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Subject: (i) Three Western Disturbances in quick successions likely to cause wet spell over Western Himalayan region during next 7 days with isolated heavy rainfall/snowfall over Kashmir valley on 22nd & 23rd and Himachal Pradesh on 23rd January.

(ii) Isolated to scattered rainfall likely over adjoining plains of northwest India during 22nd -25th January.

Weather Systems and Forecast & Warnings during next 7 days: (Annexure I)

- ❖ The **Western Disturbance** as a cyclonic circulation lies over north Punjab & neighbourhood in lower tropospheric levels with the trough aloft in middle and upper tropospheric westerlies runs roughly along Long. 73°E to the north of Lat. 30°N.
- ❖ An **induced cyclonic circulation** lies over northeast Rajasthan & neighbourhood in lower tropospheric levels.
- ❖ Another fresh **Western Disturbance** seen as a trough in middle tropospheric westerlies with its axis at 5.8 km above mean sea level runs roughly along Long. 62°E to the north of Lat. 32°N.
- ❖ Thereafter, an intense **Western disturbance** likely to affect Northwest India from 21st January, 2026 night onwards.
- ❖ High moisture feeding from Arabian Sea over northwest India on 23rd & 24th January.

Under the influence of above system, the following weather is likely:

- ❖ Isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall/snowfall likely over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad during 19th -21st; Himachal Pradesh on 19th January and Fairly widespread to widespread rainfall/snowfall over Western Himalayan Region during 22nd -24th with reduction in intensity on 25th January; with **isolated heavy falls over Kashmir valley on 22nd & 23rd and higher reaches of Himachal Pradesh on 23rd January.**
- ❖ Scattered to Fairly widespread light to moderate rainfall likely over Punjab during 22nd-25th; Isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall over Haryana, Chandigarh, West Uttar Pradesh during 22nd - 25th; East Uttar Pradesh on 23rd & 24th and Rajasthan on 22nd & 23rd January.

- ❖ Thunderstorm activity accompanied with **lightning & gusty winds (speed 40-50 kmph)** likely over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad on 23rd; with **gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph)** over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan on 22nd & 23rd; with **lightning** over Himachal Pradesh on 22nd & 23rd; Uttarakhand during 23rd -25th January.

The state-wise forecast is given below: (Warning graphics are given at ANNEXURE-I)

S. No.	State/sub-division	Forecast
1.	Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall/snowfall likely during 19th -21st January. Fairly widespread to widespread rainfall/snowfall during 22nd -24th January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning & gusty winds (speed 40-50 kmph) likely on 23rd January. Isolated heavy rainfall/snowfall likely over Kashmir valley on 22nd & 23rd January.
2.	Himachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall/snowfall likely during 19th January. Fairly widespread to widespread rainfall/snowfall during 22nd -24th January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning likely on 22nd & 23rd. Isolated heavy rainfall/snowfall likely on 23rd January.
3.	Uttarakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall/snowfall likely on 22nd January. Scattered to Fairly widespread to widespread rainfall/snowfall during 23rd -25th January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning likely during 23rd -25th January.
4.	Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scattered to fairly light to moderate rainfall likely during 22nd -25th. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning and gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph) during 22nd -24th January.
5.	Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated to Scattered light to moderate rainfall likely during 22nd -25th January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning and gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph) during 22nd -24th January.
6.	Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated to Scattered light to moderate rainfall likely during 22nd -25th January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning and gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph) on 22nd & 23rd January.
7.	Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolated light to moderate rainfall likely during 22nd -23rd January. Thunderstorm activity accompanied with lightning and gusty winds (speed 30-40 kmph) on 22nd & 23rd January.

