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## ₹1,816 cr disaster relief for 5 states

**A** high level committee, headed by Home Minister Amit Shah, has approved the release of an additional ₹1,816 crore to five states, including Karnataka, as central assistance for the natural disasters faced by them. According to an official statement, the assistance will be provided to Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Meghalaya and Nagaland for floods, landslides and cloudburst that occurred during 2022. The HLC under Shah's chairmanship has approved the additional central assistance under the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) to five states, the statement said. This shows the resolve of the Union government under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to help the people of five states who faced these natural disasters, it said. While Assam will get ₹520.466 crore, Himachal Pradesh will receive ₹239.31 crore and Karnataka ₹941.04 crore, it said. It added that ₹47.326 crore has been approved for Meghalaya and ₹68.02 crore for Nagaland.

This additional assistance is over and above the funds released by the Centre to the states in the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF), already placed at the disposal of the states, it said.

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