

# Government of India Ministry of Earth Sciences India Meteorological Department

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Subject: Wet Spell over Western Himalayan Region and adjoining plains of Northwest India from night of 08<sup>th</sup> February till morning of 10<sup>th</sup> February and over parts of East India on 09<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2022

# Weather Observed during past 24 hours ending at 0830 hrs IST of today:

- **Minimum temperatures** are below normal by about 2°C over most parts of northwest, central & east India.
- Cold Day to Severe Cold Day conditions prevailed in some parts of Uttar Pradesh and Cold day conditions in isolated pockets over Uttarakhand, Haryana & Delhi, Bihar and West Madhya Pradesh.
- **Cold Wave** conditions observed in isolated pockets over East Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha and Odisha.
- **Dense to Very Dense Fog** prevailed in many parts over East Uttar Pradesh and Punjab; in isolated pockets over Haryana-Chandigarh and West Uttar Pradesh; **dense fog** in isolated pockets over Uttarakhand and Assam.

## Weather Systems and associated forecast & warnings:

- The Western Disturbance as a the trough in middle & upper tropospheric westerlies with it axis at 5.8 km above mean sea level now runs roughly along Long. 52°E to the north of Lat. 30°N. Under its influence; fairly widespread light rainfall/snowfall very likely over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Baltistan & Muzaffarabad during next 24 hours and isolated rainfall/snowfall during subsequent 24 hours; isolated rainfall/snowfall over Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand during next 2 days.
- Under the influence of another Western Disturbance:
  - 1. Scattered/fairly widespread light/moderate rainfall/snowfall with thunderstorm & lightning likely over Western Himalayan Region (over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand) during night of 08th till morning of 10th February and then reduce thereafter.
  - 2. Fairly widespread rainfall with thunderstorm & lightning likely over Punjab, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, West Uttar Pradesh and isolated rainfall over East Uttar Pradesh & north Rajasthan on 09th February.

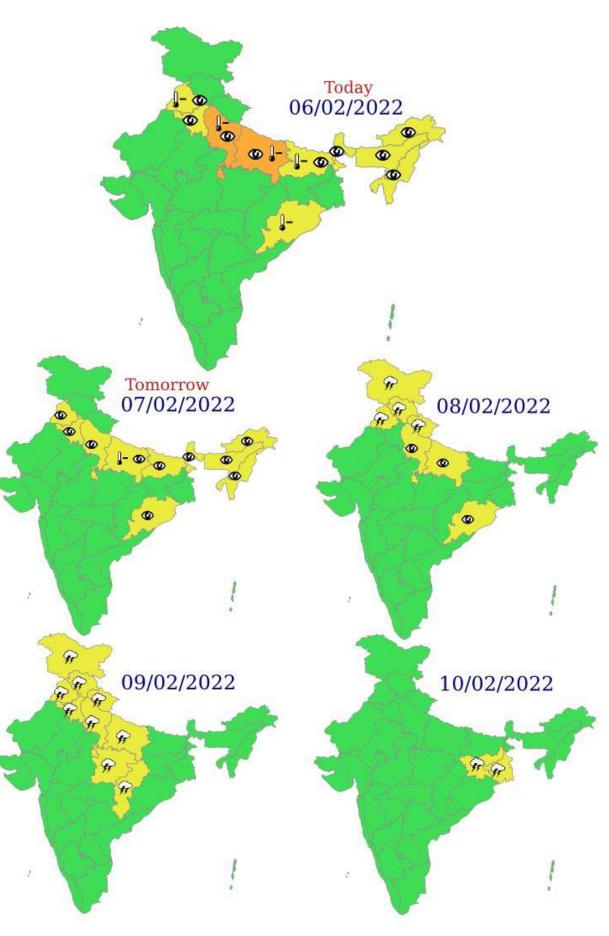
3. Isolated to scattered rainfall likely over West Bengal, Sikkim, Bihar, Jharkhand and north Odisha on 09<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2022.

## **Fog and Cold Day Warning:**

- Gradual rise in minimum temperatures by 2-4°C very likely over most parts of Northwest, Central & West India during next 3 days and then gradual fall by 2-4°C during subsequent 2 days.
- No significant change in minimum temperatures very likely over most parts of East India during next 2 days and gradual rise by 2-4°C during subsequent 3 days.
- **Cold Day to Severe Cold Day Conditions** very likely in isolated pockets over Uttar Pradesh during next 2 days and over Punjab and Bihar during next 24 hours and abate thereafter.
- Dense/Very Dense Fog Conditions likely in isolated/some parts in night/morning hours over Uttar Pradesh during next 3 days; over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Bihar, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura during next 2 days and over Odisha on 08<sup>th</sup> & 09<sup>th</sup> February.

#### For more details refer:

https://mausam.imd.gov.in/imd\_latest/contents/subdivisionwise-warning.php



Impact expected and action suggested due to <u>Dense/Very Dense fog</u> in the night/morning hours isolated/some parts very likely over Uttar Pradesh during next 3 days and over Punjab & Assam during next 2 days.

## Impact expected:

## > Transport and Aviation:

- May affect some airports, highways and railway routes in the areas of met-subdivision.
- Difficult driving conditions with slower journey times.
- Some road traffic collisions

#### Power Sector:

• Chances of Tripping of Power lines in the very dense fog routes

#### Human Health:

- Lung related health impacts: Dense fog contains particulate matter and other
  pollutants and in case exposed it gets lodged in the lungs, clogging them and
  decreasing their functional capacity which increases episodes of wheezing,
  coughing and shortness of breath
- Impact on people having asthma bronchitis: Long time exposure to dense fog may cause respiratory problem for people having asthma bronchitis and other lung related health problems.
- Causes Eye Irritation: Dense fog contains pollutions of various types and these Pollutants in the air if exposed may tend to irritate the membranes of the eye causing various infections leading to redness or swelling of the eye.

## **Action suggested:**

## > Transport and Aviation:

- Careful while driving or outing through any transport.
- Use fog lights during driving.
- Be in touch with airlines and Railway and State transport for schedule of your journey.

#### **>** Power Sector:

- To keep ready Maintenance Team
- **Human Health:** To avoid outing until unless emergency and to cover the face.

# **Legends:**

**Heavy Rain:** 64.5 to 115.5 mm; **Very Heavy Rain:** 115.6 to 204.4 mm; **Extremely Heavy Rain:** >204.4 mm.

## **Region wise classification of meteorological Sub-Divisions:**

- 1) **Northwest India:** Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit, Baltistan & Muzaffarabad; Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi; West Uttar Pradesh, East Uttar Pradesh, West Rajasthan and East Rajasthan.
- 2) **Central India:** West Madhya Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha and Chhattisgarh.
- 3) **East India:** Bihar, Jharkhand, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim; Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
- 4) **Northeast India:** Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya and Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura.
- 5) **West India:** Gujarat Region, Saurashtra & Kutch, Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra and Marathwada.
- 6) **South India:** Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Coastal Karnataka, North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Lakshadweep.

