

# डॉ. मृत्युंजय महापात्र

मौसम विज्ञान विभाग के महानिदेशक,  
विश्व मौसम विज्ञान संगठन में भारत के स्थाई प्रतिनिधि  
एवं कार्यकारी परिषद के सदस्य

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I congratulate and complement all Meteorological, Hydrological and allied fraternities on the occasion of World Meteorological Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022. The theme of this year's WMO Day is "Early Warning and Early Action. Hydrometeorological and Climate Information for Disaster Risk Reduction."

I wish you all good health and hope that meteorological community would continue to provide their best in maintaining core activities of the Society in view of the threat due to COVID-19.

While the loss of lives has decreased significantly in recent decade, the loss to property due to disasters is increasing. Better coordination between national meteorological and hydrological Services, disaster management authorities and agencies of socio-economic sectors is fundamental to better prevention, preparedness and response for disaster risk reduction.

I hereby place on record my deep appreciation for meteorological, hydrological and allied fraternities for their untiring efforts in providing essential Meteorological & hydrological Observations, Communication, Modelling, Forecasting and Warning Services to the Government, various stakeholders, Press & Electronic Media and General Public. My special appreciation and gratitude go to my esteemed colleagues in India meteorological Department for their continued relentless contribution in enhancing the weather & climate services including multi-hazard early warning services and sectoral services for socio-economic development. The devotion and dedication of the IMD colleagues helped the Department to sail through the difficult COVID-19 period smoothly.

I hope all of us will rise to the occasion and ensure uninterrupted weather and climate services to the country & the region in this hour of need. We would continue to strengthen our early warning and early action services to safeguard the society from multiple weather hazards through better prevention, preparedness and response.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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