

SCHOOLS & OFFICES SHUT, HOSPITALS PUT ON ALERT

Decisions taken in DDMA meeting headed by L-G and attended by CM, ministers



(Top & above) Vehicles stuck in a flooded underpass near the Old Yamuna Bridge on Thursday | PTI

ASHISH SRIVASTAVA @ New Delhi

IN view of the prevailing flood situation in the city, the Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) on Thursday ordered closure of non-essential government offices, schools, colleges and universities till Sunday while it advised Work From Home (WFH) for the private establishments among others.

Besides, the authority has stopped plying of inter-state buses coming to the Kashmere Gate ISBT due to the precarious flood situation in the area. The buses will be stopped at Singhu Border and DTC buses will ferry the passengers from there. Meanwhile, commercial establishments in and around Kashmere Gate have been asked to close till the situation improves. The authority has also asked hospitals and medical facilities in the city to remain alert to any eventuality



and ensure preparedness to handle the situation once the water recedes.

The decisions were taken in a meeting to review the prevailing flooding situation in the city headed by Delhi L-G VK Saxena where Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, Vice-Chairperson (DDMA), Delhi Ministers Atishi and Saurabh Bhardwaj along with Chief Secretary, Commissioner of Police and senior officers of departments concerned remained present.

Directions were also issued to rescue and rehabilitate people who have been affected by the swelling of Yamuna which resulted in a flood situation in the city. While talking to reporters, Delhi CM said that people who have been evacuated out of the flooded areas are being shifted to neighbouring government school buildings as they faced sanitation problems in the camps.

SECRETARIAT FLOODED AS YAMUNA RISES ABOVE 208 M

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WITH Yamuna levels rising to a record high, several key areas in Delhi including the Secretariat housing the chief minister's office were flooded on Thursday, impairing normal life and traffic movement, as authorities scrambled to lead rescue and relief efforts.

The Yamuna water level touched 208.53 metres at 10 am, breaking a 45-year-old record, officials said.

Areas like Boat Club, Pandav Nagar, some parts of Gandhi Nagar, Bhajanpura were inundated with floodwaters. According to officials, locals in some areas showed reluctance in moving out even as water reached their homes.

The Delhi Secretariat housing offices of CM, Kejriwal, his cabinet and other senior bureaucrats, too was flooded.

Two shelter homes in low-lying areas in Old Delhi were waterlogged and the people living there were shifted to a safe location, an official said on Thursday. He said that rain water entered the shelter homes on Wednesday.

"Two shelter homes in low-lying areas have been affected due to rains - one in Gandhi Park and another in Geeta ghat. People living in those shelter homes are being evacuated to a safe location," a DUSIB official said.



Aerial view of a flooded area near the swollen Yamuna river on Thursday | PTI



A team of National Disaster Relief Force carries out rescue of people from inundated areas | PTI

Every department of the Delhi government is committed to helping the people and continuously monitoring the situation. We are prepared to handle any circumstances that may arise

Saurabh Bhardwaj, Minister

16 NDRF teams deployed

A total of 16 NDRF teams have been deployed in Delhi to tackle the floods caused by the overflowing Yamuna and the situation is expected to improve by Friday morning, a senior NDRF officer said on Thursday.

Three teams each have been deployed in east and northeast Delhi, five in southeast Delhi, four in the central region and one in Shahdara area of the national capital, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Deputy Inspector General Mohsen Shahedi told reporters here. A total of six districts in Delhi have been affected by the floods, he said. The NDRF has evacuated about 1,000 people so far.

Evacuated people face bleak future

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN March, her home was demolished in an anti-encroachment drive and now, her shanty on the bank of a swollen Yamuna is underwater. "Everything is lost again," says Beena Devi, who has been moved to a relief camp along with her family from a slum in Rajghat area.

Some utensils, essentials and quilts was all the 57-year-old, her husband, three children and daughter-in-law could carry out of their house as authorities raced to evacuate them and hundreds of families on Tuesday as the water levels in the river rapidly started rising, above the danger mark.

