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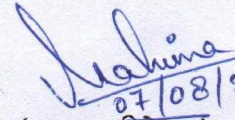
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# Monsoon to intensify, orange alert for today

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SHIMLA, AUGUST 6

The weather department has sounded an orange alert for yet another spell of heavy to very heavy rain at isolated places in the state until August 10.

Spells of heavy to very heavy rainfall are likely to occur in the districts of Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Chamba, Kullu, Kangra, Mandi, Solan, Shimla and Sirmaur over the next 24 hours. For tomorrow and August 10, the department has issued an orange alert. For August 8-9, an yellow

alert has also been issued.

As per the department, the monsoon activity is likely to increase in intensity and distribution from today evening evening/night for the next four-five days. At most places, a fairly widespread precipitation of light to moderate intensity, associated with occasional development of thunderstorm/ lightning, will occur over the next four-five days, with peak intensity on August 7 and 10.

The department has warned of the possibility of landslides and flashfloods at the vulnerable areas of

the districts of Lahaul-Spiti, Kullu, Solan, Sirmaur, Shimla and Kinnaur during this spell of precipitation. There is a possibility of disruption of traffic due to waterlogging. The department has advised people to avoid going to areas that witness waterlogging and avoid staying in vulnerable structures.

On Tuesday, 53 roads were closed for traffic, most of them in Kullu (18), followed by Mandi (16). Besides, 17 power distribution transformers and 63 water supply schemes too have been disrupted.

Meanwhile, the overall rainfall this monsoon is still lower than normal. As against the normal rainfall of 415.3 mm, the state has received 287.3 mm rain, a deviation of -31 per cent. The month of July recorded a deviation of -29 per cent. The precipitation received in July is the lowest in the state since 2011.



A body being retrieved from Rajban village in Mandi on Tuesday.

## One more body found in Mandi's Rajban village

MANDI, AUGUST 6

One more body was recovered from the affected area of Rajban village in Padhar subdivision of Mandi district today. This is the ninth body to be recovered from the area that was battered by a devastating cloudburst on July 31 night hours.

The latest victim, Khuddi Devi (46), was a resident of Rajban village in Mandi. Her body was found during the ongoing search and rescue operation conducted under

the jurisdiction of the Tikkan police post in Padhar subdivision. Mandi SP Sakshi Verma visited the spot to review the search operation.

On July 31, a cloudburst had caused extensive damage and flooding in the region, leading to significant loss of lives and property.

The SP said the rescue teams had been working tirelessly in challenging conditions to locate missing persons. As of now, nine bodies had been recovered. — TNS