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Report Name: Normal Northeast Monsoon Rainfall Supports Higher Rabi Crop Area

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Report Highlights:

Rainfall during the 2020 northeast monsoon season (October-December) was one percent higher (125 mm) than the normal fifty-year average. Planting area for the rabi (winter) crop is three percent higher compared to last year with increased area for wheat, rice, pulses, and oilseeds.

General Information

The southwest monsoon withdrew from India on October 28, 2020 while the northeast monsoon set in on the same date. Rainfall during the northeast monsoon, also referred to as the post-monsoon season (October-December), was 101 percent of the long period average (LPA). Rainfall during the northeast monsoon season over the core region of the south peninsula (comprised of five subdivisions including Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Rayalaseema, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, south interior Karnataka, and Kerala) was also normal (110 percent of LPA). While all the subdivisions of the core region received excess/normal rainfall, Kerala was the only region to receive deficit rains (26 percent lower than the LPA). As such, rainfall in the south peninsula region is the highest since 2016. Typically, the five meteorological subdivisions of Tamil Nadu, Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Rayalaseema, Kerala and south interior Karnataka receive about 30 percent of their annual rainfall during the northeast monsoon season (October to December). Tamil Nadu receives about 48 percent of its annual rainfall during this season. Across India, almost 54 percent of all subdivisions received excess/normal rainfall, while 46 percent were deficient during this season.

Rainfall Forecast for the Next Two Weeks

According to the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD), below normal rain/snow is forecast during January 14-20 in the Western Himalayan region (Jammu Kashmir, Ladakh, and Himachal Pradesh), due to the absence of Western Disturbance storms. Due to the prevalence of dry north/northwestern winds, minimum temperatures are expected to be below normal over most parts of Northwest India during the next 4-5 days, which will likely result in cold/severe cold conditions in parts of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand during the next three days. Cold wave/severe cold wave conditions are also likely over parts of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, north Madhya Pradesh, and Rajasthan during the next 3 days. Ground frost is also very likely in isolated pockets of south Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, and north Rajasthan during the next two days. Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is very likely over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karaikal, Kerala, and Mahe. Rainfall is very likely to be above normal over extreme southeast Peninsular India while below normal rainfall is expected over the Western Himalayan region during January 22-28. For more details, please refer to the [IMD press release](#).

Rabi Planting

On January 8, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare's (MOAFW) published its sowing progress report for the 2020/21 Rabi crop. According to the report, overall Rabi planted area has increased by three percent over last year, and four percent compared to the five-year average. Planted area for pulses (Gujarat and Maharashtra) and oilseeds (Jharkhand and Rajasthan) has increased by five percent, respectively, compared to last year, while area for wheat (Madhya Pradesh and Bihar) and rice (Telangana and Andhra Pradesh) has increased by three percent, respectively. While an increase in area has occurred for most crops, course cereals have experienced a decline in planted area in Maharashtra (millets), Andhra Pradesh (millets and maize), and Karnataka (maize). For more details, please refer to [All India Crop Situation dated January 8, 2021](#).

Reservoir Storage

The Central Water Commission monitors the live storage status of 128 reservoirs around the country on a weekly basis. As per the reservoir storage bulletin of December 31, 2020, the live storage available in these reservoirs is 123.88 billion cubic meters (BCM), which is 72 percent of total live storage capacity. The live storage available in these reservoirs for the corresponding period last year was 135.79 BCM (79

percent of storage capacity), and the average of the last 10 years live storage was 102.51 BCM (60 percent). As such, the current storage position is less than the corresponding period last year, but better than the average storage level of the last ten years during the same period.

