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# Osamor MP, Shadow Secretary of State for International Development, commenting

on Priti Patel's announcement on the UK response to the South Asia floods, said:

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Patel's response to the floods in South Asia has been slow and insufficient.

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now been more than two weeks since the floods struck and Priti Patel's announcement last Friday that the UK will contribute just £400,000 of new funding in Nepal, from an annual aid budget of over £13 billion is not good enough.

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Patel must now urgently come before Parliament this week and make a statement that keeps the world's eyes on South Asia and shows that this government is serious about tackling the unfolding catastrophe.

## "Tropical

Storm Harvey's recovery effort in Houston may be grabbing mainstream media headlines, but we must not ignore the millions suffering across South Asia. British humanitarian responses must be driven by need — not the column inches a

disaster receives in the mainstream media."