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Heavy inflows take Mettur water level to 108.4 ft.

Stanley reservoir storage rises to 76 tmcft.

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After receiving copious flow in the last five days, the inflow in the Stanley reservoir at Mettur dropped to 35,000 cusecs on Wednesday.

The inflow, which stood at 60,000 cusecs at 6 a.m., started reducing, and was at 35,000 cusecs in the evening.

At 4 p.m., the water level stood at 108.40 ft., against its full reservoir level of 120 ft., while the storage was 76.157 tmcft., against its capacity of 93.470 tmcft..

About 250 MW power is being generated at the dam and tunnel powerhouses, apart from 30 MW power generation each at the seven lower Mettur barrage power houses located across the Cauvery in Salem, Erode and Namakkal districts.

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ruppur villages, all located upstream of Mettur, as fishermen were warned against venturing into the river. Officials said people were continuously warned against entering the river and were asked to be cautious, as inflow might increase in the coming days.

Warning issued

With the Central Water Commission issuing warning over release of water in Cauvery from dams in Karnataka,

district administrations of Erode, Namakkal and Salem continued to warn people along the river, and in other low-lying areas, against venturing into the river.

A team of officials from the departments of revenue, police and fire and rescue services continued to monitor the river at Bhavani, Karungalpalayam and Kodumudi in Erode district; and at Kumarapalayam and Pallipalayam in Namakkal district.

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Kerala flood toll hits 102, rains to continue

PLIGHT 700K evacuated in K'taka, life limps back to normalcy in Maha

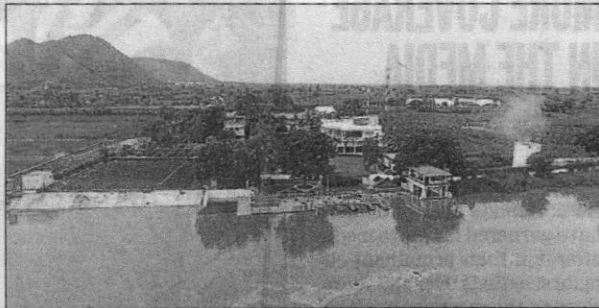
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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM/MANDSAUR/AMRAVATI: The death toll in Kerala due to flood and landslides rose to 102, even as torrential rains lashed central and north Kerala on Wednesday.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) office said heavy rains will continue in many parts of the state for two more days.

A family of three was washed away in Mandasaur, Madhya Pradesh resulting in the death of two, even as seven bodies were recovered in Karnataka, taking the death toll in the flood-affected state to 61. Till Tuesday, 49 deaths were reported in flood-related incidents in five western Maharashtra districts of Sangli, Kolhapur, Pune, Satara and Solapur, officials said.

In Kavalappara, in Kerala's Malappuram district, where a landslide decimated an entire village on the night of August 8, 29 people are still trapped in slush and debris. Rescue operations were disrupted on several occasions after heavy rains threatened further landslides, the state disaster management authority said. Over 88 landslides have already occurred in the state in the last week. Relief worth ₹10 lakh for those who have lost land and house, and ₹10,000 to each calamity-hit family staying in rescue camps, chief minister Pin-



■ Former CM Chandrababu Naidu's home on the banks of Krishna in Amaravati faced a threat due to rise in water level on Wednesday. HT

arayi Vijayan said.

Former Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu's home on the banks of river Krishna at Vundavalli in Amaravati faced a threat on Wednesday as the river water flooded steps located in the backyard. "The caretakers of the house have placed sandbags at the peripheries of the house in order to prevent entry of water into the premises. They also shifted Naidu's belongings, including furniture from ground floor to the first floor as a precautionary measure. His convoy of vehicles has been relocated to a private resort at Mangalagiri," an official familiar with the development, said.

Krishna river has received more than 4.41 lakh cusecs of water from Pulichintala dam. Officials lifted all the 70 gates of Prakasam barrage in Vijayawada to discharge nearly 1.50 lakh cusecs to the delta system.

At least 13 Odisha districts, including several coastal ones on the banks of Mahanadi and its distributaries, are bracing for a flood from Thursday with Hirakud reservoir all set to release the first floodwater of this monsoon. Bolangir, Sonepur and Kalahandi districts remained flooded, despite a let-up in the rain. More than 90% of Bolangir town has been inundated.

In Karnataka, nearly 700,000 have been evacuated till date. Meanwhile, life is slowly limping back to normalcy in Kolhapur and Sangli as the flood water has receded in these districts of Maharashtra and the key rivers there are now also flowing below the danger mark.

