

300 villages washed out by Lakhimpur flood



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Atleast 300 vilages with over 15,000 population are reeling under waters as the Brahmaputra is flowing above the danger level in Lakhimpur district. The situation took a grim turn on Wednesday as the mighty river breached he 100-metre stretch of the state-of-the art Matmora embankment which was constructed using the geo-fabric technology at a cost of Rs 140 crore in Dhakuwakhana. The worst hit areas include Dhakuakhana, Matmore, Kherkota, Dangdhara, Dimoruguri, Kekuri and Dholpeta gaon panchayats inundated by flood water foricng the authorities to sound a red alert in the Upper Assam district.

Notably, the Brahmaputra is overflowing following the incessant rainfall in the past 36 areas in the catchment areas. Lakhimpur district administration sounded the red alert and deployed BSF personnel for rescue operation.

Meanwhile, Flood Control department sources said that an enquiry will be ordered as to how the embankment built by a internationally reputed Malaysian company for a stretch of five km was washed away.

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