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Subject: (i) Well marked Low pressure area over southwest adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal. Under its influence, heavy rainfall likely over Coastal Andhra Pradesh on 19th & 20th December.

(ii) Cold wave conditions very likely to prevail over major parts of Northwest India during next 5-7 days.

(iii) A fresh and active Western disturbance is likely to affect Western Himalayan region & adjoining plains from 27th December 2024.

i. Realised weather during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today (Annexure I)

- ❖ **Cold wave to severe cold conditions** observed in some parts of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab; **cold wave conditions** in isolated pockets over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Haryana, West Uttar Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh and Saurashtra & Kutch.
- ❖ **Ground frost conditions** recorded in isolated pockets of Himachal Pradesh.
- ❖ **Dense fog (50-200 m)** reported in isolated pockets of Punjab.
- ❖ **Visibility reported (≤ 200 m)** (in meter): **Punjab:** Amritsar-100.
- ❖ **Heavy rainfall** recorded at isolated places over North Tamil Nadu.

Weather Systems:

- ❖ Yesterday's **well marked low pressure area** over southwest Bay of Bengal lay over southwest adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal at 0830 hours IST of today, the 19th December 2024. The system is likely to move nearly northwestwards towards north Tamil Nadu and south Andhra Pradesh coast during next 12 hours. Thereafter, it is likely to move nearly northwards along Andhra Pradesh coast in subsequent 24 hours.
- ❖ A **Western disturbance** seen as a trough in lower & middle tropospheric westerlies runs roughly along Long. 70°E to the north of Lat. 28°N with an induced cyclonic circulation in the lower levels over northwest Rajasthan and neighbourhood.
- ❖ A fresh and active Western Disturbance is likely to affect Western Himalayan region & adjoining plains from 27th December 2024.

Forecast & Warnings (upto 7 days) (Annexure II & III):

- ❖ Light to moderate rainfall very likely at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places over Coastal Andhra Pradesh on 19th & 20th December.
- ❖ **Light to moderate rainfall** very likely at a few places over North Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Rayalaseema on 19th & 20th December.
- ❖ **Light to moderate rainfall** very likely at a few places over coastal Odisha and coastal Gangetic west Bengal on 20th & 21st, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura during 20th - 24th, Assam & Meghalaya during 21st - 23rd December.

ii. Temperature, Cold Wave and Fog Forecast:

Temperature Conditions during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today (Annexure IV):

Minimum temperatures were

below 0°C over most parts of Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh; 1-5°C over Himachal Pradesh;

3-6°C over major parts of Uttarakhand, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Rajasthan;

6-12°C over most parts of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand & Central India.

Today, **the lowest minimum temperature** of **2.6°C** is reported at **Adampur IAF (Punjab)** over the plains of the country.

Minimum temperatures have fallen by 1-2°C over some parts of Jammu-Kashmir & risen by 2-3°C over many parts of East Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Marathwada.

Minimum temperatures are **appreciably below normal (-3°C to -5°C)** at isolated places over West Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Assam & Meghalaya; **below normal (-1°C to -3°C)** at a few places over Maharashtra and Saurashtra & Kutch; at isolated places over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and near normal over rest parts of the country.

Forecast of temperature:

- ❖ No significant change in minimum temperatures likely over Northwest India during next 3 days and gradual rise by about 2°C thereafter.
- ❖ No significant change in minimum temperatures likely over East India during next 4 days and gradual fall by 2-3°C thereafter.
- ❖ Rise in minimum temperatures by 2-3°C likely over Maharashtra & Central India during next 5 days.
- ❖ No significant change in minimum temperatures likely over Gujarat State during next 5 days.

Cold Wave Warnings:

Cold wave to severe cold wave conditions very likely to prevail in some parts of Himachal Pradesh during 19th - 23rd; in isolated pockets over West Rajasthan on 20th & 21st December.

Cold wave conditions very likely in some parts of Punjab on 19th & 20th; in isolated pockets over Punjab on 21st & 22nd, Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad during 19th-25th, Haryana-Chandigarh during 19th-21st, West Rajasthan on 19th, 22nd & 23rd, Saurashtra & Kutch on 19th, Himachal Pradesh on 24th & 25th December.

Dense Fog Warnings:

Dense fog conditions very likely to prevail during late night/early morning hours in isolated pockets of Punjab, Haryana on 19th, 20th & during 22nd-24th, Uttar Pradesh till 20th, East Rajasthan & Jharkhand during 20th-22nd, West Bengal & Sikkim & Bihar on 21st & 22nd December.

Ground Frost Warnings:

Ground Frost conditions very likely in isolated pockets of Himachal Pradesh during 19th-23rd December.

Fishermen Warnings (Annexure V):

Fishermen are advised not to venture into southcentral parts of south Arabian sea and adjoining equatorial Indian ocean & Gulf of Mannar on 19th; Westcentral Bay of Bengal during 19th-23rd; along and off Tamil Nadu coast on 19th & 20th; Andhra Pradesh coast during 19th-22nd; south Odisha coast on 21st & 22nd December.

iii. Weather conditions and forecast over Delhi/NCR during 19th to 22nd Dec. 2024 (Annexure VI)

For more details, kindly refer National Weather Bulletin:

https://mausam.imd.gov.in/responsive/all_india_forecast_bulletin.php

For District wise warnings refer: <https://mausam.imd.gov.in/responsive/districtWiseWarningGIS.php>

