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Wayanad, Panamaram, Heavy Rain, Roads were Submerged

Rain makes these cops' hearts heavy



Police personnel at the Panamaram station in Wayanad rowing a fibre boat | MANU R MAVELIL

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THE hearts of 28 policemen at Panamaram station in Wayanad become heavy when they see it raining. It becomes heavier if it showers continuously for three or more days. Not because they dislike rain. The entire roads to the police station get submerged and both the officers and common people have to rely on a boat to get to and out of the station.

Though the officers at the station have now completely adjusted themselves to their plight during the monsoon, they are worried what if something important happens within their jurisdiction. One needs to visit the site to believe the

officers' predicament.

Anybody who wants to go the police station must park their vehicle near the agriculture department office at Panamaram. The roads are inundated afterwards. The police station is just about half a kilometre from there. But you can't even go walking. The water levels are as high as eight feet.



How to get to the police station? Either you must call somebody there to bring the boat or else you have to row a boat by yourself.

When the Express team reached the spot, unfortunately, no boat was seen. A person standing there said "the police officers have just gone to the station and you will have to wait till they return".

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