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Press Release

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Subject: (i) Heat Wave conditions over coastal Andhra Pradesh during next 2 days.

(ii) Heavy rainfall spell over Northeastern states during next 5 days.

Weather observed during past 24 hours ending at 0830 hrs IST of today: (Refer Annexure I)

Significant Meteorological features:

- ❖ The Western Disturbance as a trough in middle & upper tropospheric westerlies runs roughly along Long. 62°E to the north of Lat. 30°N.
- ❖ A trough runs from north Bihar to central Chhattisgarh in lower tropospheric levels.

Forecast and warning over the country during next 5 days:

Northeast India:

- ❖ Light/moderate widespread rainfall very likely over Northeast India during next 5 days.
- **❖ Heavy rainfall** very likely at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh on 16th, 19th & 20th; over Assam & Meghalaya and Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura during 16th to 20th May.
- ❖ Isolated very heavy falls also likely over Assam & Meghalaya on 16th, 18th & 19th May, 2023.

Northwest India:

❖ Duststorm/dust raising winds very likely in isolated pockets over Haryana & Delhi, West Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan during 16th-18th May, 2023.

Central India:

❖ Dust Raising winds very likely in isolated pockets over Madhya Pradesh and Vidarbha on 16th & 17th May, 2023.

No significant weather likely over rest parts of the country.

Observed Maximum Temperatures and Heat Wave conditions:

- ❖ Yesterday, Maximum Temperatures were in the range of 40-43°C over most parts of Northwest, Central, West and north Peninsular India.
- ❖ Maximum Temperatures were above normal by 2-4°C over many parts of coastal Andhra Pradesh and in isolated parts of coastal West Bengal, Haryana, Delhi, Tamilnadu, Kerala and near normal over rest parts of the country.

❖ Yesterday, **Heat wave conditions** prevailed in isolated pockets over Coastal Andhra Pradesh.

Maximum Temperatures, its Forecast and Heat Wave Warnings (Graphics in Annexure II):

- ❖ Maximum temperatures are very likely to rise by 2-3°C over many parts of Northwest, Central India from 18th May and no significant change over rest parts of India.
- ❖ Heat wave to severe heat wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Coastal Andhra Pradesh on 16th and heat wave conditions on 17th May.
- ❖ Due to humid air and high temperature, Hot and Discomfort weather is very likely over Odisha, coastal West Bengal, Rayalaseema, Kerala and Tamilnadu during 16th-18th and over Konkan during 18th-20th May.

For more details kindly refer:

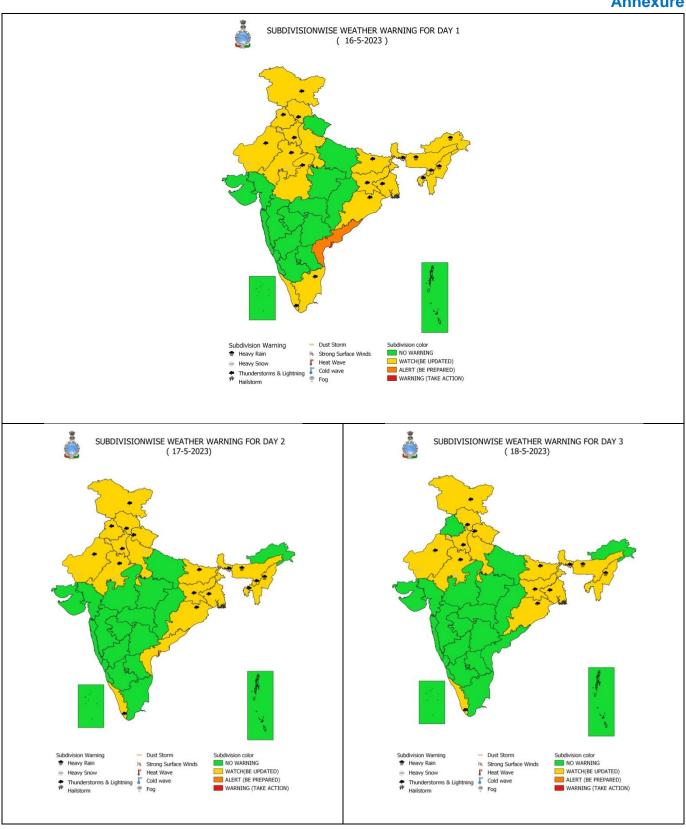
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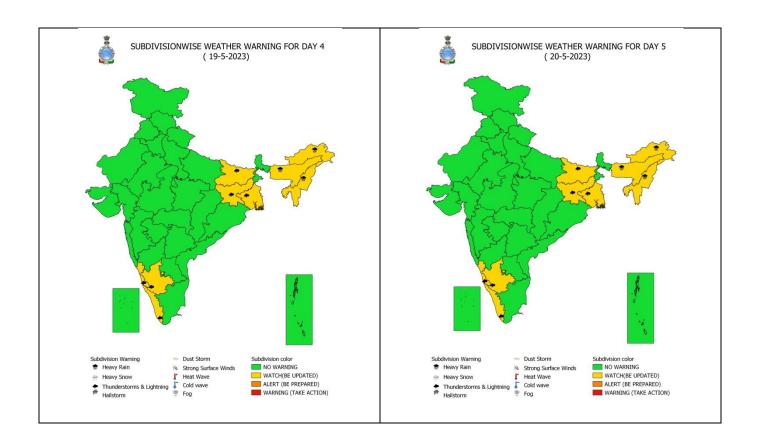
Annexure I

