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Press Release

Sub: 1. Monsoon very likely to be active over Himachal Pradesh from midnight of 18th July till 23rd July, 2026.

2. Isolated extremely heavy rainfall activity very likely over mid hills & adjoining low hills on 20th & 21st July and isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall over the region on 19th, 22nd & 23rd July 2026.

Under the influence of active monsoon conditions & favourable synoptic conditions, following weather conditions are expected:

Weather Forecast:

1. *Light to moderate **rainfall*** very likely over many parts of mid hills & adjoining low hills/plains of the state and over some parts of high hills from midnight of 18th to 23rd July, 2026.
2. ***Heavy to very heavy rainfall activity*** very likely over parts of mid hills & adjoining low hills/plains during 18th to 23rd July, 2026 with peak activity during 20th to 22nd July over mid hills.
3. ***Isolated extremely heavy rainfall*** also very likely over some parts of mid hills & adjoining low hills/ plains on 20th & 21st July, 2026.

Weather Warning:

❖ Heavy Rain

- **18th July, 2026 (Yellow Alert)**

*a) **Heavy rain*** very likely at isolated places over *Chamba, Mandi & Kangra districts.*

*b) **Moderate to heavy rainfall*** very likely at isolated places over Kullu district.

- **19th July, 2026 (Orange Alert):**

*a) **Heavy to very heavy rainfall*** very likely at isolated places over *Kangra, Mandi & Shimla districts. (Orange Alert)*

*b) **Heavy rain*** very likely at isolated places over *Hamirpur, Chamba, Kullu & Sirmaur districts. (Yellow Alert)*

*c) **Moderate to heavy rain*** very likely at isolated places over *Solan, Una & Bilaspur districts. (Yellow Alert)*

- **20th July, 2026 (Red Alert):**

- a) **Very Heavy to extremely heavy rainfall** very likely at isolated places over *Chamba, Kangra, Mandi & Sirmaur* districts. (Red Alert)

- b) **Heavy to very heavy rainfall** very likely at isolated places over *Una, Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Kullu & Shimla* districts. (Orange Alert)

- b) **Heavy rain** very likely at isolated places over *Solan* district. (Yellow Alert)

- c) **Moderate to heavy rain** very likely at isolated places over *Kinnaur & Lahaul-Spiti* districts. (Yellow Alert)

- **21st July, 2026 (Red Alert):**

- a) **Very Heavy to extremely heavy rainfall** very likely at isolated places over *Chamba, Kangra, Kullu, Mandi & Sirmaur* districts. (Red Alert)

- b) **Heavy to very heavy rainfall** very likely at isolated places over *Hamirpur, Solan & Shimla* districts. (Orange Alert)

- b) **Heavy rain** very likely at isolated places over *Una & Bilaspur* districts. (Yellow Alert)

- c) **Moderate to heavy rain** very likely at isolated places over *Kinnaur & Lahaul-Spiti* districts. (Yellow Alert)

- **22nd July, 2026 (Orange Alert):**

- a) **Heavy to very heavy rainfall** likely at isolated places over *Kangra, Mandi, Sirmaur & Shimla* districts. (Orange Alert)

- b) **Heavy rain** likely at isolated places over *Una, Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Chamba, Kullu & Solan* districts. (Yellow Alert)

- **23rd July, 2026 (Yellow Alert):**

- a) **Heavy rain** likely at isolated places over low hills/ plains & mid hills of the state. (Yellow Alert)

- b) **Moderate rain** likely at isolated places over high hills of the state.

Expected Impact and Action suggested due to Very Heavy to Extremely Heavy Rain/ Heavy to Very Heavy Rain/ Heavy Rain/ Moderate to Heavy Rain over Himachal Pradesh