Till Tuesday, 645,000 people were shifted to safer locations in Kolhapur and Sangli, which have been the worst affected following heavy rains in western Maharashtra and Konkan region.

'Heavy rain alert, rivers levels may rise'

The possibility of isolated heavy to very heavy rain in the ghat regions of Madhya Maharashtra has gone up on Wednesday, after which the Central Water Commission (CWC) sounded off an alert stating that due to the forecast, the water levels in many rivers may rise again.

Meanwhile, cities like Sangli, Satara, Kolhapur may only see light rains on Wednesday, while Pune city may see light to moderate rains as per IMD. TNN

norms and suggest guidelines to address flooding issue. "We will also ask the committee to study building norms and areas that are vulnerable to floods, and measures that can be taken to shift those people to a safer spot," he said.

The government had, in 2017, approved a report of The Energy and Resources Institute Delhi, which suggested a climate change action plan for Maharashtra. The state had accepted all 14 recommendations, including protecting areas around the origins of rivers and ensuring plantation of trees to prevent soil erosion and reduce intensity of floods. But no panel was formed to implement the plan, said an official.

Earlier, the state had directed all district collectors to prepare disaster management plans in line with climate change indicators after taking into consideration the geographical conditions of their respective district. Protecting forests with local participation, adopting crop pattern with changing climate patterns, creating climate-proof villages and judicious use of water were some of the recommendations of the climate change policy announced by the state government.

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Drought, floods deal grain shock to state

Rice supply in APMC markets down by 30%, govt says no shortage of stocks

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Rice production has slumped in the state due to the double whammy of drought and floods, with supply in Agriculture Produce Marketing Committee (APMC) markets down by 30%

compared to last year.

Soaring temperatures and drought conditions in north Karnataka had hit sowing of paddy, sorgham and other major crops during the rabi season. The incessant rain that came later has come as a new worry to the government.

Quoting initial assessment reports, officials in the agriculture department said about 5.2 lakh hectares of agriculture land was flooded. "The water is yet to recede from the fields. The sowing has come to a full stop in most of the 21 districts, especially in the 'rice belt of Karnataka'. Those farmers who had completed the sowing



Consumers could be hit as rice supply has slumped.

in flood-hit areas believe they have lost the crop," a senior official said.

As per data from the real-time dashboard (Kripa) that monitors the arrivals at

176 mandis of the APMC, there was a drop of more than 30% in the arrivals of paddy.

Traders are already dipping into their stocks to meet the needs of the public. A major part of paddy comes from Ballari, Raichur, Tumakuru besides Andhra Pradesh, areas which have been hit by floods.

T N Prakash Kammaradi, Chairman of the Karnataka Agricultural Prices Commission, admitted that there may be drop in production. But more than consumers, farmers will be hit hard as money and hard work that went into sowing was wasted.

"Any hike in the rice price

will not affect a major part of the population as it is covered by PDS scheme. On the other hand, we are worried about farmers, most of who could not venture to sow the rabi crop due to lack of storage in dams for irrigation. The little that was sown has been destroyed by floods," he said.

Agriculture Department secretary Rajender Kumar Kataria said they have stocks to meet the demand. "Over the last 10 years, rice production has been static. If it goes down due to drought and flood, we have stocks to meet the shortfall. We will take steps necessary to avoid crisis," he added.

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Flood fury claims more lives, rescue ops intensify in 4 states

At 91, Toll Highest In Kerala, Red Alert Issued For Two Cities

Thiruvananthapuram/ Mumbai/ Bengaluru: The death toll in flood-affected states mounted to 225 on Tuesday, with 91 perishing since August 8 in Kerala where more rain has been forecast, even as the weather in deluge-hit Karnataka and Maharashtra improved, allowing authorities to speed up rescue operations.

Odisha, which is being battered by heavy showers since last week, on Tuesday saw a flood-like situation in parts of the state and the forecast is of more rains in the next two days.

Besides Kerala, 54 have died in Karnataka, 49 in Maharashtra and 31 in Gujarat in floods and related incidents. Two rain-related deaths were also reported from Uttar Pradesh where several parts saw heavy overnight showers.

In Kerala, a red alert has been issued for Malappuram and Kozhikode as extremely heavy rains are expected in central areas of the state.

The flood-hit northern parts are limping back to normalcy, officials said. The state government update on Tuesday put the toll at 91 since August 8 and said the toll is likely to go up as 59 people are still missing.

