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# Breach in Ghaggar floods 3,000 acres of paddy fields

## In major rejig, over 100 police officers shifted

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SANGRUR, JULY 18

Flood threat looms large over many villages and Moonak town in the district as the 25-ft-wide breach in ghaggar near Phullad village widened to nearly 60 ft this morning.

Water has spread to around 3,000 acres of paddy fields of surrounding villages and also reached the outskirts of Moonak. Though Sangrur DC Ghanshyam Thori called the Army and the NDRF after getting information about breach, it could not be plugged and further widened as Ghaggar has been flowing at its full capacity of 749.07 ft, where 750 ft is the danger level.

Area residents accused drainage department officers of not carrying out the much-needed repairs of Ghaggar. Some officers said they had not received funds for the purpose.

Former local MLA Parminder Singh Dhindsa, who visited the spot, alleged, "The Sangrur administration and the state government have failed to take timely action to prevent



A breach in the Ghaggar floods a field at Phullad village

### Surrounding villages hit

The breach has flooded fields in Salemarh, Moonak, Phullad and other surrounding villages

"We are required to plug the breach. The situation is serious."

the widening of the breach. Farmers are working on their own to plug the breach. We will take up the issue with the government and seek compensation for the affected farmers.

Leader of Opposition Cheema alleged that

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CHANDIGARH, JULY 18

In a major reshuffle in the police department, the government today brought back Harpreet Singh Sidhu as head of the Special Task Force (STF) against drugs and posted IG Praveen Kumar Sinha as head of the prisons department. The government has also posted eight new SSPs.

The government has been under pressure for the past few weeks on the issue of drugs abuse and smuggling, besides increasing incidents of violence in the jails.

Sources said a number of Congress MLAs had approached the CM demanding Sidhu's re-posting as STF head. They cited rise in the number of drugs related cases in the state.

Among more than 30 officers shuffled, the government sprang a surprise by posting for the first time Khanna SSP Dhruv Dahiya as Tarn Taran SSP. Dahiya was shifted out of Khanna after a controversy

CONTROVERSIES INVOLVING TOP

AIG Harpreet Singh Sidhu is back as head of the Special Task Force (STF) against drugs. Sidhu was posted as principal secretary to the CM last year after controversy. Under him, the STF had summoned former Moga SSP Raj Jit Singh for questioning in a case of alleged drug smuggling by Inspector Inderjeet Singh. The controversy led to a showdown between DGP-rank officers. Later, the CM inter-



Khanna SSP Dhruv Dahiya has been posted as Tarn Taran SSP. Dahiya was shifted after a controversy over an alleged illegal raid and recovery of ₹16 crore from a Jalandhar priest a couple of months ago.

for the rank up to ADGP. ADGP Gurpreet Deo has been transferred as ADGP Crime. SSP Sandeep Goel has been transferred to...



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# Average monsoon rain is going down, but extreme flooding is increasing

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**NEWDELHI:** The north-east, especially Assam, has witnessed a "significant decreasing" trend in the average monsoon rainfall since 1870 even as extreme rainfall or sudden downpour days that lead to frequent flooding are on the rise, studies based on India Meteorological Department (IMD) data show.

Floods, which are an annual phenomenon in Assam, have marooned 30 of the 33 districts of the state affecting around 4.28 million people, according to the state disaster management authority officials. (By Wednesday, the number of districts affected had reduced by one). They, however, claimed deaths were lesser this year because of "government preparedness". As compared to 30 deaths this year, 45 people died in floods in 2018, 85 in 2017 and 38 people in 2016, according to Assam government data.

The long-term rainfall data for Assam, however, shows a decreasing trend that has accelerated since 1981. The annual average rainfall for Assam is 1,524.6 mm. The average rainfall deficiency between 1871 and 2016 was 0.74 mm per decade, but in the period between 1981-2016, the average rainfall deficiency has been 5.95 mm per decade.

A study conducted by Pune-based Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM) last year

## ASSAM, EAST UP, MEGHALAYA AND SUB-HIMALAYAN WEST BENGAL HAVE SHOWN A DECREASING TREND IN AVERAGE RAINFALL SINCE 1870. AS PER DATA

made this observation based on IMD data. In the same period, east Uttar Pradesh, and Meghalaya and sub-Himalayan West Bengal have also shown a decreasing trend in average rainfall, while an increasing trend can be seen in East Rajasthan, Saurashtra, Kutch and Diu, the study found.

The study, based on the monsoon rainfall data between 1871 and 2016 for 306 rain gauge stations across India also showed that the mean monsoon rainfall has also decreased "significantly" — about 10 percentage points — for other north-eastern states of Nagaland, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura during the same period.

Thus, the amount of rainfall in this region is falling, and the deficiency is widening. M Rajeevan, who co-authored the study with D R Kothwale, confirmed that the average rainfall pattern in Assam was indeed falling, especially during the monsoon months.

However, a look at the daily rainfall data clearly indicates

that days where there have been sudden downpours [or extreme rainfall events] have in fact increased, thus leading to extreme flooding in several parts of the Brahmaputra valley in the state, Rajeevan pointed out.

As one-fourth of the total rainfall during four monsoon months (June to September) happens in July, according to the IITM study, the probability of flooding during July is the highest. Various studies in the past have shown that average monsoon rainfall in India was falling whereas extreme rainfall events have increased by about 5%.

Indeed, this might be one of the reasons why we do not perceive the problem: we assume that since there is flooding, it must mean that the season's rainfall has been excessive.

