



Concept Note

The third session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF-3) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team New Delhi, India 3–5 June 2025.

The World Meteorological Department (WMO) and the India Meteorological Department (IMD) is proud to host and organize the third Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 3) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team from 3 to 5 June 2025, in New Delhi, India.

The TPRCC-Network, currently in demonstration phase for WMO designation, is composed of three geographically delineated nodes with China as overall coordinating node. Each node performs all mandatory functions of a WMO RCC for the countries in its geographical domain, and undertakes a significant cross-node mandatory function for the entire geographical domain of TPRCC-Network, as follows:

- Northern Node, led by China with Bhutan, Mongolia, Nepal and Pakistan as members of consortium, performs the climate monitoring function;
- Southern Node, led by India with Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar and Nepal as members of consortium, fulfils the operational data services function;
- Western Node, led by Pakistan with Afghanistan, China, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan as members of consortium, addresses the long-range forecast function.

Broad partnerships have been developed with WMO Global Cryosphere Watch (GCW), Global Energy and Water Exchanges (GEWEX), International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), Mountain Research Initiative (MRI), Third Pole Environment Programme (TPE), and United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP).

Following Resolution 9 of the Seventeenth Session of Regional Association II (RA II-17) in 2021, the recommendations of the Scoping Workshop on the establishment of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF) (November 2023) and the recommendations of the RA II WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) Workshop (December 2023), the TPRCC Network initiated the TPCF with guidance from the WMO Secretariat, relevant Constituent bodies, subsidiary bodies and the existing RCCs/RCC-networks. The inaugural session of TPCF (TPCF-1) was successfully held in Lijiang, China, from 4–6 June 2024, hosted by the China Meteorological Administration (CMA). The second session (TPCF-2) was held virtually on



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November 2024, hosted by the Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD). TPCF has been recognized as one of the flagship activities of TPRCC-Network and the primary user engagement mechanism at regional level for communication, consultation, and collaboration on the climate and cryosphere products, information, and services, to address the needs of Member countries in the domain of TPRCC-Network.

To continue the efforts in mitigation of urgent regional climate risk challenges caused by the rapid retreat of cryosphere and the rising frequency of extreme and high-impact climate events, TPRCC-Network is convening TPCF-3 as planned. The main objectives are to continue the sustainable regional collaborative platform and bring together national, regional, and international climate experts, users and stakeholders, to produce seasonal outlook based on inputs from WMO Integrated Processing and Prediction System (WIPPS) - Designated Centres such as Global Producing Centres for Seasonal Prediction (GPCs-SP), Lead Center for Seasonal Prediction Multi-Model Ensemble (LC-SPMME), Regional Climate Centres (RCCs) and National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs). Additionally, the forum aims to discuss how climate information can be effectively integrated into decision making processes.

TPCF-3 will be followed by the meeting of the Task Team of TPRCC-Network on 5 June 2025 to discuss and agree on actions based on the outcomes of the Forum, assess the Network's progress during its demonstration phase and outline crucial work plans for the designation by WMO.

The Forum agenda as well as the logistical details will be provided to the participants in due course. For further information, please contact Ms Anahit Hovsepyan (ahovsepyan@wmo.int), Scientific Officer, Climate Prediction Services Section at the WMO Secretariat.

For the local logistics and visa support please contact Mr. Anikender Kumar (anikender.kumar@imd.gov.in) and Mr. Vivek kumar (vivekkumarchaurasia@gmail.com).



THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRD POLE CLIMATE FORUM and MEETING OF THE THIRD POLE RCC-NETWORK TASK TEAM

3 – 5 June 2025

New Delhi, India

Information Note

★ Meeting Venue

Prithvi Bhawan,
Ministry of Earth Sciences,
Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003, India

★ VISA

All foreign participants are required to complete the applicable visa formalities to visit India. Detailed information on visa requirements can be found at the following links

<https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html>

<https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/index.html>

Please also check Countries with which India has operational Visa Exemption Agreement for holders of Diplomatic, Official/Service Passports.

<https://www.mea.gov.in/bvwa-menu.htm>



★ Invitation letter for VISA

Request for visa has to be made to the nearest Indian Consulate/Embassy in the applicant's country or online if such a facility is available. To facilitate the invitation letter, the foreign participants are requested to share their details as mentioned in Annexure-I. Participants are requested to provide their details well in advance to Mr. Anikender Kumar (anikender.kumar@imd.gov.in) and Mr. Vivek kumar (vivekkumarchaurasia@gmail.com).

★ Accommodation and Meals

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) will make a block reservation and will cover the lodging and food for all foreign participants. The LOC will facilitate room reservation in suitable nearby hotel.

★ Local Transport

Indira Gandhi International Airport is located in New Delhi and about 20 km from the Prithvi Bhawan, Ministry of Earth Sciences.

Local Transport in Delhi for all overseas participants will be arranged by local organizers. The LOC will arrange pickup and drop service from airport to hotel and hotel to venue of the meeting for all foreign participants. Please send the itinerary including your mode of travel (including flight number and terminal), date and time of arrival & departure to the conference secretary well in advance.

★ Registration

June 3, 2025 from 09:00 to 10:00 (IST) at Prithvi Bhawan reception desk.

★ Time Zone

Indian Standard Time is 5 hours and 30 minutes ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)

★ Working Language

The meeting will be conducted in English.



★ Climate of New Delhi in June

Weather in New Delhi during June is hot, with the normal daily maximum temperature (40 °C) and minimum temperature (26.9 °C) during the first week of June. The duststorm/thunderstorms occasionally provide relief from oppressive heat during the hot month of June. Average rainfall for the month is about 80 mm with around 7 rainy days. More detailed aspects of the climatology of New Delhi can be seen at https://dsp.imdpune.gov.in/home_normals.php# and real-time weather forecasts at <https://mausam.imd.gov.in/newdelhi>.

★ The Host City

New Delhi, the capital of India, is the eighth largest metropolis in the world. Situated in north central India it has a population of over 20 million. It unwinds a picture rich with culture, architecture and human diversity, deep in history, monuments, museums, galleries, and gardens. It is a fusion of the ancient and the modern.



(QR code for map of Prithvi Bhawan, Ministry of Earth Sciences, New Delhi)



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