

# Government of India Ministry of Earth Sciences India Meteorological Department

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Subject: Present Active Western Disturbance to affect Northwest India till 26th May, 2023.

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

#### **Advance of southwest monsoon:**

- **❖** The Northern Limit of Southwest Monsoon continues to pass through 5°N/85°E, 6.5°N/90°E, Nancowry and 10°N/98°E (**Annexure II**).
- ❖ Conditions are favourable for further advance of southwest monsoon into some more parts of south Bay of Bengal, Andaman Sea and Andaman & Nicobar Islands during next 2 days.

#### **Significant Meteorological features:**

- ❖ A cyclonic circulation lies over north Pakistan & adjoining Punjab in lower tropospheric levels.
- ❖ A Trough runs from northwest Uttar Pradesh to south Bangladesh in lower tropospheric levels.
- ❖ These systems are likely to move across Northwest India till 26<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ It will be accompanied by moisture supply from Arabian Sea to northwest India during the same period.
- ❖ A trough runs from southeast Madhya Pradesh to Coastal Karnataka in lower tropospheric levels.
- Strong southwesterly winds from Bay of Bengal to northeast India are prevailing at lower tropospheric levels.

# Forecast and warning over the country during next 5 days:

#### **Northwest India:**

- ❖ Light/moderate rainfall at most places with thunderstorm, lightning & occasional gusty winds/squall very likely over Western Himalayan Region and rainfall at many places with thunderstorm, lightning & occasional gusty winds/squall very likely over plains of Northwest India till 26<sup>th</sup> May with maximum intensity on 25<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ Thundersquall/Gusty Wind speed reaching 50-60 kmph likely at isolated places over Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana-Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh and north Rajasthan on 25<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ Moderate to heavy rainfall very likely at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab and north Rajasthan on 25<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ Hailstorm very likely at isolated places over Jammu division, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh and north Rajasthan on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **Northeast India:**

- ❖ Light/moderate scattered to fairly widespread rainfall with thunderstorm/lightning/gusty winds very likely to continue over Assam & Meghalaya and Mizoram & Tripura during next 2 days.
- ❖ Heavy rainfall at isolated places over Assam & Meghalaya and Mizoram & Tripura on 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

#### **East India:**

- ❖ Light/moderate scattered to fairly widespread rainfall with thunderstorm/lightning/gusty winds very likely over West Bengal & Sikkim, Bihar and Jharkhand during next 2 days.
- ❖ Heavy rainfall very likely at isolated places over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ Hailstorm very likely at isolated places over West Bengal & Sikkim on 25<sup>th</sup> May.
- **❖ Thundersquall/Gusty Wind speed reaching 50-60 kmph** likely at isolated places over Gangetic West Bengal on 25<sup>th</sup> May.

No significant weather likely over remaining parts of the country during next 5 days.

#### **Observed Maximum Temperatures and Heat Wave conditions:**

- ❖ Yesterday, Maximum Temperatures were in the range of 40-43°C over many parts of Vidarbha, south Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Telangana, Rayalaseema; some parts of Gujarat stare, Southeast Rajasthan, southeast Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Coastal Andhra Pradesh and below 40°C over rest parts of the country.
- ❖ Maximum Temperatures were below normal by 3-5°C over parts of Western Himalayan Region & adjoining plains of Northwest India, West Bengal, Bihar and below normal by 2-3°C over parts of north Odisha and near normal over rest parts of the country.

#### **Maximum Temperature Forecast and Heat Wave Warnings (Graphics in Annexure III):**

- ❖ Fall in maximum temperatures by 2-3°C very likely over Northwest India during next 3 days and no significant change thereafter. No significant change in maximum temperature very likely over rest parts of the country during next 5 days.
- ❖ Due to humid air & high temperature, **Hot and Discomfort weather** is very likely over west Odisha, Chhattisgarh and East Madhya Pradesh on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

