

GROUND REALITIES IN IDUKKI DISTRICT



Many houses in Idukki still stand vulnerable with parts of the houses washed away in the massive landslides in the muddy terrain triggered by torrential rains in the month of August. The worst floods in 100 years have killed over 51 people in Idukki and forced 33,635 people to flee from their homes to the relief camps. Idukki dam opened after 26 years.

Meanwhile, many along with their families are still sleeping in relief camps at nights while spending their day time in cleaning and monitoring the vulnerability of their houses post floods.

"The damaged part of the house that you see was my tea shop which was the only source of my income. We woke up to a huge commotion at around 3AM on August 14th when this part of my house collapsed due to heavy rainfall and landslide. After the landslide, my whole family is living at a nearby school where relief camp as authorities have advised me that the house can collapse any moment now. Coming back to normal living would be very difficult" - Sahu (40), Munnar (Idukki)





Members of a family evacuate and save belongings from their damaged house as govt authorities repeatedly warn of not staying in the vulnerable houses post floods until damage assessment is being done.



Parts of the houses in Idukki district collapsed amidst floodings and landslides.

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