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CLOUD BURST/LANDSLIDES IN UTTRANCHAL

Cloud burst/ Landslides Situation:

- 29 bodies recovered. Bad weather- thick fog and heavy rain, Helicopter could not land at site.
- Medical Teams, Relief, ITBP Coy and Army Column working on the site.
- Relief material moved by road.

Report received on 11.8.2002, that there was a cloud burst in the area of Tehsil Ghansyali in Distt. Tehri. The information has been obtained from Govt. of Uttranchal and the position is as under:-

1. The villages affected are Marwari, Kotsisham, Matgoan and Agonda. State Government has confirmed 29 deaths. Marwari (11) including one casualty from relief team, Kotsisham (3), Matgoan (4) and Agonda (11). in Ghansyali area. About 6 to 7 villages are cut off and there is apprehension that casualties may be more. 27 persons have reported injured, medical facilities provided to the wounded persons and 7 persons admitted in hospital. The other affected villages are Koti, Jhala, Urni and Pinswar, no casualty reported from these areas so far.
2. There are also reports of land -slides in Uttarkashi at Tahsil Bhatwari, near village Siror, where 4 persons feared dead, but this has not yet been confirmed by the State Government and they have yet to get feedback.
3. One Army column from Narender Nagar, 4 ITBP Coy and Army Medical team have also been moved for recce & rescue and assisting the civil authority on the site, detail feedback is awaited.
4. As desired two Helicopters have been arranged from the Air Force and ACS (Ops), but are not able to land because of bad weather and are at standby.
5. We have already sensitized Air Force/ Army that besides recce, they may be required to undertake joint operations for evacuation or for sending down troops for rescue operations on ground and for air dropping. They have assured there will not be any problem.
6. Uttranchal Govt. has setup wireless centers around the area nearest of which is about 6 Kms from the site of the disaster. The State Government has made the base camp at Ghansyali and at Budhakedar. The State Government has moved relief by road.

7. For old Tehri town, situation so far is not serious. At the time of closing tunnel, water level was recorded 606 m., and at 1300 hrs on 13-8-2002 State Authority reported it 643 m. water level, which is below danger level (i.e. 648 m.). We are awaiting for their feed back.
8. State Govt. has sent medical teams, which have reached alongwith the relief teams. For the present, the Chief Secretary, Uttranchal has informed that they do not require medical or any other assistance from Govt of India except mentioned above.
9. MHA is constantly monitoring the situation and coordinating the Central efforts.

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