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## No let-up in monsoon misery



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There seems to be no respite from the ravaging flood waters (/taxonomy/term/2337) in Assam on Monday. A steep rise in the water levels of the Brahmaputra (/taxonomy/term/2226) and its tributaries have compounded the scene where 15 districts have been reeling under the surging waters (/taxonomy/term/2337).

According to government information, the current flood waves have affected nearly 5 lakh people who have been rendered homeless. Nearly 75,000 people have been taking shelters in the relief camps (/taxonomy/term/2017) while thousands of others have been remaining trapped.

The flood waters (/taxonomy/term/2337) have claimed yet another person on Sunday and with this the toll has gone up to 3. In Lakhimpur district alone, one person died and over (/taxonomy/term/2166) 50,000 people covering 130 villages have reeling under flood where vital roads (/taxonomy/term/2454) and bridges have been ravaged with the last couple of days.

Same scene prevails in Bongaigaon where the flash flood affected 22,000 people covering 30 villages in Srijangram and Bijni (/taxonomy/term/1778). Crops covering an area of 3,245 hectares have been damaged by the flood waters (/taxonomy/term/2337).

The situation is different in Goalpara where the current flood waves submerged around 45 villages affecting more than 20,000 people in Lakhimpur.

The river Brahmaputra (/taxonomy/term/2226) and its tributaries Jiabharali, Gabharu, Belsiri and Panchnoi have been flowing dangerously submerged in Sonitpur district. The worst-hit areas include Bhumuraguri, Kacharipam and Rajgar villages.

Army and NDRF personnel have been stepped up relief and rescue operations in the worst-hit districts which include Barpeta, Lakhimpur, Dibrugarh, Jorhat, Sivasagar, Sonitpur, Dhemaji.



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