

NDRF Rescues Villagers in Jharkhand Floods

Why in News?

- The <u>National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)</u> rescued **26 villagers** stranded in flood waters in Garhwa district, Jharkhand.
 - Incessant rain over the past few days led to the flooding

Key Points

- The villagers were trapped in the flood waters of the <u>Sone River</u> near **Hariharpur police outpost.**
 - The Son River, also known as the Sone River, is a perennial river that flows through central India.
 - It is the 2nd-largest southern (right bank) tributary of the Ganges after the Yamuna River.
 - It originates near Amarkantak Hill in the Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi district of Chhattisgarh and finally merges with the Ganges River near Patna in Bihar.

National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)

- About:
 - NDRF is a specialised force constituted for the purpose of specialized response to natural and man-made disasters in India.
 - Formation and Purpose: The NDRF was formed in 2006 under the <u>Disaster Management</u> <u>Act, 2005</u>. Its primary purpose is to respond quickly and effectively to natural and manmade disasters.
 - Structure: The NDRF consists of battalions from the Central Armed Police Forces
 (CAPFs) including the Border Security Force (BSF), Central Reserve Police Force
 (CRPF), Central Industrial Security
 Force (CISF), Indo Tibetan Border Police
 (ITBP), and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB).
 - Each battalion has specialized training and equipment for disaster response.

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