The death toll in five western Maharashtra districts over nine days due to flood-related incidents reached 49,



(Top) An IAF helicopter descends on Karnataka's Hampi island to rescue as many as 365 tourists who were stranded due to the flood on Monday; (above) an aerial view of flood-affected areas of Kolhapur on Tuesday



officials said. However, the meteorological department forecast could increase worries of the administration as Kolhapur and Sangli districts in western Maharashtra are still struggling to emerge from the massive floods that had swamped the region. It has predicted heavy to very heavy showers at isolated places in hilly areas in Pune, Kolhapur and Satara districts of the state on Wednesday.

The situation in Karnataka's flood and heavy rain af-

fect districts has improved and inflows in reservoirs are also steadily decreasing, an official update issued by the government said on Tuesday. The death rose to 54 on Tuesday and nearly four lakh people are lodged in 1,151 relief camps, as per official data.

Due to incessant rains in Odisha, trains were affected in western parts as water was flowing over the tracks in some places in Boudh, Bolangir, Kalahandi, Kandhamal and Sonepur districts. AGENCIES

Flood victims bid adieu to soldiers with rakhis, tears

Chikkamagaluru: It was an emotional moment for the people of Mudigere in Chikkamagaluru as the Army jawans involved in rescue operations began to leave on Tuesday after the flood waters started receding and the situation started improving.

Learning that the Army men were leaving the village after extending help in the rescue operations in the past few days, the villagers gathered around to bid them farewell.

With folded hands and tears in their eyes, people stood in queue as the soldiers started loading their baggage on their vehicles.

Forgetting all their woes of losing belongings and cattle in the floods, it was women staying in the relief camps who took the lead. They performed 'arati' to the soldiers, tied rakhis on their wrists and put vermilion on their forehead.

Bowing their heads with folded hands, the soldiers watched in silence as emotions ran high.

A few of the Army jawans were also in tears.

Most the soldiers were from north India, who barely understood Kannada but the language was not a barrier to feel the sentiments of the people. AGENCIES

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Toll rises to 92 in rain-battered Kerala

More heavy rainfall forecast for 48 hours

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
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The death toll in rain-related incidents in Kerala went up to 92 on Tuesday, even as the southwest monsoon again showed signs of intensifying over Kerala, sparking fears of fresh flooding.

The India Meteorology Department (IMD) has issued a heavy rainfall warning for eight districts for Wednesday. According to a bulletin issued by the weather office on Tuesday evening, the low-pressure area in the Bay of Bengal is likely to become more marked during the next 48 hours, triggering widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall and extremely heavy falls at some places in Kerala.

A red alert indicating the likelihood of extremely heavy rainfall (above 204.4 mm) has been issued for Malappuram and Kozhikode while an orange alert indicating isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall (64.5 to 204.4 mm) is in place for Idukki, Thrissur, Palakkad, Wayanad, Kannur and Kasaragod districts on Wednesday.

A holiday has been de-



Waiting for his master's voice: Shivan Pallath's pet has been waiting for him at the site where his house stood at Kavalappara, near Nilambur. Shivan and his five-member family are feared trapped under a huge layer of mud unleashed by last Thursday's landslide. The body of Shivan's father was recovered on Monday. • SAKHER HUSSAIN

clared for educational institutions in Alappuzha, Idukki, Kottayam, Ernakulam, Thrissur, Kozhikode, Wayanad, Malappuram, and Kannur on Wednesday.

Strong winds likely

Strong winds and rough seas are also likely along and off the coast of Kerala and Karnataka and the Lakshadweep

areas till Thursday. Fishermen are advised not to venture into the sea.

By Tuesday evening, 2,24,506 persons were shifted from flood-hit places to 1,243 relief camps across the State.

As many as 1,057 houses were destroyed and 11,142 damaged. According to official figures, 34 persons were

'Bravery of Wayanad people truly humbling'

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Congress leader Rahul Gandhi has praised the flood-hit people of his Lok Sabha constituency, Wayanad, saying the bravery and dignity displayed by them in the face of tragedy was "truly humbling."

"I left Wayanad with nothing but pride for the people I represent," Mr. Gandhi wrote on his Facebook page. He left Kerala on Tuesday morning after winding up his two-day visit to Wayanad ravaged by floods and landslips.

"The display of bravery and dignity in the face of

immense tragedy is truly humbling. It is such an honour and pleasure to be your MP. Thank you Kerala," he wrote.

