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Daily Crop Weather Information as on 24 March 2022

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Significant Weather Features (IMD)

- Forecast & Warnings for other parts of the country:
- Under the influence of a fresh Western Disturbance, isolated/scattered rainfall/snowfall with thunderstorm/lightning very likely over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh and isolated rainfall/snowfall with thunderstorm/lightning & hail over Uttrakhand during next 24 hours.
- Light isolated/scattered rainfall very likely over Kerala & Mahe, Tamilnadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Karnataka during next 5 days and over Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Rayalaseema during next 2 days. Isolated thunderstorm/lightning activity also very likely over Kerala & Mahe during next 5 days, over Coastal & South Interior Karnataka during next 2 days.
- Light to moderate scattered/fairly widespread rainfall very likely over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim during next 5 days with isolated thunderstorm/lightning over the region during next 3 days.
- Heat wave warning:
- Heat Wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Saurashtra-Kutch during 25th-27th March and over Gujarat Region on 26th & 27th March, 2022.
- The images showing the latest satellite picture in the figure. 1.

Main Weather Observations (IMD)

Rainfall/thundershower observed (from 0830 hours IST of yesterday to 0830 hours IST of today): at many places over Sub-Himalayan West BengalSikkim & Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad; at a few places over Arunachal Pradesh, Kerala & Mahe and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and at isolated places over Uttarakhand, Assam-Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram-Tripura, Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha, Konkan-Goa, Madhya Maharashtra, Coastal Andhra Pradesh-Yanam, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and South Interior Karnataka.

- Heavy Rainfall recorded (from 0830 hours IST of yesterday to 0830 hours IST of today): at isolated places over South Interior Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.
- Thunderstorm observed (from 0830 hours IST of yesterday to 0830 hours IST of today): at isolated places over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal-Sikkim, Kerala & Mahe and North Interior Karnataka.
- Heat Wave conditions were observed in isolated pockets over West Madhya Pradesh.
- Maximum Temperature Departures (as on 23-03-2022): Maximum temperatures were markedly above normal (5.1°C or more) at many places over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad and Assam-Meghalaya; at a few places over Himachal Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh; at isolated places over Punjab; appreciably above normal (3.1°C to 5.0°C) at most places over Uttarakhand and Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi; at many places over West Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand; at a few places over West Uttar Pradesh, West Rajasthan, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Konkan & Goa and Vidarbha; at isolated places over East Uttar Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland-Manipur-Mizoram-Tripura, Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha and Saurashtra & Kutch; above normal (1.6°C to 3.0°C) at most places over East Rajasthan; at many places over Bihar, Marathwada and Coastal Karnataka; at a few places over Chhattisgarh; at isolated places over Telangana and Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal. They were below normal (-1.6°C to -3.0°C) at isolated places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands and near normal over rest parts of the country. Yesterday, the highest maximum temperature of 41.6°C was reported at Akola (Vidarbha) over the country.
- Minimum Temperature Departures (as on 24-03-2022): Minimum temperatures are markedly above normal (5.1°C or more) at a few places over West Madhya Pradesh and Madhya Maharashtra; at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan and East Madhya Pradesh; appreciably above normal (3.1°C to 5.0°C) at most places over Marathwada; at many places over Gujarat Region; at a few places over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-BaltistanMuzaffarabad, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura and Konkan & Goa; at isolated places over East Uttar Pradesh, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal-Sikkim, Vidarbha, Saurashtra & Kutch and Tamil Nadu, Puducherry-Karaikal; above normal (1.6°C to 3.0°C) at most places over Uttarakhand; at many places over Odisha and Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam; at a few places over Gangetic West Bengal, Arunachal Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Rayalaseema, Kerala & Mahe and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and

near normal over rest parts of the country. Today, the lowest minimum temperature of 15.4°C is reported at Meerut (West Uttar Pradesh) over the plains of the country.

Weather Warning during the next 5 days (IMD)

- 24 March (Day 1): Heavy rainfall at isolated places very likely over Coastal & South Interior Karnataka and Arunachal Pradesh. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning & gusty winds (speed reaching 40-50 kmph) at isolated places very likely over Assam-Meghalaya and with lightning at isolated places over south Konkan & Goa, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Karnataka, Tamilnadu-Puducherry-Karaikal, Kerala & Mahe, Lakshadweep, Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland-Manipur-Mizoram-Tripura.
- 25 March (Day 2): Heavy rainfall at isolated places very likely over Arunachal Pradesh. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning & gusty winds (speed reaching 40-50 kmph) at isolated places very likely over Assam-Meghalaya and with lightning at isolated places over south Konkan & Goa, Kerala & Mahe, Karnataka, Tamilnadu-Puducherry-Karaikal, Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland-Manipur-Mizoram-Tripura. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Saurashtra & Kutch.
- 26 March (Day 3): Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning at isolated places very likely over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam-Meghalaya, Nagaland and Kerala-Mahe. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets very likely over Gujarat state.
- 27 March (Day 4): Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning at isolated places likely over Kerala-Mahe. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets likely over Gujarat state.
- 28 March (Day 5): Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning at isolated places likely over Kerala-Mahe. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets likely over Gujarat state.
- The weather outlook for seven days i.e., 24 Mar to 01 Apr 2022 forecasted (Provided by Real-Time Weather Forecasts from NOAA/NCEP collected from http://monsoondata.org/wx2/) rain/thundershower may occur over Some parts of Extreme northern parts of India. (Fig. 2).

