

DISASTERS UPDATE

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Telangana: Three killed; 12 injured in road mishap

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Three persons were today killed and 12 others injured in a road accident in Medak district of Telangana, police said. According to Venkataiah, Circle inspector of Jogipet police station, the mishap took place near Danampally village in the wee hours when two families from Maharashtra were on their way to Tirupati, and their vehicle rammed into a tree, while the driver tried to avoid collision with an auto coming from the opposite direction.

The victims hailed from Wadi and Shikhar villages in Nanded district in the neighbouring state. Three persons died on the spot. The deceased were identified as Phulia Bhai, Laxmi Bhai and Bheem Rao, police said. The injured were admitted to government area hospital in Jogipet from where four were shifted to Gandhi hospital Hyderabad in a critical condition, they said.

A case has been registered and further probe is underway.

Heavy and continuous rain affects normal life in Rajasthan

Source: Zee News

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Jaipur: Heavy and continuous rain in south eastern parts of Rajasthan has affected normal life.

Chittorgarh, Kota, Bundi and Bhilwara districts are witnessing heavy rainfall.

Chittorgarh is facing flood like situation after heavy and continuous rain since yesterday morning.

The Chittorgarh district administration with help of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) teams is engaged in relief and rescue operations in low lying areas of the city.

Menal and Brahmani rivers in the district are overflowing following incessant rain in the areas.

Normal life in Kota, Bundi and Bhilwara districts has also been affected.

Ayodhya: Seven people crushed to death by speeding truck

Source: Hindustan Times

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A speeding container truck crushed seven pilgrims to death and injured five others in Ayodhya on Tuesday morning, police said.

The deceased included four women and three men, all residents of Kanpur. The pilgrims had come to participate in the month-long 'saawan mela' organised on the banks of Saryu in Ayodhya.

The incident took place at around 3 am when the pilgrims were sleeping on the pavement along Ayodhya-Basti bypass road.

The police control room received information nearly two hours after the incident when some locals spotted the bodies on the pavement. Efforts are on to trace the driver.

The deceased were identified as jeep driver Uma Shanker Dubey, Ram Kishori Mishra, Leela Tiwari, Pannu and his wife Slok Kumari. The identity of a woman could not be ascertained till reports last came in.

Two pilgrims, Amit Pandey and Aniruddh, who were critically injured, were rushed to KGMU's trauma centre in Lucknow and three others were admitted to a local hospital.

Umesh Bahadur Singh, spokesperson for the inspector general (Lucknow zone), told HT that the truck driver lost control of his vehicle and hit the pavement, where the victims were sleeping, before fleeing toward Lucknow.

Police were trying to identify the truck with the help of CCTV footage, he added.