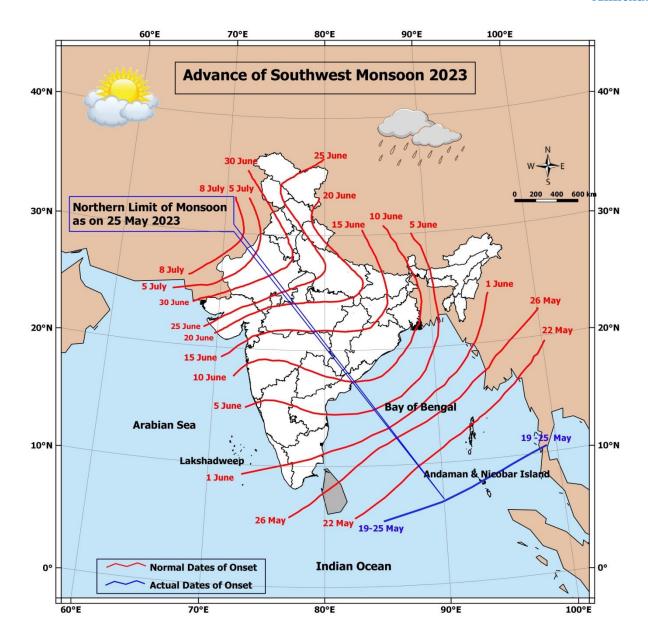
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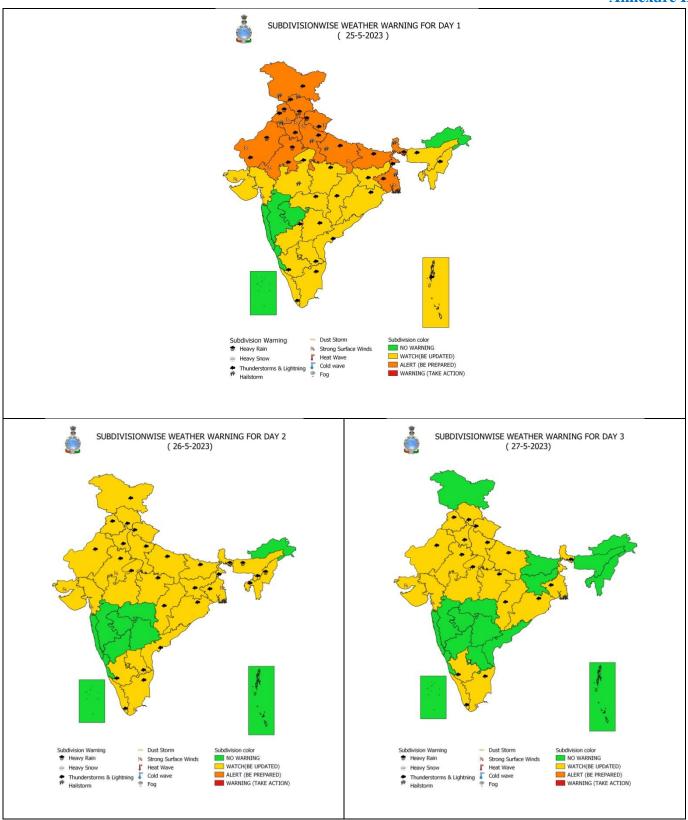
### Observations: (from 0830 hours IST of yesterday to 0830 hours IST of today):