Agricultural activities (AICRPAM-CRIDA)

Gujarat

Weather condition:

The actual maximum temperature was 3.0 °C and actual minimum temperature was 2.3 °C higher as compared to their normals. Total BSS was 68.2 hrs. with an average of 9.7 hrs. The daily average evaporation and wind speed was 6.8 mm and 3.1 km/hr respectively. The daily average RH during morning and afternoon was 69.9 % and 25.6 % respectively.

Contingency measure:

- Wheat: Harvesting: Harvest mature crop and keep in the field for sun drying.
- Mustard: Maturity/Harvesting: Harvest the mature crop and keep it in the field for sun drying. Protect the harvested crop from birds. Threshing of well sun dried crop in afternoon.
- Pearl millet: Carry out inter-culturing and weeding at 15-20 days after sowing. If necessary, second inter-culturing and weeding should be done 30-35 DAS.
- Tobacco: Harvest the mature leaves by curing or priming method and keep it for sun dry. Collect well dried leaves in morning hours and store in safe place.
- Gram: Maturity: Harvest mature crop in morning hours and keep in the field for sun drying. Protect crop from bird damage.
- Chilli: For control of thrips, spray neem seed oil 30 to 50 ml in 10 litter of water. In case of heavy attack, spray of spinosad 3 ml per 10 litter.
- Tomato: There is possibility of incidence of spotted wilt virus, spray Carbendenzim (50 % WP) 5 g in 10 liter water at 10 to 12 days interval.
- Castor: To control capsule borer, spray neem seed kernal powder (5% extract) 500 g or Beauveria bassiana or Verticillium lecanii fungus powder 40 g in 10 liter of water.
- Vegetables: Flowering/ Reproductive: For the control of White fly/Aphid spray neem seed extract 500 ml or neem seed oil 50 ml in 10 liter water at 15 days interval (4 sprays) or Acetamiprid 20 % SP@ 5.0 gm/10 liter water at 15 days interval.
- Cattle: Keep animal shed hygienic and clean to avoid flies and mosquitoes. Keep the animals indoor at night time. Disease (like, Anthraces, milk fever and Brucellosis) infected animals to regular check-up and regular vaccination for the animal.

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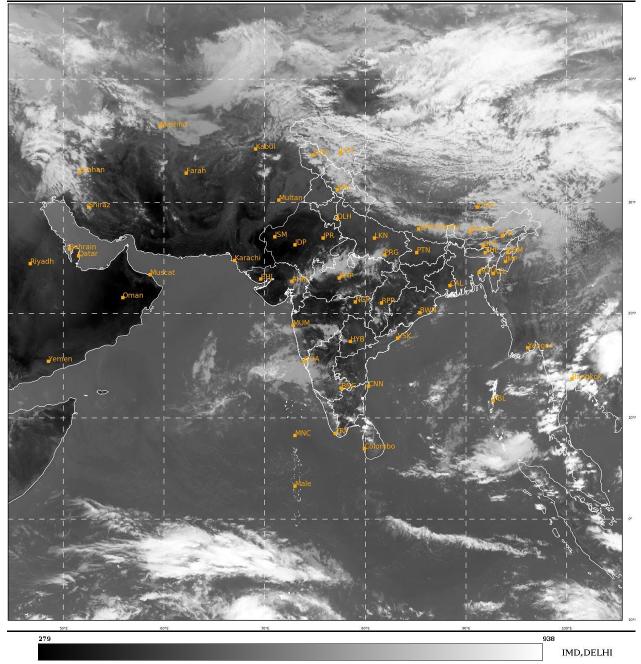


Figure: 1. Latest available satellite picture as on 24 Mar 2022 at 1426 Hrs (IST). (Source: IMD).

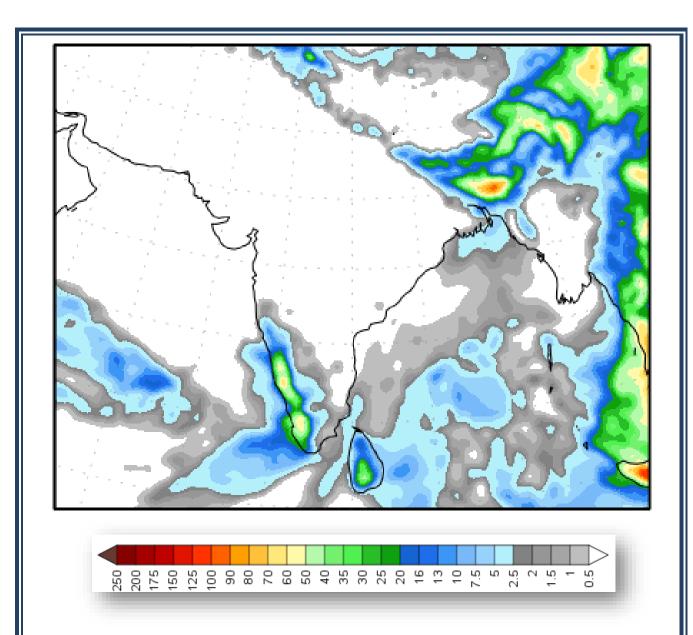


Figure: 2. Precipitation forecast for 24 Mar to 01 Apr 2022 (Source: NOAA NCEP).

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