

Assam flood situation remains grim



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The overall flood situation remains unchanged in Assam where one person was swept away in Majuli. The Brahmaputra and its tributaries are flowing above the danger mark, affecting over five lakh people in ten districts. Flood waters are wreaking havoc in Lakhimpur, Dhemaji, Dibrugarh districts, Jorhat in upper Assam, Morigaon in central Assam and Barpeta, Kamrup, Bongaigaon, Dhubri and Baksa in lower Assam were submerged by the swollen rivers due to incessant rains in catchment areas. Almost the entire Majuli island got flooded and a villager was swept away on Sunday. The situation in the districts of Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Dhubri and Baksa was grim with flood waters submerging nearly 50 villages and affecting more than one-lakh people. In the worst-hit districts of Lakhimpur, Dhemaji and Jorhat, vast tracts of land remained under water following embankment breaches caused by heavy rainfall in the foothills of Himalayas in Arunachal Pradesh. In Dhemaji district, water of the river Somen has inundated vast tracts of land in Jonai sub-division while water of rivers Gai and Jiahol was also in spate.

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