

185 roads blocked as rain lashes state

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MUSSOORIE: Heavy rain lashed multiple districts of Uttarakhand on Thursday, closing over 185 roads, triggering landslides and disrupting the Char Dham Yatra at multiple locations as district administration across the state went on high alert. In Tehri district, a massive landslide on the Chamba-Mussoorie highway near Kaddu Khal caused a vacant, ageing building to collapse.

The geological instability, exacerbated by the downpour, also left two nearby restaurants in immediate danger on Wednesday evening. Casualties were averted due to proactive measures by local authorities, who evacuated labourers and shop owners to safer locations. Nitika Khandelwal, District Magistrate of Tehri, confirmed that an old tin-shed structure on government land was completely destroyed by soil erosion, while seven neighbouring kiosks remain under threat.

Khandelwal stated that prior to the collapse, the administration successfully relocated the workers and shop owners to safer sites, placed warning marks on the threatened structures, and instructed owners not to use them. Preliminary investigations revealed that the landslide was triggered by unauthorized excavation work by a private individual, which destabilized the hill, and legal action against the responsible party is currently underway, she said.

The monsoon fury hit key pilgrimages corridors hard on Thursday morning, blocking the



Uttarkashi DM inspects road-clearing work on the Gangotri highway following landslides on Thursday.

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Yamunotri National Highway near Sayna Chatti due to landslides and heavy boulder falls.

Heavy machinery was deployed, with officials estimating clearance by Friday morning. Similarly, the vital Gangotri National Highway was blocked early Thursday near Nalupani, though it reopened partially by mid-morning as Border Roads Organisation (BRO) teams continued extensive clearance operations at Dharasu Ghat and Nagun to ensure seamless connectivity.

The Badrinath Highway in Chamoli district was also briefly blocked near Bhanerpani due to debris, but quick response teams managed to clear the stretch within an hour. CS Vashist, SDM Jyotirmath, confirmed that the Badrinath Yatra is currently running smoothly.

In Uttarkashi, District Magistrate Prashant Arya issued strict directives to all disaster management departments to pre-position heavy machinery like JCBs at vulnerable zones and ordered the district control room to operate 24/7 to manage

real-time updates.

Beyond the main highways, connectivity remains severely impacted in the interiors. In Pauri district, extensive road closures have isolated several administrative divisions, including Dugadda, Pauri, Srinagar, and Pabo, leaving key arterial routes like the Shaheed Sandeep Singh Rawat State Highway blocked.

In Chamoli district alone, around 16 village roads were closed on Thursday morning, with recovery work proceeding on a war footing.

Meanwhile, river levels in Rudraprayag remained within safe parameters, as of Thursday morning, the Alaknanda River stood at 623.150 meters (against a warning level of 626m), and the Mandakini River was recorded at 622.23 meters (against a warning level of 625m). At the Sharda Barrage in Champawat, water levels were also reported well below the danger mark, though DM Manish Kumar directed all officials to remain alert and respond to any emergencies without delay.

Committee set up to probe into Badrinath donation row: Dhama

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DEHRADUN: Chief minister Pushkar Singh Dhama on Thursday said a high-level committee has been constituted to probe alleged donation irregularities at Badrinath, while attacking the Opposition Congress for seeking political mileage from matters concerning places of faith.

Speaking to the reporters after chairing the 97th meeting of the State-Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC) at the Secretariat in Dehradun, the chief minister said, "We have constituted a high-level committee to probe the matter. We will not tolerate any irregularity of this kind. It is a sacred and central place of faith and devotion for followers of Sanatan Dharma. There should be absolutely no scope for such wrongdoing at a site of



Pushkar Singh Dhama

this significance."

He added, "Those who fail to find genuine issues often seek political mileage from matters concerning our places of faith. Their honour and glory must not be diminished. No laxity will be tolerated at such sites, and my government and I will take strict action in this matter."

Police in Chamoli district on Wednesday registered an FIR against an employee of the Shri Badrinath Kedarnath Temple

Committee (BKTC), a day after he was suspended after an internal preliminary enquiry found irregularities in the handling of donations at the Badrinath Dham.

A show-cause notice was issued to him on July 3, after the allegations came to light. While under suspension, he has also been attached to the BKTC office in Jyotirmath.