Mr. Gandhi had visited flood-hit areas including worst-hit Puthumala in Wayanad district and Kavalappara near Nilambur in Malappuram district.

At Puthumala and Kavalappara, where landslips wreaked havoc last week, many people are still feared to be trapped beneath the debris.

Mr. Gandhi has urged the Central and State governments to "aggressively support" the people hit by the national calamity.

injured and 61 reported missing in various incidents as on Tuesday.

CM visits sites

Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Revenue Minister E. Chandrasekharan, accompanied by senior officials, visited the flood-ravaged areas in Wayanad and Malappuram. The team comprising

Chief Secretary Tom Jose, Additional Chief Secretary Vishwas Mehta, State Police Chief Loknath Behera and Principal Secretary (Revenue) V. Venu made an aerial survey of the affected areas.

Mr. Vijayan also visited various relief camps in Wayanad and Malappuram areas and reviewed the relief operations.

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FLOOD WOES: CM Pinarayi Vijayan visits northern parts of the state; assures maximum help

Red alert again in Kerala, toll rises to 94

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DHNS

The IMD on Tuesday forecast extremely heavy rains in Malappuram and Kozhikode district in north Kerala on Wednesday and a red alert was sounded again even as efforts were on to trace over 55 missing people.

Many low-lying areas of the state like Kuttanad in Alappuzha remained flooded.

Rain was reported from many parts of Alappuzha and Kollam on Tuesday too.

According to official figures, the death toll till Tuesday evening was 91. However, there were reports that three more bodies were recovered by the evening, taking the total to 94.

Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan visited the landslide-hit areas in Malappuram and Wayanad on Tuesday and assured that the government will ensure proper rehabilitation.

The Cabinet meeting on Wednesday is likely to announce the initial assistance and rehabilitation plans.

At Kavalapara in Malappuram, where around 40 people were still missing, four bodies were recovered on Tuesday.

Three bodies, suspected to be that of an army personnel's

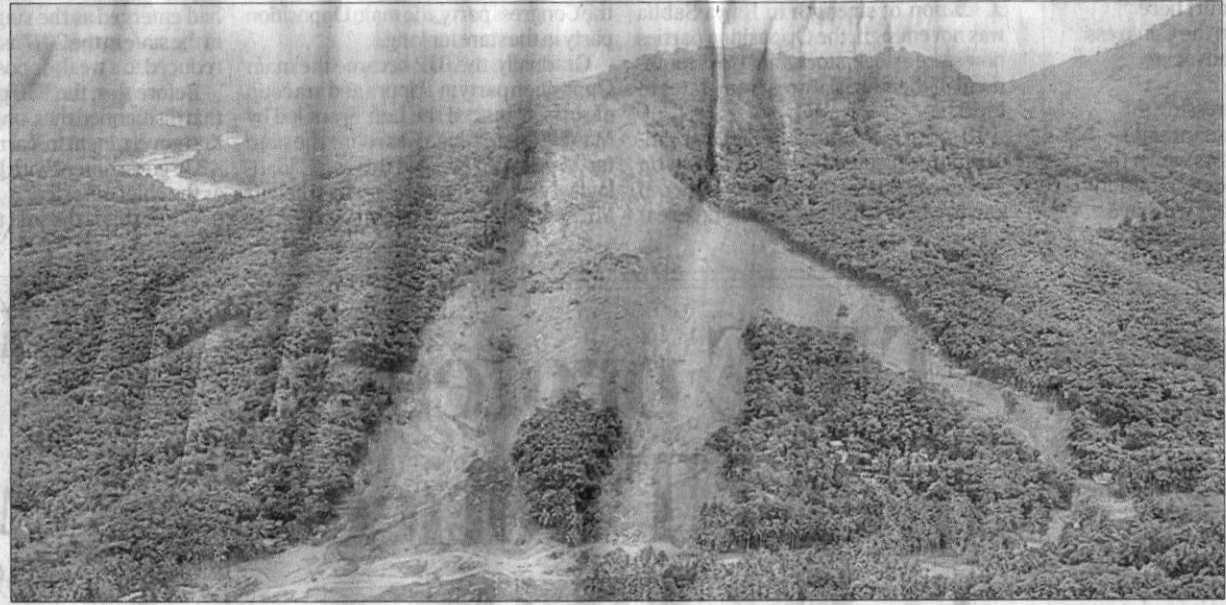
family, were reportedly recovered on Tuesday evening. DNA tests might be required to confirm the identities, said revenue department sources.

