



KOSI BARRAGE DAMAGE LEDS TO GREAT LOSS

PEOPLE OF PATANJALI YOGPEETH HELPED THE FLOOD VICTIMS

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On Monday the 18th of August 2008, near the Kusaha village of Nepal province, the banks of the river Kosi broke and the districts of Supail, Veerpur, Chatapur, Pratapgunj were badly affected. The Veerpur market, Baluva market and the surrounding areas submerged in water. Water gushed into Farbisgunj of Ariya, and ten panchayats of Narpatgunj. There was excess flow of water in Kumar region. The railway lines washed away with the water. Many villages were submerged in water due to the increasing level of Ganga. The banks of Kherpur also broke which affected thousands of people. Many districts of Bihar were affected due to Kosi River floods. The army took active part in removing the bodies of the deceased and shifting the people to safe places, some service oriented organizations gave them food and water, but there was no permanent arrangements made. In this state the founder of the Patanjali Yogpeeth, Respected Swami Ramdev Ji was determined to help the victims, he instructed the state and the central In charge of Patanjali Yoga Committee to make arrangements for food and medicines.

With the help of Yog teachers, he started a relief camp at the Saharsa railway station. More than three to four thousand people were given food twice a day and necessary medicines were given to the needy. The were made at the Saur Bazaar of Saharsa district, M.L.T. College at Sohara arrangements Nahar, T.P.College in Madehpura district, Chakla Nahar, Kathautiya Nahar (Biharigunj), Katihar railway station in Katihar district, Katihar Bus stand, Ahmedabad, Pranpur Maina, Manihari, Sabera Madhya Vidyalaya in Supaul district, Ganeshpurtat at Daparkhana, Purania Madhya Vidyalaya and Vanmankhi in Purania district, Narpatgunj and Phulkaha in Arariya district, 40 to 45 thousand people were given food twice a day. Arrangements were made to serve food like dal, puri, curry and halva. Milk and biscuits were supplied to the children, jaggery and dates were given to Muslim refugees, nutritional food was supplied for the pregnant women, patients were given specially made churna to cure fever, gas related problems. Permanent and mobile hospitals were made available for the refugees and free medicines were supplied. Women were given new saris, men were given new dhotis, vests and briefs, youth were supplied with best quality jackets, and T-shirts and children were given new clothes.

Yog classes were also conducted at the relief camps organized by the Patanjali Yogpeeth. The people were asked to fill up the form and are trained as yoga instructors. 10,000 people are being given jobs by the S.I.S, Patna.

People shouted the slogans of 'Bharat Mata ki Jai' and 'Vande Mataram' in all the relief camps before having food, which clearly indicates that though they are left out with nothing of their own but the nationalism still exists in their minds