

Rasuwa-Bhotekoshi Flood: Search, Rescue and Relief Response

Situation Report # 03

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This report has been prepared by the NDRRMA based on information received from DAO and District/National Emergency Operation Centers. It summarizes the response actions undertaken for search, rescue, and relief management following the Rasuwa-Bhotekoshi flood situation.

Highlights

- The Command Post has been activated to enhance the effectiveness of search, rescue, and relief operations across flood-affected regions. To ensure a structured response, operations are coordinated through 16 thematic emergency teams dedicated to restoring essential services, including healthcare, telecommunications, road networks, power supply, and the management of deceased individuals.
- A total of 304 patients received treatment across 18 health institutions; among them, 200 have been discharged, 70 remain under treatment, 30 were referred to other hospitals, and 4 passed away during treatment.
- Hospitals currently providing treatment to those injured in the floods include:
 - Hospitals in Rasuwa and Nuwakot: Rasuwa District Hospital (Dhunchu), Trishuli Hospital (Bidur, Nuwakot), and Ayurvedic Hospital (Pipltar, Nuwakot).
 - Government and Security Forces Hospitals in the Kathmandu Valley: National Trauma Center (Mahabouddha), Bir Hospital (Mahabouddha), Shree Birendra Hospital (Chhauni), Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital (Maharajgunj), Patan Academy of Health Sciences (Lalitpur), Paropakar Maternity and Women's Hospital (Thapathali), and Nepal A.P.F. Hospital (Balambu).
 - Private and Teaching Hospitals: Manmohan Memorial Medical College and Teaching Hospital (Swayambhu), Norvic International Hospital (Thapathali), Subham International Hospital (Manamaiju), Green City Hospital (Tokha), HAMS Hospital (Dhumbarahi), Chirayu National Hospital (Basundhara), and Grande International Hospital (Tokha).
- As per respective District Administration Office, 1,141 affected persons are currently taking shelter in 11 holding centres in Rasuwa, 3,181 persons in 24 holding centres in Nuwakot, and 199 persons in 3 holding centres in Dhading. In total, 4,521 affected persons are currently taking shelter across 38 holding centres in the three districts.
- The 11th and 12th meetings of the Monsoon Response Command Post, held today at 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM under the chairmanship of Dr. Dharmaraj Upreti, Executive Chief of the NDRRMA, decided to manage hearse vehicles, arrange temporary accommodation in Kathmandu as well as onward travel arrangements home for 114 Nepalese returning via the Tatopani border crossing, and operate transport via an alternative route by upgrading the Benighat–Fisling road section following the road obstruction at Krishnabhir.
- Nepali, Indian Chinese and Korean rescue teams continue to be mobilized for joint search and rescue operations at hydropower project sites, including Rasuwagadhi (120 MW), Langgang (20 MW), Chilime (22 MW), Upper Trishuli-1 (216 MW), Trishuli 3A (60 MW), Trishuli 3B (37 MW), and Mailung Khola (5 MW).
- With almost all mobile towers (sites) along the flood-affected corridor back in operation, services have been restored across most areas from Dhading up to the Rasuwa border.



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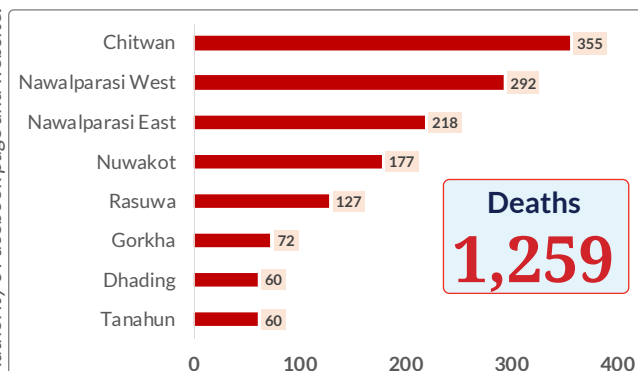
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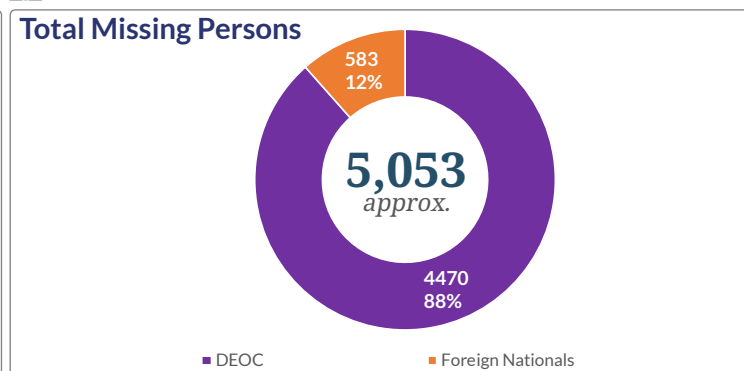