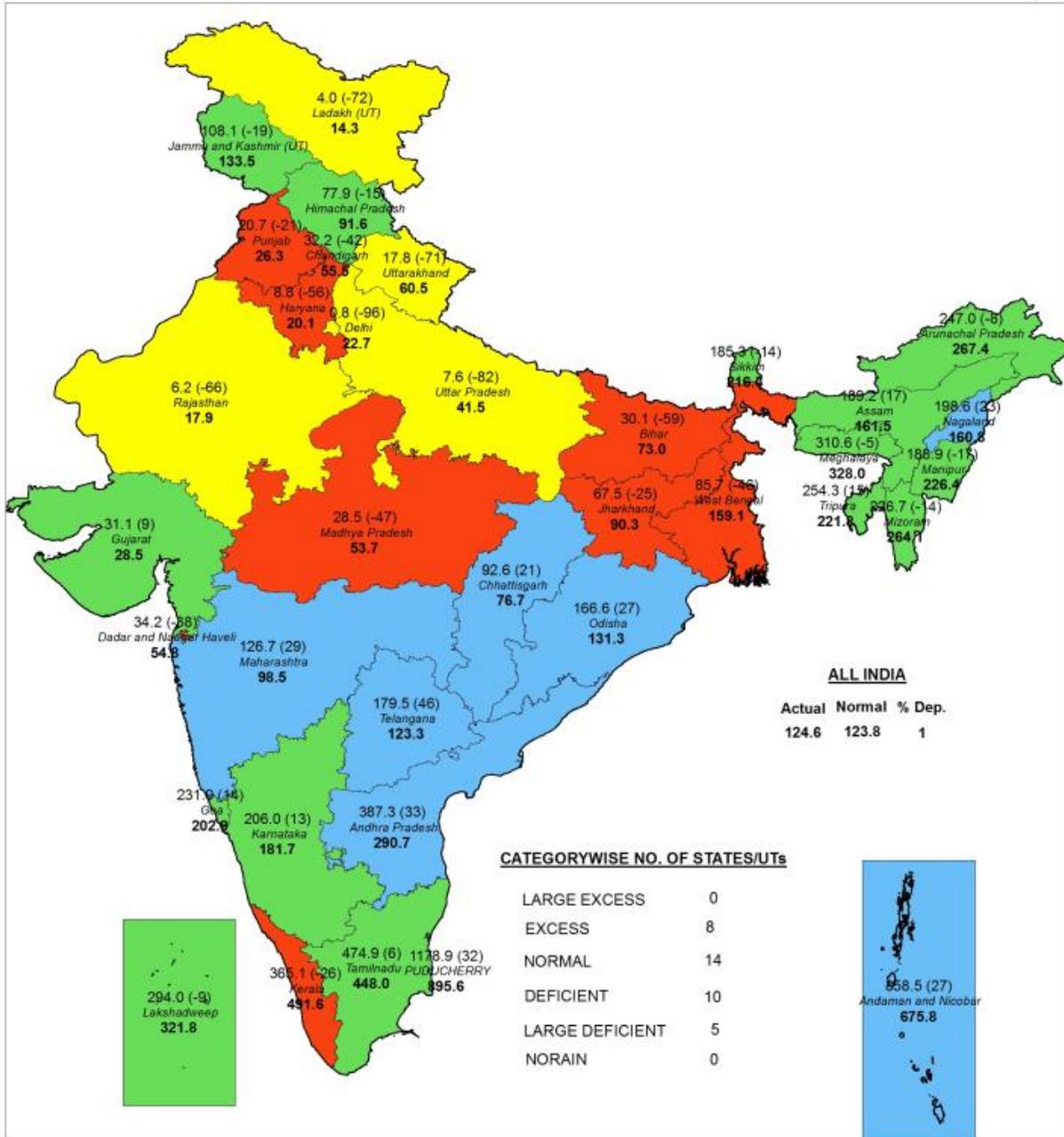
Out of 128 reservoirs, 116 reservoirs reported more than 80 percent of normal storage levels and 12 reservoirs reported 80 percent or below of normal storage. Out of these 12 reservoirs, 9 have 51-80 percent of normal storage, and 3 reservoirs have up to 50 percent of normal storage. According to the Central Water Commission, *normal storage* represents the average storage level of the last ten years, *close to normal storage* represents a shortfall of up to 20 percent of normal, *deficient storage* is where the shortfall is greater than 20 percent of the normal and up to 60 percent of the normal, *highly deficient* is a shortfall of more than 60 percent of normal.

States that have better storage levels (in percentage) than last year for the corresponding period include Tripura, Nagaland, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana (which includes two combined projects between the two states), and Kerala. For more details please refer to the [Reservoir Storage Bulletin of December 31, 2020](#).