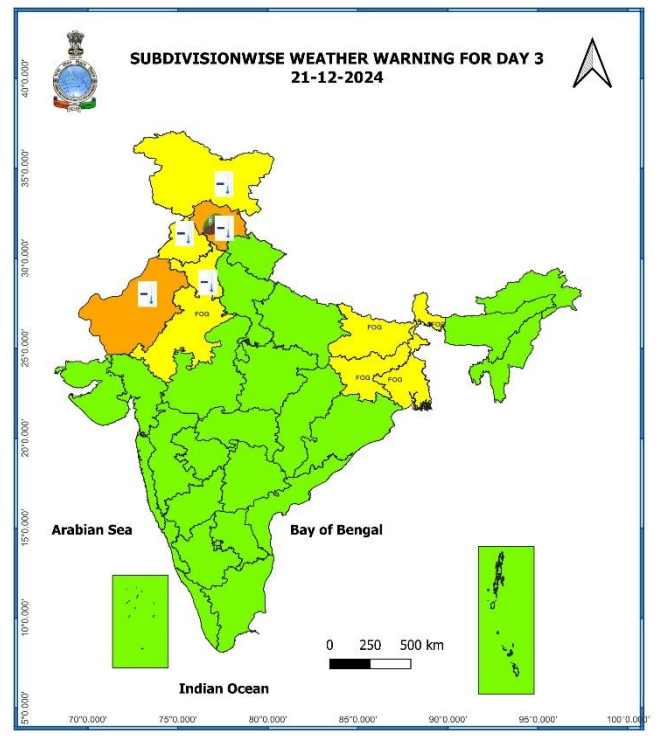
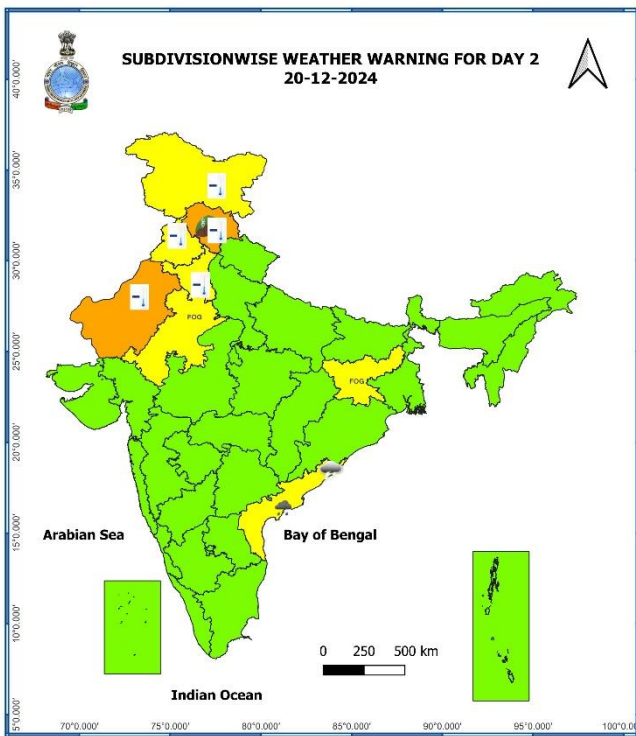
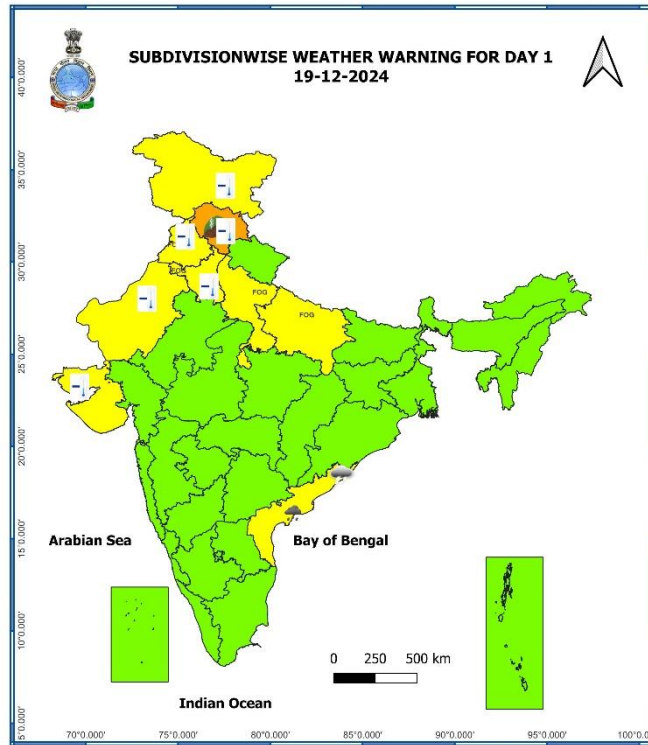
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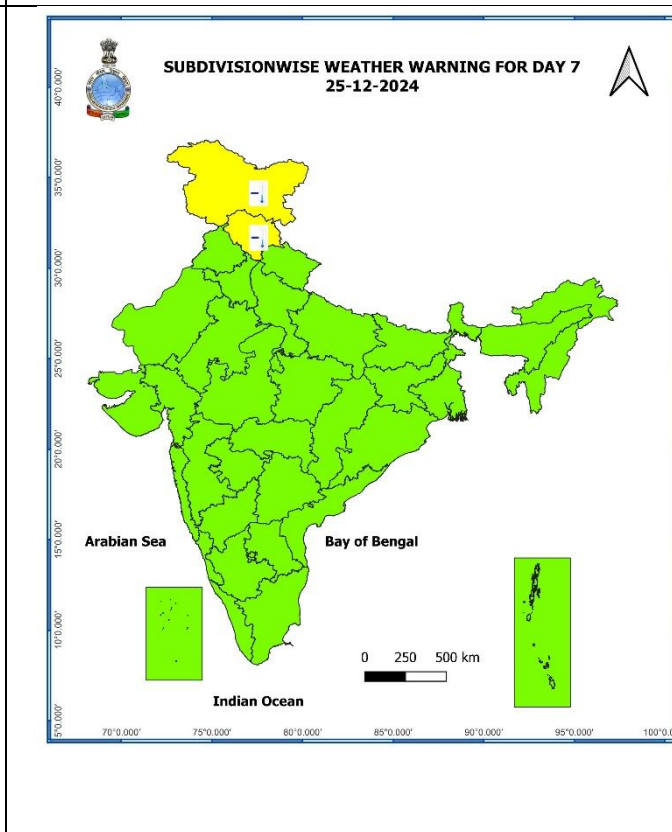