Sitting at the ITO relief camp, Devi recalled how in March bulldozers razed her pucca house and those of others in the Rajghat area to make way for beautification project ahead of the G20 Summit in the national capital.

"Everything is gone again. We are not sure whether we will be able to return," said Devi, whose family ekes out a

living by growing vegetables on small piece of land, now submerged in the waters of the Yamuna.

"We moved from low-lying areas to upper areas after we saw the water levels rising. However, on July 11, government officials asked us to evacuate so we packed whatever we could and left," said the 57-year-old, who to supplement the family income ran a roadside shop, which too has been swept away by flood waters.

She said not only her family but many have lost their source of livelihood and income.

The Delhi government has set up relief camps - tents supported by wooden poles - on roadsides in areas along the Yamuna, and around 7,500 people have been evacuated to these camps.

However, many complained of poor facilities and arrangements.

In a camp near the Yamuna Bridge, Tarawati, who has a farm at the Yamuna floodplains, said the flood has destroyed both her farm and her 'juggi' (shanty).



Commuters rue mile-long snarls, police issue traffic advisory

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TRAFFIC crawled on several stretches and commuters struggled to reach their destinations as water from the Yamuna spilled onto the roads of the national capital, prompting the Delhi Traffic Police on Thursday to issue an advisory on vehicular movement.

There is no restriction on vehicles carrying essential services such as food items and petroleum products, police said.

The closure of roads due to

No entry, exit at Yamuna Bank metro station

New Delhi: Entry and exit of passengers at the Yamuna Bank Metro Station on the Blue Line has been temporarily closed due to the rising water levels of the Yamuna river, officials said on Thursday. "Due to the escalating water levels of the Yamuna River, the approach road leading to Yamuna Bank Metro Station is currently inaccessible. Kindly plan your journey accordingly and consider alternate routes. However, interchange facility is available," the DMRC said in another tweet.

the Yamuna overflowing also hit traffic in several parts of the city, especially east Delhi,

where commuters were stuck for hours.

According to the police advisory, traffic movement has been impaired on Mahatma Gandhi Marg - between the IP flyover and the Chandgi Ram Akhara and the Kalighat Mandir and the Delhi Secretariat - and on the Outer Ring Road between the Wazirabad Bridge and the Chandgi Ram Akhara.

The commuters have been advised to avoid the roads and plan their journeys accordingly, it said.

Non-destined commercial vehicles will not be allowed to enter Delhi and be diverted to the Eastern and the Western Peripheral Expressway. Commercial vehicles will also be diverted from Mukarba Chowk. No commercial vehicles will be allowed between Mukarba Chowk and the Wazirabad Bridge.

40 patients moved from flooded trauma centre in Civil Lines to LNJP Hospital

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AROUND 40 patients, including three on ventilator, were shifted from the Delhi government-run Sushruta Trauma Centre after the hospital premises got inundated with the floodwater on Thursday. The patients were shifted to Lok Nayak Hospital and will remain there till the situation improves, Dr Suresh Kumar, Medical Director of the hospital said.

Meanwhile, all services except 'emergency' have been deferred at the Sushruta Trauma Centre. "There was a threat of a power cut since the premises was flood-

ed. So we had to move them (patients) out," Kumar added. The Trauma Centre is situated near the posh Civil Lines which is one of the worst affected areas by the floods. The area houses the Delhi Legislative Assembly and the residences of ministers including Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal and the L-G's.

The Ring Road bypassing the area was completely submerged in the floodwater. The traffic movement and roads linking to the area have been halted due to the massive waterlogging. Traffic has been diverted to alternate routes, leading to massive traffic jams.



Business worth ₹200-cr hit, says traders' body

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AN estimated Rs 200 crore worth of business has been affected due to rains and flooding in parts of the capital, a traders' body said on Thursday.

Kashmiri Gate Market President Vinay Narang said that there is a possibility of a loss of more than Rs 50 crore due to 3-4 days of rain, whereas CTI estimated that a business of about Rs 200 crores have been affected due to rains.