On Friday, Hindu right-wing outfit Bhairav Sena Sangathan submitted a memorandum to the BKTC chief executive officer, demanding immediate administrative action and registration of an FIR over the alleged theft of donations at Badrinath Dham. The organisation warned of public protests if strict action was not taken.

Later that day, the BKTC constituted the four-member panel to probe the matter. Meanwhile, state Congress

vice-president Suryakant Dhasmana alleged that the controversy exposed the BJP's "pseudo-Hindutva", claiming that the party sought political mileage from religious issues. He further alleged that individuals associated with the BJP and the RSS occupied key positions in the BKTC and said the Opposition was merely discharging its duty by raising issues that hurt public sentiments.

At the SLBC meeting in Dehradun, Dhama directed banks and district administrations to hold regular outreach camps in districts with low credit-deposit ratios, saying that eligible beneficiaries should have easy access to institutional credit and government welfare schemes.

He also expressed concern over the low credit-deposit ratios in Bageshwar, Pauri, Almora, Rudraprayag, Pithoragarh and Tehri districts.

BKU-TIKAIT CALLS MAHAPANCHAYAT IN HARIDWAR

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HARIDWAR: The Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU-Tikait) has announced a Kisan Mahapanchayat at Shyampur Kangri in Haridwar district on July 20 to deliberate on issues concerning farmers. The event, to be held during the Harela festival week, will also promote afforestation and environmental conservation in view of the growing impact of climate change on agriculture and livelihoods.

BKU (Tikait) district president Vijay Shastri said farmers from the Kumaon, Garhwal regions, and neighbouring areas of Uttar Pradesh, are expected to attend.

According to Shastri, the mahapanchayat will take up rehabilitation of Van Gujjars, waiver of electricity charges for agricultural irrigation, an increase in the minimum support price for sugarcane, timely payments by sugar mills, subsidised fertilisers and urea.

Landslides form lake on Ramganga river, downstream areas on alert

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HALDWANI: Heavy rainfall triggered a landslide near Haradiya on the Thal-Munsiyari road in Uttarakhand's Pithoragarh district, creating an artificial lake nearly 600 metres long on the Ramganga River and prompting authorities to place downstream areas under constant surveillance, officials said on Thursday.

Officials said debris and boulders from the hillside slid into the river following torrential rain on July 4. The impounded water is gradually extending towards Bhaiskot village, raising



Lake formed on the Ramganga river in Pithoragarh.

concerns for an estimated 600-700 residents of about five villages, including Bhaiskhal, Basgun and Chhipa.

The Ratigaad and Haradiya slopes along the Thal-Munsiyari

route have long been prone to landslides. Similar lakes formed on the Ramganga following slope failures in 2013, 2016 and 2024. Experts have cautioned that a sudden breach of the impounded water body could trigger flash floods downstream. The rising water level has also washed away temporary bridges across the Ramganga, disrupting connectivity between villages in Pithoragarh and Bageshwar districts. Munsiyari sub-divisional magistrate Lalit Mohan Tiwari said officials have inspected vulnerable locations, including Haradiya, and are closely monitoring the situation.

Tree felling for NH-7 widening has statutory approvals, says NHAI

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MUSSOORIE: Amid protests over tree felling for the widening of the Bhaniyawala-Rishikesh stretch of National Highway-7, the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) on Thursday said the project is being executed with statutory approvals and incorporates a series of measures to minimise its environmental impact.

The ₹743-crore project, being implemented under the Hybrid Annuity Mode, will widen nearly 20 km of highway connecting Bhaniyawala with Jolly Grant Airport and Rishikesh. According to NHAI, the upgraded corridor is expected to improve connectivity between Dehradun, the airport and Rishikesh, while easing traffic for tourists, Char Dham pilgrims and local commuters.

NHAI officials said the existing two-lane road, which traverses forest areas, carries nearly

THE ₹743-CRORE PROJECT WILL WIDEN 20 KM OF HIGHWAY LINKING BHANIYAWALA WITH JOLLY GRANT AIRPORT AND RISHIKESH

18,500 vehicles daily and is marked by sharp curves and frequent movement of heavy vehicles, contributing to congestion and accidents. The widening, they added, will improve road geometry and safety.

Seeking to allay environmental concerns, the authority said the forest stretch has been designed with a reduced right of way of 23 metres instead of the conventional 60 metres. Following a scientific assessment by the Forest Research Institute, 754 trees have been identified for transplantation during the ongoing monsoon season.