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Human Casualties Death toll, including recovered human remains



Missing



Injured
5,384
Treated
304

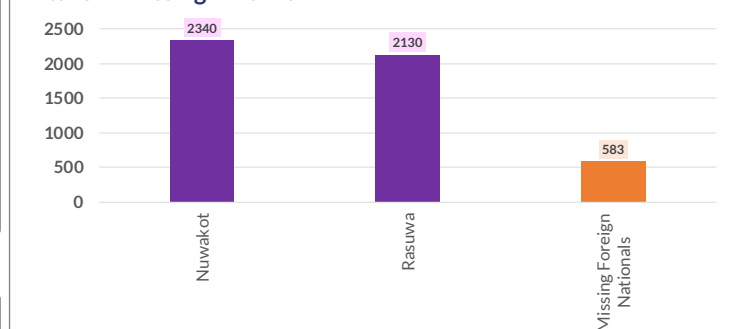
- Number of people provided health treatment by the Nepal Army: 3,206
- Number of people provided health treatment by the Armed Police Force: 1,874

Infrastructure Damage

Telecommunication

- Nepal Telecom: Out of a total of 120 towers, 116 towers have been brought into operation.
- Ncell: Out of a total of 78 towers, 75 towers have been brought into operation.

Details of Missing Persons



- Cooking Gas Supply Management: As a demand for 500 cylinders of cooking LPG gas has been received from Rasuwa district, necessary coordination with Nepal Oil Corporation is underway for the supply.

Search, Relief, and Rescue



Total Rescued
12,038

Heli-Rescue
3,926
Foreign Nationals - 273
Nepali Citizens - 3,653

Total Air Operations
785
95 flights conducted today
Flights Conducted by the Private Sector: 129

Relief Material Distribution

- Food and non-food supplies have been dispatched from Kathmandu to the affected area via 69 trucks and 38 Bolero utility vehicles, as well as 9 helicopter flights. (11 additional trucks of relief supplies were dispatched today.)
- To date, the Armed Police Force has transported relief materials within Nuwakot and Rasuwa districts via 163 air flights.

Cash Relief from the Government of Nepal

Rasuwa	Nuwakot	Dhading	15 Affected Municipals
10Mil	10Mil	5Mil	135Mil

Holding Centers

38	Nuwakot - 24	Rasuwa - 11
	Dhading - 3	
Current Occupancy	Nuwakot - 3,181	Rasuwa - 1,141
	Dhading - 199	

Fuel Stock (in ltrs.)

Disel	Petrol	Air fuel
34K	16K	7K

Dead Body Management

- Unidentified bodies are being kept at 21 hospitals across various districts.
- Number of identified bodies received by their families: 95
- Details of unidentified bodies: <https://udb.nepalpolice.gov.np/disaster>