STATE RAINFALL MAP

Period : 01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020



Legend

Large Excess [60% or more] Excess [20% to 59%] Normal [-19% to 19%] Deficient [-59% to -20%] Large Deficient [-99% to -60%] No Rain [-100%] No Data

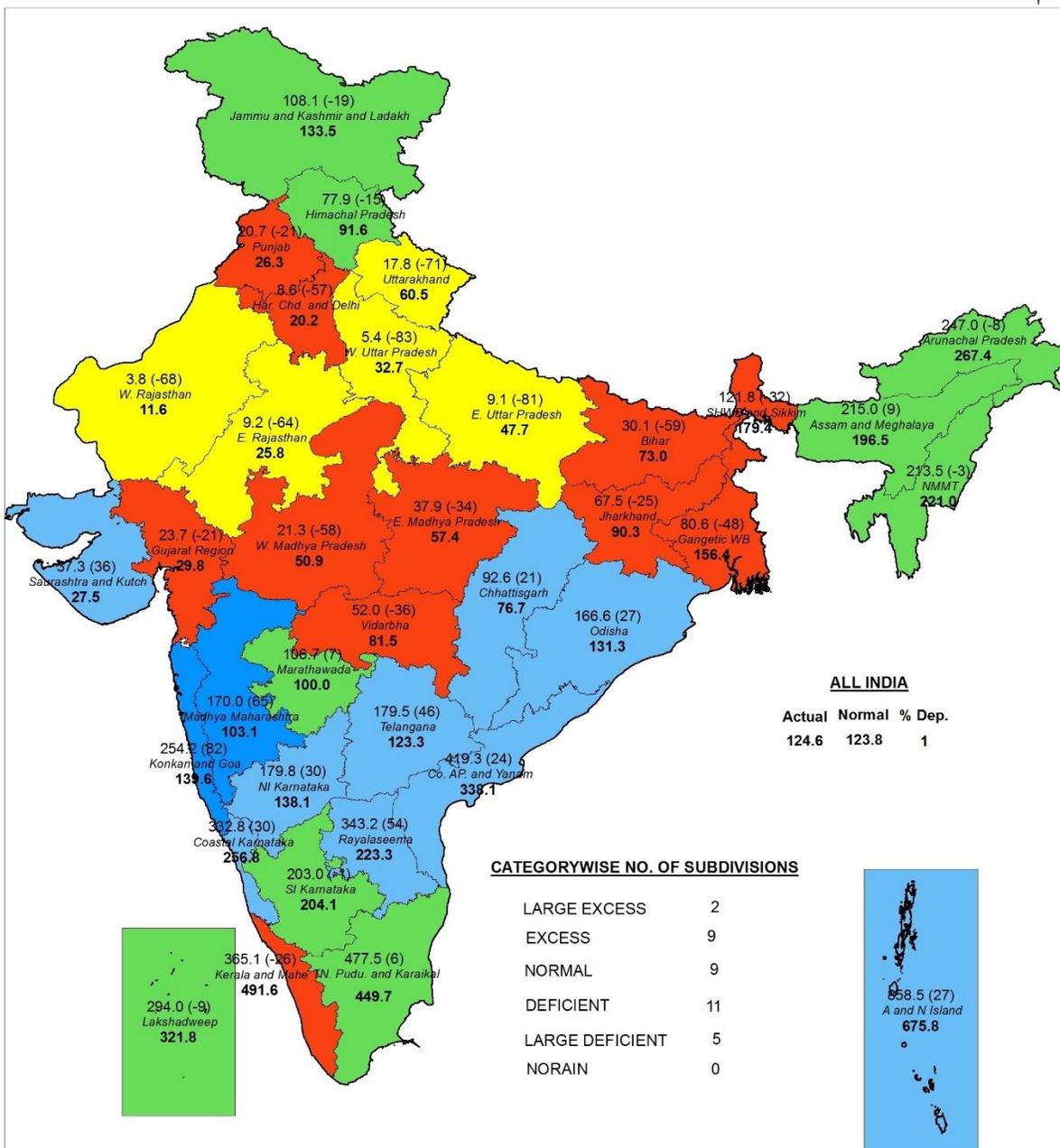
NOTES :

- a) Rainfall figures are based on operation data.
- b) Small figures indicate actual rainfall (mm), while bold figures indicate Normal rainfall (mm).
- c) Percentage Departures of rainfall are shown in brackets.



