

Gorkha–Budhigandaki Flash Flood: Search, Rescue and Relief Response

Situation Report #01

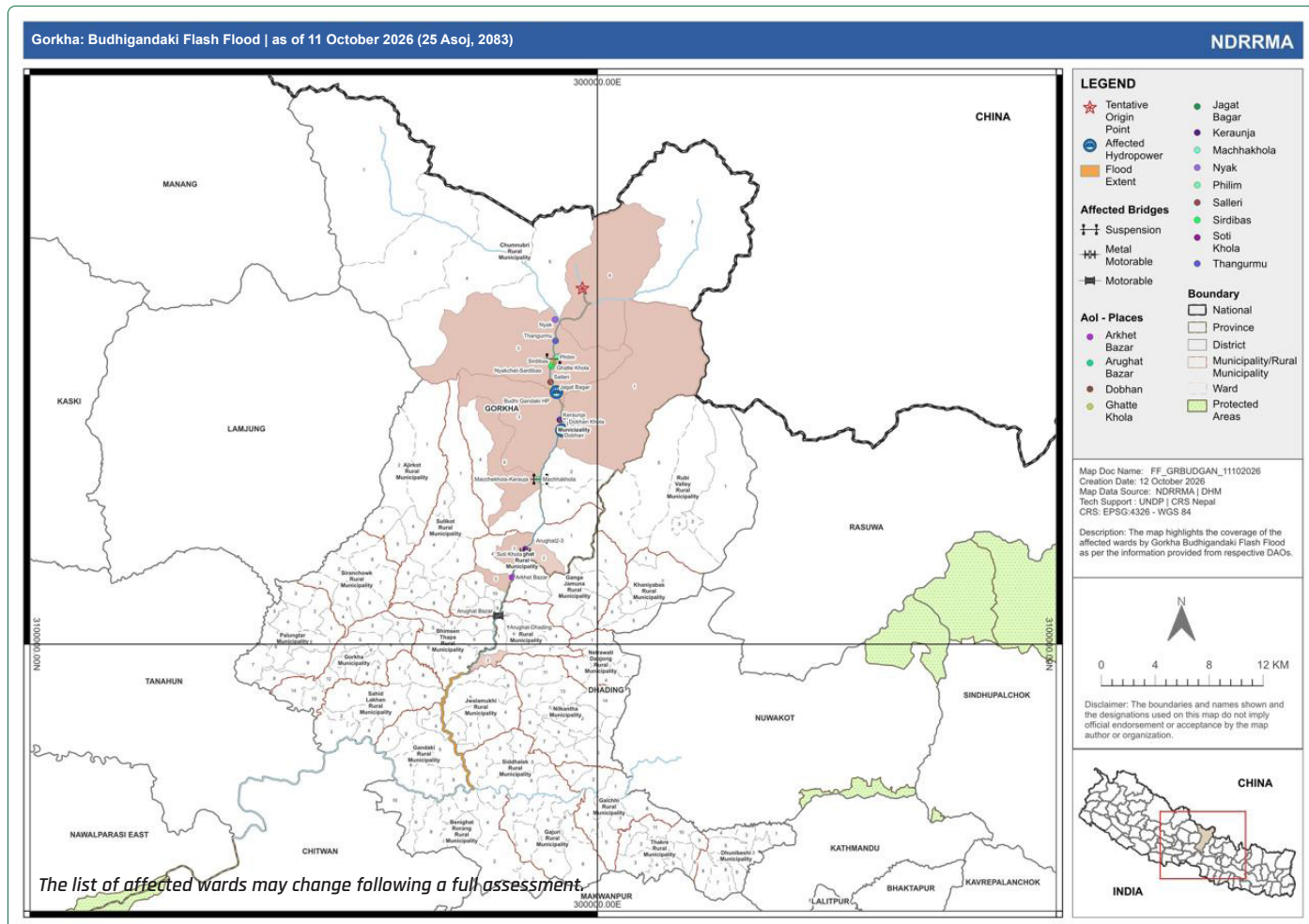
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This report has been prepared by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA) on the basis of information received from the District Administration Office and the District and National Emergency Operation Centres. It covers the response actions taken in the course of search, rescue and relief management of the situation created by the Budhigandaki flood in Gorkha.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