Search and Rescue

Project	Location	Rescue and Other Details
Rasuwadgaadhi (120 MW)	Gosaikunda Rural Municipality, Timure	(a) Successfully reached approximately 275 m with representatives of the Nepalese Army and project engineers. (b) Request made by the project side to air-drop heavy machinery/excavator. (c) Low probability of transporting via air transport due to lack of space, despite planning to dismantle into 3 pieces for transport. (d) Returned after reconnaissance with the project's engineer team.
Sanjen/Langtang (20 MW)	Gosaikunda Rural Municipality, Rasuwa	(a) Search and rescue operation ongoing by creating small holes at two locations in the tunnel. (b) Team from the Nepalese Army and other security forces reached approximately 200 meters inside the tunnel and is preparing to enter the second segment. (c) 2 dead bodies/body parts recovered.
Chilime (22 MW)	Aamachhodingmo Rural Municipality, Rasuwa	(a) Ongoing efforts by the Nepalese Army, Mountain Association, and Indian Army, with plans to also involve the Indian NDRF Team. (b) Successfully reached approx. 150 m (No movement or sound detected via Sound Detector). (c) Total 34 personnel present, including 11 additional personnel from the Indian Army. (d) Unable to lower heavy machinery due to lack of space; however, planning to drop an excavator. (e) Request for air support/helicopter.
Upper Trishuli-1 (216 MW)	Gosaikunda Rural Municipality, Rasuwa	(a) Korean and Chinese teams deployed. (b) Unable to move forward as the main tunnel is blocked 25 meters inside. (c) Unable to move forward as Access Tunnel-2 is blocked approximately 20 meters inside. (d) 3 project engineers took a rubber boat approx. 200 meters into the Descender Basin Access area, which was found blocked, and 1 dead body was recovered. (e) 2 Chinese experts preparing to enter Adit Tunnel-3 with thermal drones. (f) Adit Tunnel-3 is accessible. (g) Went 1.8 km upstream (approx. 4 km tunnel covered by debris, while remaining approx. 6 km is open, so it is assumed people in that area escaped on their own).
Mailung Khola (5 MW)	Mailung - Uttar Gaya Rural Municipality	Reconnaissance conducted by a team consisting of 2 Koreans and the project chief engineer.
Trishuli 3 A (60 MW)	Kispang Rural Municipality, Nuwakot	(a) Joint team including the Chinese team deployed. (b) Operations ongoing with 5x Excavators, Compressor, and Breaker. (c) Tunnel drilling/holing work intensified. (d) Additional equipment and resupply dropped today on behalf of the Authority. (e) Two Honorable Members of Parliament and Authority engineers are present at the location. (f) Blasting work ongoing after locating a large rock inside the tunnel.
Trishuli 3 B (37 MW)	Kispang Rural Municipality, Nuwakot	(a) Nepalese Army-89 personnel and the Project MD present. (b) Digging and earth-clearing work ongoing using a Bobcat. (c) Entered 426 meters through Audit 1 (right side blocked, 50 meters of mud on the left, cleared 1 km tunnel, water up to boot level). (d) Mini Excavator added.

Search and rescue operations conducted by other countries and assistance received

(a) India

34 Indian personnel have conducted search and rescue operations in Chilime and are planning to remain stationed in Syabrubesi.

One NDRF personnel is coordinating from Trishuli.

(b) China

Two Chinese experts, equipped with thermal drones, conducted search and rescue operations at Upper Trishuli-1,

covering the area from Audit Tunnel-3 to the Descender Basin.

26 tonnes of relief and medical supplies have been received.

(c) South Korea

An additional 56 personnel have reached Trishuli from Kathmandu via road.

One Nepal Army personnel and three Korean personnel conducted aerial reconnaissance at Upper Trishuli-1.

Three Korean personnel are planning to conduct drone-based search and rescue operations.

Transportation

1. Prithvi Highway (Mugling-Malekhu Section):

- Traffic remains completely obstructed at Krishnabhir due to toe cutting, and work is underway to excavate the hill side and construct a new road.
- Parewa Bhir: Traffic is currently operational.
- Alternative Routes: Three alternative routes connecting Kathmandu via Abukhaireni – Dhadingbesi/Benighat have been identified.