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इस अनुभाग द्वारा कार्य "Construction of Median along with railing for traffic improvement at Various main road in Zone-5 area, JDA Jaipur" की निविदा सं. JDA/EE-5/20/2025-26 दिनांक 13.03.2026 में रेलिंग की डिजाईन बदलने के कारण (Change of scope of work), संक्षम स्तर पर लिये गये निर्णयानुसार, उक्त बिड को निरस्त किया जाता है एवं कार्य की अमानत राशि भी लौटाई जाती है।
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Elephant crushes buffalo to death
RUDRAPUR: An elephant crushed a buffalo to death with its trunk in Biriya Majhola village after being driven away from the village in Khatima, leading to an intensified patrolling in the area, said officials.

Worker booked for molesting 2 minors
HALDWANI: A contractual worker at the GB Pant US Nagar varsity has been booked under the Pocso Act for allegedly molesting two girls, police said. The incident triggered protests outside the police station.

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S. No.	Name of the Borrower/Guarantor	Description of Secured Assets	Reserve Price EMD Amount	Date & Time of E-Auction	Last Date of Submission of Bid	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1.	Mrs Mamta Rani, Flat No. A004 Jurs Country Teh & Dist Haridwar Pin-249407 Names of Co-applicant - Mr. Pawan Kumar, Flat No. A004 Jurs Country Teh & Dist Haridwar Pin-249407	Details of Mortgaged Property - Residential Building at Plot No 67, Khasra No 1617 situated at Mahadev Greens, Village Anneki Hettampur Pargana Roorkee Distt Haridwar total land area of 111.52 sq mt or 1200 Sq. ft with dimensions as East-30 ft., West-30 ft. North-40 ft., South-40 ft. Registered vide Sale Deed dated 10.02.2017, at Book No. 1, 2ild No.- 3905, at pages 193,226. Document registered in the office of Sub-Registrar Haridwar, Bounded by- East -20 ft wide road, West - Plot no 75, North - Prop of others, South - Prop no 68	Rs. 16,30,000	29.07.2026	29.07.2026	Rs. 20,66,596/- + As on 31.10.2018+ further interest and charges
			Rs. 1,63,000	from 1:00 pm to 05:00 pm	Till 04:50 pm	
			Bid Increment Rs. 30,000/-	Date & Time of Property Inspection 24.07.2026		
			Date of Possession 13.05.2019 (Physical)	between 11:00 AM to 04:00 PM Please Contact- Sanjay Mehra Mobile No : 9805805621		Demand Notice 20.11.2018
2.	Mrs. Poonam W/o Mr. Jagdish Kumar, House No.32 Garhmipur, Near Calvin Care Factory, Haridwar-249403, Uttarakhand Names of Co-applicant - Mr. Jagdish Kumar S/o Amar Singh, House No.32 Garhmipur, Near Calvin Care Factory,Haridwar-249403, Uttarakhand.	Details of Mortgaged Property - Equitable mortgage of all the part and parcel of residential Plot No.-4 at Khasra No.-603 measuring East-14 Ft. West-14 Ft. North-40 Ft. South-40 Ft. having total area 560Sq. Ft. or 52.04 Sq. Mt. situated at Gram Salempur Medood-1 Pargana Roorkee Tehsil & Distt. Haridwar Bahar Seema Nagar Nigam Haridwar in the name of Mrs.Poonam W/o Jagdish Kumar registered in the office of Sub-Registrar Haridwar, Distt-Haridwar at Bahi no.-1, Jild No.-3410, Pages-81 to 94 Sale deed no.3875 dated 06-07-2015Bounded by- East - Plot No-15, West - Way 18 Feet Wide North - Plot No.-5, South -Way 18 Feet Wide	Rs. 11,50,000	29.07.2026	29.07.2026	Rs. 32,47,985.80/- + inclusive of interest up to 29-01-2023 + further charges
			Rs. 1,15,000	from 1:00 pm to 05:00 pm	Till 04:50 pm	
			Bid Increment Rs. 30,000/-	Date & Time of Property Inspection 24.07.2026		
			Date of Possession 06.09.2023 (Physical)	between 11:00 AM to 04:00 PM Please Contact- Sanjay Mehra Mobile No : 9805805621		Demand Notice 28.04.2023
2.	Mrs. Poonam W/o Mr. Jagdish Kumar, House No.32 Garhmipur, Near Calvin Care Factory, Haridwar-249403, Uttarakhand Names of Co-applicant - Mr. Jagdish Kumar S/o Amar Singh, House No.32 Garhmipur, Near Calvin Care Factory,Haridwar-249403, Uttarakhand.	Details of Mortgaged Property - Equitable mortgage of all the part and parcel of residential Plot No.-3 at Khasra No.-603 measuring East-23 Ft. West-23 Ft. North-33.50 Ft. South-33.50 Ft. having total area 771 Sq. Ft. or 71.65 Sq. Mt. situated at Gram Salempur Medood-1 Pargana Roorkee Tehsil & Distt. Haridwar Bahar Seema Nagar Nigam Haridwar in the name of Mr.Jagdish Kumar S/o Mr. Amar Singh registered in the office of Sub-Registrar Haridwar, Distt-Haridwar at Bahi no.-1, Jild No.-4021, Pages-151 to 166 Sale deed no.3440 dated 01-07-2017 Bounded by- East - Plot No-16, West - Rasta 18 Feet Wide, North - Plot No.-4, South -Rasta 20 Feet Wide.	Rs. 16,87,000	29.07.2026	29.07.2026	Rs. 32,47,985.80/- + inclusive of interest up to 29-01-2023
			Rs. 1,68,000	from 1:00 pm to 05:00 pm	Till 04:50 pm	
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2.	Mohd. Amjad S/o Manur Ahmad, H.No. 295, Ketwada Part Jwalapur Tehsil and Distt-Haridwar 249407 Uttarakhand, Names of Co-Applicant - Mrs. Yasmeen W/o Mohd. Amjad, H.No. 295, Ketwada Part Jwalapur Tehsil and Distt-Haridwar 249407 Uttarakhand	Details of Mortgaged Property - All that residential house situated at Khasra No.606, House No.295 Mohalla Kaitwara Jwalapur Haridwar-249407, Pargana Jwalapur, Distt-Haridwar. Total land area 55.25 Sq Mtr (594.5 Sq. Ft.) duly registered in the office of Sub-Registrar Haridwar, Sale deed details: Book No. 1, Jild No.1064, Page-337 to 356 at Serial No. 11778 dated 23.11.2012 and as per correction deed dated 18-04-2016 regd at Book No.1, Jild No. 3669 Page No. 17 to 26 at Serial No. 2406 dated 18-04-2016 executed between Sh. Naim and Smt. Yasmeen W/o Mohd Amjad, Bounded as: East-Masjid, West- Wide gali 6 Ft., North- Wide gali 10 Ft., South-Property of others.	Rs. 25,52,000	29.07.2026	29.07.2026	Rs. 28,22,946/- + unapplied interest and other charges
			Rs. 2,56,000	from 1:00 pm to 05:00 pm	Till 04:50 pm	
			Bid Increment Rs. 50,000/-	Date & Time of Property Inspection 24.07.2026		
			Date of Possession 05.02.2020 (Physical)	between 11:00 AM to 04:00 PM Please Contact- Sanjay Mehra Mobile No : 9805805621		Demand Notice 20.11.2018