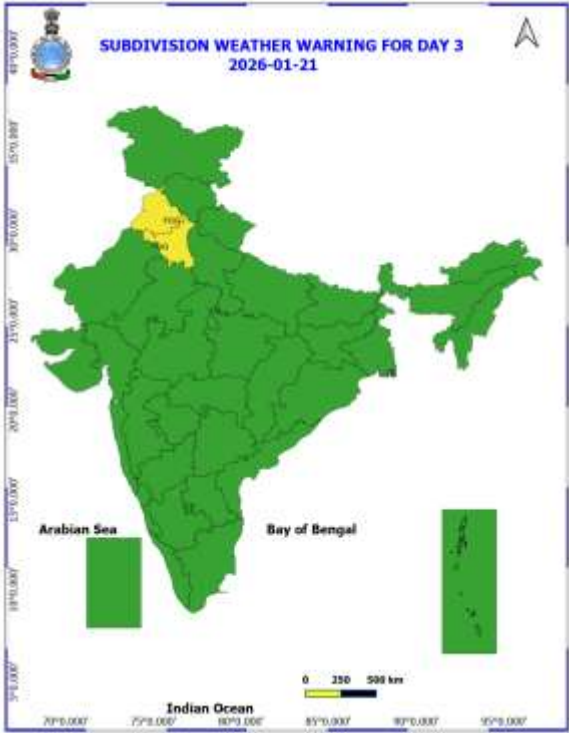
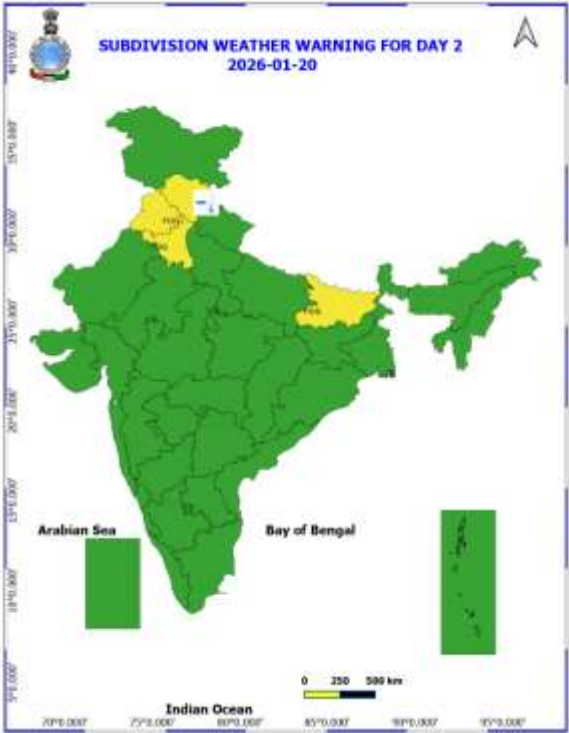
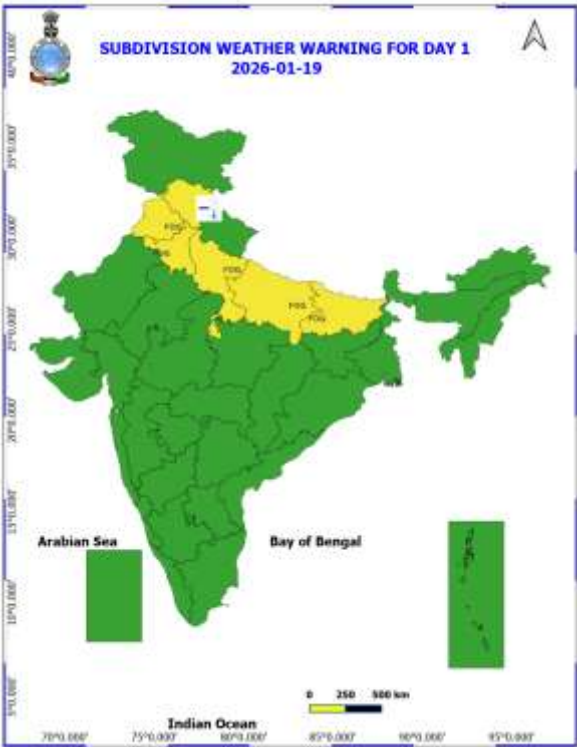
The state-wise forecast & warnings are given at ANNEXURE I