Observations: (from 0830 hours IST of yesterday to 0830 hours IST of today):

- Rainfall/thundershowers observed at most places over Assam & Meghalaya, Gangetic West Bengal; at many places over Arunachal Pradesh; at a few places over Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim and at isolated places over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit, Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Kerala.
- Significant rainfall recorded (in cm): Assam: Resubelpara (dist North Garo Hills) 5, Numaligarh (dist Golaghat) 5, Cherrapunji (dist East Khasi Hills) 5, Majuli (dist Jorhat) 5, Drf (dist Baksa) 5, Goibargaon (dist Baksa) 4, B P Ghat (dist Karimganj) 4, Neamatighat (dist Jorhat) 4, Melabazar/matunga (dist Nalbari) 4, Hazuah (dist Barpeta) 4, Khliehriat (dist East Jaintia Hills) 4, Sivasagar (dist Sibsagar) 4, Cherrapunji(rkm) (dist East Khasi Hills) 4, A P Ghat (dist Cachar) 4, Golaghat_pto (dist Golaghat) 4; Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura: Saiha_ Aws (dist Saiha) 4, Jiribam_ Aws (dist Imphal East) 3, Mangkolemba (dist Mokokchung) 3, Thoubal (dist Thoubal) 3, Mon Sadar Nsdma_aws (dist Mon) 3; Arunachal Pradesh: Bhalukpong (dist West Kameng) 2, Miao (dist Changlang) 2, Tezu (dist Lohit) 2, Roing (dist Lower Dibang Valley) 2, West Bengal & Sikkim: West Midnapore, East Sikkim-2 each, Jharkhand: Singbhum-2.
- **Duststorm/thunderstorm** observed at isolated places over Haryana, Delhi, West Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan.
- Squally wind speed 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph prevailed over Gangetic West Bengal.

Annexure II





IMPACT & ACTION SUGGESTED due to Heat Wave:

❖ Orange alert Areas:

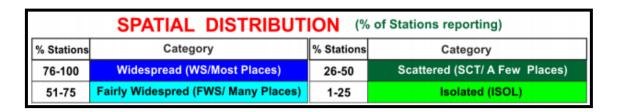
- (1) High temperature, Increased likelihood of heat illness symptoms in people who are either exposed to sun for a prolonged period or doing heavy work. High health concern for vulnerable people e.g. infants, elderly, people with chronic diseases.
- (2) Drink sufficient water- even if not thirsty, Use ORS, homemade drinks like lassi, torani (rice water), lemon water, buttermilk, etc. to keep yourself hydrated.

Yellow alert Areas:

- (1) Moderate temperature, Heat is tolerable for general public but moderate health concern for vulnerable people e.g. infants, elderly, people with chronic diseases.
- (2) Avoid heat exposure, Wear lightweight, light coloured, loose, cotton clothes, Cover your head, use a cloth, hat or umbrella.

Legends:

- ❖ Heavy Rain: 64.5 to 115.5 mm; Very Heavy Rain: 115.6 to 204.4 mm; Extremely Heavy Rain: >204.4mm.
- **❖** Region wise classification of meteorological Sub-Divisions:
 - **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.
 - Central India: West Madhya Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha and Chhattisgarh.
 - **East India:** Bihar, Jharkhand, Sub-Himalaya West Bengal & Sikkim; Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
 - Northeast India: Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya and Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura.
 - West India: Gujarat Region, Saurashtra & Kutch, Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra and Marathwada.
 - **South India:** Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Coastal Karnataka, North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe, Tamilnadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Lakshadweep.





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