

MONSOON RAIN

80 dead, 55 injured in Rajasthan till date

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JAIPUR, AUGUST 7

AS MANY as 80 persons have died and 55 injured so far following heavy monsoon rain in Rajasthan.

Most deaths have been recorded in Bundi (16), followed by state capital Jaipur (15). As many as eight persons have died in Tonk, followed by six in Kota, and four in Sawai Madhopur. Nineteen other districts have recorded 1-3 deaths. Most of the deaths in Jaipur were reported after lightning struck a watch tower near Amer Fort last month, which had led to the death of at least 11 persons.

Additionally, at least 125 animals have died so far. The details were shared by government officials during a presentation before Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot at a meeting of the Disaster Management and Relief Department (DMRD) on Saturday. The CM also announced a sum of Rs 5 lakh to the kin of the deceased and Rs 2 lakh to those injured.

Meanwhile, over 150 persons were rescued in Kota's



Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot during a DMRD meeting; SDRF personnel conduct a rescue operation in Kota's Sangod, on Saturday. Express

Sangod on Saturday even as Army personnel joined rescue operations in Hadoti region. Among those rescued were teachers and students stuck at a residential school. The opening of gates of Bhimsagar dam had led to flooding in some villages, prompting rescue work.

SDRF Commandant Pankaj Choudhary said that SDRF personnel undertaking rescue operations in Gelana and Lalawata villages were informed of teachers and students stuck at a residential school in Heengi village in Kota's Sangod area. Choudhary said that 28 teachers

and students were stuck at the residential school, and that the rescue teams reached near the spot around 2:30 am on Saturday. Rescue operations began at 6 am and ended at 11 am, with the students being rescued one by one with the help of life jackets and boats.



Over the past four days, SDRF and other agencies have rescued over a thousand persons, mainly from the Hadoti region, which is reeling under heavy rainfall.

Normally, till August 6, the state receives 291.49 mm of rainfall but this year the state

has received 327.21 mm rainfall so far, which is 12.3 per cent more. Baran, Bundi, Kota and Sawai Madhopur districts have all received more than 60 per cent rainfall so far. Lok Sabha Speaker and Kota MP Om Birla also undertook an aerial survey of the affected areas in the day.

SC directs Rajasthan govt to reimburse 70 per cent salary paid to teachers of school shut in 2011

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 7

THE SUPREME Court has directed the Rajasthan government to reimburse within four weeks 70 per cent of the salary paid to teachers of a government-aided school which was shut in 2011.

A bench of justices RF Nariman and BR Gavi closed the contempt proceedings against the state education department officials for non-compliance of its 2019 order directing reimbursement of 70 per cent of the salary to the teachers.

The bench noted that the Trust running the school has since paid a sum of Rs 52.26 lakh according to the Sixth Pay Commission to the teachers of the institution and according to the order of the court, the state was to reimburse the institution with 70 per cent of this amount.

"Admittedly, the state has reimbursed the institution only to the extent of 70 per cent of Rs 10.41 lakh thereby leaving 70 per cent of the balance which is Rs 41.85 lakh. This state is to do within a period of four weeks. The contempt petitions stand closed. We have made this order in order to do complete justice between the parties," it said.

Advocate Dushyant Parashar, appearing for petitioner trust 'Managing Committee Bishambhar Lal Maheshwari Education Foundation' told the court that the top court's 2019 order is still not complied with by the state government.

He said that the September 30, 2019 order was passed by the top court while invoking its plenary power under Article 142 of the Constitution and state need to comply with it.

The bench noted its 2019 order and said that the state government has to comply with its direction within four weeks.

In May, the top court had is-

sued notice to the state government education officials seeking their reply as to why contempt action be not initiated against them for non-compliance of its 2019 order, directing reimbursement of 70 per cent of salary paid to teachers of the said school.

It has said that the state government officials have done absolutely nothing and sought their response on the contempt plea filed by the Trust, which used to manage the school.

Parashar had earlier argued that even after legal notice was served on the state government on September 9, 2020, no compliance of the direction in order dated September 30, 2019 has been made by the state government.