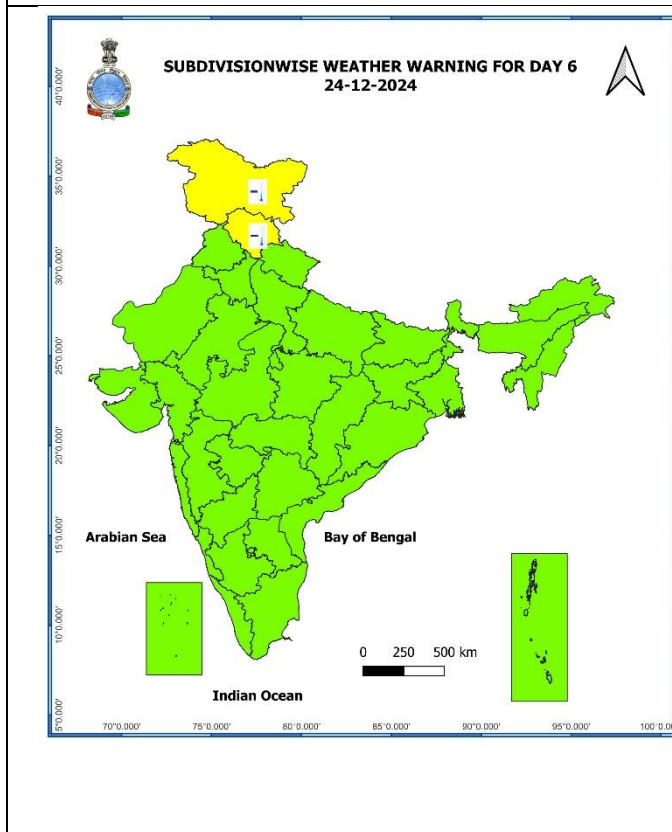
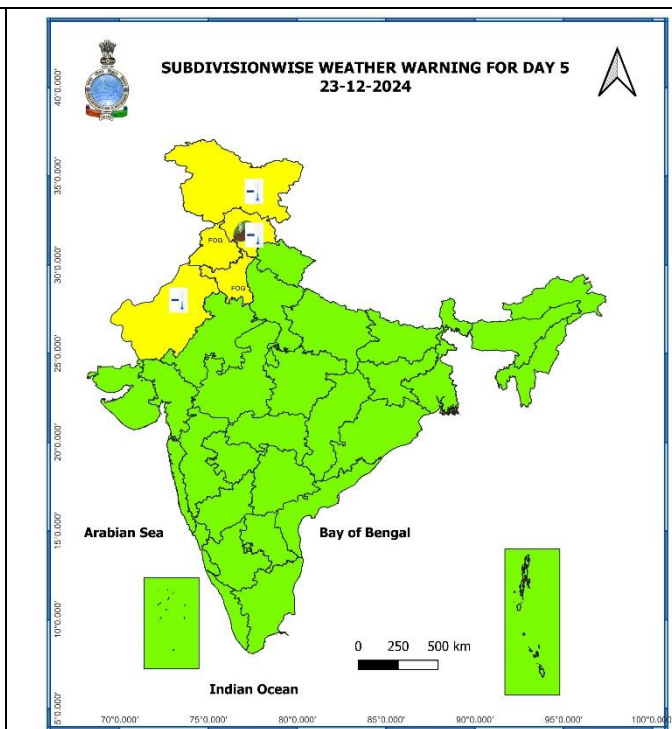
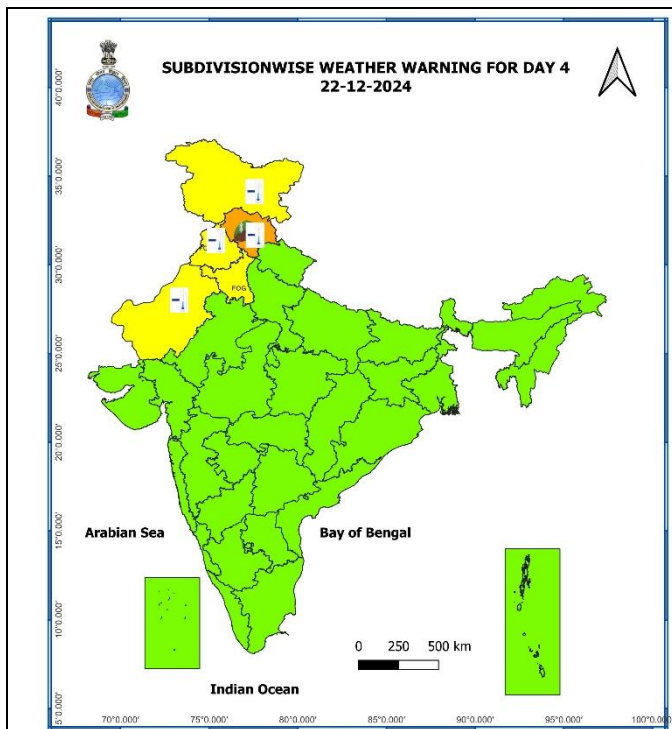
Significant Rainfall recorded during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today 19.12.2024 (in cm):

