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Relief as per NDRF norms, says CM

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Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, while refraining from making announcement on relief in the light of code of conduct ahead of bypolls, said after an aerial survey of flood-hit areas in Raichur, Yadgir, and Kalaburagi districts on Wednesday that compensation would be given as per NDRF norms.

"We need another fourfive days to get a clear picture about the damage caused by floods. As many as 14 taluks are affected in four districts and more



B.S. Yediyurappa in Kalaburagi. • ARUN KULKARNI

than 43,000 people have been shifted to safer places. As many as 247 villages on river banks have been identified as sensitive and people in 117 of them have been partially shifted," he said.

"Over 5,000 people have been rescued by NDRF, SDRF, and Fire and Emergency Services personnel teams. And, 233 relief centres have been opened and 38,000 people are taking shelter in them. I have told the officials to ensure proper supply of food and medical services to the people who have taken shelter in relief centres. Compensation for flood victims would be given as per NDRF norms," he said. He was speaking to mediapersons at the Kalaburagi Airport after holding a meeting of Deputy Commissioners and other senior officers of the flood-hit districts.

"The model code of conduct is in force for elections and I won't make any announcements.

"I have conducted an aerial survey and seen that there is drinking water problem in Kalaburagi city and rural areas and drinking water is being supplied through tankers. I have directed the officials to ensure that there was no drinking water problem," said the Chief Minister.

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