He had contended that on March 12, another legal notice was issued to the state government for compliance of the 2019 order but they "wilfully" and "deliberately disregarded", "disobeyed" and did not comply with the order.

The Trust, which was an aided institution as per provision of the Rajasthan Non-Government Education Institution Act of 1989, was receiving 70 per cent of grant-in-aid from the state government.

The plea said that due to substantial decrease in strength of students as well as surmounting deficit, the managing committee of the school was forced to get the stoppage of grant-in-aid with effect from April 1, 2008 by the state government.

The teachers of the school then moved the high court for grant of selection scale with arrears, which directed the school management to pay the entire salary to them from April 1, 2008 till April 30, 2011.

It gave liberty to the school management to claim reimbursement of grant-in-aid payable to them from the state government.



FLOODS IN PRAYAGRAJ

A man rows his boat through a flooded Ganga following heavy monsoon rain in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, on Saturday. AP

MP rain and flood toll rises to 24

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BHOPAL, AUGUST 7

THE DEATH count in rain-related incidents in flood-ravaged Gwalior and Chambal divisions of Madhya Pradesh increased to 24, officials said on Saturday.

Authorities said that the flood situation is slowly improving and at present "no life-threatening" scenario exists in the region, where rescue and relief work is currently on.

"The death toll in the rain-related incidents in the flood-hit parts of the state has risen to 24. These fatalities were recorded between August 1 and 7," Revenue Secretary Gyaneshwar Patil said.

Till Friday, officials pegged the number of deceased at 12. The flood situation in north Madhya Pradesh had turned grim earlier this week, where more than 1,250 villages were affected by the deluge following heavy

rains. Gwalior, Shivpuri, Sheopur, Datia, Ashok Nagar, Guna, Bhind and Morena districts were affected as the region was being pounded by rains since Sunday.

However, from Thursday, the intensity of rainfall in the two divisions started going down.

"No life-threatening situation due to flooding exists in Gwalior and Chambal divisions at present," Divisional Commissioner Ashish Saxena said.

Addressing 'Anna Utsav' programme earlier in the day, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that 8,832 people were rescued, while 29,280 others have been shifted to safer places so far.

"The rescue operation in the

affected areas is almost over and relief work is gathering steam," the official said.

Meanwhile, P K Saha, senior meteorologist with the India Meteorological Department's (IMD) Bhopal office said that Ashok Nagar and Guna districts in Gwalior division received 32.0 mm and 164.1 mm rainfall, respectively, in 24 hours ending 8.30 am on Saturday.

"The low pressure area is lying over northern parts of east Madhya Pradesh and its neighbourhood now. It was over central parts of north Madhya Pradesh and neighbourhood on Friday," he said.

With its shift to east MP, the flood situation in Gwalior and Chambal is likely to improve as rain activity is likely to lessen from Saturday.

Meanwhile, state Congress chief Kamal Nath visited the flood-affected people in the region on Saturday.

J&J's 1-dose vaccine cleared, will be India's fifth Covid shot

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NEW DELHI, AUGUST 7

THE DRUG regulator on Saturday granted the American pharmaceutical giant Johnson & Johnson emergency use authorisation for its Covid-19 vaccine, paving the way for J&J's Indian subsidiary to introduce in India for commercial use the first single-dose vaccine against infection with the novel coronavirus.

The single-shot vaccine, developed by J&J subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals, has been shown to be 85 per cent effective in preventing severe disease in phase 3 human clinical trials.

This is the second Covid-19 vaccine to be granted emergency use authorisation through the fast-track approval route by the Indian drug regulator.

On April 13, India changed its policy on regulatory approvals for foreign manufacturers to commercially market their Covid-19 vaccine in the country — waiving the pre-condition of phase 2-3 clinical trials for those vaccines that have been granted emergency approvals by regulators in the US, EU, UK, and Japan, and those listed by the WHO.

On June 29, the American biotechnology firm Moderna became the first foreign company to be granted emergency use approval for its mRNA vaccine under the liberalised regulatory regime.

After Saturday's approval, J&J, like Moderna, will not be required to conduct bridging studies in India to establish the safety of the vaccine.