- ❖ **Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal:** Zone 05 Basin bridge (dist Chennai), Zone 01 Kathivakkam (dist Chennai) 7 each.

7 Days Rainfall Forecast								
S. No.	Subdivision	19-Dec	20-Dec	21-Dec	22-Dec	23-Dec	24-Dec	25-Dec
		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	SCT	SCT	FWS	FWS	SCT	SCT	SCT
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
3	ASSAM & MEGHALAYA	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY
4	NAGALAND, MANIPUR, MIZORAM & TRIPURA	DRY	ISOL	SCT	SCT	ISOL	ISOL	DRY
5	SUB-HIMALAYAN WEST BENGAL & SIKKIM	DRY	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY
6	GANGETIC WEST BENGAL	DRY	ISOL	SCT	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
7	ODISHA	ISOL	SCT	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
8	JHARKHAND	DRY	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
9	BIHAR	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
10	EAST UTTAR PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
11	WEST UTTAR PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
12	UTTARAKHAND	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
13	HARYANA CHANDIGARH & DELHI	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
14	PUNJAB	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
15	HIMACHAL PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL	DRY
16	JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY
17	WEST RAJASTHAN	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
18	EAST RAJASTHAN	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
19	WEST MADHYA PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
20	EAST MADHYA PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
21	GUJARAT REGION	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
22	SAURASHTRA & KUTCH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
23	KONKAN & GOA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
24	MADHYA MAHARASHTRA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
25	MARATHAWADA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
26	VIDARBHA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
27	CHHATTISGARH	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
28	COASTAL ANDHRA PRADESH & YANAM	FWS	SCT	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
29	TELANGANA	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL
30	RAYALASEEMA	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
31	TAMILNADU PUDUCHERRY & KARAIKAL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
32	COASTAL KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL
33	NORTH INTERIOR KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
34	SOUTH INTERIOR KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
35	KERALA & MAHE	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	SCT
36	LAKSHADWEEP	SCT	SCT	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY

- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases.





- Action may be taken based on ORANGE AND RED COLOUR warnings.
- Vulnerable regions likely urban and hilly areas action may be initiated for heavy rainfall warning.
- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases.

