

**Ministry of Home Affairs
Disaster Management Division
(National Emergency Response Centre)**

**Brief Report on Forest Fire incident in Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh as on
06th April, 2021 at 2000 Hrs.**

Uttarakhand :

1. Details of incident : -

An incident of forest fire has occurred on 03.04.2021 in Nainital, Almora, Pithoragarh, Bageshwar, Haridwar and Rudraprayag Districts. This area is a relatively remote and inaccessible and emergency response operation is challenge. As per information of state government rainfall in Uttarakhand during the winter season of 2020-21 has been much less than normal, and ensuing low humidity has resulted in forest fire incidences.

2. Current Situation:-

- i. In last 24 hours Total 100 forest fire incident occurred in Uttarakhand
- ii. 04 persons have been died, 02 injured and 22 animals have died, 07 injured so far due to forest fire incident
- iii. Fire has been doused in Almora, Bageshwar, Haridwar and Pauri districts.
- iv. Fire dousing work is in progress in Nainital, Pithoragarh, Rudraprayag, Champawat, Chamoli and Tehri districts of Uttarakhand.
- v. 02 IAF MI-17 Helicopters carried out 06 sorties today in Srinagar area for dousing the fire. Total 08 sorties conducted so far.
- vi. 01 team of NDRF is standby at Haldwani.
- vii. Fire, police, forest department personnel and local people are deployed for dousing the fire.

3. Steps taken by Central Government:-

- i. Situation is being monitored on 24x7 basis by Central Government at the highest level.
- ii. Control Rooms of Ministry of Home Affairs are monitoring the situation 24X7 and all possible help is being provided to the State.
- iii. 02 IAF MI-17 helicopters have been deployed in Uttarakhand.

Deployment of Manpower and Resources by Central Government:-

a)	NDRF	01 Team standby
b)	Air Force	02 Helicopters

4. Steps taken by State Government

- i. The personnel of Reserve Forest Department, Police, Fire services department and local people are dousing the fire.
- ii. The Forest department has put in all available resources for controlling the spread of fire and operationalized 40 Master Control Rooms, 1317 Field crew stations and 174 watch towers, while more than 6000 persons have been deployed in the field.

Himachal Pradesh:-

- Forest department of Himachal Pradesh reported 82 forest fire incident during last 24 hrs in districts of Bilaspur, Chamba, Dharamsala, Hamirpur, Kullu, Mandi, Nahan, Rampur, Shimla and Solon.
- The personnel of Forest Department, Police, Fire services department civil defence and local people are engaged the dousing the fire.
