## **ODISHA FLOOD 2022**

No end to misery: Flood in Mahanadi river system leaves lowresidents lying areas in lurch

Farmers are staring at uncertainty regaining their lost economy and sustain their livelihoods

Without sanitary pads, women girls & marooned villages experience inexpressible hardship

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Over 2.5 lakh people in 425 villages have remained marooned, whilst a total of over 4.67 lakh people in 10 districts have been affected
- The life of around 2.75 lakh people from 380 villages under 65-gram panchayats in Puri district has been thrown out of gear for past few days as they remain surrounded by flood water
- Amid flood threats in various areas of the state, the Odisha government has asked Collectors of 10 districts to distribute 15 days ration and free sanitary pads to girls and women in the affected areas.

### **PURI DISTRICT**

• GPs affected: 65

Villages: 380

• People: 275000

People marooned till date: 245200

• People evacuated:52000

• Free kitchens: 50

• Livestock affected:

o Big: 50000

o Small: 18000

o Poultry: 62000

Crop area affected: 9171 Ha



# **SLEEPLESS**

Floods in Mahanadi River system have left thousands of families homeless. Due to the heavy rainfall and subsequent flood, over 2.5 lakh people in 425 villages have remained marooned, whilst a total of over 4.67 lakh people in 10 districts have been affected. Even though floodwater has receded, there is no end to their suffering. On the other hand, flood in tributaries of Mahanadi River has opened gates of misery for millions of people. The flood water has entered villages and agricultural fields and flew over several bridges in the districts of Puri, Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara, Khurda, Sambalpur, Subarnapur, Boudh and Cuttack districts. The situation became complicated with 7 breaches.

The worst affected districts are Puri and Jagatsinghpur. The life of around 1.5 lakh people from 201 villages under 55-gram panchayats in Puri district has been thrown out of gear for past few days as they remain surrounded by flood water. Mostly belonging to Gop, Nimapara, Delang, Kanas, Astarang, Pipili and Puri Sadar, most of which continue to remain inundated, residents are seen taking refuge on roads and river embankments without food and water.



### **UNCERTAINTY LIVELIHOODS!**

The flood has ruined crops raised on thousands of hectares of land by farmers. Vegetables grown in the farmland in the affected areas have been severely damaged due to the flood. Many farmers who have grown seasonal vegetables and paddy after taking loans have incurred huge losses due to the flood. They had availed loans for cultivation from cooperative societies and banks. After incurring losses, they are staring at the uncertainty of regaining their lost economy and sustain their livelihoods.



### **SUCCOR FOR THE AFFECTED ONES!**

The Chief Minister made an aerial survey of the Mahanadi delta area falling between Luna, Chitratola, and Paika rivers in Kendrapara district, Kujang and Naugaon in Jagatsinghpur district, Gop, Nimapara, Astarang, Delang, Pipili and Kanas areas of Puri district and announced succor for the affected in the calamity for the next 15 days. At the same time, the district administrations are directed to provide a free supply of sanitary napkins to the girls and women in the affected areas.