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India Meteorological Department extends warm greetings on the occasion of World Meteorological Day on 23rd March, 2022.

Subject:

i) Light to moderate rainfall activity very likely over Northeast & south peninsular India. ii) Heat wave condition likely to commence over Gujarat state from 25th March, 2022.

Weather observed during past 24 hours:

- ✓ Maximum Temperatures (as on 22/03/2022) recorded 40-41°C in many parts over Vidarbha and in isolated pockets over West Madhya Pradesh, interior Odisha, Tamilnadu and Telangana.
- ✓ The maximum temperatures were above normal by 4-6^oC at most places over Punjab and Assam & Meghalaya; in some parts over Haryana & Chandigarh, West Madhya Pradesh, West Rajasthan, West Uttar Pradesh and at isolated places over Saurashtra & Kutch, East Rajasthan, Bihar, Jharkhand, Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha and Tamilnadu.
- ✓ Yesterday, **Heat Wave conditions** observed at isolated pockets over West Madhya Pradesh.

Forecast & Warnings for other parts of the country:

- ✓ Under the influence of a fresh Western Disturbance, isolated/scattered rainfall/snowfall with thunderstorm/lightning very likely over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh on 23rd & 24th and isolated rainfall/snowfall with thunderstorm/lightning & hail over Uttrakhand on 24th March, 2022.
- ✓ Light isolated/scattered rainfall very likely over Kerala & Mahe, Tamilnadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Karnataka during next 5 days and over Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Rayalaseema during next 3 days. Isolated **thunderstorm/lightning** activity also very likely over Kerala & Mahe during next 5 days, over Coastal & South Interior Karnataka during next 3 days and over Tamilnadu, Puducherry-Karaikal, Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Rayalaseema during next 24 hours.
- ✓ Light to moderate scattered/fairly widespread rainfall very likely over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim during next 5 days with isolated thunderstorm/lightning over the region during 23rd-26th March, 2022.

Well Marked Low Pressure Area over Myanmar:

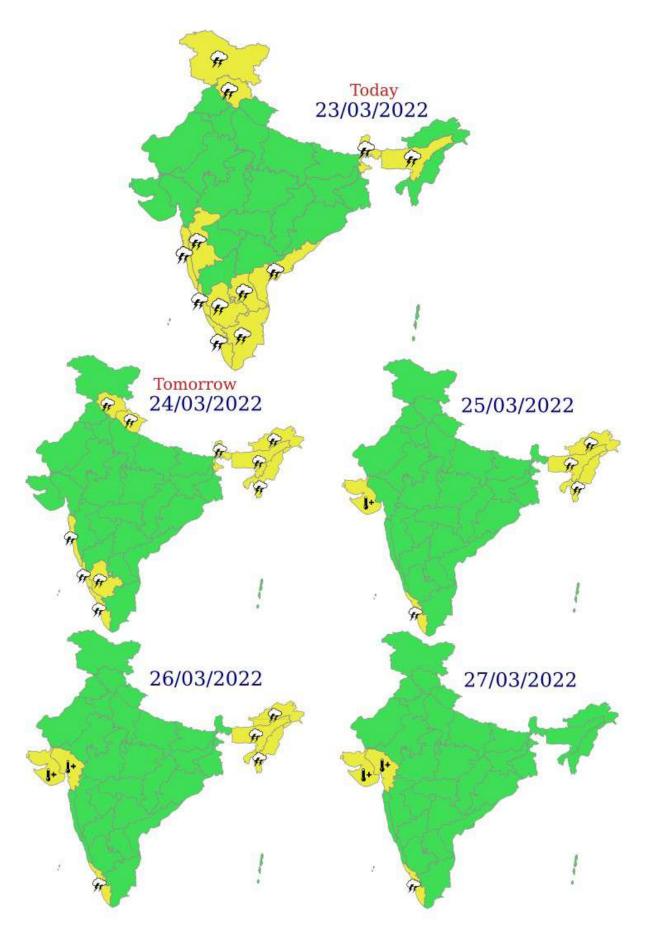
The **Depression** over Myanmar continued to move nearly north-northeastwards and further weakened into into a **Well Marked Low Pressure Area** at 0830 hours IST of today, the 23rd March, over the same region. It would continue to move nearly north-northeastwards and weaken further.

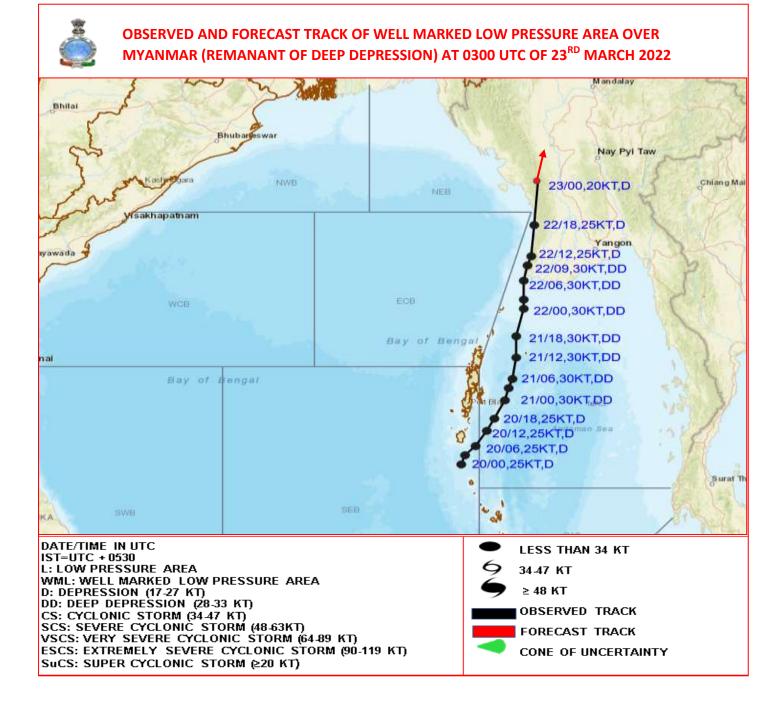
Maximum Temperature and Heat Wave Forecast:

- ✓ No significant change in maximum temperatures very likely over most parts of Northwest India during next 3 days and rise by 2-4^oC thereafter.
- ✓ No significant change in maximum temperatures very likely over Gujarat state & Maharashtra during next 2 days and rise by 2-4^oC thereafter.
- ✓ No significant change in maximum temperatures very likely over rest parts of the country during next 4-5 days.
- ✓ Heat Wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Saurashtra-Kutch during 25th-27th
 March and over Gujarat Region on 26th & 27th March, 2022.

For more details refer:

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





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:** Western Himalayan Region (Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh and 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.

| SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION (% of Stations reporting) | | | | | | |
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| % Stations | Category | % Stations | Category | | | |
| 76-100 | Widespread (WS/Most Places) | 26-50 | Scattered (SCT/ A Few Places) | | | |
| 51-75 | Fairly Widespred (FWS/ Many Places) | 1-25 | Isolated (ISOL) | | | |

| بار س | Heavy Rain | WARNING | Probabilistic Forecast | | |
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| | | | Terms | Probability of Occurrence (%) | |
| | | WARNING (TAKE ACTION) | Unlikely | < 25 | |
| | Strong Winds | ALERT (BE PREPARED) | Likely | 25 - 50 | |
| | | WATCH (BE UPDATED) | Very Likely | 50 - 75 | |
| | | NO WARNING (NO ACTION) | Most Likely | > 75 | |