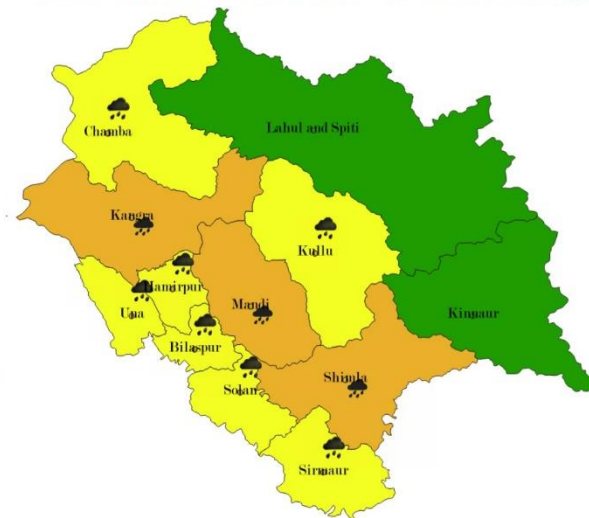
Weather Warning	Affected areas	Impacts and advisories
Very heavy to extremely heavy rain	Chamba, Kangra, Mandi, Kullu & Sirmaur districts	Impacts • High possibility of landslide/mudslide/land sink/mud sinks in vulnerable areas. • High possibility of flash flood/ inundation in vulnerable areas. • Water level and flow very likely to increase in all water bodies. • Damage to vulnerable structures. • Water logging in low lying areas. • Significant damage to horticulture & standing crops. • Essential services and routine outdoor businesses very likely to affect. • Vehicles skidding due to slippery roads and low visibility. • Traffic congestion. • Water level very likely to rise in river catchment areas, nalas etc. • For riverine flooding, kindly visit the Central Water Commission. Advisories • Avoid going to landslide/mudslide/flashflood vulnerable areas. • Avoid going to vulnerable areas and areas that face the water logging problems often. • Keep safe distance from all the water bodies (rivers/streams/rivulets/nallas). • Avoid trekking. • Limit outdoor activities. • Keep safe distance from the vulnerable structures. • Follow speed limit and traffic advisories. • Be updated with the weather alerts/ advisories. • Follow any traffic advisories issued by State Government authorities.
Heavy to very heavy rain	Una, Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Shimla & Solan districts	Impacts • Possibility of localized landslide/mudslide in vulnerable areas. • Flash floods likely in vulnerable areas. • Water level and flow very likely to increase in all water bodies. • Water logging in low lying areas. • Partial damage to vulnerable structures. • Vehicles skidding due to slippery roads and low visibility • Traffic congestion. • Possibility of partial damage to horticulture & agriculture. • Localized essential services and routine outdoor business may likely to affect. Advisories • Avoid going to landslide/mudslide/flashflood vulnerable areas. • Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often. • Keep safe distance from all the water bodies (rivers/streams/rivulets/nallas). • Follow speed limit and traffic advisories. • Be updated with the weather alerts/ advisories. • Follow advisories/guidelines issued by the state government.
Heavy rain, Moderate to heavy rain	Kinnaur & Lahaul-Spiti districts	Impacts • Possibility of localized landslide/mudslide in vulnerable areas. • Flash floods likely in vulnerable areas. • Water level and flow very likely to increase in all water bodies. • Water logging in low lying areas. • Vehicles skidding due to slippery roads and low visibility • Localized routine outdoor business may likely to affect. Advisories • Avoid going to landslide/mudslide/flashflood vulnerable areas. • Keep safe distance from all the water bodies (rivers/streams/rivulets/nallas). • Follow speed limit and traffic advisories. • Be updated with the weather alerts/ advisories. • Follow advisories/guidelines issued by the state government.