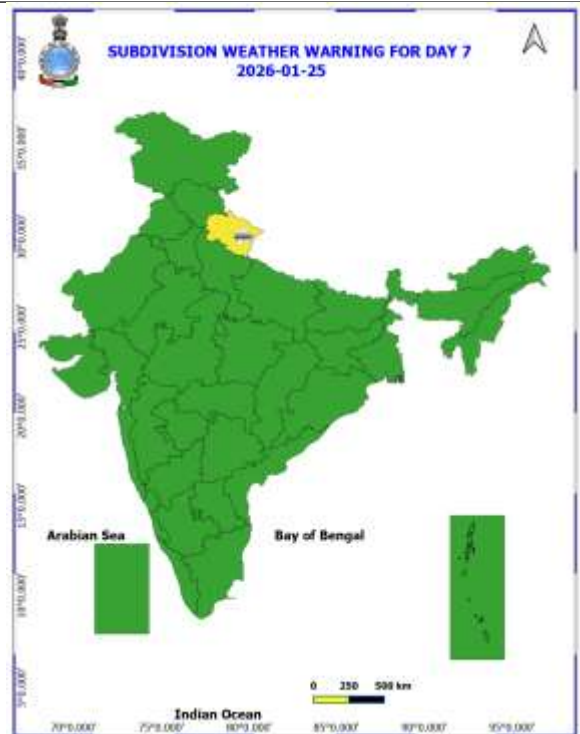
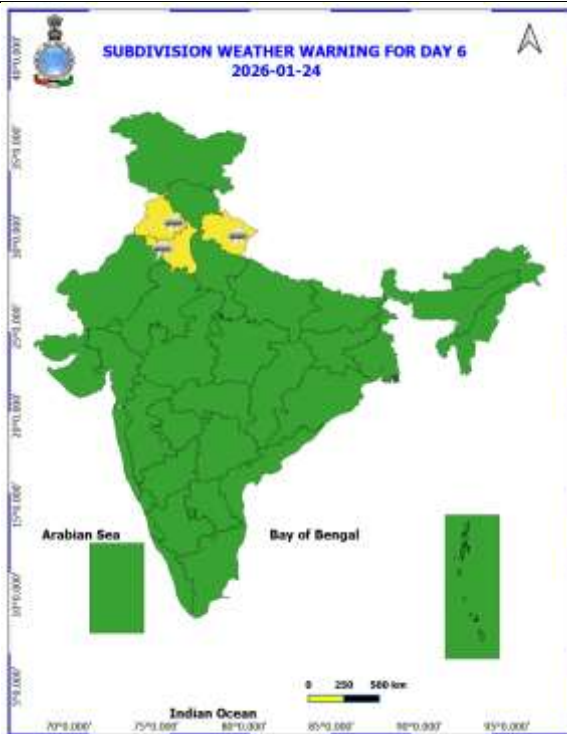
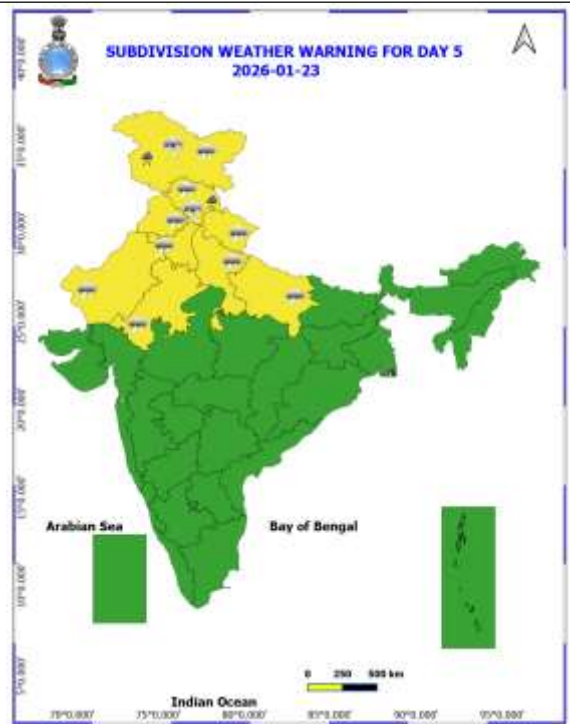
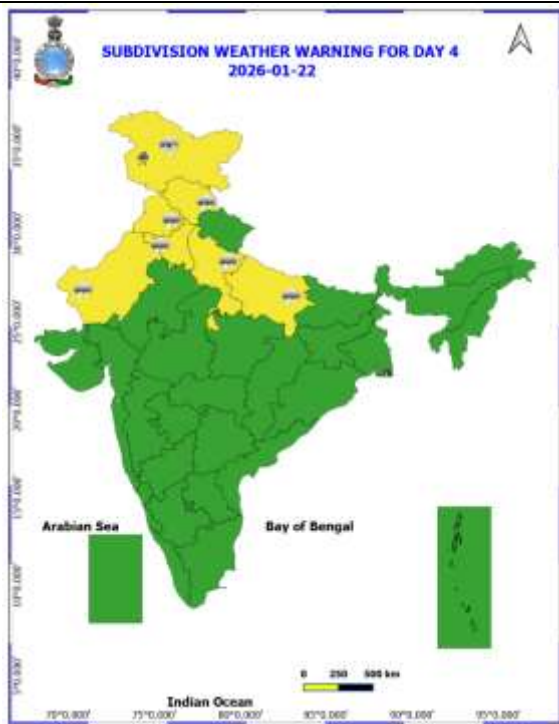
For weather summary and forecast, kindly refer National Weather Bulletin:

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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Legends & abbreviations:

- ❖ **Heavy Rain:** 64.5 to 115.5 mm; **Very Heavy Rain:** 115.6 to 204.4 mm; **Extremely Heavy Rain:** >204.4mm.
- ❖ **Obsy:** Observatory; **AWS:** Automatic Weather Station; **dist:** District; **NH:** National Highway; **KVK:** Krishi Vigyan Kendra; **DVC:** Damodar Valley Corporation; **PTO:** Part Time Office.
- ❖ **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 Marathwada.
 - **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)

Subdivision Warning	Dust Storm	Subdivision color
Heavy Rain	Strong Surface Winds	NO WARNING
Heavy Snow	Heat Wave	WATCH (BE UPDATED)
Thunderstorms & Lightning	Cold wave	ALERT (BE PREPARED)
Hailstorm	Fog	WARNING (TAKE ACTION)

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

Flash Flood Risk	
High Risk (Take Action)	
Moderate Risk (Be Prepared)	
Low Risk (Be Updated)	