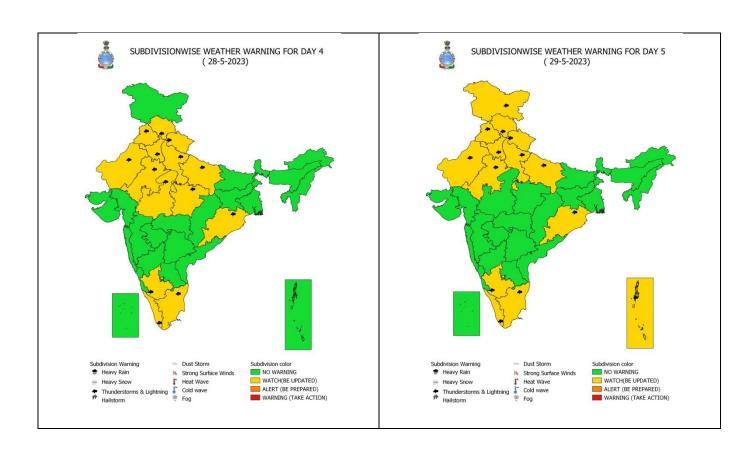
- Rainfall/thundershowers observed at most places over Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit, Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab; at many places over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, East Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, West Rajasthan; at a few places over Assam & Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura, West Uttar Pradesh, East Rajasthan, Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha South Interior Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe, Lakshadweep; at isolated places over Jharkhand, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat Region, Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra, Marathwada, Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Coastal & North Interior Karnataka, Telangana, Rayalaseema and Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.
- **Heavy Rainfall** observed at isolated places over Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and South Interior Karnataka.
- Significant rainfall recorded (in cm): Tamil Nadu: K.Paramathi (dist Karur) 5, Chinnakalar (dist Coimbatore) 4, Kerala: Kozhikode, Vadakara (Kozhikode district), Mangalam Dam AWS (Palakkad district) & Urumi AWS (Kozhikode district) 3 each, South Interior Karnataka: B Durga (dist Chitradurga) 7, Napoklu (dist Kodagu) 6; Rayalaseema: Kondapuram (dist Ysr District) 6, Odisha: Patrapur (dist Ganjam) 4, Bandhugaon (dist Koraput) 3, Chandbali (dist Bhadrak) 3; Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura: Wokha (dist Wokha) 4, Zunheboto (dist Zunheboto) 4, Kohima (dist Kohima) 4, Assam & Meghalaya: Jia Bharali N T Xing (dist Shonitpur) 6, Himachal Pradesh: Solan-7, Mandi, Kangra, Simla, Una, Chamba-5 each, Bilaspur, Sirmaur-4 each; Uttarakhand: Pandukeshwar-6, Ranichwari, Koti, Barkot-3 each; West Rajasthan: Churu-10, nagaur-9, Bikaner-6, East Rajasthan: Sikar-7; Jammu & Kashmir: Batote (dist Ramban) 4, Raj Pura Arg (dist Poonch) 4, Banihal (dist Ramban) 3, Uttar Pradesh: Bareilly-4, Bahraich-3, Punjab: Ballowal Saunkri (dist Sbs Nagar) 8, Balachaur Aws (dist Sbs Nagar) 7, Aurphambra Road Arg (dist Sbs Nagar) 5, Balachaur (dist Sbs Nagar) 5, Ropar Kvk Aws (dist Rupnagar) 5; Sikkim: West Sikkim-4.
- **Hailstorm** observed at isolated places over Jammu division, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Odisha, West Madhya Pradesh and Coastal Andhra Pradesh.
- Squally Winds speed reaching 60-70 kmph prevailed at isolated places over Punjab, Chandigarh and East Rajasthan.

#### **Annexure II**



# **Annexure III**





# Impact expected and action suggested due to isolated thundersquall with lightning/gusty winds & Hailstorm over

✓ **25**<sup>th</sup> **May:** Jammu, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, West Bengal & Sikkim, Bihar

#### Impact expected:

- Strong wind/hail may damage plantation, horticulture and standing crops.
- Hail may injure people and cattle at open places.
- Partial damage to vulnerable structures due to strong winds.
- Minor damage to kutcha houses/walls and huts.
- Loose objects may fly.

#### **Action suggested:**

- Stay indoors, close windows & doors and avoid travel if possible.
- Take safe shelters; do not take shelter under trees.
- Do not lie on concrete floors and do not lean against concrete walls.
- Unplug electrical/ electronic appliances.
- Immediately get out of water bodies.
- Keep away from all the objects that conduct electricity.

Agromet advisories for rainfall, thunderstorms/gusty winds and heat wave likely over various parts of the country (Based on the IBF and advisories issued by different AMFUs and DAMUs)

- Make necessary arrangement for draining out excess water from crop fields to avoid water stagnation in Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, North Rajasthan, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim and Assam.
- Provide mechanical support to horticultural crops and staking to vegetables.
- Use hail nets to protect orchards in Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, West Bengal, Sikkim and West Madhya Pradesh.

## **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.

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 Widespred (FWS/ Many Places)	1-25	Isolated (ISOL)	



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