

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

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**Situation Report on the Avalanche at Sumna-Rimkhim Uttarakhand as on 26.04.2021**  
**up to 1900 hrs**

**1. Details of incident : -**

As per preliminary report, on 23.04.2021 at about 1600 hours an avalanche has occurred at 4 Kms. ahead of Sumna on Sumna-Rimkhim road in District Chamoli of Uttarakhand, where BRO detachment and labourers camp were engaged construction work on Sumna-Rimkhim axis. Army camp is also there about 3 km from Sumna (approx 1km short of BRO Sumna Det).

**2. Current Situation:-**

- i. The search & rescue operation is going on at Sumna-Rimkhim axis by Army/BRO and local administration.
- ii. 384 persons rescued, dead bodies of 15 persons have been recovered so far.
- iii. 07 injured have been airlifted. 06 admitted in Military hospital (MH), Joshimath and 01 referred to MH Dehradun on 25.04.2021.
- iv. 03 persons are still missing.
- v. Road cut off at few locations due to multiple landslides.
- vi. 01 team of Border Road Task Force (BRTF) is deployed for clearing slides enroute from Bhapkund to Sumna through blasting and dozer efforts.
- vii. 02 Army Cheetahs helicopter are made available for evacuation of critical patients.
- viii. 02 teams of SDRF mobilized and are still in enroute due to landslide and snow fall.
- ix. On 25.04.2021, 02 X ALH of Air Force moved sniffer dog from Malhari to Sumna.
- x. Today 01 X ALH moved 02 dead bodies from Sumna to Joshimath and lifted ration from Joshimath to Sumna.
- xi. 03 Sorties conducted today by IAF and Total 14 Sorties done so far.

**3. Steps taken by Central Government:**

- i. Situation is being monitored on 24x7 basis by Central Government at the highest level.
- ii. Both Control Rooms of Ministry of Home Affairs are monitoring the situation 24X7 and all possible help is being provided to the State.
- iii. Deployment of Manpower and Resources by Central Government

a)	ITBP	Stand By
b)	Army	02 Columns
c)	Air force	03-ALH, 02-MI 17V5, 2 Cheetahs helicopter and 01 Chinook stand by for recce and search operation.
d)	BRTF	01 Teams

**4. Steps taken by State Government:**

- i) In addition, mobilizations of resources available with local administration, 02 teams of SDRF have also been mobilized.

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