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USPA NEWS - Himalayan quake: monsoon hampered rescue. In the earthquake of magnitude 6.9 in the northern India more than 50 people have been killed. Many villages are cut off from the outside world. India's northeast is connected by a narrow corridor with the rest of the country.

is complicates the work of the rescue services. Because after the earthquake last Sunday, a strong monsoon rains, which led to numerous landslides. The phone lines are down. According to the authorities, killing at least 53 people were killed, but many villages have not yet been reached.

In Nepal, the death toll was given after the quake measuring 6.9 with six.

Night in the open

Gangtok the capital of the Indian state of Sikkim was on Monday further closed to the outside world, because the only main access road was vermurt. Because of the heavy rain and low cloud cover could not fly helicopters.

"Our rescue teams are stuck. Conditions are terrible," said civil protection spokesman Surendra Ahlawat. More than 5,000 soldiers were deployed to free the streets again.

Thousands of residents of Gangtok spent the night in the open because they had legitimate fear of aftershocks. More than a hundred were injured by falling debris. "People are very worried and tense," said a woman from Gangtok. In neighboring Nepal, it is predicted that the death toll will continue to rise. And also in Tibet, there are reports of the Chinese Xinhua news agency more than seven deaths.

In the Himalayan region earthquakes occur frequently. Sikkim is the least populated Indian state.

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