

Press Release Celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of Independence of India, our country is celebrating “**Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav**”. This celebration will continue till 15th August 2023. It is an intensive countrywide campaign to visualise and inform citizens about the cultural, social, political and economic progress of our country during the past 75 years. India Meteorological Department (IMD) is also participating in this Mahotsav during 18 to 24 October, 2021, by showcasing its commitment to spread knowledge of meteorology, its allied sciences and applications/services for diverse but constructive human activities in various sectors, among public, scientific workers, students and policy makers.

In the first day of the ICONIC week, an interaction between IMD Scientists and the students has been organised, Dr Sathi Devi, Scientist-F delivered an online lecture to the students of various schools on the topic "**Weather and Climate Service**" which was attended by more than 500 students. The first talk entitled "**Progress of Meteorological Services after Independence**" of webinar series delivered by Dr. R R. Kelkar, former DGM was jointly organized by IMD-IMS. Another online open quiz competition and many other activities were also organized by IMD Hq and other regional centres.

The detailed schedule of the activities during the ICONIC week is given below. Link and other details of the respective activities are available on the website of the department (<https://mausam.imd.gov.in/>).

All are requested to participate in these programmes

Date	Events
18-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topic-Progress of Meteorological services after independence by Dr. R.R.Kelkar, former DGM 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blog : Topic- Progress of Meteorological services after independence by Dr. R.R.Kelkar, former DGM 4. Delivery of lectures, Open day activities for various Schools 5. Talks on weather and climate services to AIR/DD 6. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region (b) Webinar on “Cleanliness and waste management in NE India”
19-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topic-Improvement in Early Warning System by Dr. M. Mohapatra, DGM, IMD 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blog : Topic- Improvement in Early Warning System by Dr. M. Mohapatra, DGM, IMD 4. Talks on weather and climate services to AIR/DD 5. Webinar on weather and Climate Services to J&K and Ladakh to students of JNV, KV, Leh, Kargil and DPS Srinagar, Jammu 6. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region (b) Webinar on Flood
20-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topics- (a) Meteorological Services for Safe and Efficient Aviation Operations by Dr. R. Suresh, Sc F, IMD (Retired) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (b) Advancement in Numerical weather Prediction Model in India by Dr. D. R. Pattanaik, IMD 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blogs: Topics- (a) Meteorological Services for Safe and Efficient Aviation Operations by Dr. R. Suresh, Sc F, IMD (Retired) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (b) Advancement in Numerical weather Prediction Model in India by Dr.D.R.Pattanaik, IMD 4. Talks on weather and climate services to AIR/DD <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Interaction with farmers of Ladakh and Jammu & Kashmir

	<p>(b) Interactive lectures for school/ college students related to ‘Weather and Climatic Services in NE region’.</p> <p>5. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region</p> <p>(a) Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region</p> <p>(b) Webinar on Disaster Management</p>
21-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topics- (a)Satellite Meteorology: Current Status and Future Prospective by Dr. P.K Thapliyal SAC, Ahmedabad 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blogs : Topic- (a) Satellite Meteorology: Current Status and Future Prospective by Dr. P.K Thapliyal SAC, Ahmedabad 4. Delivery of lectures to students and teachers of blind schools 5. Short skits, Song/poetry competition on weather and climate services 6. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region (b) Webinar on Earthquake
22-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topics- (a) Heat Wave Management System in India by Dr. V. Thiruppugazh, NDMA (b) Radar Meteorology: Current Status and Future Prospective by Dr.V.K.Anandan,SAC, Bengaluru 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blog :Topics- (a)Heat Wave Management System in India by Dr. V. Thiruppugazh, NDMA (b) Radar Meteorology: Current Status and Future Prospective by Dr.V.K.Anandan,SAC, Bengaluru 4. Delivery of lectures to differently abled students. 5. Poster competition on weather and climate services 6. Webinar on contribution of women Scientists to weather and climate services 7. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region (b) Webinar on Agriculture
23-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topics-(a)Agrometeorological Services for Climate Risk Management in Agriculture by Dr.K.K.Singh, IMD (b) Positional Astronomical Services of IMD, by Dr.Sanjib Sen, IMD 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blogs: Topics- (a)Agrometeorological Services for Climate Risk Management in Agriculture by Dr.KK Singh, IMD (b) Positional Astronomical Services of IMD, by Dr.Sanjib Sen,IMD 4. Awareness programme/ outreach on weather and climates services for Northeast India and Ladakh region 5. Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region
24-10-2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Webinar: Topics-(a)Flash Flood Guidance System: A step towards flood resilient India by Shri B.P.Yadav,IMD (b)Air Quality Early Warning System- Current Status and Future Prospective by Dr.V.K.Soni,IMD. 2. Online quiz open to country wide participation on thematic science topics 3. Blogs: Topic- (a) Flash Flood Guidance System: A step towards flood resilient India by Shri B.P.Yadav (b) IPCC AR6 in the Indian perspective by Dr.S.D. Attri and (c) Air Quality early Warning System by Dr.V.K.Soni 4. Drawing/ painting competitions for children and youths of NE region 5. Brainstorming/Panel discussion