2. Galchhi–Devighat–Trishuli Section

- Galchhi–Devighat: Debris removal is ongoing near Thuli Khola. Technical assessment and repair works for the Kolphu Bridge have commenced.
- Devighat Bridge (Tadi River): As the 55-metre bridge has been washed away, transportation of materials from Gajuri for the installation of a Bailey Bridge by the Nepal Army has commenced.
- (Alternatively, the road can be operated via Pipaltar-Pasang Lhamu Highway-Deurali following necessary repairs.)
- Devighat-Dhunge Section: Fully operational (All Clear).
- Dhunge-Trishuli Section: Road clearance works are ongoing.

3. Bidur-Betrawati Section:

- Road Status: Of the 10 km section, 7.5 km has been cleared, while the remaining 2.5 km has been completely washed away.
- Progress and Challenges: Work is underway on a 0.5 km section using an excavator with a breaker to break hard rock. Coordination is ongoing to address challenges related to manpower and machinery being stuck, as well as local obstructions at locations where a new track is being opened.

4. Alternative Routes Connecting Dhading and Rasuwa

- Dhading District: The Dhadingbesi-Parewatar-Gajuritar-Mastaar road, connecting to the Prithvi Highway, has been brought into operation, reconnecting the district headquarters to the road network. Repair works are ongoing.
- Rasuwa District: Repair works are underway along the Dhikure (Mid-Hill Highway)-Phedi Besi-Chogate-Bore Bhanjyang-Jibjibe (Pasang Lhamu Highway) section. Although work in the Rasuwa section has been somewhat affected by rainfall, preparations are underway to restore the road to full operation shortly.
- Trishuli River Crossing Section: The Galchhi–Kallelitar–Koshikhola–Chhatrekholā–Trishuli Bazaar section has been brought into operation following repair works.

Communication

Locations where mobile services have not yet been restored:

- Nepal Telecom: Timure, Chilime Khola, and Trishuli 3 'B'
- Ncell: Timure, Trishuli, and Uttargaya-1

Status of communication connectivity/mobile BTS operation:

- Nepal Telecom: 116 out of a total of 120 BTSs are currently operational.
- Ncell: 75 out of a total of 78 BTSs are currently operational.

Management of satellite communication equipment:

- A total of 30 satellite phones (Satphones)-20 received from the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and 10 received from Ncell-have been handed over to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA).
- Identification of suitable locations for the deployment of 25 LEO (Low Earth Orbit) satellite terminals expected from Ncell is currently underway.

Requirement for helicopter support:

- Nepal Telecom and Ncell require helicopter flight support to transport the fuel needed to operate generators at mobile towers located in areas where electricity services provided by the Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) remain disrupted,

in order to maintain uninterrupted communication services.

Electricity

Rasuwa District:

- Fully restored: Electricity service has been fully restored in Naukunda Rural Municipality and Kalika Rural Municipality.
- Partially restored:
 - Amachhodingmo Rural Municipality: Electricity has been restored in 4 out of 5 wards—Wards No. 2, 3, 4 and 5.
 - Uttargaya Rural Municipality: Electricity has been fully restored in Ward No. 4 and partially restored in Ward No. 5.
 - Gosaikunda Rural Municipality: Electricity has been partially restored in Wards No. 4 and 6, including Dhunche, the district headquarters.

Nuwakot District: Electricity restoration work is ongoing in Ward No. 4 of Tarkeshwar Rural Municipality; Ward No. 10 (fully) and Ward No. 3 (partially) of Bidur Municipality; Ward No. 8 of Belkotgadhi Municipality; and the remaining areas of Kispang Rural Municipality.

Dhading District: Electricity service remains to be restored to approximately 150 households in Phorsetar and Baireni Bazaar, Ward No. 1 of Gajuri Rural Municipality; 20 households in Galaudi, Ward No. 5 of Gajuri Rural Municipality; and 2 households in Ward No. 7 of Benighat Rorang Rural Municipality.

Solar Power Backup Systems:

A total of 10 solar power backup systems for office use, received through the Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC), have been dispatched to the following locations:

- Rasuwa: Gosaikunda Rural Municipality (Wards No. 1, 2, 3 and 4) and Amachhodingmo Rural Municipality (Wards No. 1 and 2).
- Nuwakot: Belkotgadhi Municipality (Ward No. 8) and Bidur Municipality (Wards No. 10 and 11).
- Dhading: Galchhi Rural Municipality.

