

Fresh floods, landslides disrupt life in several districts of Arunachal

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FRESH floods and landslides triggered by incessant rain disrupted life and damaged public infrastructure in several districts of Arunachal Pradesh, an official statement said.

The toll in the ongoing deluge in the state remained at seven, while over 97,000 people were affected, it said. The State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC) said heavy rainfall in the upper reaches of the Kumey River early on Monday triggered flash floods in Kurung Kumey district, causing extensive damage in Parsi-Parlo circle and Damin subdivision. In Damin subdivision, a bridge connecting Huri and Damin was washed away, snapping road connectivity. In Parsi-Parlo circle, the Inspection Bungalow was inundated, two residential houses suffered partial damage, a church was damaged and a bridge connecting Pagam village was washed away, the statement said. The floods

also caused extensive damage to St Thomas School, a prominent educational institution in the area. The entire campus was submerged, damaging buildings, classrooms, teaching materials, furniture, equipment and teachers' quarters, it said, adding that academic activities have been halted. The flash floods severely affected transportation, public infrastructure and residential properties.

The district administration is coordinating with paramilitary forces, police and other stakeholders to assess the damage and carry out relief measures. A detailed assessment is underway to ascertain the extent of the damage and identify immediate restoration requirements, the statement said.

In Pakke Kessang district, a massive landslide blocked National Highway 13 near Pakro village on Monday. District officials said restoration of the affected stretch is expected to take two to three days.



India, Spain explore ways to deepen business ties, fast-track EU FTA: Goyal

NEW DELHI, July 13 (IANS)

COMMERCE and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Monday met Spanish Economy Minister Carlos Cuerpo in Madrid and explored ways to deepen business ties between the two countries.

Kicking off official engagements in Spain during his three-nation visit, Goyal said: "We had productive discussions on strengthening the India-Spain economic partnership through greater trade, investment and technology collaboration, with a focus on renewable energy, green hydrogen,

advanced manufacturing, digital technologies, infrastructure and innovation."

"We also exchanged views on the India-EU Free Trade Agreement and explored ways to deepen business ties and expand India's commercial engagement with Spain as a valued partner," he said in a post on X. As India and the European Union work towards the early implementation of the India-EU FTA, Commerce Minister Goyal embarked on a three-nation visit on Monday with a high-level business delegation.

The visit to Spain, Belgium, and Finland from July 13-17 underscores

India's commitment to strengthening economic partnerships across Europe, with a focus on trade, investment, technology, innovation and sustainability, according to an official statement. In Spain, Goyal was set to hold bilateral meetings with Cuerpo, Industry and Tourism Minister Jordi Hereu Boher, and Foreign Affairs, European Union, and Cooperation Minister Jose Manuel Albares Bueno.

Goyal will also chair an India-Spain Business Roundtable with leading Spanish companies and industry associations to showcase India's investment opportunities and encourage greater

business-to-business partnerships.

In February this year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a bilateral meeting with Spanish President Pedro Sanchez in New Delhi, and discussed ways to expand cooperation across trade, economy, health, digital technology, innovation and several other key sectors.

Key areas discussed include trade and economy, digital, innovation, health, climate action, and education, among others. PM Modi conveyed his appreciation for Spain's consistent support for strong India-EU relations.

India, Japan discuss regional issues, defence cooperation



Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh lays a wreath at the Self-Defence Forces Memorial Stone in Tokyo, Japan. (PTI)

TOKYO, July 13 (IANS)

DEFENCE Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh held a meeting with Japan's Defence Minister Shinjiro Koizumi on Monday, with discussions held on regional situation and defence industry cooperation.

In a post on X, Koizumi stated, "First visit to Japan by India's Defence Secretary Singh. Including follow-up to Prime Minister Takaichi's recent visit to India, we were able to engage in a broad and constructive exchange of views on regional situations, defence industry cooperation, and more."

Rajesh Kumar Singh also laid a wreath at the Self-Defence Forces Memorial Stone in Tokyo, paying tribute to the brave men and women who made the supreme sacrifice in service of their nation.

In a post on X, the Ministry of Defence stated, "Defence Secretary Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh laid a wreath at the Self-Defense Forces Memorial Stone in Tokyo on July 13, 2026, paying homage to the brave men and women who made the supreme sacrifice in service of their nation. The solemn tribute reflects the enduring India-Japan Special Strategic & Global Partnership, founded on shared values, mutual respect, and a common commitment to peace and stability."

Trump, Netanyahu, Meloni named... in Iran's **REVENGE LIST** of 13 global leaders

TEHRAN, July 13 (ANI)

IRANIAN Supreme Leader Mojtaba Khamenei's first public address after his father's funeral comes with a "revenge list", naming 13 world leaders after the death of the country's late supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

The online 'revenge list', published by 'Hamshahri', a national Iranian daily newspaper, names 13 foreign leaders whom it portrays as targets following Khamenei's death. This publication coincided with the first public message from his son and successor, Mojtaba Khamenei, since his father's six-day funeral procession last week.

The graphic layout depicts US President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu with sniper-style



Iranian Supreme Leader Mojtaba Khamenei released "revenge list" in first public address after his father's funeral.

crosshair targets superimposed on their foreheads. Beneath them are 11 other leaders shown wearing orange prison uniforms, including Israel Katz, Israel's Defence Minister, US Central Command Commander Brad Cooper, US Secretary of War Pete Hegseth, US Secretary of State Marco Rubio, US Ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee, Israel Defence Forces Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, Israeli Foreign Minister Gideon

Saar, German Chancellor Friedrich Merz, French President Emmanuel Macron and British Prime Minister Keir Starmer.

In his statement, Mojtaba Khamenei said, "Vengeance is the will of our nation and must inevitably be carried out." He added, "These criminals, whose names appear on a list, will take to their graves the wish of a peaceful death in their beds."

Despite the release of the graphic, there was no indication that the

list had been officially endorsed by Tehran. Furthermore, Mojtaba Khamenei did not identify the specific individuals he believed were responsible for his father's demise. The successor has not been seen in public since before the outbreak of hostilities and was reported to have suffered injuries in the same strike that killed Ayatollah Ali Khamenei on 28 February.

This publication emerged as several US media outlets reported this week that Iran had planned to assassinate Trump.

According to 'CNN', US officials had been monitoring what it described as a "steady drumbeat" of intelligence about possible threats to Trump. Citing unnamed sources familiar with the intelligence, the broadcaster reported that

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Each State should have 3-5 Sainik Schools: V-P

NEW DELHI, July 13 (IANS)

VICE President C P Radhakrishnan said on Monday that strengthening the NCC is a shared national responsibility and suggested that all States try to have three to five Sainik Schools each.

During a briefing on the National Cadet Corps (NCC) and Sainik Schools by Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth, along with senior officers of the Ministry of Defence, Radhakrishnan also assured all possible support in engaging with the States on issues such as land and training infra-



Vice President CP Radhakrishnan is briefed by MoS for Defence Sanjay Seth and senior Ministry of Defence officials on the NCC and Sainik Schools at the Vice President's House in New Delhi on Monday. (PTI)

structure for the NCC.

The presentations covered the growth of the NCC into a nearly 20-lakh-strong youth organisation, its training and nation-building initiatives, as well as the functioning and expansion of Sainik Schools, including the roadmap for strengthening the network across the country, said an official statement.

Appreciating the NCC's contribution to nation-building, the Vice President described the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Camps as an excellent initiative for strengthening national integration. He also lauded the NCC's community services.