SUBDIVISION RAINFALL MAP

Period : 01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020 (REALTIME)



Legend

Large Excess [60% or more] | Excess [20% to 59%] | Normal [-19% to 19%] | Deficient [-59% to -20%] | Large Deficient [-99% to -60%] | No Rain [-100%] | No Data

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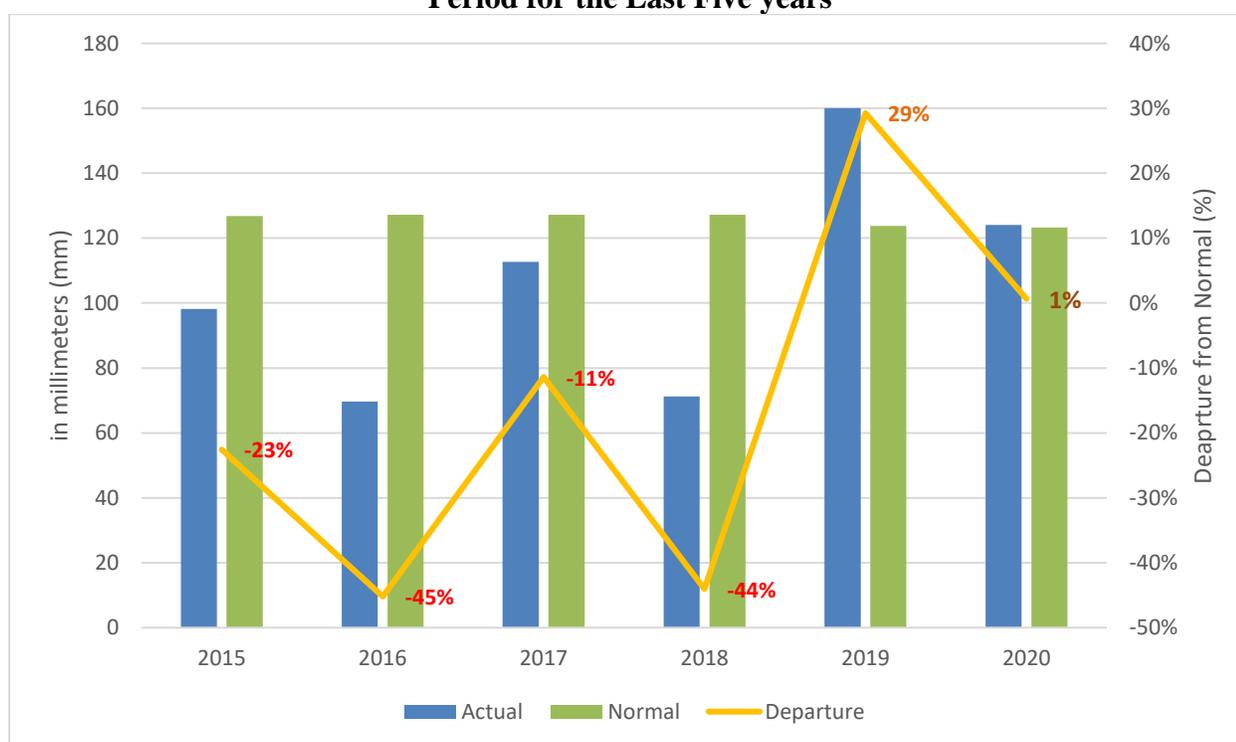
Table 1. India: Regional Rainfall Distribution - October 1- December 31, 2020

Regions	2020 Actual (mm)	Normal (mm)*	2019 Actual (mm)	2018 Actual (mm)	2017 Actual (mm)	2016 Actual (mm)
Northwest India	33.8	55.1	98.6	34.8	27.5	16.7
Central India	84.9	75.9	124.0	38.6	72.3	68.5
Southern Peninsula	317.9	276.6	322.5	173.9	243.6	109.4
East and Northeast India	142.1	166.5	154.4	83.8	200.9	125.0
All India	124.1	123.3	160.0	71.2	112.7	69.7

* Normal rainfall is the fifty-year average of rainfall from 1951-2000

Source: Indian Meteorological Department

Chart 1. India: Cumulative Northeast Monsoon rainfall (Oct/Dec) During the Corresponding Period for the Last Five years