"India expands its vaccine basket! Johnson and Johnson's single-dose COVID-19 vaccine is given approval for Emergency Use in India. Now India has 5 EUA vaccines. This will further boost our nation's collective fight against #COVID19," Union Minister of Health & Family

Second Covid wave effect now negligible, but people shouldn't lower guard: Gehlot

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CHIEF MINISTER Ashok Gehlot on Saturday said the effect of the second wave of Covid-19 in Rajasthan has become 'negligible' now, but people will still have to be vigilant and follow guidelines amid rising number of cases in different countries and some states of India.

Gehlot directed that the committee of ministers constituted regarding the reopening of educational institutions in the state should take appropriate decisions in view of the pandemic situation in other states.

He said the committee should also take into account the experience of other states in reopening educational institutions.

The CM was reviewing the coronavirus situation and vaccination campaign in the state. In view of the pandemic situation in different countries and states, medical experts have expressed apprehension that the effect of the third wave may be seen in the coming months, he said.

All other related departments, including health, should ensure proper arrangements to deal with any situation, the CM said.

He said the work of vaccination is being conducted in the state with full enthusiasm. The health department should continue to vaccinate as many people as possible, Gehlot said.

Health Secretary Siddharth Mahajan said the number of coronavirus patients under treatment in the state has come down to 233 and the weekly positivity rate has come down to 0.07 per cent.

He said there is not a single Covid-19 case in 14 districts.

52 per cent people above the age of 18 years have received the first dose of vaccine and 16 per cent have received both the doses, the CM said.

Meanwhile, the total number of Covid-19 cases in the state climbed to 9,53,812 on Saturday as 19 more people tested positive for the disease, according to an official report.

No fresh fatalities were reported. The death toll stands at 8,954, the report stated.

BJP hits out at Congress over infighting in Rajasthan unit

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THE BJP on Saturday alleged that the people of Rajasthan are suffering due to the infighting in the ruling Congress.

"How can a government take care of the people of the state if it is not able to satisfy even its MLAs," BJP national general secretary and state in-charge Arun Singh said, citing the tussle in the Congress over the issue of cabinet expansion.

The BJP is preparing for a mass movement in the state to corner the government over farm loan waiver, unemployment allowance, pending recruitment and "deteriorating" law and order, Singh said.

He claimed that the Gehlot government is trying to save itself by "delaying" cabinet expansion. "Gehlot government has no concern for the people. Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot does not even leave his house. Now, the Gehlot government is trying to save itself by delaying the changes in the cabinet. Within no time, the entire cabinet in Karnataka was changed but the Rajasthan government is giving excuses," Singh said at a press conference.

He said that people are bearing the brunt of the infighting in the Congress and political leaders from other states are forced to come here to resolve disputes.

Recently, Haryana Congress president Kumar Selja and later Karnataka Congress president DK Shivakumar had met CM Gehlot, leading to speculation that they had come with a message from the party high command.

Singh also claimed Gehlot and his former deputy Sachin Pilot have personal differences.

Gehlot govt to establish three-tier grievance redressal system for female labourers

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THE RAJASTHAN government is in process to bring along seven departments to establish a three-tier grievance redressal system for women working in fields, farms and work sites, officials said on Saturday.

Under the system, police, labour, industries, justice, health, women and child development and social justice departments will support all working women, including those on the lowest strata and take-up their grievances actively. As an umbrella programme, the Women Grievance Redressal Committee shall monitor all cases of women-related grievances being re-



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ported at existing government agencies. "Analysis of the grievances received at existing district level committees suggested for need of more focused approach for the women employed in the unorganised sector. Many of them lack basic education and

understanding of their own rights," said Rashmi Gupta, Commissioner, Women Empowerment Department.

"The state government has taken initiative for micro level support for such women and extend them support not just legal but also other social challenges as well," she said.

She further said that the committees were being constituted at block, district and division levels to ensure that the women raise their concern at higher level if dissatisfied with the decision of committee at the local level.

However, to ensure that every working woman is aware of the initiatives, all workplaces shall install and display information on the grievance committee and its contact persons, she added.

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