMOs, BDOs, and other officers accompanied him.
 The primary objective of the tour was to assess the progress of ongoing projects, functioning of government offices and delivery of public services.
 During the tour, DC Doda, Harvinder Singh,

visited the Administrative Block of SDM Gandoh, conducting a thorough review of administrative processes and engaging with officers to understand the challenges in delivering public services effectively.
 Furthermore, DC Doda inspected the SDH Gandoh, closely monitoring the attendance of medical personnel and the availability of essential medicines for patients, underscoring the importance of healthcare accessibility.
 DC Doda inspected Jan Anshadi Kendra OPD immunization wards and



vaccination storages. He also visited PHC Gandoh and Tehsil Office Gandoh, overseeing their operations and ensuring their effective functionality.

He asked for resurfacing of walls cracked due to earthquake, construction of govt. quarters, issuing roasters for convenience of general public.

The emphasized the importance of maintaining high standards of service delivery and urged officers to continue working diligently for the welfare of the community.