Number of Injured Being Treated at Health Facilities

Name of Health Facility	Total	Under Treatment	Referred	Discharged	Deaths
1. Rasuwa District Hospital, Dhunche	81		27	53	1
2. Trishuli Hospital, Bidur, Nuwakot	18	1	1	15	1
3. Ayurvedic Hospital, Pipaltaar, Nuwakot	19	3		16	
4. National Trauma Center, Mahabouddha	50	12	1	36	1
5. Shree Birendra Hospital, Chhauni	1	1			
6. TUTH, Kathmandu	77	30		46	
7. NAMS/Bir Hospital, Mahabouddha	19	5		14	
8. Patan Academy of Health Sciences, Lalitpur	1			1	
9. Paropakar Maternity and Women's Hospital, Thapathali	14	12		2	
10. Nepal APF Hospital, Balambu	6	1		5	
11. Manmohan Memorial Medical College & Teaching Hospital, Swyambhu	3	1		2	
12. Norvic International Hospital, Thapathali	3			3	
13. Subham International Hospital, Manmaiju	3			3	

Name of Health Facility	Total	Under Treatment	Referred	Discharged	Deaths
14. Greencity Hospital, Tokha	2		1	1	
15. HAMS, Dhumbarahi	1			1	
16. 16. Chirayu National hospital, Basundhara	1	1			
17. Grande International Hospital, Tokha	2	2			
18. BNB Hospital, Gwarko	3	1		2	

Details of relief materials dispatched from Tribhuvan International Airport to various districts on 18 Bhadra 2083

Category	Item	Unit			DAO_RASUWA	Nuwakot Bidur DCC Hall
Food & Nutrition	Bhuja	kg	10	10	35	
	Biscuit	pcs	720		2160	
	Chana(Bora)	kg	50		25	
	Chiura	kg	300	120	300	
	Dal	kg	100	50	2650	
	Dalmot .	packet	100	100	240	
	Frooty	pcs			150	
	Glucose	pcs			24	
	Juice	pcs	150	150		
	Mixed Food	kg	250	250	875	
	Noodles	pcs	2400	1200	3600	
	Rice	kg	2800	1750	5250	
	Salt	kg	50		150	
Household / NFI	Baby Clothes	pcs	32			
	Bucket with Lid-10L	pcs			660	492
	Clothes	pcs	88	40		
	Mattress	Pcs	10		1000	
	Mixed Clothes	pcs			46	
	P-Foam	pcs			560	
	Sandle	pcs	184	68	85	
	SHOES.	pair	90	90	180	
	Squatting plate	set			100	
	T-Shirt	Pcs		50	60	
	Trouser Pant	pcs	150		75	
WASH	Bathing Soap	pcs	75		140	
	Clothe Soap	pcs		48		
	Diaper	Packet		120	660	
	DIAPERS	pcs	120			
	Hygiene Kit	set				1921
	LADIES INNER WEAR	pcs	140			
	PORTABLE TOILET	set			100	
	Sanitary Pad(Cartoon)	pcs			600	
	Tooth Brush	pcs			24	
	Toothpaste	pcs	50		40	

Category	Item	Unit			DAO_RASUWA	Nuwakot Bidur DCC Hall
Shelter & Settlement	Portable Solar Light	Pcs			100	
	Portable Solar Light	Set			100	
	Tarpauline	pcs	1	1	6	
Protection & Dignity	CP Recreation Kit	pcs				25
	Ladies Kurta	pcs			100	
	Ladies Kurta	set			40	
	Sanitary Pad	pcs	200	124	1536	
Other / Specialized	Blanket	pcs			1273	
	Ladies Bra	pcs	168			
	LLIN, 150d w/b/ 190x180x150cm	EA				799
	Newborn Incentive Kit	EA				200
	Toothbrush	Pcs	30			
Health & Medical	ORS	pcs	200			



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Organizations and agencies providing relief materials are requested to coordinate with the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA) for record-keeping purposes. All concerned are requested to support relief management in accordance with the Authority's identified needs list.
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