Fig. 1: Maximum Temperatures

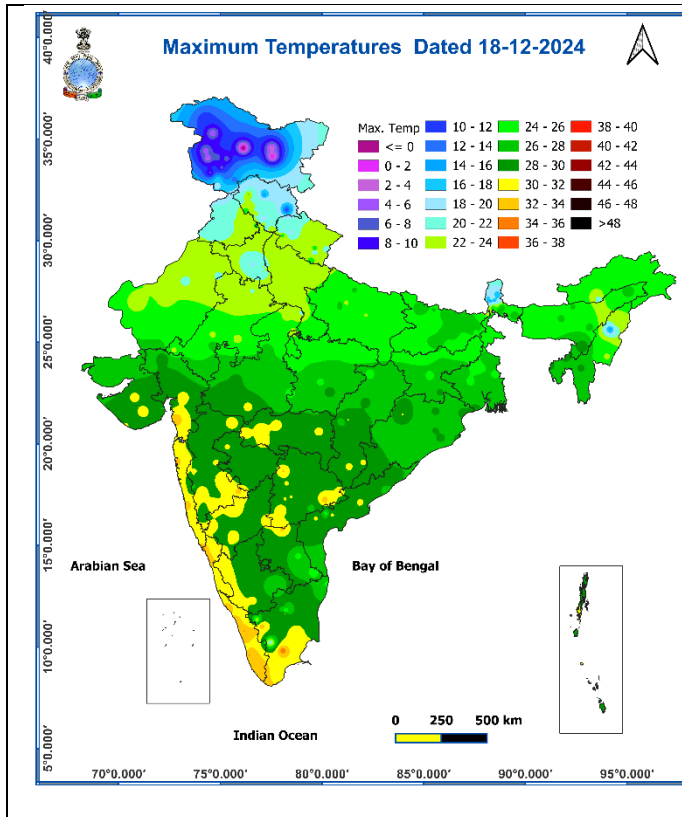


Fig. 2: Departure of Maximum Temperatures

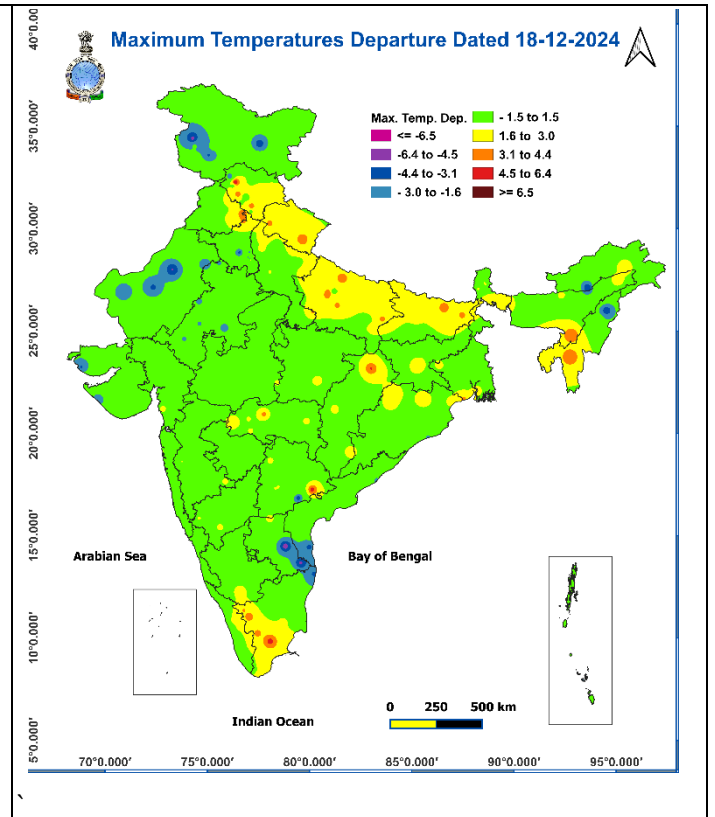


Fig. 3: Minimum Temperatures

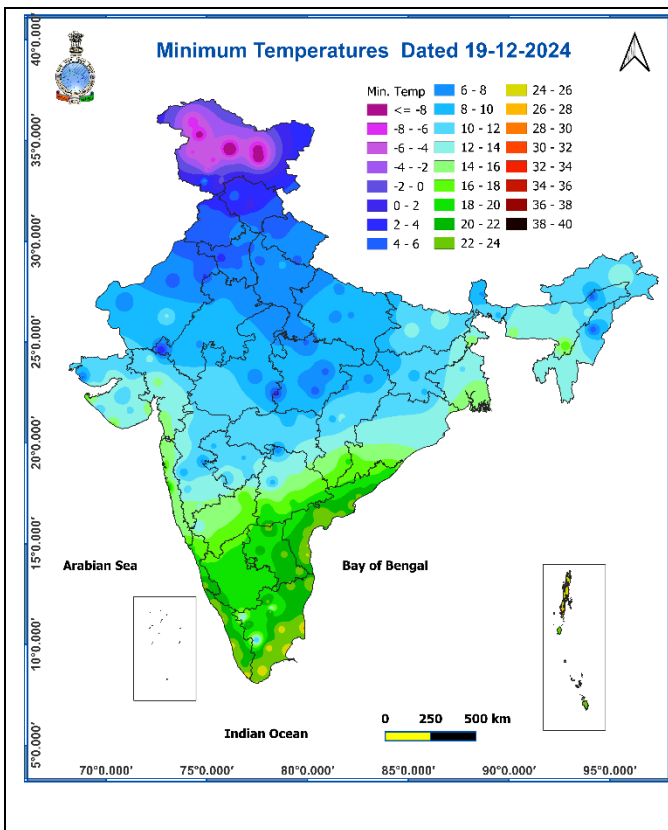
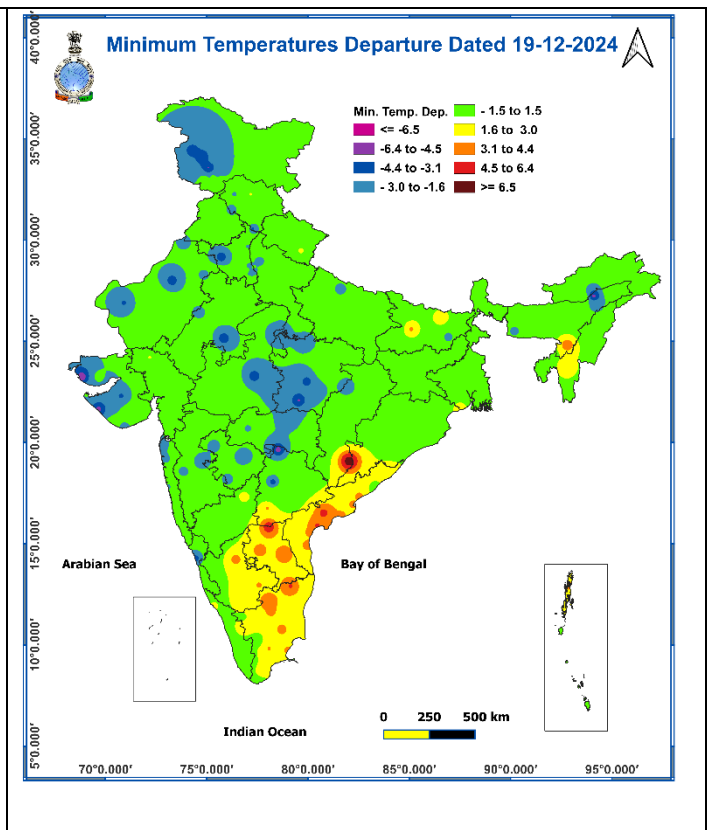
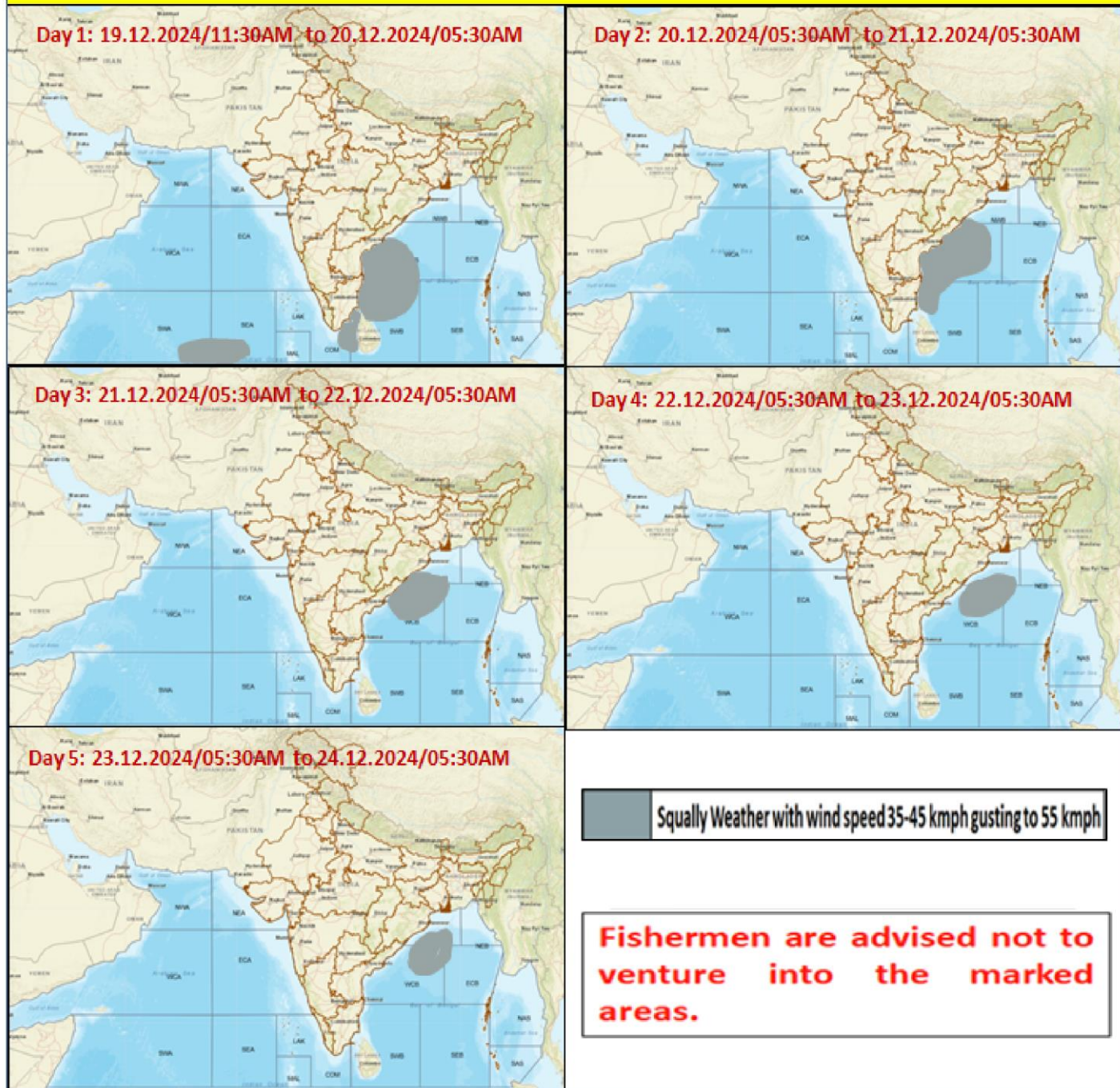


