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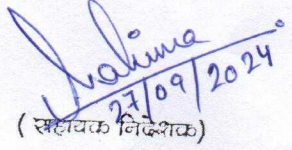
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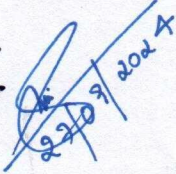
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# भारी बारिश से मुंबई में स्कूल-कॉलेज बंद, हिमाचल में बादल फटने से एक की मौत

■ पीटीआई, मुंबई/शिमला

महाराष्ट्र की राजधानी मुंबई में भारी बारिश के बाद गुरुवार को ट्रैफिक और रेल यातायात फिर से शुरू हो गया। भारी बारिश के कारण बुधवार को मुंबई के निचले इलाकों में पानी भर गया था। लोकल ट्रेनों का आवागमन थम गया। मुंबई आने वाली कम-से-कम 14 उड़ानों का रास्ता बदलना पड़ा। पुलिस ने कहा कि बुधवार को अंधेरी इलाके में भारी बारिश के कारण 45 साल की महिला नाले में डूब गई। मुंबई में अब तक मूसलाधार बारिश में कम से कम चार लोगों की मौत हो चुकी है। अधिकारियों के अनुसार, मुंबई की लाइफ लाइन मानी जाने वाली लोकल ट्रेनों का परिचालन सामान्य रूप से हो रहा है। हालांकि, कुछ सेवाओं में थोड़ी देरी हुई है। मुंबई में अत्यधिक भारी बारिश के कारण बीएमसी ने गुरुवार को सभी स्कूलों और कॉलेजों में छुट्टी की घोषणा की थी। भारी बारिश के कारण ठाणे, पालघर, पुणे और पिंपरी-चिंचवाड में भी स्कूल और कॉलेज बंद रहे। भारी बारिश से घाटकोपर-अंधेरी रोड, खैरानी रोड, एलबीएस मार्ग और कुछ अन्य सड़कों पर कुछ स्थानों पर सीने तक पानी भर गया। वहीं, हिमाचल प्रदेश के सिरमौर जिले में बादल फटने से भारी बारिश की वजह से एक व्यक्ति की मौत हो गई। खराब मौसम के कारण जिले में नेशनल हाइवे सहित 26 सड़कें बंद कर दी गईं। अधिकारियों ने गुरुवार को यह जानकारी दी। सिरमौर के उपायुक्त सुमित खिमटा ने बताया कि कुछ सड़कें बाधित हैं।

## ओडिशा: पुरी में स्कूल बंद, कोणार्क मंदिर में पानी भरा

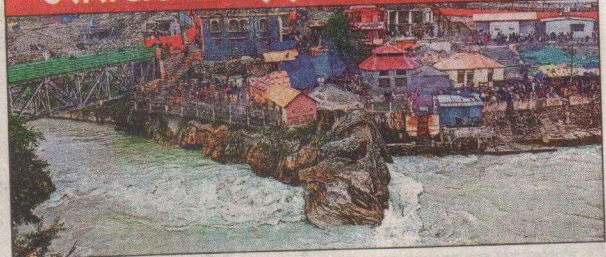


■ पीटीआई, भुवनेश्वर: बंगाल की खाड़ी में बने कम दबाव के बाद ओडिशा में भारी बारिश के मद्देनजर पुरी जिला प्रशासन ने छात्रों की सुरक्षा के लिए अपने अधिकार क्षेत्र में सभी स्कूलों को बंद करने की गुरुवार को घोषणा की। अधिकारियों ने बताया कि पुरी के पास कोणार्क सूर्य मंदिर में आने वाले लोगों को पानी भर जाने के कारण परेशानियों का सामना करना पड़ रहा है। स्थानीय प्रशासन ने आगंतुकों की सुविधा के लिए मंदिर परिसर से पानी निकालने के लिए पंप लगाए हैं।