At around 5:30 am on 11 October 2026 (25 Asoj, 2083), a major landslide occurred between Lokpa and Chumling in Chum Nubri Rural Municipality-6, Gorkha district. The landslide blocked the Budhigandaki River, triggering a large flash flood carrying debris and causing physical damage. So far, 5 people remain out of contact, comprising 2 women and 3 men from Ungilung, Chumchet, Chum Nubri Rural Municipality-6. The Nepal Army has rescued 95 people, including 9 foreign nationals, from various affected areas using 4 helicopters.



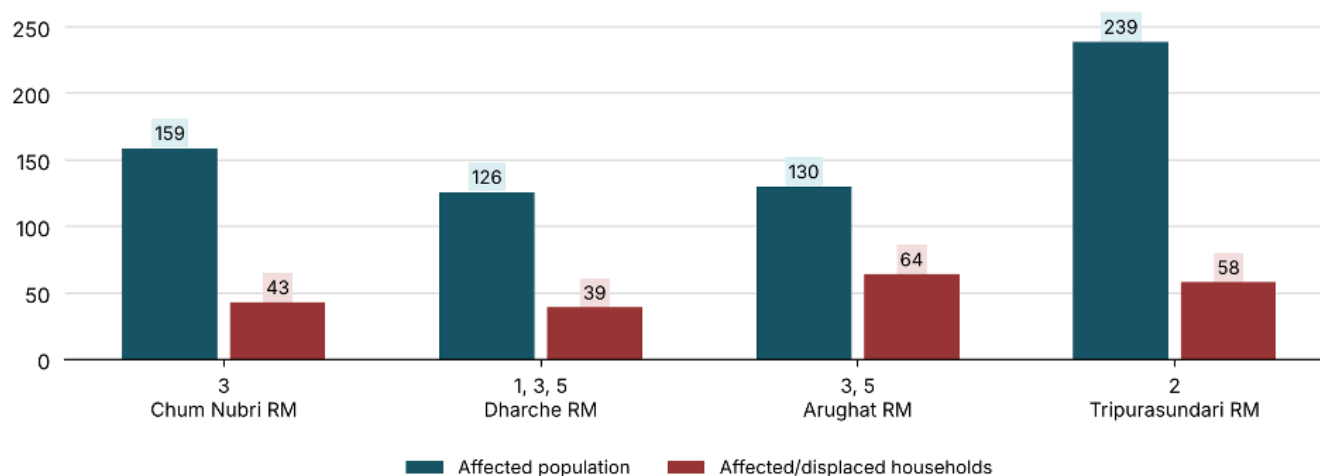
ACTIONS TAKEN SO FAR FOR THE RESPONSE

Time	Details
05:30 am	A landslide from Siringe Himal, between Lokpa and Chumling in Chum Nubri Rural Municipality-6, Gorkha district, blocked the local Uingulung River. Upon receiving reports of flash flooding in the Budhigandaki River immediately after the blockage, 8 Nepal Police personnel, comprising 5 from Police Post Sirdibas and 3 from Police Post Chunchet, relocated local residents to safe locations. A total of 12 employees of Times Energy Pvt. Ltd., based in Salleri, were also relocated to a safe location.
06:00 am	Upon receiving information about the flash flood, the Authority immediately sent SMS alerts to 221 responders at the district and local levels in Gorkha, Dhading, Tanahun, Chitwan, Nawalparasi (Bardaghat Susta East) and Nawalparasi (Bardaghat Susta West), directing them to mobilise for the response without delay.
06:00 am	The Nepal Army conducted a helicopter reconnaissance of the affected area.
06:15 am	Water began flowing from the blocked section of the river, triggering a major flash flood. Residents along the riverbanks were relocated to safe locations.
06:30 am	The water level at the Budhigandaki–Arughat flash flood gauging station rose from 2.28 m to 3.66 m, against a warning level of 4.50 m. In response, SMS warnings were sent to residents along the riverbanks. Approximately 200,000 alert messages have been sent so far.
From 06:30 am	The Disaster Response Command Post held ongoing meetings at the Authority, chaired by Chief Executive Dr Dharmaraj Upreti, in the presence of Home Minister Sudhan Gurung. The Command Post continuously monitored the flash flood, assessed the evolving situation, and provided coordination, facilitation and direction to the relevant response agencies.