Fig. 4: Departure of Minimum Temperatures





Fishermen Warning Graphics



Weather Realised (past 24 hours) & forecast (during 19th Dec. to 22nd Dec. 2024) over Delhi/NCR

Past Weather:

There has been a fall in minimum temperature upto 03°C over Delhi/NCR during past 24hr. The Maximum and Minimum temperature over Delhi is in the range of 20 to 23°C and 05 to 07°C respectively. The minimum temperature was below normal upto 01 to 03°C and maximum temperature was above normal upto 02°C over most places. Moderate fog reported at Safdarjung airport. Safdarjung airport recorded lowest visibility 250m during 0700 hours to 0730 hours IST which improved thereafter becoming 300m at 0800 hours IST. Palam airport recorded lowest visibility 600 m during 0730 hours to 0900 hours IST which improved thereafter becoming 700m at 0930 hours IST. Mainly smog/ moderate fog condition with predominant surface wind from variable direction with wind speed reaching 04 to 06 kmph prevailed during daytime and calm wind during night time past 24hr. Mainly smog condition with wind speed less than 08 kmph east direction prevailed over the region in the forenoon today.

Weather Forecast:

19.12.2024: Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind is likely to be southeast direction with wind speed less than 08 kmph till evening. It would decrease thereafter becoming less than 04 kmph from variable direction during night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

20.12.2024: Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind is likely to be from east direction with speed less than 04 kmph during morning hours. Smog/moderate to dense fog is likely in the morning. The wind speed will increase thereafter becoming less than 08 kmph from east direction during afternoon. It will decrease thereafter becoming less than 04 kmph from north direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

21.12.2024: Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind is likely to be from northwest direction with speed less than 04 kmph during morning hours. Smog/ moderate to dense fog is likely in the morning hours. The wind speed will gradually increase becoming 06-08 kmph from northwest direction during afternoon. It will decrease thereafter becoming less than 04 kmph from northwest direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

22.12.2024: Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind is likely to be from variable direction with wind speed less than 02 kmph during morning hours. Smog/moderate to dense fog is likely in the morning. The wind speed will increase thereafter becoming 04-06 kmph from southeast direction during afternoon. It will gradually decrease becoming less than 04 kmph from southeast direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow is likely in the evening/night.

Impact expected due to dense/very dense fog in the night /morning hour:

- ❖ Transport and Aviation:
 - May affect some airports, highways and railway routes in the areas of met- sub-division.
 - Difficult driving conditions with slower journey times.
 - Unless taken precautionary measures, it may lead to some road traffic collisions.
- ❖ Power Sector:
 - Chances of Tripping of Power lines in the very dense fog routes.
- ❖ Human Health:
 - Lung related health impacts: Dense fog contains particulate matter and other pollutants and in case exposed it gets lodged in the lungs, clogging them and decreasing their functional capacity which increases episodes of wheezing, coughing and shortness of breath.
 - Impact on people having asthma bronchitis: Long time exposure to dense fog may cause respiratory problem for people having asthma bronchitis and other lung related health problems.
 - Eye Irritation: Dense fog contains pollutions of various types and these Pollutants in the air if exposed may tend to irritate the membranes of the eye causing various infections leading to redness or swelling of the eye.

Action suggested:

- ❖ Transport and Aviation:
 - Be careful while driving or outing through any transport.
 - Use fog lights during driving.
 - Be in touch with airlines, railways and state transport for schedule of your journey.
- ❖ Power Sector:
 - To keep ready Maintenance Team.
 - Human Health: To avoid outing until unless emergency and to cover the face.

Impact expected due to cold wave/severe cold wave conditions over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Rajasthan and Saurashtra & Kutch

- An increased likelihood of various illnesses like flu, running/ stuffy nose or nosebleed, which usually set in or get aggravated due to prolonged exposure to cold.
- Do not ignore shivering. It is the first sign that the body is losing heat. Get Indoors.
- Frostbite can occur due to prolonged exposure to cold. The skin turns pale, hard and numb and eventually black blisters appear on exposed body parts such as fingers, toes, nose and or earlobes. Severe frostbite needs immediate medical attention and treatment.
- Impact on agriculture, crop, livestock, water supply, transport and power sector at some places.

