

MOST IMMEDIATE / PERSONAL ATTENTION

Rc. No. N.C.I (4) / 4246 / 2019 Commissionerate of Revenue Administration
and Disaster Management,
Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.

Dated: 13.08.2019.

Circular

Present : Dr. Korlapati Satyagopal, I.A.S.,
Additional Chief Secretary / Commissioner of Revenue
Administration & State Relief Commissioner.

Sub: Mettur Dam – Heavy release of water from
Kabini Dam and Krishna Raja Sagar Dam -
Advisories for general public - Instructions
issued.

Ref: Advisory Warning for River Cauvery received
from Southern Rivers Division, Central Water
Commission, Government of India, Coimbatore,
SRD / C / 13067 / FF / 2018 / 2225 - 38,
dated: 12.08.2019.

The Central Water Commission, Government of India has issued
Advisory Warning for River Cauvery stating **that in view of heavy rain
in Karnataka and Kerala, there is substantial release of water from
Krishna Raja Sagara Dam and Kabini Dam, approximately 2.25
lakhs cusecs is likely to continue to flow into Mettur Dam and
therefore requested to take suitable precautionary steps and
inform downstream areas of the release.**

2) The Collectors of Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Salem, Erode,
Namakkal, Karur, Trichy, Ariyalur, Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Cuddalore and
Nagapattinam Districts in Cauvery Basin are hereby instructed to adhere
to the following instructions among others, since it is expected that
surplus waters being released from Karnataka may continue for some

more days and water is being released from Mettur dam from 13.08.2019.

- To give wide publicity on quantum of water being released from time to time.
- To ensure that people do not bathe & swim and do not indulge in fishing or other recreational activities without taking necessary safety measures during the water release period in Cauvery basin, rivers canals and other water bodies.
- To advise people to avoid selfies from risk prone locations.
- To issue advisories regarding safety of children and advise parents to prevent children from getting into the canals, rivers and water bodies.
- To advise farmers to take care of the wellbeing of the animals while transporting them across waterways during water release period.
- To instruct the local bodies also to be involved in taking the message to the people and also to identify the river crossing pathways other than bridges.
- To evacuate the people in low lying areas along the banks of rivers Cauvery, Coleroon and tail end reaches of Bhavani and Amaravathi if required.
- To deploy Inter Departmental Zonal Teams, SDRF Trained Police Personnel and Disaster Response Guards to monitor continuously the entire Cauvery River Basin.
- First Responders including Women First Responders to be made alert and also to engage First Responders to exclusively attend to the needs of livestock (First Responders for protecting livestock).

- To form Mobile teams of first responders for evacuation of people, for protecting live stock and for tree cutting of fallen trees and Snake catchers for deployment based on need.
- Sufficient water supply, food and medical facilities should be assured in the shelter places.
- The pumps and pumping arrangement installations at all the water supply wells, infiltration wells and infiltration galleries in riverbeds of Cauvery for all urban, rural and combined water supply schemes should be kept in safe position by taking precautionary measures.
- 108 ambulances to be kept ready and Mobile Medical teams to be pressed into service.
- Chlorination Teams to be formed for proper chlorination of drinking water at OHT, GLR, Bore wells and delivery point.
- Rapid Response Teams to be formed to ensure chlorinated drinking water and to prevent outbreak of diseases.
- Transmission lines and poles should be kept protected in the above villages along the bank of rivers, Cauvery, Coleroon and tail end reaches of Bhavani and Amaravathi. EB officials may be asked to monitor the situation closely.
- To remove blockages under bridges and culverts.
- Any obstructions inside as well as above and below all the vents of all bridges and cause ways across the above mentioned rivers should be cleared and removed away.
- Adequate flood stock materials should be kept ready for closing any breeches along the banks of rivers / canals.

- The assessed risk is communicated to alert the field level functionaries and the community to prepare for minimizing the impacts of potential flood risk through timely evacuation of people in low lying areas to safe shelters. Communication may be sent by TNSMART applications, social media and regular media (Print and Electronic)

3) Further care shall be taken that no panic is created among the public and all the Collectors of the above districts in Cauvery Basin and to send regular reports in this regard.

Sd./- K. Satyagopal,
Additional Chief Secretary /
Commissioner of Revenue Administration
& State Relief Commissioner

To

The District Collectors,
Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Salem, Erode, Namakkal, Karur, Trichy, Ariyalur,
Tiruvarur, Thanjavur, Cuddalore and Nagapattinam Districts.

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