06:36 am	The Nepal Army launched helicopter search and rescue operations, safely rescuing 6 people.
07:50 am	The water level at the Budhigandaki–Arughat flash flood gauging station rose to 5.01 m, exceeding the danger level of 5 m.
08:30 am	The water level at the same station subsequently rose to 6.22 m. A total of 437 security personnel were deployed to the affected area, comprising 127 from the Nepal Army, including 3 Special Forces units, 133 from Nepal Police and 177 from the Armed Police Force, Nepal. An additional 50 Nepal Police personnel remained on standby at the Disaster Response and Training Centre.
08:40 am	The water level at the Budhigandaki–Arughat flash flood gauging station rose further to 8.43 m.
10:00 am	The transport of urgently needed relief materials by road and helicopter began.
11:00 am	The Nepal Army deployed 4 helicopters for search and rescue operations in the affected area. So far, 95 people have been rescued and taken to safe locations.
From 11:00 am	The Ministry of Health and Food Hygiene and the Ministry of Health, Gandaki Province, placed district-level Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) in Gorkha, Lamjung and Tanahun on standby, along with emergency medical teams from the provincial hospitals in these districts.
01:00 pm	A team comprising the Directors General of the Department of Roads and the Department of Local Infrastructure Development was deployed to assess road access and the feasibility of installing Bailey bridge. Under NDRRMA's leadership, a 3-member team, including a drone operator and a geologist, was also deployed to investigate the cause of the incident.
02:00 pm	The mobilization team met to update damage information, review response activities undertaken so far and discuss the next steps. A total of 703 security personnel were deployed to the affected area, comprising 171 from the Nepal Army, including 3 Special Forces units, 143 from Nepal Police and 389 from the Armed Police Force, Nepal.



DETAILS OF DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE FLASH FLOOD RECEIVED SO FAR

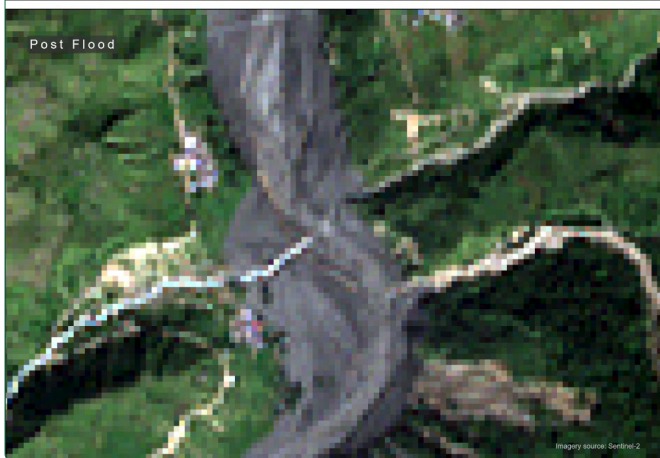
2 Concrete bridges	2 Suspension bridges	1 Bailey bridge	3 Hydropower	4 Havan kunda	4 Sheep sheds damaged	5 Vehicles
House damage				1 School	12 Pig Sties/storehouses damaged	
43 Chum Nubri RM, Ward 3	39 Dharche RM Wards 1, 3, 5	64 Arughat RM Ward 5	58 Tripurasundari RM, Ward 2			



