

Floods

Heavy rain can cause floods. If a lot of rain falls quickly, the earth is unable to soak it up, and the water builds up on the ground. When it runs off into the rivers, the rivers overflow their banks. The worst floods happen where the land is flat and low-lying. These areas are known as floodplains. Mud, earth, and large objects, like cars, can be carried long distances by flood waters. They rip up anything not firmly anchored to the ground. Then, disease spreads quickly because the flood water is polluted and there is no fresh drinking water.



Effects of floods

Causes damage to the animals as they get carried away with water

Crop fields is destroyed

Damage is caused to life and property