

Government of India Ministry of Earth Sciences India Meteorological Department

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Subject: i) Significant reduction in rainfall over northwest India from tomorrow, the 31st January, 2023.

ii) Depression over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal.

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

- ❖ Light to moderate rainfall occurred at most places over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit, Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh and East Rajasthan; at many places over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi and Andaman-Nicobar Islands; at a few places over Uttarakhand, West Rajasthan, West Uttar Pradesh; at isolated places over Gujarat State, West Madhya Pradesh, Madhya Maharashtra, Marathwada, Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Rayalaseema and Tamil Nadu. Isolated heavy rainfall also reported over Rajasthan.
- Significant rainfall observed (in cm): East Rajasthan: Amet-8, Jawaja-7, Nainwa & Tatgarh-6 each; West Rajasthan: Parbatsar-8, Desuri-4; Himachal Pradesh: Khadrala-6, Wangatoo, Kothi- 5 each, Sangla, Kalpa, Dalhousi Alha-4 each, Manali, Kotkhai-3 each; Jammu & Kashmir: Batote-4, Baderwah, Srinagar & Gulmarg-3 each; Uttarakhand: Chakrata, Tiuni & Purola-4 each; Punjab: Pathankot, Kapurthala & Gurdaspur-3 each; Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi: Nuh, Gurgaon, Mahendragarh, Rewari, Palam & Ayanagar-3 each, Safdarjung, Lodi Road & Ridge-2 each; West Madhya Pradesh: Malhargarh-3; West Uttar Pradesh: Amroha, Aligarh, Agra, Bijnor-2 each; Tamilnadu: Sirkali, Sembanarkoil, Chidambaram -2 each.
- ❖ The minimum temperatures are above 10°C over most parts of plains of Northwest India. The Lowest Minimum temperature of 5.8°C has been observed over Phalodi (West Rajasthan).

Weather Systems and associated rainfall/snowfall: (Annexure I).

- ❖ Yesterday's intense **Western Disturbance** has weakened and now seen as a trough roughly along 69°E to the north of 20°N. The high moisture feeding from Arabian Sea has reduced as compared to yesterday. Under its influence:
 - Light/moderate widespread rainfall/snowfall very likely to continue over Western Himalayan Region; light isolated/scattered rainfall over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh, East Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh during next 24 hours and dry weather over the region thereafter.
 - ✓ **Isolated heavy rainfall/snowfall** very likely over Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand on 30th January 2023.
 - ✓ **Strong Surface Winds 20-30 kmph** likely to prevail over plains of northwest India during 30th January-01st February, 2023.
- ❖ The Well Marked Low Pressure Area over Southeast Bay of Bengal & adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean moved west-northwestwards, concentrated into a depression and lay centered at 0830 hours IST of today, the 30th January, 2023 over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal near latitude 7.7°N and longitude 87.2°E, about 670 km east-southeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka) and 880 km east-southeast of Karaikal (India). It is very likely to move west-northwestwards till evening of 31st January then recurve south-southwestwards and cross Sri Lanka coast in the forenoon of 01st February 2023. Under its influence, following weather is expected:

(i) Rainfall:

✓ Light/moderate rainfall at most places with isolated heavy rainfalls very likely over south Tamil Nadu on 1st & 2nd February.

(ii) Wind warning:

- ✓ Squally wind with speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is very likely over Southeast Bay of Bengal on 30th January.
- ✓ **Squally wind with speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph** is likely over Southwest Bay of Bengal during 30th January to 1nd February. It would gradually decrease becoming **40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph** on 2nd February.
- Squally wind with speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely along & off Sri Lanka coast during 30th January to 1nd February. It would gradually decrease becoming 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph on 2nd February.
- ✓ **Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph over** Gulf of Mannar and Comorin area and along & off south Tamil Nadu & Karaikal coasts during 1st to 2nd February.
- Strong wind speed reaching 30-40 kmph gusting to 50 kmph along & off north Tamil Nadu & Puducherry coasts during 1st to 2nd February.

(iii) Sea condition:

Sea condition is likely to be rough to very rough

- ✓ over Southeast Bay of Bengal on 30th January.
- ✓ over Southwest Bay of Bengal during 30th January to 2nd February.
- ✓ Along & off Sri Lanka coast during 31st January to 2nd February.
- ✓ over Gulf of Mannar and adjoining Comorin area and along & off south Tamil Nadu coast during 1st and 2nd February.