DETAILS OF DAMAGE TO DRINKING WATER SCHEMES

S.N.	Name of scheme	Local level	Ward No.
1	Bishaltar Arughat Drinking Water Scheme	Tripurasundari RM	2
2	Manpang Drinking Water Scheme	Tripurasundari RM	1 and 2
3	Majhitar Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	1
4	Pipaltar Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	1
5	Ratmate Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	1
6	Majuwa Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	1
7	Bungkotghat Simle Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	5
8	Chhap Gahateri Dalit Settlement Drinking Water Scheme	Jwalamukhi RM	7
9	Gangajamuna Rural Municipality Drinking Water Scheme	Gangajamuna RM	5, 6, 7, 8
10	Tripurasundari Rural Municipality Drinking Water Scheme	Tripurasundari RM	
11	Siddhalek Rural Municipality Drinking Water Scheme	Siddhalek RM	3

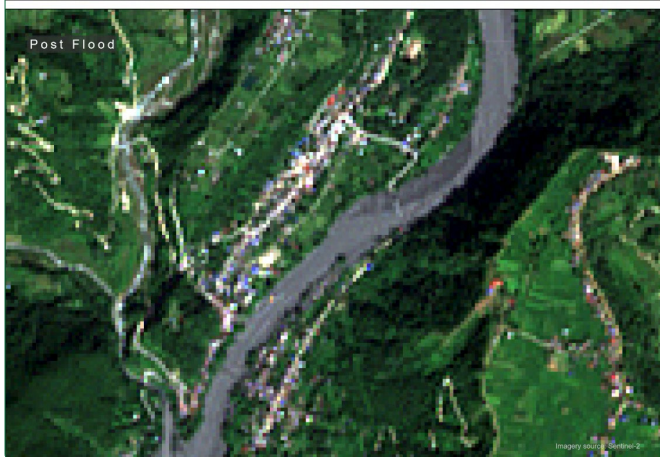
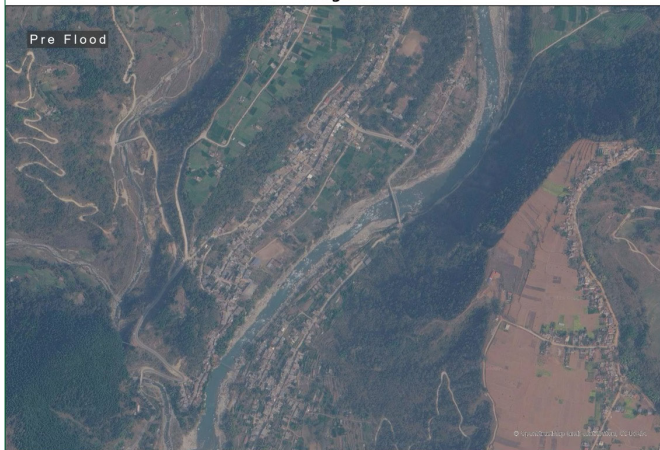
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DETAILS OF RELIEF MATERIALS SENT TO AFFECTED AREAS BY ROAD AND HELICOPTER

S.N.	Item	Unit	Quantity	District	Remarks
1	Tent	Pcs	110	Gorkha	Relief materials sent to Gorkha for Budhigandaki flash flood victims on 25 Asoj 2083 / 11 October 2026 by mini truck (6 SML four-wheelers)
2	Tarpaulin	Pcs	110		
3	Mattress	Pcs	440		
4	Blanket	Pcs	440		
5	Sleeping bag	Pcs	380		
6	Solar light	Pcs	175		
7	Kitchen set	Set	110		
8	1 KVA generator	Pcs	8		
9	5 KVA generator	Pcs	2		
10	Jacket	Pcs	250		
11	Hygiene kit	Box	80		
12	Food basket	Box	210		
13	Baby basket	Box	25		
14	Royal Bag (2 yrs)	Bag	25		
15	Royal Bag (2–5 yrs)	Bag	25		
16	Food basket	Box	60	Dhading	Relief materials sent to Dhading for Budhigandaki flash flood victims on 25 Asoj 2083 / 11 October 2026 by mini truck (1 SML four-wheeler)
17	Tarpaulin	Pcs	60		
19	Mattress	Pcs	180		
20	Blanket	Pcs	180		
21	Kitchen set	Pcs	60		
22	Jacket	Pcs	120		
23	Royal Bag (2 yrs)	Bag	10		
24	Royal Bag (2–5 yrs)	Bag	10		
25	Tent (Winterization)	Set	10	Gorkha	Relief materials sent to Gorkha for Budhigandaki flash flood victims on 25 Asoj 2083 / 11 October 2026 by MI helicopter
26	Mattress	Pcs	40		
27	Solar light	Pcs	25		
28	Blanket	Pcs	100		
29	Sleeping bag	Pcs	52		
30	Pillow	Pcs	15		
31	Jacket	Pcs	42		
32	Power bank	Pcs	10		
33	Food basket	Box	210		
34	Fortified biscuits	Box	10		

