

Panchayat head of Bira Ram Chandrapur, Odisha appeals for urgent help!

Humanitarian Appeal for floods caused by Cyclone Jawad in Odisha December 6, 2021

Ms Joyashree Mohapatra, Panchayat head, Bira Ram Chandrapur in Puri district, Odisha has reached out to SEEDS. They are requesting support for their village, which has been impacted by the heavy rains since December 3 due to Cyclone Jawad. A population of 3,250 has been affected in the Bira Ram Chandrapur panchayat. The region received continuous rain, causing subsequent flooding in the area. Most people living in the panchayat are from economically weaker sections like agriculture labourers and farmers with small landholdings who barely manage to make their ends meet.

Over 600 people have been evacuated from Bira Ram Chandrapur panchayat. As per the current update, more than 600 houses are damaged, extensive damage to around 2000 hectares of standing agricultural crop and livestock. As per our team on the ground in the village and Ms Joyashree Mohapatra, there is an urgent need to provide support of immediate relief items like ration kits, hygiene items, essential items and cash support to meet daily survival in their bank accounts. Water sources in the panchayat like community wells require cleaning to cater to the drinking water needs.

Immediate support will help the affected families to mitigate the adverse health impacts related to the flooding and help them to cope with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Many people who have been displaced due to inundated homes do not have homes to go back to and the situation is expected to remain precarious for the next few months. Additionally, with damage to the houses and other sanitation facilities, urgent repair and rebuilding work initiative needs to be addressed.

Your support is required to assist farmers and other communities across flood-affected regions in Puri, Balasore, Jagatsinghpur & Kendrapada. SEEDS seeks your generous support and other organisations to join hands in assisting and helping the people of Odisha. Connect with us and we can facilitate your support to these communities!

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You can help us reach out to those most in need! Lend a hand.

Ration Kit	Cash S

for a family of 5 consisting of wheat flour, rice, pulses, oil, salt and sugar

Cash Support

Monetary support to cyclone-affected families directly into their bank account

Essentials Kit

with aluminium vessel and bowl, ladle, saucepan, spoons, plates, steel glasses, kadai, blanket, clothes, sleeping mat, candles and lighter

Restoration of water sources

Desludging, cleaning and chlorination of water sources like community wells to cater to 20 families

Rs. 1,000

to help feed **one family** with ration kit

Rs. 3,000

to support **one family** with immediate cash to help in their survival

Rs. 5,000

to support **one family** with an essential kit to enable them to cook and rest

Rs. 10,000

to provide **20 families** with safe drinking water

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"I am a farmer and I have 3 acres of agricultural land. This year I had grown paddy in the field. Since farming is my only source of income to make my ends meet, harvesting of paddy was crucial to me. Unfortunately, due to cyclone Jawad, that caused intense rainfall, my entire crop got submerged in water and got completely damaged. The crop yield generally provided me and my family with basic income as well as nutrition for the whole year. With all this devastation, I don't know what I will do this year to survive, repay my debts, feed and support my family. I am beginning to lose hope!"

- Pravakar Bhoi, 42 years, Arol village, Bira Pratap RamChandrapur gram panchayat



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