

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- **Death toll due to collapse of stone quarry and landslides triggered by heavy rain in Mizoram rises to 27, rescue operations are on to trace missing persons.**
- **One person killed, four injured in Meghalaya as cyclone Remal triggers heavy rain that leads to landslides in many places.**
- **Vast damages reported across Nagaland following incessant rain and strong winds in the aftermath of cyclone Remal; seven-year-old boy drowned at Laruri village under Meluri subdivision, and two youth drowned at Doyang dam under Wokha district after their boat capsized due to sudden strong wind.**
- **Heavy rain wreaks havoc across Manipur; all rivers flow above danger level while mudslides and landslides affect key transportation routes.**
- **Strong winds and incessant rainfall triggered by cyclone 'Remal' leave trail of destruction across Assam; 17-year-old student lost his life in Morigaon district.**

NEWS IN ORDER:-

MIZORAM:

In Mizoram, the death toll due to the collapse of a stone quarry and landslides triggered by heavy rain has risen to 27 while several others are missing. The heavy rain was triggered by cyclone Remal. The massive landslide occurred at the border area of Melthum and Hlimen localities in the southern outskirts of Aizawl. All efforts are on to rescue the people who have been trapped under the debris. Several highways and roads have been also disrupted by landslides. Aizawl has been cut off from the rest of the country due to a landslide on National Highway 6 at Hunthar. Chief Minister Lalduhoma has chaired an emergency meeting yesterday to take stock of the situation.

MEGHALAYA:

In Meghalaya, one person was killed and four were injured as cyclone Remal has triggered heavy rain that led to landslides in many places. In a statement issued yesterday, State Disaster Management Authority Executive Director, M. War said that a wall collapsed at Sutnga Weilong in East Jaintia Hills district resulting in one death. Four people were also injured due to a landslide at Mawlai Bypass in East Khasi Hills district. In Shillong, the light tower of JN Stadium at Polo collapsed due to strong wind. Tree branches also fell on electric poles and wires and houses. Power supply was interrupted in many places as transmission lines and transformers were snapped. Several landslides were reported across the state and caused damage to many houses. In West Garo Hills district the cyclone occurred at Rongkhon under Rongram Block and in South West Khasi Hills, the cyclone hit Mawten village under Mawkyrwat C&RD Block.

NAGALAND:

In Nagaland, vast damages were reported across the state following incessant rain and strong winds in the aftermath of cyclone Remal. Trees were uprooted and landslides occurred at several locations. The Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority informed that nine households in Chuchuyimlang village under Mokokchung were affected and 36 households in Noksen subdivision under Tuensang district were severely damaged. A seven-year-old boy was reported drowned at Laruri village under Meluri subdivision, while another drowning incident of two youth was also reported from Doyang dam under Wokha district after their boat capsized due to a sudden strong wind. Three others managed to swim. The National Disaster Response Force has been deployed to take up the search and rescue works, and for the first time, an under-water drone is being deployed. One person was also killed due to the collapse of a retaining at Rekizu ward under Phek district.

MANIPUR:

In Manipur, heavy rainfall across the state has wreaked havoc and all rivers were flowing above the danger level. The torrential rainfall has triggered numerous mudslides and landslides in different parts of the state affecting key transportation routes and the Irang Bailey Bridge constructed at Taobam Village of Noney district along the National Highway 37, Imphal Jiribam Road collapsed. A fully loaded truck was also swept into a gorge near K. Sinam Village of Kangpokpi district. The State Education Department has ordered for closure of all schools for three days starting from today. The Department also instructed the school authorities not to conduct admission and admission entrance test at school premises till Friday.

ASSAM:

Strong winds and incessant rainfall triggered by Cyclone 'Remal' left a trail of destruction across Assam, claiming the life of a student and leaving several others injured yesterday. According to reports, a 17-year-old student lost his life in Morigaon district after a huge tree was uprooted and fell on the tempo in which he was travelling to school. Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said that Cyclone Remal has affected Assam, causing storms in many areas. The Government is monitoring the situation and request everyone to stay indoors until the situation stabilizes. The cyclone, which made landfall in neighbouring West Bengal and Bangladesh, has prompted several districts in Assam to be placed on high alert due to forecasts predicting heavy to extremely heavy rainfall.