DISTRICTWISE WEATHER WARNING (Heavy Rain/Snow) FOR THE NEXT 5 DAYS

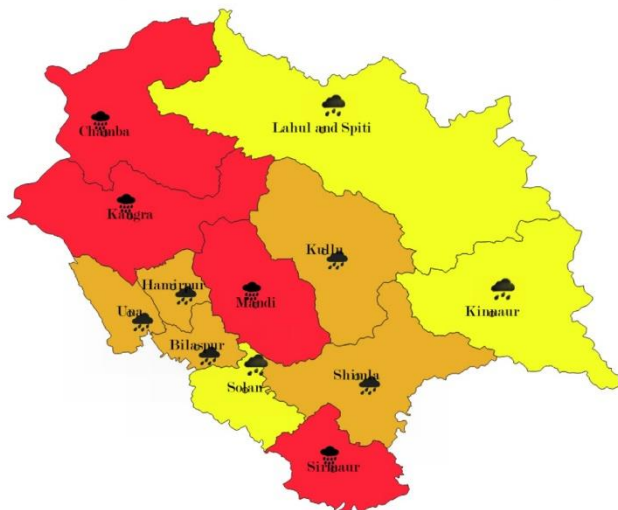
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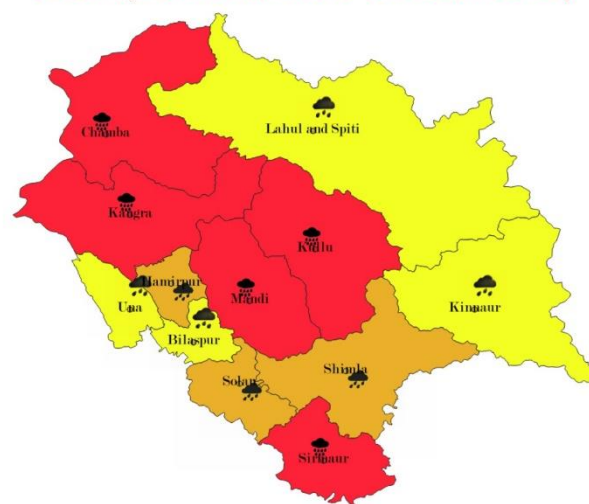
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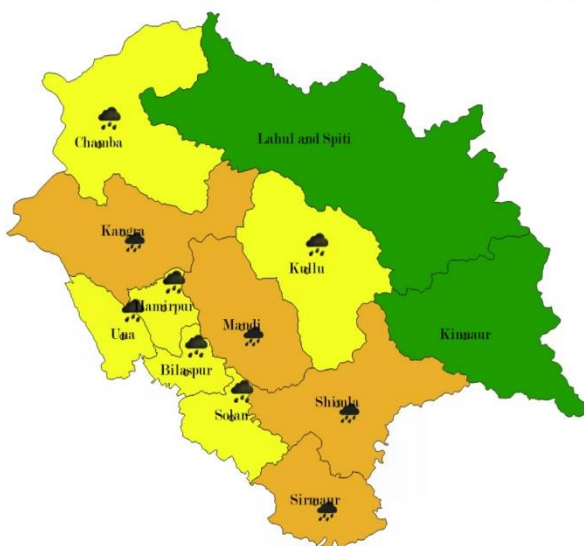
DAY 3(UPTO 0830 IST OF 21.07.2026)



DAY 4(UPTO 0830 IST OF 22.07.2026)



DAY 5(UPTO 0830 IST OF 23.07.2026)



LEGENDS

WARNING

- NO WARNING(NO ACTION)-कोई कार्यवाही नहीं
- WATCH (BE UPDATED)-निगरानी रखें
- ALERT (BE PREPARED)-सतर्क रहें
- WARNING (TAKE ACTION)-कार्यवाही करें

HEAVY RAIN- भारी बारिश

HEAVY TO VERY HEAVY RAIN- भारी से बहुत भारी बारिश

VERY HEAVY TO EXTREMELY HEAVY RAIN- बहुत भारी से अत्यधिक भारी बारिश

Legends and Norms:

Fog	Heavy Snow	Cold Wave	COLOUR CODED WARNING No Warning (No Action) Watch (Be Aware) Alert (Be Prepared To Take Action) Warning (Take Action)
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		

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

Note: Forecast/Warning for any day is valid from 0830 hours IST of that day till 0830 hours IST of next day

WARNING	PROBABILISTIC FORECAST		SPATIAL		RAINFALL INTENSITY	
WARNING(TAKE ACTION)	Terms	Probability of Occurrence	DRY	No Rainfall	Light	2.5-15.5 mm
ALERT (BE PREPARED)	Unlikely	<25%	ISOLATED	1-25%	Moderate	15.6-64.4 mm
WATCH (BE UPDATED)	Likely	25-50%	FEW	26-50%	Heavy	64.5-115.5 mm
NO WARNING (NO ACTION)	Very Likely	50-75%	MANY	51-75%	Very Heavy	115.6-204.4 mm
	Most Likely	>75%	MOST	76-100%	Extremely Heavy	≥204.5 mm

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