

Government of India Earth System Sciences Organization Ministry of Earth Sciences India Meteorological Department

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Subject: Heavy spell of rainfall over east and northwest India during 25 to 28 August, 2020

- A well marked low pressure area lies over North Bay of Bengal & neighbourhood. It
 is very likely to move west-northwestwards across Odisha, Gangetic West Bengal,
 Jharkhand, north Chhattisgarh, north Madhya Pradesh and south Uttar Pradesh
 during next 5 days.
- The monsoon trough is active and is very likely to remain active during next 2-3 days.
 In addition, there is a convergence of strong lower level southwesterly winds from Arabian Sea over northwest India till 28 August.
- Under the influence of above systems:
 - a) Widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy falls very likely over Odisha, Gangetic West Bengal & Jharkhand till 28 August; over Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh & West Rajasthan during 26 to 28 and over East Rajasthan on 28 & 29 August, 2020.
 - b) Isolated extremely heavy falls also very likely over Odisha on 25 & 26 and over Chhattisgarh on 27 August, 2020.
 - c) Widespread rainfall with isolated heavy falls very likely over northwest India till 28 August, 2020. Isolated heavy to very heavy falls are also very likely over Himachal Pradesh on 26, over Uttrakhand from 26 to 28 and over Uttar Pradesh on 27 & 28 August, 2020.

Impact expected over Odisha during 25-26th August and over Chhattisgarh on 27th August due to heavy rainfall

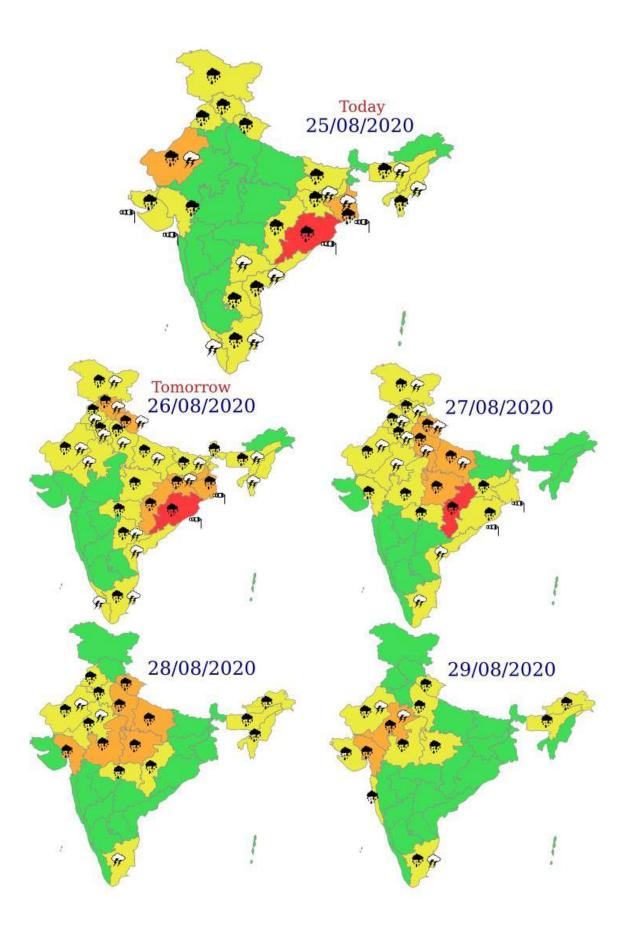
- Localized Flooding of roads, water logging in low lying areas and closure of underpasses mainly in urban areas of the above region.
- Occasional reduction in visibility due to heavy rainfall.
- Disruption of traffic in major cities due to water logging in roads leading to increased travel time.
- Minor damage to kutcha roads.
- Possibilities of damage to vulnerable structure.
- Localized Mudslides.
- Damage to horticulture and standing crops in some areas due to inundation.
- It may lead to riverine flooding in some river catchments (for riverine flooding please visit website
 of center water commission (http://www.cwc.gov.in/))

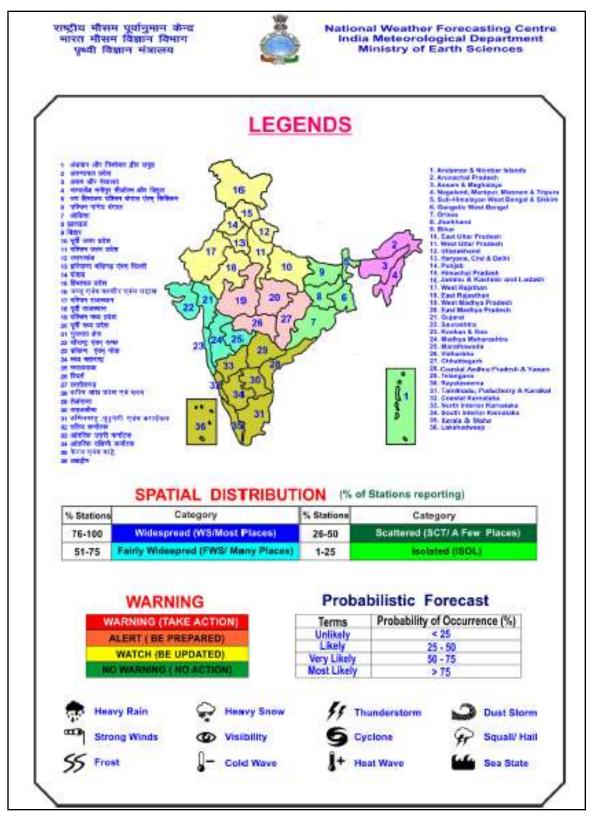
For specific district wise impact kindly visit IMD's sate level meteorological center websites (https://mausam.imd.gov.in/imd_latest/contents/departmentalweb.php) and national website (https://mausam.imd.gov.in/).

Action Suggested

- Check for traffic congestion on your route before leaving for your destination.
- Follow any traffic advisories that are issued in this regard.
- Avoid going to areas that face water logging problem often.
- Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

Multi-hazard weather warning for next 5 days:





Legends: Heavy rain: 64.5-115.5 mm/day; Very heavy rain: 115.6-204.4 mm/day; Extremely heavy rain: Greater or equal to 204.5 mm/day

For further details and forecast updates kindly visit websites of IMD, New Delhi: http://www.mausam.imd.gov.in

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