

Assam flood fury takes grim turn



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Assam's overall flood situation remains grim on Wednesday with Brahmaputra flowing above the danger level affecting atleast five lakh people.

According to the Central Water Commission, the Brahmaputra is crossed danger level at Guwahati, Goalpara, Sibsagar, Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Nimatighat, Naharkatia and Tezpur.

This wave have affected 11 districts where vast tracks of farm land and a large number of human habitations have been submerged in Lakhimpur, Dhemaji, Dibrugarh, Sibsagar, Jorhat, Golaghat, Morigaon, Sonitpur, Dhubri, Goalpara and Barpeta.

The wave of floods has so far claimed two lives in two separate incidents in lower Assam.

The marooned people have no option but to take shelter on railway tracks, roads, raised areas, government schools and offices.

River island Majuli in Jorhat district was flooded following a breach in an embankment affecting thousands of people. Kaziranga National Park and Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary have also come under the surging waters of the mighty Brahmaputra leaving immense inconvenience for the birds and animals. Rhinoceros, pygmy hog and wild buffaloes at the world heritage site have been forced to move to the Karbi hills.

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