

## Fire Incident at village Chichwari, Tehsil Chirgaon, Rohru, Shimla

Fierce fire on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 at village, Chichwari, Gram Panchayat Rohal, Tehsil Chirgaon, Rohru, district Shimla destroyed 67 houses. According to newspaper reports 150 sheep/goat and 50 cows and calves perished in the fire. The fire which started at around 12.30 midnight when the villages were sleeping engulfed the entire village. The blasts of LPG cylinders intensified the fire. According to reports fire loss was estimated at Rs. 9.0 crore.

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### 80 houses gutted in fire



The burnt houses in Chichwadi village in Rohru on Saturday. A Tribune photo

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**SHIMLA, DECEMBER 24**  
A devastating fire that broke out in Chichwadi village in Rohal panchayat of Rohru around midnight has left over 80 families homeless.

The fire, the cause of which is still not known, reduced more than 65 wooden houses to ashes while 15 houses were partially burnt.

Though there has been no loss of human life, over 200 cattle perished in the fire.

The village is located at a distance of 35 km from Rohru, sub-divisional headquarters.

MR Dhiman, Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM), Rohru, said fire tenders were not of much help due to village's poor connectivity.

He said a relief of Rs 2 lakh had been disbursed among the affected families. The victims have also been provided with ration for 15 days, utensils, blankets and other essential items. Efforts

were on to help provide them with immediate shelter in view of the harsh weather.

Meanwhile, villagers of the adjoining areas have provided shelter to the people for the time being.

Governor Urmila Singh and Chief Minister PK Dhumal have expressed grief over the incident. They directed the administration to provide immediate relief and help to the affected families at the earliest.



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