Action suggested:

- Wear several layers of loose fitting, light weight; warm woollen clothing.
- Cover your head, neck, hands and toes adequately as majority of heat loss occurs through these body parts. Wear several layers of loose fitting, light weight; warm woollen clothing rather than one layer of heavy cloth.
- Eat vitamin-C rich fruits & vegetable and drink sufficient fluids preferably warm fluids to maintain adequate immunity.
- Avoid or limit outdoor activities.
- Keep dry, if wet, change cloths immediately to prevent loss of body heat. Wear insulated/waterproof shoes.
- Warm the affected area of the body slowly with lukewarm water; do not rub the skin vigorously.
- If the affected skin area turns black, immediately consult a doctor.
- Maintain ventilation while using Heaters to avoid inhaling toxic fumes.
- Take safety measures while using electrical and gas heating devices.
- Extreme care needed for vulnerable people.
- Seek medical attention as soon as possible for someone suffering from frostbite/ Hypothermia.
- Protect livestock from cold weather.

Agromet advisories for Heavy Rainfall / Cold Wave likely over various parts of the country

- Drain out excess water from rice nurseries, pigeon pea, green gram, black gram, sesame and other standing crop fields and vegetables in **South Coastal Andhra Pradesh**.
- Keep the harvested produce in safer places or cover the produce with tarpaulin sheets in the fields.
- Provide mechanical support to horticultural crops and staking to vegetables.
- In **Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana** and **Rajasthan**, apply light and frequent irrigation to the standing crops in the evening to protect the crops from low-temperature stress or cold injuries. Use mulching and cover vegetable nurseries and young fruit plants with straw/polythene sheets to maintain optimum soil temperature.

Livestock and Fishery

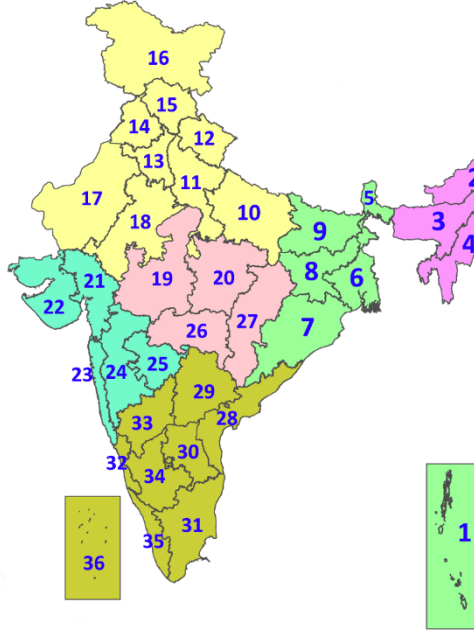
- Keep the animals inside the shed during heavy rainfall and provide balanced feed.
- Store the feed and fodder at safer place to avoid spoilage from rainfall.
- Check and disinfect poultry houses to prevent disease outbreaks due to dampness.
- Check the huts and other weaker structures before relocation of the animals.
- Remove excess water from fish ponds to avoid losses of fish (if feasible).
- To protect from cold, keep cattle inside the sheds during night and provide dry bedding. Also keep the chicks warm by providing artificial light in the poultry sheds.

Legends & abbreviations:

- ❖ **Heavy Rain:**64.5-115.5mm; **Very Heavy Rain:**115.6-204.4mm; **Extremely Heavy Rain:** >204.4mm.
- ❖ **Obsy:** Observatory; **AWS:** Automatic Weather Station; **ARG:** Automatic Rain Gauge; **dist:** District; **NH:** National Highway; **KVK:** Krishi Vigyan Kendra; **DVC:** Damodar Valley Corporation; **PTO:** Part Time Office, **Aero:** Aerodrome, **IAF:** Indian Air Force.
- ❖ **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-Himalayan 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 Marathawada.
 - **South India:** Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Coastal Karnataka, North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Lakshadweep.

LEGENDS

1. अंडमान और निकोबार द्वीपसमूह
2. अरुणाचल प्रदेश
3. असम और मेघालय
4. नागालैंड, मणिपुर, मिजोरम और त्रिपुरा
5. उप-हिमालयी पश्चिम बंगाल और सिक्किम
6. गंगीय पश्चिम बंगाल
7. ओडिशा
8. झारखंड
9. बिहार
10. पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश
11. पश्चिम उत्तर प्रदेश
12. उत्तराखंड
13. हरियाणा, चंडीगढ़ और दिल्ली
14. पंजाब
15. हिमाचल प्रदेश
16. जम्मू और कश्मीर और लद्दाख
17. पश्चिम राजस्थान
18. पूर्वी राजस्थान
19. पश्चिम मध्य प्रदेश
20. पूर्वी मध्य प्रदेश
21. गुजरात
22. सौराष्ट्र
23. कोंकण और गोवा
24. मध्य महाराष्ट्र
25. मराठवाड़ा
26. विदर्भ
27. छत्तीसगढ़
28. तटीय आंध्र प्रदेश और यनम
29. तेलंगाना
30. रायलसेमा
31. तमिलनाडु, पुडुचेरी और कराईकल
32. तटीय कर्नाटक
33. आंतरिक उत्तरी कर्नाटक
34. आंतरिक दक्षिणी कर्नाटक
35. केरल और माहे
36. लक्षद्वीप



1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands
2. Arunachal Pradesh
3. Assam & Meghalaya
4. Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura
5. Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim
6. Gangetic West Bengal
7. Odisha
8. Jharkhand
9. Bihar
10. East Uttar Pradesh
11. West Uttar Pradesh
12. Uttarakhand
13. Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi
14. Punjab
15. Himachal Pradesh
16. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh
17. West Rajasthan
18. East Rajasthan
19. West Madhya Pradesh
20. East Madhya Pradesh
21. Gujarat
22. Saurashtra
23. Konkan & Goa
24. Madhya Maharashtra
25. Marathwada
26. Vidarbha
27. Chhattisgarh
28. Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam
29. Telangana
30. Rayalaseema
31. Tamilnadu, Puducherry & Karaikal
32. Coastal Karnataka
33. North Interior Karnataka
34. South Interior Karnataka
35. Kerala & Mahe
36. 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)

