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# LOCAL SITUATION REPORT Punjab and Himachal Pradesh Floods – 2025



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## Most Affected Districts

**Punjab** - Gurdaspur, Ferozpur, Kapurthala, Amritsar, Tarn Taran, Hoshiarpur, Fazilka, Pathankot, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Rupnagar (Ropar), Patiala, Sangrur, Barnala, Mansa, Bathinda, Mohali

**Himachal Pradesh** - Chamba, Kullu, Mandi, Shimla, Kangra, Hamirpur, Kinnaur, Lahaul & Spiti

## Damage Assessment: Punjab

Floods have affected 12 districts and damaged 1,044 villages, impacting about 246,000–256,000 people. Around 122 relief camps are sheltering 6,582 displaced persons, while nearly 11,330 people have been rescued or evacuated. The disaster has caused 29 deaths so far. Agricultural losses are extensive, with damage reported over 60,000 to 121,000 hectares of farmland.

## Himachal Pradesh

Floods, cloudbursts and landslides have severely affected at least 12 districts of Himachal Pradesh. Human casualties are significant, as cumulative press reports suggest totals of 310–326 deaths. The state has estimated financial losses of around 30,560 million USD. Infrastructure has been badly hit, with more than 1,200 roads blocked across the state. Rescue operations have included the evacuation of approximately 10,000 Manimahesh pilgrims and over 3,700 additional people rescued by the NDRF in Kangra and Chamba.

## ONGOING EFFORTS

### LOCAL Response:

**Punjab**- HAI is coordinating with the SDMA in Punjab to assess urgent needs, such as animal fodder, WASH, cooked food, dry food, shelter, livelihood recovery, shelter response, and other essential services, primarily in the districts of Ferozpur and Gurdaspur.

**Himachal Pradesh**- HAI is coordinating with RTDC and DDMA by mobilising the shelter support primarily in the districts of Kullu, Chamba, and Mandi.

### Community-led Response:

**Punjab**: Many CBOs are actively engaged in flood relief operations across severely affected districts: Kapurthala, Ferozpur, and Gurdaspur;



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Their dedicated volunteers have been rescuing stranded families and livestock, providing clean drinking water, distributing ration bags, and offering medical assistance to those in need.

They are also distributing food and relief materials to flood affected families. They have been providing essential supplies to those in need, ensuring that communities receive timely assistance during this crisis.

Himachal Pradesh Panchayats, village volunteers and local rescue groups assisting with evacuations, carrying stranded people/pilgrims from cut-off hamlets and arranging local shelters until NDRF/SDRF arrive.

### Government Response:

#### Punjab

The Punjab State Department of Information & Public Relations has been issuing regular bulletins on the ongoing flood situation, reporting 122 relief camps housing 6,582 people as of early September 2025. The Central Government has assured support, coordinating funds and monitoring relief operations nationwide. Multiple rescue teams, including the Army, BSF, SDRF, and NDRF, have been deployed across affected districts to conduct evacuations and provide immediate assistance.

#### Himachal Pradesh

The Himachal Pradesh government officially declared the entire state disaster-affected, enabling SDRF, SDMA, and central relief operations. NDRF teams were deployed across affected districts, including Kangra and Chamba, conducting over 3,700 rescues in recent operations. Infrastructure restoration was prioritised, with BRO, PWD, and state engineering teams clearing and temporarily restoring roads to reach marooned villages, addressing more than 1,200 blocked roads. State and central health teams were also mobilised to prevent disease outbreaks, with mobile medical camps providing essential care in flood-affected areas.

### LOCAL MEMBERS ON-GROUND ONGOING EFFORTS

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## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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Punjab Reels Under Worst Floods in Decades; 29 Dead, Over 2.46 Lakh

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**NDRF Rescues Over 3,700 People in Himachal Pradesh in Two Days – News On Air, August 28, 2025**

## Evolving Needs (Flood Relief)

- Cooked Food, Dry Ration Kits, and Packaged Drinking Water (*Food Items*)
- Blankets, Warm Clothing, and Footwear (*Non-Food Items*)
- First Aid and Hygiene Kits (including sanitary napkins, soap, disinfectants, mosquito repellents)
- Animal Fodder and Veterinary Support
- Prefabricated Shelters / Tarpaulins, Plastic Sheets, Bamboo, and Rope (*Non-Food Items*)
- Safe Drinking Water Solutions (water purification tablets, portable filters, tankers)
- Rescue and Safety Equipment (life jackets, boats, ropes, inflatable rafts)
- Medical Support (essential medicines, ORS, chronic illness medicines like insulin, emergency medical camps)
- Children's Needs (baby food, milk powder, diapers, educational kits)
- Sanitation Facilities (portable toilets, bleaching powder, waste disposal kits)
- Livelihood Support (seeds, tools, and essentials for restarting farming/earning post-flood)
- Psychosocial Support Services (counseling, community support activities)

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