### NOT A SMALL DEAL

The average monsoon rainfall deficiency of 5.95 mm per decade may seem insignificant, but when seen in tandem with district-wise rain data, the rainfall pattern within the state reveals a variance. For example, Dhubri district received 69.8 mm per decade less rainfall between 1986 and 2015, according to a study titled Variability and Trends of Rainfall Events in the Brahmaputra Valley of Assam published in International Journal of Current Microbiology and Applied sciences in 2017.

The 2017 study said the Brahmaputra and Barak are two main

rivers of Assam and their basins cover 56,194 sq km and 22,244 sq km respectively of the state's total geographical area of about 78,438 sq km. "Due to ecological and climate difference from one place to another, these valleys always experience, from time to time, both excessive as well as insufficient rainfall, as [a] result [of which] agricultural production [is] often seriously affected," the study said. The study on rainfall in the Brahmaputra valley showed a weakening relationship between El Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO), and the Indian monsoon might be the possible reasons of decreasing frequency of rainfall events in Assam.

"These decreases in monsoon depressions over the Bay of Bengal might have played a major role in the decrease in the amount of monsoon rainfall in the Brahmaputra valley during the period of study," the study said.

However, the cause of floods in Assam may not necessarily be rainfall within the state alone. Experts say the rainfall in China and Bhutan also contributes to flooding in the state. "Both Brahmaputra and Barak rivers and their tributaries originate in other countries and [their] waters flow downstream... This year also, there has been heavy rainfall in China and Bhutan which has caused the flooding," an official of Assam's disaster management authority said.



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## Tigress in bed newest face of Assam flood crisis

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**GUWAHATI:** Its home was flooded and it was tired, so an adult Royal Bengal tigress decided to take shelter in a house close to the Kaziranga National Park in Assam, which has been all but submerged by flood water.

Photographs of the big cat resting peacefully (but looking visibly exhausted) on a bed in the house went viral on social media; park officials said the tigress may have come out of the park in the morning with the idea of moving to safer and higher ground located on the other side of Asian Highway 1, which passes outside the park.

Wet and bedraggled, the temptation of a warm bed must have been too much for the tigress.

Nearly 90% of the park, spread across 430 sq km, and which is the largest habitat of one-horned rhinoceros in the world, has been under water for the past four days and dozens of wild animals have drowned or been hit by vehicles while trying to escape across the highway to higher ground.

According to the Assam forest department's last count, around 57 animals including seven of the rhinoceros — the one-horned rhinoceros is clas-

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■ The tigress took shelter in the house for 10 hours.

### Tiger

sified as a threatened species under the IUCN Red List — have been killed. IUCN is short for the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

By 6pm, the animal came out of the house after some "prodding" and moved towards the neighbouring Karbi Anglong district. At 8:30pm, the animal was in a vegetable garden area and park officials were monitoring its movement to ensure its safety, park director P Sivakumar said, adding that residents of the area had been evacuated.

The house where it was resting, at Harmoti, is owned by a man called Motilal. He couldn't immediately be reached for comment.

Park officials have called in forest and police personnel, and wildlife experts and veterinarians to ensure that the animal is not harmed by residents and doesn't get scared.

"The entire operation to allow safe passage to the tigress took around one hour. The highway was blocked, crackers were burst and some blank shots fired to make the animal leave the house and move out. Thankfully, we didn't have to resort to tranquilizing the animal and the operation passed smoothly," said Rathin Barman, joint director, Wildlife Trust of India.

Forest officials were hoping that the animal left the shelter on its own as tranquilizing the tigress was a riskier option.

"We are providing protection to the animal till night and hoping that it will move out on its own," Barman had said earlier.

The Kaziranga national park



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**ON ALERT** IMD predicts more casualties in Meghalaya revised in Assam, 400 NRC case hearing pending; Army repairs 50-foot

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**KAMRUP/PATNA/CHANDIGARH:** Parts of northern India remained under water as the flood situation showed no signs of relenting in Assam and Bihar, even as the states' disaster management departments revised death toll figures. In Bihar, 78 persons have died, including 18 in Sitamarhi district, which borders Nepal. The northern part of the state is grappling with floods caused by torrential rains in Nepal, where reports indicate that 90 people have died. More than 5.5 million people in 12 districts of Bihar are affected by the floods.

In Assam, the death toll rose to 39 on Thursday, with 28 districts submerged, and at least 5.4 million people displaced. Barpeta is the worst-hit district with 1.34 million people affected by the deluge, which has damaged over 4,000 houses across the state and affected over 2.5 million animals.

With two more deaths in Meghalaya, the death toll due to flooding rose to eight, and over 155,000 people are affected. The West Garo Hills district remained flooded, according to reports.

In all, over 10 million people have been affected due to the floods.

More than 250,000 people were living in relief camps across Assam, even as many have set up camps on roads.

"There is no drinking water. We are drinking the river water," said Kamla Begum, pointing to a bucket full of muddy water of the Brahmaputra. "We have nothing to light the fire. We cannot even boil the water," she said.

Meanwhile, for Abul Hussain, who is living at the relief camp in Kalandia, the floods have struck fear in his heart, as six of his children have received notice for a hearing at the National Register of Citizens, though their names are in the latest draft. They were meant to visit Changsari town on Tuesday but could not go. "I fear they may cut their name from the NRC list," Hussain said.

Dhrubajyoti Hatibaru, Circle Officer, Goroimari said, "There

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