Sea condition is likely to be moderate to rough along and off north Tamil Nadu & Puducherry coasts during 1st and 2nd February.

(iv) Fishermen Warning (Annexure II):

Fishermen are advised not to venture into;

- Southeast Bay of Bengal from 30th January.
- Southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar, Comorin Area and along & off Sri Lanka and south Tamil Nadu & Karaikal coasts till 2nd February.

Fishermen out at sea off Tamil Nadu coasts are advised to return to the coasts by 31st January.

Minimum Temperature Forecast:

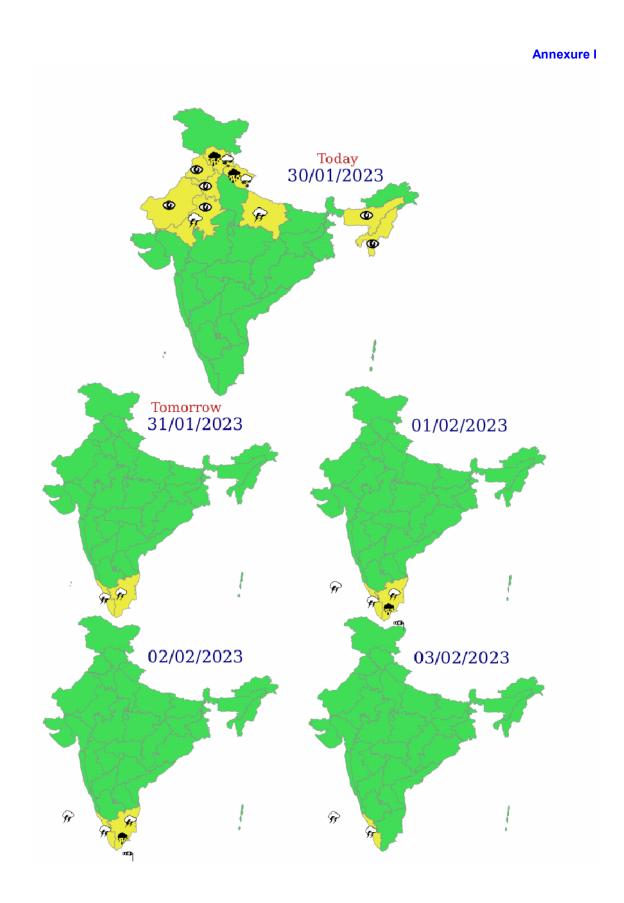
- ❖ Fall by 2-3°C in minimum temperatures very likely over many parts of Northwest India till 01st February and rise by 2-4°C thereafter. Rise in minimum temperatures by 2-4°C very likely over many parts of East India till 01st February and fall by 2-4°C thereafter.
- Fall in minimum temperatures by 2-4°C very likely over many parts of Maharashtra and Gujarat during next 2 days and over Madhya Pradesh from 01st February during subsequent 2 days.

Fog Warning:

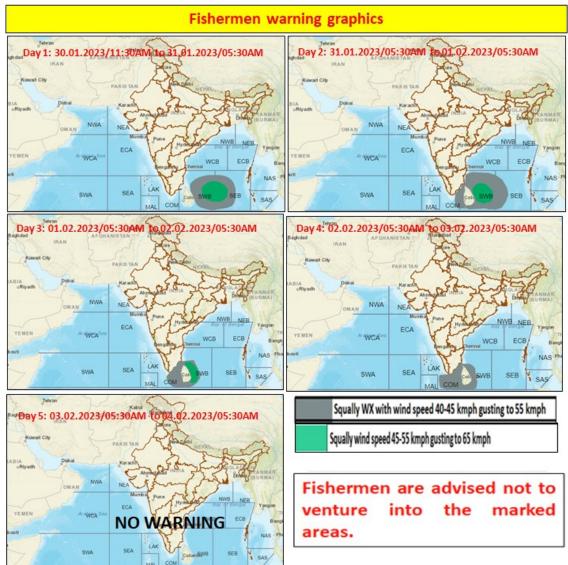
Dense fog conditions in morning/night hours very likely over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Rajasthan, Assam & Meghalaya, Mizoram & Tripura on 30th January, 2023.

For more details kindly refer:

https://mausam.imd.gov.in/imd_latest/contents/all_india_forcast_bulletin.php



Annexure II



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.