As per CTI, Delhi receives over 2 lakh customers from places like Rewari, Gurgaon, Ghaziabad, Faridabad, Meerut, Sonapat, Panipat, Baghpat, Muzaffarnagar every day.

Water crisis in city as ops shut at 3 treatment plants

ASHISH SRIVASTAVA @ New Delhi

THE unprecedented flood situation in the city has disrupted the water supply as Delhi governments have shut down three water treatment plants (WTPs) after they got inundated amid the deluge while forcing one to work on 25 per cent of its capacity.

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal informed on Thursday that WTPs at Wazirabad, Chandrawal and Okhla have to be closed which may accentuate water scarcity in some areas of the national capital. Delhi Jal Board Vice Chairperson (VC) Somnath Bharti told this newspaper that

the situation will lead to over 33 per cent of reduction of the city's water supply putting 21 legislative assemblies quench for the water.

Officials said that authorities have kept AIIMS, Safdarjung and Bara Hindu Rao Hospital on alert as they may get affected due to the water scarcity. The New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has also asked residents under its jurisdiction to start rationing of water. "The three WTPs and one at Sonia Vihar together generate 335 mgd of treated water. Since the supply from three WTPs will be shut and the Sonia Vihar one will function

at 25 per cent, we are looking at 21 assembly areas where water supply would be completely or partially disrupted as the impact," Bharti said.

"However, we have made provisions to bring relief to the residents there," he added. The DJB supplies 1,000 MGD of treated water to the city. "Water tube wells will run 24x7. Deployment of an end number of water tankers in all the affected assemblies will be done so that daily needs can be met out. Besides, we will also partially divert supplies from other non-affected assemblies to areas where supply will remain disrupted. The situation

may cause inconvenience to the people that's why we appeal to them to use the water judiciously," the legislator from Malviya Nagar said.

Speaking on when the normalcy is expected to return, the DJB VC said that it will take around two days for all affected WTPs to become fully functional. Both WTPs and motors will have to be dried before they start functioning. It will take more than 12 hours so we can expect the supply to go back to normal in the next two days, Bharti said.

"The water level has already started stabilising in Baghpat," he added.

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EXPRESS READ

Met predicts light to moderate rain today

Light to moderate rainfall is expected to continue in Delhi on Friday while a 'yellow' alert has been issued for July 15, the Met office has said. Delhi witnessed light rain on Thursday. The minimum temperature settled at 26.2 degrees Celsius, a notch below the season's average; maximum temperature was 34.2 degrees Celsius.

Key crematoriums suspend operations

Nigambodh Ghat, a place preferred by many for the last rites, is flooded as waters from the swollen river have rendered the places practically dysfunctional. MCD on Wednesday asked people not to go there to carry out last rites. The crematorium in Geeta Colony too was closed due to the rise in Yamuna water levels.

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This is bringing to the notice of the general public that one ID Card of Mr. Yogesh issued by ICICI BANK Ltd., having ID Card No. 2304481 has been found missing /lost on 13th July 2023. Anyone, who finds the said ID Card, is requested to return the said ID Card to the Manager Debt, Services & Management Group, ICICI Bank Limited.

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M/S ABHINAV STEELS AND POWER LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION) CORRIGENDUM SALE NOTICE

Originally Published on 22nd June, 2023

Subject: Amendment in an amount of EMD submission and payment schedule

In modification to our earlier publication of sale notice for the assets of M/S Abhinav Steels and Power Limited (In Liquidation) dated 22nd June, 2023, we hereby issue this corrigendum to inform all concerned parties about the necessary amendments to the sale notice and process documents. The following changes are to be incorporated along with the previously published sale notice:-

- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) as mentioned in sale notice shall be reduced to 5% of reserve price for all blocks.
- Payment schedule for the successful bidder shall be referred as per revised E-Auction Process Document which can be downloaded from "admin@eauctions.co.in". All other Terms and Conditions will remain same.

For contact details, refer to publication dated 22nd June, 2023.

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