## मुंबई में नाले में महिला के गिरने की जांच होगी

■ मुंबई में बुधवार को शाम से हुई बारिश की वजह से अलग-अलग इलाकों में 4 लोगों की जान चली गई। बीएमसी ने भारी बारिश के बाद नाले में गिरने से 45 वर्षीय महिला की मौत के मामले की उच्च स्तरीय जांच करने की घोषणा की। पुलिस ने इसमें दुर्घटनावश मौत का मामला दर्ज किया। बीएमसी ने कहा कि तीन सदस्यीय समिति तीन दिनों के भीतर घटना पर अपनी रिपोर्ट सौंपेगी। महिला की मौत के संबंध में थाने में दुर्घटनावश मौत का मामला दर्ज किया गया है।

## उत्तराखंड के कई इलाकों में भारी बारिश



उत्तराखंड के विभिन्न हिस्सों में बुधवार को पूरी रात भारी बारिश हुई। इससे टिहरी के बूढ़ा केदार क्षेत्र में धर्मगंगा सहित कई नदियों का जलस्तर बढ़ गया। बूढ़ा केदार क्षेत्र में इस साल जुलाई में भी बादल

फटने और बाढ़ आने से काफी नुकसान हुआ था। अब वहां देर रात से हो रही बारिश के कारण उफान पर आई धर्मगंगा ने वहां चल रहे पुनर्निर्माण कार्यों को तहस-नहस कर दिया।



{ DAY AFTER HEAVY RAINS LASHED MUMBAI }

# Woman dies after falling in drain, Oppn slams govt

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**MUMBAI:** A woman died after falling into an open drain on Wednesday when heavy rains flooded parts of Mumbai, officials said on Thursday, as the chaos that unfolded the previous evening triggered angry comments from opposition politicians.

The victim was identified as 45-year-old Vimal Gaikwad, who was crossing the road to catch a bus after work. Attempting to wade through a waterlogged road, Gaikwad slipped into an open drain and drowned, MIDC area police said.

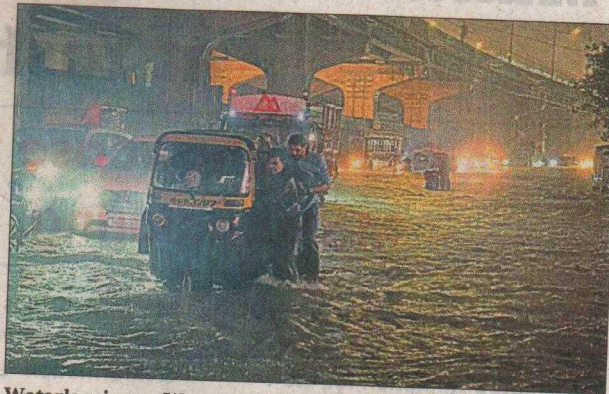
A rickshaw driver who witnessed the incident alerted the police. After an hour-long search, emergency responders recovered Gaikwad's body about 50 feet from the culvert.

A civic official from K east ward explained, "It was a cross culvert. There were covers on it, but one needs to ascertain if the cover came off on its own during the heavy rains or if it was removed."

Gaikwad, officials said, worked as a security guard and was the sole breadwinner in her family.

Shiv Sena-UBT leader and former guardian minister of Mumbai city Aaditya Thackeray criticised the state government over the hardships faced by Mumbaikars during Wednesday's downpour. He said issues there were issues such as waterlogging, a stampede-like situation at Ghatkopar Metro station, and the alleged ₹6,000 crore road construction scam.

Thackeray also raised concerns about the lack of leadership at the municipal corporation level, pointing out the absence of elections and officials to head municipal wards. "For over two and a half years, there are no assistant commissioners at 15 of 24 wards. There are no corporators for the city for over three years, leaving people in the lurch," he said.



Waterlogging on Western Express Highway between Jogeshwari and Goregaon due to heavy rain in Mumbai.

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## Monsoon withdrawal will slow down as late surge brings rain: IMD

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**NEW DELHI:** The monsoon is active over central and western parts of India, despite having begun its withdrawal from portions of Rajasthan, Gujarat and some areas of Punjab and Haryana on Tuesday, according to weather officials who now expect the retreat of rainy season from the country to slow down.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has warned of isolated extremely heavy rainfall over Konkan, Goa, Madhya Maharashtra, Gujarat, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal and Sikkim until Friday. Enhanced rainfall activity with isolated heavy rain is likely over the Western Himalayan region, central, east and northeast India during the next two to three days.