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HALDWANI: A group of public representatives and local religious leaders has submitted a memorandum to the Almora district administration and the Jageshwar Temple Management Committee, demanding that non-Hindu traders be barred from setting up stalls during the upcoming annual Shrivani Mela at Jageshwar Dham.

The signatories, including Pooja, village head of Phulai Jageshwar; Munni Pandey, BDC member from Mantol Gunth; Mukesh Bhatt, president of the local trade union; former priest representatives Bhagwan Chandra Bhatt and Navin Chandra Bhatt; and Mahamandaleshwar Lal Baba, urged authorities to consider the religious sensitivities of the month-long fair, which attracts thousands of

Lord Shiva devotees during the holy month of Sawan.

Citing a past incident of local resentment during last year's Uttaravani Mela, Mahamandaleshwar Lal Baba warned of potential unrest if the demands are ignored. "Jageshwar Dham is a highly revered shrine, and the Shrivani Mela is closely tied to the religious traditions of the devotees. We have urged the administration not to allot vending spaces to non-Hindu traders from outside the area. We have also appealed to local shopkeepers not to rent out their spaces to them," he said, adding that the administration would be held responsible for any untoward incident.

"I have no information regarding this matter. Action in this case will be taken strictly in accordance with the directives of senior officials," said Saumya Gabryal, Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM), Jainti-Bhanoli.