



**Government of India
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India Meteorological Department**

**Press Release
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**Subject: (i) Isolated light rainfall/snowfall very likely over Western Himalayan Region on 03rd & 04th March. Dry weather likely over the region thereafter.
(ii) Isolated light rainfall likely over north Maharashtra, south Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat during 05th-07th March.**

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

- ❖ **Maximum temperatures** are in the range of 29-34°C over most parts of Punjab, Haryana, north Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and north Madhya Pradesh. These are 3-5°C above normal over the region.
- ❖ **Maximum temperatures** are in the range of 36-39°C over most parts of Gujarat, Vidarbha, Marathwada, south Konkan & Goa, Coastal Karnataka and north Kerala. These are 2-5°C above normal over the region.
- ❖ **Light to moderate rainfall/snowfall** at many places observed over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad and at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh. **Light rainfall** observed at many places over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal-Sikkim and at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh.

Weather Forecast and Warnings (Annexure I):

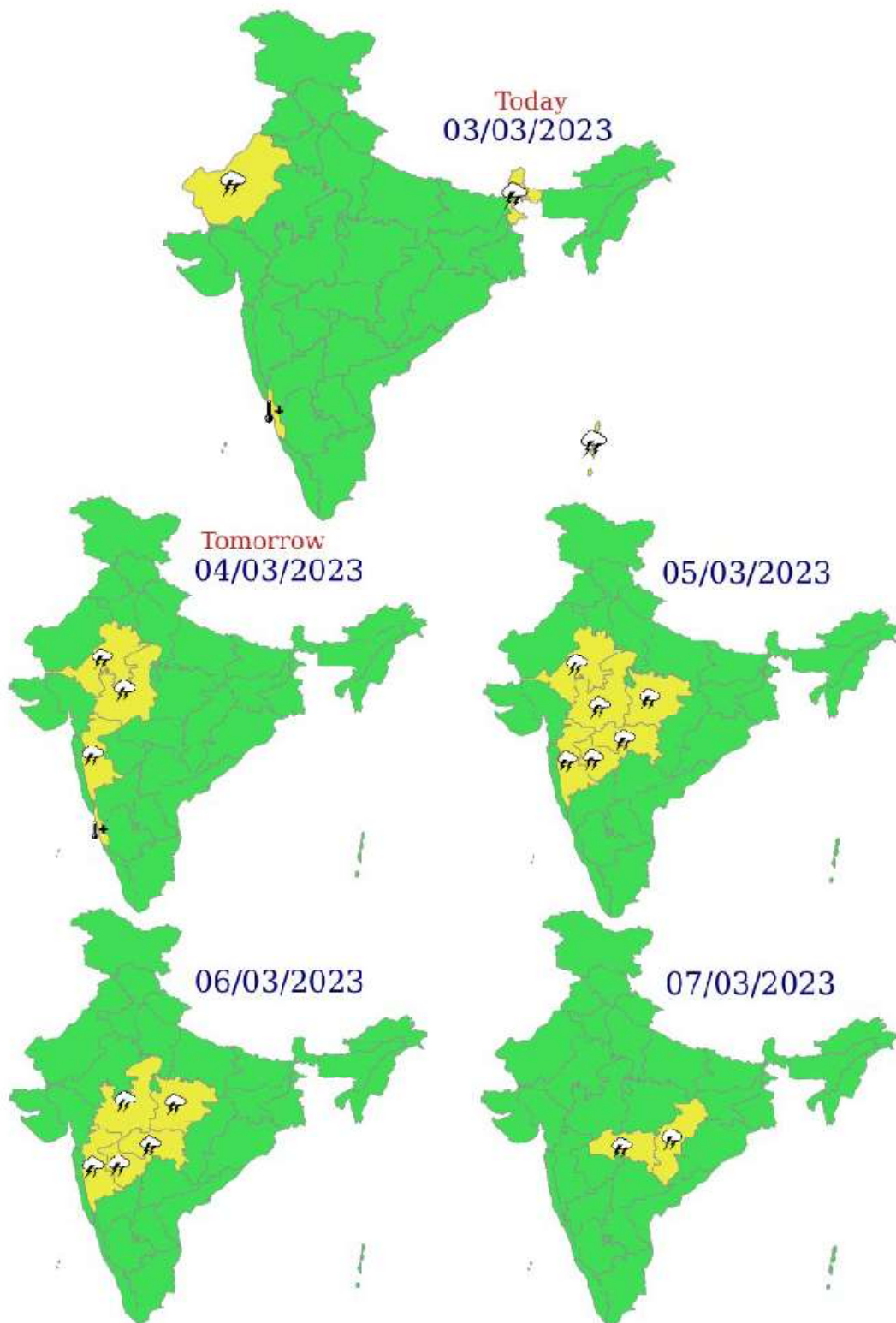
- ❖ The Western Disturbance as a trough in middle tropospheric westerlies runs roughly along Long. 58°E to the north of Lat. 20°N. Under its influence:
 - Light isolated to scattered rainfall/snowfall very likely over Western Himalayan Region during next 3 days. Dry weather likely over the region thereafter.
- ❖ Under the influence of a north-south trough in lower level easterlies:
 - Isolated light rainfall is likely over Southeast Rajasthan, north Maharashtra, south Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat during 04th-07th March.
 - Isolated light/moderate thunderstorm activity also likely over West Madhya Pradesh & East Rajasthan during 04th-06th; over East Madhya Pradesh on 05th & 06th and over Vidarbha during 05th-07th March, 2023.
- ❖ Strong surface winds (speed 20-30 kmph) very likely over the plains of Northwest India during next 3 days.

Heat Wave and Maximum Temperatures Forecast:

- ❖ **Heat wave conditions** very likely in isolated pockets over Coastal Karnataka during next 2 days. **Maximum temperatures** are likely to be in the range of 36-39°C (3-5°C above normal) over north Kerala (Kasargod and Kannur districts) during next 2 days. **Maximum temperatures** are likely to fall by about 2°C over Coastal Karnataka and north Kerala from 05th March, 2023.
- ❖ **Central India:** No significant change in maximum temperatures during next 2 days and fall by about 2°C thereafter.
- ❖ **West India:** No significant change in maximum temperatures over Maharashtra during next 2 days and fall by about 2-3°C thereafter.
- ❖ No significant change in maximum temperatures over rest parts of the country during next 5 days.

For more details kindly refer:

https://mausam.imd.gov.in/imd_latest/contents/all_india_forecast_bulletin.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)			
% Stations	Category	% Stations	Category
76-100	Widespread (WS/ Most Places)	26-50	Scattered (SCT/ A Few Places)
51-75	Fairly Widespread (FWS/ Many Places)	1-25	Isolated (ISOL)

WARNING
WARNING (TAKE ACTION)
ALERT (BE PREPARED)
WATCH (BE UPDATED)
NO WARNING (NO ACTION)

Probabilistic Forecast	
Terms	Probability of Occurrence (%)
Unlikely	< 25
Likely	25 - 50
Very Likely	50 - 75
Most Likely	> 75

 Heavy Rain	 Heavy Snow	 Thunderstorm	 Dust Storm
 Strong Winds	 Visibility	 Cyclone	 Squall/ Hail
 Frost	 Cold Wave	 Heat Wave	 Sea State