



### **Special Flood Relief by SMC due to heavy Rainfall**

Sambalpur district is known as multi hazard district and vulnerable in term of flood drought. Sambalpur is functioning actively in the district with an aim of good preparedness, response and rehabilitation. Heavy downpour triggered by the low pressure in the Bay there are 520mm rain fall in western Odisha and Sambalpur are in flood. Peoples are in relief camp. There are 6,000 people who had taken shelter in 34 relief camps in Sambalpur. The incessant rain, which continued for the second day, affected different places in sambalpur. Disruption of communication and damage to life and property in limited scale.

Burla received all time record of 622 mm rainfall. This is the highest ever rainfall recorded by any station in Odisha as ascertained from the India Meteorological Centre, Bhubaneswar. This has crossed the previous highest rainfall of 581.9 mm recorded by the IMD's rain gauge station at Sambalpur on August 19, 1982," the office of Special Relief Commissioner said. The heavy downpour and flash floods have caused two deaths each in Sambalpur. Officials said rain affected around 1.25 lakh people and damaged 726 houses in Sambalpur where around 4,000 people were shifted to 25 temporary shelters and relief camps in different parts of the district. However, free kitchens have been arranged for evacuated people in Sambalpur

The residents of Sambalpur and its peripheral areas faced a lot of problems because of the heavy rain. More than 7,000 people were affected by floodwaters and about 6,000 took shelter in the relief camps set up by the district administration. 4,000 people were shifted to 25 temporary shelters and relief camps in different parts of sambalpur district.

- Blocks adffected – 9 (Jujumura, Dhanakauda, Rengali, Maneswar, Kuchinda, Jamankira, Bamra, Rairakhol, Naktideula)
- Villages Affected – 125 ➤ ULB Affected – 1 (Sambalpur Municipal Corporation)
- Population Affected – 1, 50,000
- Houses damaged – 822 (Partially)
- 6600 people evacuated and sheltered in relief camps

- 22 relief camps opened and 6600 provided with free kitchen
- Human Casualty – 2

The well-prepared district administration, with active support of SMC authorities and staffs, voluntary organizations and youth bodies, swung into action and rescued the marooned people. All field functionaries are immediately ready and draw up an emergency plan to meet and tackle the situation overnight eventually. Dry food and cooked food were served to them at regular intervals. Biscuits and milk were served to children. The district administration opened a control room in which collector Verma and Honorable MLA Sambalpur Raseswari Panigrahi took stock of the situation. They visited affected areas, relief camps and supervised the distribution of food materials. Medical teams also conducted health check-ups and provided medicines to the people suffering from cold and fever.

The district revenue officials coming under various tahasils have been instructed to submit total damage report from their respective areas. SMC has submitted Flood damage estimation report to Govt.



**Honorable MLA Sambalpur visited the place**



**SMC Executive Engineer is distributing the food in relief camp**



**DM & Collector, Nodal Co of SMC, EE, SMC with Honourable MLA Sambalpur**



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