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Restoration of Flood damaged roads by Highways Department

(Status as on 30.12.2015)

1. A detailed action plan for restoration of flood damaged roads and structures has been prepared. Administrative sanctions have been accorded for restoration of 2626 km length of roads, 143 causeways / culverts and construction of protective structures at 119 landslide locations for Rs. 150 Crore from State Disaster Relief Fund for carrying out temporary restoration of damaged roads and bridges. After following the tenders procedures, it is planned to complete all road works in January itself and the balance 7 causeway works by February 2016. Apart from this, 1096 km length of roads with damaged riding surface were restored so far.
2. Due to heavy rains breaches occurred in 109 locations all over the State out of which 107 have been closed. In Alladu – Manopuram Road in Tiruvallur District, water is still overflowing and transportation of people is being done using boat. Traffic is diverted through via Chennai – Pulicat road with a additional travelling of 3 Km. In Narimedu in Cuddalore District traffic is diverted through a nearby high level bridge. Breach at these locations will be attended after water recedes completely. Further, 701 damaged culverts and causeways have been restored immediately and landslides / deeply eroded berms in 254 locations were cleared on the same day on war footing basis.

3. In Thiruvallur, water has receded in the causeway in Pinjivakkam hamlet and immediate restoration measure are being carried out which will be completed today and light vehicle movement will be allowed.
4. Further, as the water has receded in Kanagammachathiram - Thakkolam Road and Tirutani - Nagalapuram road in Tiruvallur Division, formation of temporary road has been commenced. It is proposed to lay 25 rows of 2m dia & 12 m pipes width, each weighing 13.5 tonnes. 2 Poccilains and 1 JCB are engaged at each site. These works will be completed this week.

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