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Subject: Scattered to fairly widespread rainfall/snowfall over Western Himalayan Region during 8th to 10th February, 2023

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

- Light to moderate rainfall/snowfall observed at most places over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit, Baltistan & Muzaffarabad; at a few places over Himachal Pradesh and light rainfall at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh, Punjab, Chandigarh and Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.
- Significant rainfall observed (in cm): Jammu & Kashmir: Gulmarg-4, Kupwara, Pahalgaon, Kokarnag, Banihal, Batote-1 each.
- The minimum temperatures are in the range of 8-10°C over some parts of plains of Northwest and isolated places over Madhya Pradesh & Bihar. The Lowest Minimum Temperature of 7.3°C has been observed over Malanjkhand (East Madhya Pradesh).
- Very Dense fog observed at isolated pockets over northern parts of East Uttar Pradesh and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal-Sikkim and Dense fog in isolated pockets over northern parts of West Uttar Pradesh and Assam.

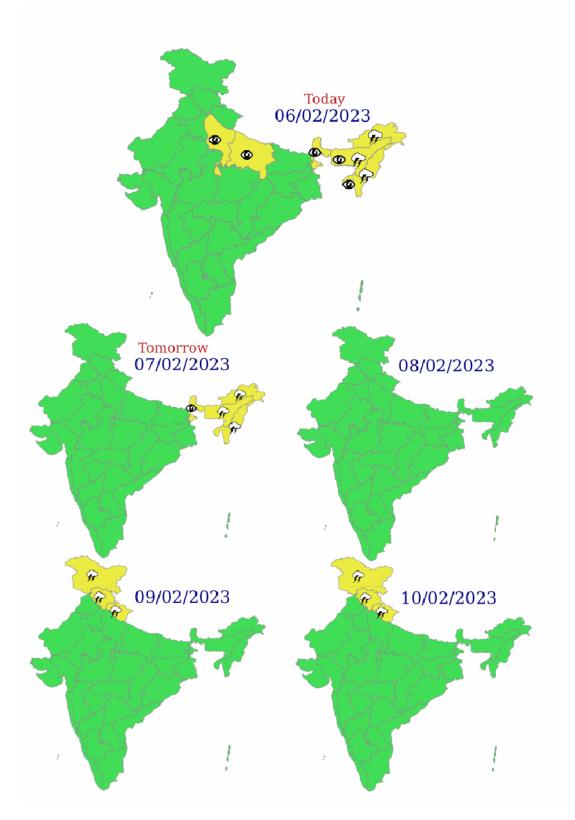
Western Disturbances and associated rainfall/snowfall:

- The Western Disturbance seen as a trough in middle tropospheric westerlies roughly along Long. 68°E to the north of Lat. 30°N. Under its influence, light isolated to fairly widespread rainfall/snowfall very likely over Western Himalayan Region during next 24 hours.
- Another Western Disturbance is likely to affect Western Himalayan Region from the night of 08th February. Under its influence, light/moderate scattered to fairly widespread rainfall/snowfall very likely over Western Himalayan Region during 08th to 10th with peak intensity on 09th February and thunderstorm & lightning over the region on 09th & 10th February, 2023. Isolated heavy rainfall/snowfall is also likely over Kashmir Valley on 09th February, 2023.
- Solated light/moderate rainfall likely over Punjab on 09th & 10th February.
- Thunderstorm with lightning & hail very likely in isolated pockets over Arunachal Pradesh and Assam & Meghalaya during 06th-07th February.

Minimum Temperature and Dense fog Forecast:

- Fall in minimum temperatures by 2-3°C very likely over many parts of Northwest India during next 48 hours and rise by 2-4°C thereafter. No significant change in minimum temperatures very likely over many parts of Central India during next 3 days and gradual rise by 2-4°C thereafter. No significant change in minimum temperatures very likely over rest parts of the country during next 4-5 days.
- Dense to Very dense fog very likely in isolated pockets during night/morning hours over Uttar Pradesh during next 24 hours. Dense fog in isolated pockets over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim during next 48 hours and West Assam & Tripura during next 24 hours.

Annexure I



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.