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|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Fog | Heavy Snow | Cold Wave |
| Heavy Rain | Dust Storm | Cold Day |
| Very Heavy Rain | Heat Wave | Ground Frost |
| Extremely Heavy Rain | Warm Night | |
| Thunder & Lightning | Hot Day | |
| Hailstorm | Hot & Humid | |
| Dust Raising Winds | Strong Surface Winds | |

COLOUR CODED WARNING

- No Warning (No Action)
- Watch (Be Aware)
- Alert (Be Prepared To Take Action)
- Warning (Take Action)

Probabilistic Forecast

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

* Red colour warning does not mean "Red Alert", Red colour warning means "Take Action".
Forecast and Warning for any day is valid from 0830 hours IST of day till 0830 hours IST of next day.
For more details, kindly visit <https://mausam.imd.gov.in> or contact: 011-2434-4599
(Service to the Nation since 1875)

DEFINITION/CRITERIA

Rain/ Snow *	<p>Heavy: 64.5 to 115.5 mm/cm *</p> <p>Very Heavy: 115.6 to 204.4 mm/cm*</p> <p>Extremely Heavy: > 204.4 mm/cm *</p>
Heat Wave	<p>When maximum temperature of a station reaches $\geq 40^\circ\text{C}$ for plains and $\geq 30^\circ\text{C}$ for hilly regions</p> <p>(a) Based on Departure from normal</p> <p>Heat Wave: Maximum Temperature Departure from normal 4.5°C to 6.4°C.</p> <p>Severe Heat Wave: Maximum Temperature Departure from normal $\geq 6.5^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>(b). Based on Actual maximum temperature</p> <p>Heat Wave: When actual maximum temperature $\geq 45^\circ\text{C}$.</p> <p>Severe Heat Wave: When actual maximum temperature $\geq 47^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>(c). Criteria for heat wave for coastal stations</p> <p>When maximum temperature departure is $>4.5^\circ\text{C}$ from normal. Heat Wave may be described provided maximum temperature $\geq 37^\circ\text{C}$</p>
Warm Night	<p>When maximum temperature remains 40°C</p> <p>Warm Night: When minimum temperature departure 4.5°C to 6.4°C.</p> <p>Severe Warm Night: When minimum temperature departure $>6.4^\circ\text{C}$.</p>
Cold Wave	<p>When minimum temperature of a station $\leq 10^\circ\text{C}$ for plains and $\leq 0^\circ\text{C}$ for hilly regions.</p> <p>(a). Based on departure</p> <p>Cold Wave: Minimum Temperature Departure from normal -4.5°C to -6.4°C.</p> <p>Severe Cold Wave: Minimum Temperature Departure from normal $\leq -6.5^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>(b) Based on actual Minimum Temperature (for Plains only)</p> <p>Cold Wave : When Minimum Temperature is $\leq 4.0^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>Severe Cold Wave: When Minimum Temperature is $\leq 2.0^\circ\text{C}$</p> <p>(c) For Coastal Stations</p> <p>When Minimum Temperature departure is $\leq -4.5^\circ\text{C}$ & actual Minimum Temperature is $\leq 15^\circ\text{C}$</p>
Cold Day	<p>When minimum temperature of a station $\leq 10^\circ\text{C}$ for plains and $\leq 0^\circ\text{C}$ for hilly regions</p> <p>Based on departure</p> <p>Cold Day: Maximum Temperature Departure from normal -4.5°C to -6.4°C.</p> <p>Severe Cold Day: Maximum Temperature Departure from normal $\leq -6.5^\circ\text{C}$</p>
Fog	<p>Phenomenon of small droplets suspended in air and the horizontal visibility $< 1\text{km}$</p> <p>Moderate Fog: When the visibility between 500-200 metres</p> <p>Dense Fog: when the visibility between 50- 200 metres</p> <p>Very Dense Fog: when the visibility < 50 metres</p>
Thunderstorm	<p>Sudden electrical discharges manifested by a flash of light (Lightning) and a sharp rumbling sound (thunder)</p>
Dust/Sand Storm	<p>An ensemble of particles of dust or sand energetically lifted to great heights by a strong and turbulent wind.</p>
Frost	<p>Ice deposits on ground</p> <p>Air temperature $\leq 4^\circ\text{C}$ (over Plains)</p>
Squall	<p>A strong wind that rises suddenly, lasts for atleast 1 minute.</p> <p>Moderate: Wind speed 52-61 kmph</p> <p>Severe: Wind speed 62-87 kmph</p> <p>Very Severe: Wind speed >87 kmph</p>
Sea State	<p>Effect of various waves in the sea over specific area</p> <p>Rough to very rough: Wind speed 41-62 kmph (22-33 knots) & Wave height 2.5-6 metre</p> <p>High to very high: Wind speed 63-117 kmph (34-63 knots) & Wave height 6-14 metre</p> <p>Phenomenal: Wind speed >117 kmph (>63 knots) & Wave height >14 metre</p>
Cyclone	<p>Cyclonic Storm: Wind speed 62-87 kmph (34-47 knots)</p> <p>Severe Cyclonic Storm: Wind speed 88-117 kmph (48-63 knots)</p> <p>Very Severe Cyclonic Storm: Wind speed 118-165 kmph (64 - 89 knots)</p> <p>Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm: Wind speed 166-220 kmph (90 -119 knots)</p> <p>Super Cyclone Strom: Wind speed >220 kmph (>119 knots)</p>

* Red colour warning does not mean "Red Alert", Red colour warning means "Take Action".
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