"The monsoon is very active now due to a cyclonic circulation," said M Mohapatra, director general of IMD. "It's a very large-scale system stretching from east to west over central India. There is already very heavy to extremely heavy rain-

fall over west India. Heavy rain may continue until September 28. There will be no progress in the withdrawal of monsoon until this system weakens. We also have to see if more monsoonal systems are developing."

Typically, the monsoon begins withdrawing on September 17 and completely withdraws from the country by 15 October.

A cyclonic circulation over north Madhya Maharashtra and its neighbourhood extends up to the middle tropospheric level. A trough runs from this circulation to north Bangladesh, also extending to the middle tropospheric level.

Since June 1, there has been 5% excess rainfall overall, with 4% excess over northwest India, 16% excess over central India, 16% excess over the southern peninsula, and a 17% deficiency over east and northeast India.

During the week of September 26 to October 2, overall, rainfall is likely to be normal to above normal over entire except South Peninsular India, IMD said in its extended range forecast on Thursday.



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# Oppn. criticises Shinde govt. over rain mayhem

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Severe storms and torrential rainfall have claimed the lives of at least four persons in Mumbai and its neighbouring areas. The intense weather has led to the closure of schools and caused major disruptions in train services.

While three died of lightning in Thane district, a 45-year-old woman security guard drowned in an open drain in the MIDC area of Andheri, Mumbai, on Wednesday. While returning from office, the victim, Vinla Gaikwad, a resident of Powai's Milind Nagar, fell into an open stormwater drain around 9.20 p.m.

The fire brigade fished her out around 11.30 p.m. from Veravali Reservoir outlet, a few metres away from the spot, and rushed her to a nearby hospital, where doctors declared her brought dead, said Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) offi-



Commuters walk through a waterlogged road amid heavy rain in Mumbai. Four persons lost their lives due to the deluge. ANI

cials. Following her accidental death, BMC Commissioner Bhushan Gagrani on Thursday constituted a three-member committee and asked for a report within three days.

## Probe launched

The Mumbai police have also registered an accidental death report (ADR) and launched a probe. Calling the Ekath

Shinde-led *Mahayuti* government "inefficient", Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Aaditya Thackeray accused the current dispensation of failing to provide relief mechanisms for citizens during Wednesday's storms and heavy rains. "We, as the undivided Shiv Sena, were always present when needed. But yesterday, no one from the Sena-BJP alliance was on the

ground in Mumbai, Pune, or Thane to assist people. Even civic body officials were nowhere to be seen," he said.

The former Minister said the Western Express Highway in the State capital, a key route in the western suburbs, was submerged on Wednesday. "Such flooding on this highway had only been reported after the massive July 26 rains in 2005," he said.

Despite the city having 400 pumps and five pumping stations, they were ineffective in managing the situation, Mr. Thackeray claimed while emphasising the need for immediate civic body elections.

He pointed out that civic bodies are currently run by administrators reporting to the Urban Development Department, which falls under the Chief Minister. He also took aim at Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaisnaw, blaming him for train delays and overcrowding caused by

trains.

Congress MP Varsha Gaikwad echoed Mr. Thackeray's sentiments, raising several concerns around the BMC's monsoon preparedness. "Why did Vinla Gaikwad have to lose her life? Despite spending crores on drain cleaning and monsoon preparedness, why is Mumbai submerged every time it rains? And worse, why has an innocent life been lost due to sheer negligence?" she said.

## Precautions taken

The India Meteorological Department issued an orange alert for Mumbai and a red alert for Palghar district on Thursday. The BMC also declared Thursday an official holiday for all schools and colleges due to heavy rainfall. However, some private forecasters issued a red alert for Mumbai and Thane.

Meanwhile, 18 NDRF teams and six SDRF teams have been deployed across Maharashtra to combat any contingencies.