Though the rescue workers spotted many houses beneath the debris of the landslide, no one could be found inside the houses. Hence, it was suspected that many might have been caught in the debris while trying to escape the landslide.

About 10 people were missing from various others parts of Malappuram district, while seven were missing at Puthumala in Wayanad.

As many as 2.26 lakh people have taken shelter in 1,239 relief camps across the state.

As many as 1,057 houses were fully damaged and 11,159 houses were partially damaged in the natural calamities so far.



The site of landslide which affected several houses at Muthappankunnu in Kerala's Malappuram district, on Tuesday. PTI

Couple refuses to leave dogs at floods' mercy

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, DHNS: Even as their neighbours moved to relief camps after floodwater entered their houses, Sunitha (41) and her husband Shinto didn't leave their home as more than 40 stray dogs under their care would be left at the mercy of the water.

"Whenever we went out

to have some food, the dogs would start whining. Many of them have survived the 2018 floods. Hence we don't feel like going to relief camps leaving them here," says Sunitha, a resident of Thalikulam, about 20 km from Thrissur town. Sunitha has been taking care of stray dogs for the past four years. While their thatched

house has very little space for Sunitha and Shinto, the couple accommodated the dogs as they loved them.

Sunitha works as a collection agent for a private financial firm and Shinto is an autorickshaw driver. Whatever meagre income they earn is spent on the dogs.

"Last year when the flood-

waters entered here, we struggled a lot as there was not even a proper kennel for the 25 odd dogs with us then. NGOs and animal lovers after hearing about our plight provided us kennels by spending about Rs 1.5 lakh. Thanks to them, dogs are safe now even if flood water raises by a couple of feet as kennels are built on a raised

platform," Sunitha told *DH*.

Animal lovers also use to send food and medicines for the dogs. Sunitha started taking care of dogs when one of her neighbours wanted to abandon puppies of a stray that delivered at their house. Thereafter people started leaving injured and stray dogs under the couple's care.

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Flood toll in Kerala increases to 88, heavy rain warning in three districts

NEW DELHI, Aug 13: The death toll in the Kerala floods increased to 88 on Tuesday with an "extremely heavy rain" warning issued for three districts, even as the weather in deluge-hit Karnataka and Gujarat improved, allowing authorities to speed up rescue and relief operations.

Odisha, which is being battered by heavy showers since last week, on Tuesday saw a flood-like situation in parts of the State. The flood toll stands at 210, with 88 deaths in Kerala, 43 in Maharashtra, 42 in Karnataka and 31 in Gujarat. Two rain-related deaths were also reported from Uttar Pradesh where several parts saw heavy overnight showers.

In Kerala, a red alert has been issued for Ernakulam, Idduki and Alappuzha

as extremely heavy rains are expected in central areas of the State. The flood-hit northern parts are slowly limping back to normalcy, officials said.

Due to strengthening of low pressure in the Bay of Bengal, extremely heavy rains are expected to lash several parts of the State, Director of the India Meteorological Department (IMD) in Thiruvananthapuram K Santosh said. The State government update at 9 am on Tuesday put the death toll at 88 since August 8 and said the toll is likely to go up as 40 people are still missing.

Rescue operations in Maharashtra's flood-hit Kolhapur and Sangli districts are over, officials said, adding that with waters receding, the focus is now more on providing essential supplies to the

affected people.

The situation has also improved in flood and heavy rain affected districts of Karnataka and inflows in reservoirs are also steadily decreasing, an official update issued by the government said on Tuesday said.

"Flood situation is normalising. The water has started receding in many flood-affected districts and flood situation has improved," it said.

The Karnataka government has decided to celebrate the country's Independence Day in a "simple" way as most parts of the State are affected by floods and incessant rains.

In the past seven days, the Indian Navy has rescued over 14,000 people from flood-affected areas of Maharash-

tra, Goa and Karnataka under operation 'Varsha Rahat'.

Forty-one Navy teams were deployed in difficult terrains of the three States where they used advanced light helicopters and also boats to reach the marooned areas, he said.

Due to incessant rains in Odisha, train services were affected in parts of the State as water was flowing over the tracks in some places in Boudh, Bolangir, Kalahandi, Kandhamal and Sonepur districts.

With more rainfall likely to occur over the next three days due to formation of a low pressure area over the Bay of Bengal, district administrations have been asked to be prepared to deal with possible flood. — PTI