REQUIRED RELIEF MATERIALS (ESTIMATED FOR 21 DAYS), BASED ON DETAILS RECEIVED FROM THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, GORKHA

Chum Nubri Rural Municipality

Relief material	Quantity
Tent	43 pcs
Mattress	210 pcs
Tarpaulin	43 pcs
Rice	2,700 kg
Salt	43 kg
Potatoes	760 kg
Oil	111 litres
Pulses (whole beans)	333 kg
Lentils (dal)	405 kg
Turmeric	22.5 kg (at 500 g each)
Health/hygiene kit	43
Blanket	159 pcs



Dharche Rural Municipality

Relief material	Quantity
Tent	39 pcs
Mattress	160 pcs
Tarpaulin	39 pcs
Rice	2,340 kg
Salt	39 kg
Potatoes	819 kg
Pulses (whole beans)	295 kg
Lentils (dal)	351 kg
Turmeric	19.5 kg (at 500 g each)
Health/hygiene kit	39
Blanket	126 pcs

Arughat Rural Municipality

Relief material	Quantity
Tent	64 pcs
Mattress	128 pcs
Tarpaulin	64 pcs
Rice	1,920 kg
Salt	64 kg
Potatoes	576 kg
Pulses (whole beans)	288 kg
Lentils (dal)	384 kg
Turmeric	32 kg (at 500 g each)
Health/hygiene kit	64
Blanket	130 pcs



TOTAL RELIEF MATERIAL REQUIREMENT FOR TRIPURASUNDARI RURAL MUNICIPALITY, DHADING

Requirements calculated per household (4 members per household).

S.N.	Item	Quantity per household	Unit	Total required
1. Food Supplies				
1.1	Rice	25	kg	1,450
1.2	Beaten rice (chiura)	5	kg	290
1.3	Lentils (masoor/rahar)	5	kg	290
1.4	Cooking oil	2	litres	116
1.5	Salt	1	kg	58
1.6	Potatoes and onions	10	kg	580
1.7	Ready-to-eat food (biscuits/instant noodles)	1	carton	58
2. Temporary Shelter and Clothing				
2.1	Plastic mat	2	pcs	116
2.2	Blanket	4	pcs	232
2.3	Tent	2	pcs	116
2.4	Sandals for women	2	pairs	116
2.5	Shoes for men	2	pairs	116
2.6	Cotton/warm clothing for wearing and changing into at night, undergarments	4	pairs	232
2.7	Umbrella/raincoat	2	pcs	116
3. Sanitation and Drinking Water (WASH Kit)				
3.1	Water purification tablets/Piyush	1	pack	58
3.2	Bucket and jug with lid	1	set	58
3.3	Soap (laundry + bathing)	6	bars	348
3.4	Toothpaste and toothbrush	1	kit	58
3.5	Sanitary pads	2	packets	116
4. Health and Emergency Equipment				
4.1	First aid kit	1	set	58
4.2	Rechargeable torch/solar light	1	pcs	58
4.3	Cooking utensil set	1	set	58



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