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Subject:

i) Reduction in spatial extent & intensity of heat wave Spell over Northwest India and Madhya Pradesh.

ii) Heavy rainfall spells likely to continue over Kerala-Mahe & Tamil Nadu-Puducherry-Karaikal during 12th-14th and over Assam-Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh during 13th-16th April, 2022.

Weather observed during past 24 hours:

- ✓ Maximum Temperatures (as on 11/04/2022) were 42-45°C in isolated parts over northern parts of West Rajasthan and 41-44°C in most parts over Haryana-Delhi, Punjab, southern parts of Uttar Pradesh, remaining parts of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh; in many parts of Vidarbha & Saurashtra-Kutch; in isolated parts of Gangetic West Bengal, interior Odisha & north Madhya Maharashtra.
- ✓ The maximum temperatures were above normal by 6-10°C at most parts of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu division, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi and in isolated parts of northern Rajasthan and by 4-6°C in many parts over remaining Rajasthan and in isolated pockets over Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand & Uttar Pradesh.
- Heat wave to severe heat wave conditions are observed over many parts of Jammu division, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana & Delhi and in isolated pockets over Rajasthan and heat wave conditions in some pockets of Madhya Pradesh and in isolated pockets of Jharkhand and East Uttar Pradesh.
- Chief amount of rainfall (in cm): Assam-Meghalaya: Dhansiri-10, Diphu-6, Nagaland: Chumukedima-10, Kerala-Mahe: Pathanamthitta-9, Ernakulam-6, Kottayam-5; Tamilandu: Theni & Toothukudi-9 each, Ramanathapuram-7.

Maximum Temperature forecast and Heat Wave warning:

- ✓ Fall in maximum temperatures very likely over most parts of Northwest India by 2-3°C during next 2 days and rise by 2-4°C thereafter.
- ✓ No significant change in maximum temperatures very likely over most parts of Gujarat during next 2 days and rise by 2-3°C thereafter.
- ✓ No significant change in maximum temperatures very likely over rest parts of the country.
- Heat Wave conditions to severe heat wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Haryana-Delhi & Punjab on 12th April and heat wave conditions in isolated pockets over Himachal Pradesh on 12th; Madhya Pradesh on 12th & 13th; Bihar on 13th & 14th; Jharkhand

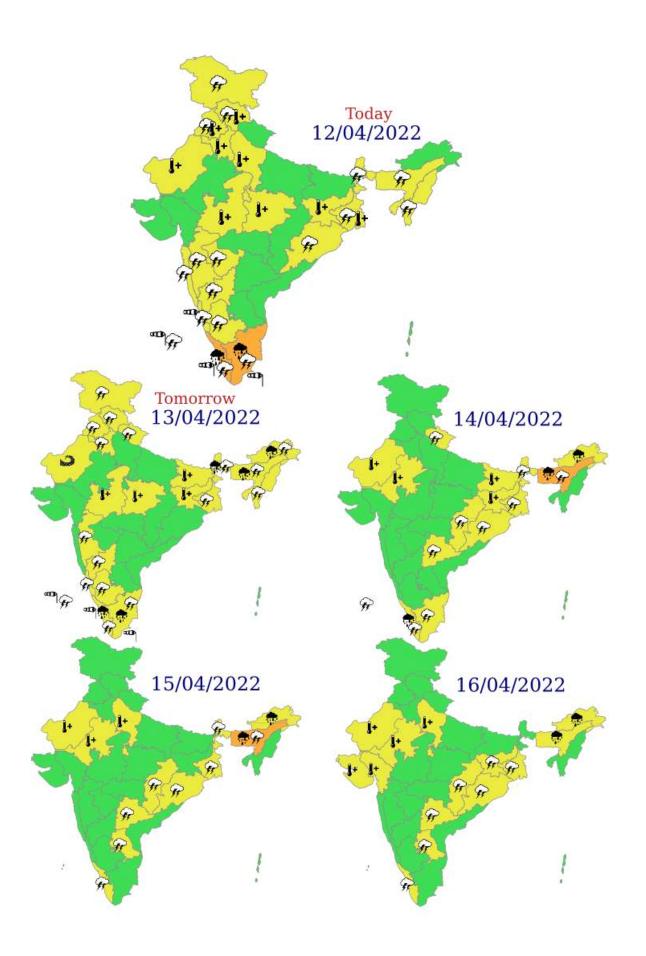
during 12th to 14th; West Uttar Pradesh on 12th, 15th & 16th; West Rajasthan on 12th, 14th, 15th & 16th; East Rajasthan during 14th to 16th and over Gujarat State on 16th April, 2022.

Rainfall/thunderstorm Forecast & Warnings:

- ✓ Under the influence of strong southwesterly winds from Bay of Bengal to northeastern States at lower tropospheric levels:
 - Fairly widespread to widespread rainfall accompanied with thunderstorm/lightning very likely over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal-Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam-Meghalaya and Nagaland-Manipur-Mizoram-Tripura during next 5 days.
 - Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall likely over Assam-Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh during 14th to 16th and heavy rainfall likely over the same region on 13th April and over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim on 13th April, 2022.
- ✓ Under the influence of the cyclonic circulation over south Tamil Nadu upto middle tropospheric levels;
 - Light fairly widespread/widespread rainfall accompanied with thunderstorm/lightning very likely over Kerala-Mahe & Lakshadweep & isolated/scattered rainfall over Tamilnadu-Puducherry-Karaikal, Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Coastal & Interior Karnataka during next 5 days.
 - Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall very likely over Tamil Nadu-Puducherry-Karaikal & Kerala on 12th and isolated heavy rainfall on 13th & 14th April, 2022.
 - Squally Weather (speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph) very likely over Gulf of Mannar, Comorin area, along & off Tamil Nadu Coast and over Southeast Arabian Sea & Lakshadweep Area and along & off Kerala-Karnataka coasts on 12th & 13th April. Fishermen are advised not to venture into these areas.
- Under the influence of Western Disturbance; light to moderate isolated/scattered rainfall likely over Western Himalayan Region during 12th to 16th April with maximum intensity on 13th & 14th April and isolated rainfall also likely over Punjab on 12th & 13th and northwest Rajasthan & north Haryana on 13th April, 2022. Isolated **thunderstorm/lightning/gusty** winds (speed 30-40 kmph) also likely over Jammu-Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh & Punjab on 12th & 13th and over Uttarakhand on 13th & 14th and over Haryana on 13th April, 2022. Isolated thunderstorm/dust-storm/lightning/gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph) also likely over northwest Rajasthan on 13th April, 2022.
 - ✓ Dust Raising winds (speed 30-40 kmph) very likely over southern parts of Rajasthan, Punjab & Haryana on 12th & 13th April, 2022.

For more details refer:

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



Impact expected and action suggested due to severe heat wave conditions over Punjab, Haryana-Delhi.

Impact expected:

- Heat wave could lead to moderate health concern for vulnerable people e.g. infants, elderly, people with chronic diseases
- Increased likelihood of heat illness symptoms in people who are either exposed to sun for a prolonged period or doing heavy work.

Action suggested:

- Avoid heat exposure- keep cool. Avoid dehydration.
- Drink sufficient water- even if not thirsty.
- Avoid heat exposure, wear lightweight, light-colored, loose, cotton clothes and cover the head by use of cloth, hat or umbrella etc.
- Use ORS, homemade drinks like lassi, torani (rice water), lemon water, buttermilk, etc. to keep yourself hydrated.

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) | | |

| | | WA PAULO | Probabilistic Forecast | |
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| 1 | Heavy Rain | WARNING | 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 |

