

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Need to release interim funds as relief measures to flood affected districts of Andhra Pradesh.

DR. BEESETTI VENKATA SATYAVATHI (ANAKAPALLE):

Thank you, Speaker, Sir. Extensive rainfall has caused devastating floods in Kadapa, Chittoor, Anantapur and Nellore districts of Andhra Pradesh in early November this year. Continuous rainfall has inundated 1402 villages and four towns affecting nearly 1.83 lakh people in four districts. As per reports, rain and flood-related incidents have claimed 41 lives till now in the State.

In terms of damage to infrastructure pertaining to roads and buildings, power, panchayati raj, rural water supply and sanitation, the loss would run into thousands of crores of rupees.

My request through you, Speaker, Sir, to the hon. Minister of Agriculture and to the Central Government is to release interim funds of about Rs.1000 crore immediately to save our State of Andhra Pradesh.

Thank you very much, Sir.