

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
LOK SABHA**

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Flood in NER

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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of arrangements made and assistance provided to tackle the flood in the North Eastern States, State-wise;
- (b) whether availability of medical facilities and hospitals has been ensured in the flood affected areas;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the steps taken in this regard; and
- (d) the measures taken/proposed to be taken to have a permanent solution to the recurrent flood problem?

Answer

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region
[Dr. Jitendra Singh]

(a) The primary responsibility for disaster management, including ground arrangement rests with the States. The Government of India extends all possible logistic and financial support to States to supplement their efforts to effectively meet the situation arising out of floods. In order to provide logistic support, the Government of India keeps sufficient number of IAF aircrafts/helicopters, boats, specialist teams along with the necessary machines and equipment of Armed Forces, Central Armed Police Forces and personnel of National Disaster Response Force located at various strategic locations to respond to any kind of emergency situation, including flood.

As per information received from Ministry of Home Affairs, which handles the subject of disaster management, the State-wise allocation and releases of funds by State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) in respect of North Eastern States during the year 2017-2018 is as under:-

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S. No. Name of the State Allocation under SDRF

(Rs. in crore)

Centre's share of SDRF released

(Rs. in crore)

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| 1. Arunachal Pradesh | 57.00 | 51.30 |
| 2. Assam | 507.00 | 456.30 |
| 3. Manipur | 21.00 | 18.90 |
| 4. Meghalaya | 27.00 | 24.30 |
| 5. Mizoram | 19.00 | 17.10 |
| 6. Nagaland | 11.00 | 9.90 |
| 7. Sikkim | 34.00 | 30.60 |
| 8. Tripura | 34.00 | 30.60 |
| Total | 710.00 | 639.00 |

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In addition, an amount of Rs.25.01 crore has been released to Nagaland under NDRF.

(b) & (c) The concerned State Governments are taking necessary relief arrangement and preparedness measures, which inter alia includes taking necessary health and hygiene measures to prevent outbreak of any epidemic during flood/post flood calamity period. As per information received from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the financial and technical support to the States/UTs is provided under National Health Mission (NHRM) as per requirement posed by States/UTs in their Practice Incentive Programme (PIP). Due to floods in Assam, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has provided an amount of Rs.100 crore to the Government of Assam under State PIP 2017-18 for procurement of essential drugs.

(d) The subject of flood management being under the purview of the States, the schemes for flood control are formulated and implemented by concerned States as per their priority. The Union Government supplements the efforts of the States by providing technical guidance and also financial assistance for management of floods in critical areas. The Central Government also supports the Plan Scheme "Flood Management Programme", which is implemented by the State Water Resources Departments. It seeks to improve the existing disaster management practices, mitigation and control to reduce the adverse impact of the floods and erosion control works.