Source: Indian Meteorological Department

Table 2. India: Northeast Monsoon Monthly Rainfall

Month	2020 Actual (mm)	Normal (mm)**	2020 Percentage Departure from Normal
October	78.1	76.0	2.8%
November	29.2	30.4	-3.9%
December	17.0	17.4	-2.3%
All India	124.6	123.8	0.6%

Source: Indian Meteorological Department

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Table 3. India. Storage Status at 91 Major Reservoirs in Billion Cubic Meters (BCM)

Region	Volume on December 31, 2020 (in BCM)	Total Capacity (in BCM)	Percentage of Capacity on December 31, 2019	Percentage of Capacity on December 31, 2020	10-Year Average (2008-2018) Capacity Level on December 31
Northern Region	8.75	19.17	46%	68%	59%
Eastern Region	13.19	19.65	67%	82%	71%
Western Region	29.41	35.24	83%	86%	59%
Central Region	33.22	45.27	73%	81%	62%
Southern Region	39.32	52.81	74%	75%	54%
All India	123.89	172.14	72%	79%	60%

Source: Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation

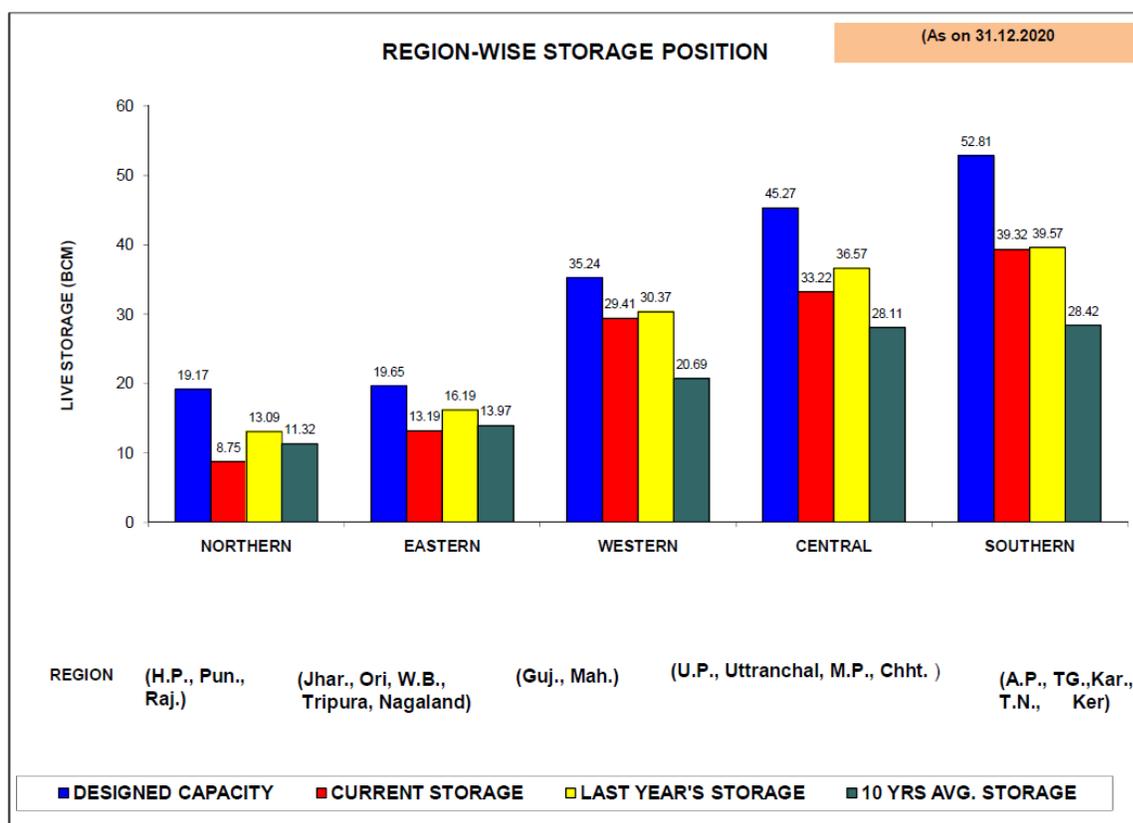


Table 4. India. Rabi 2020-21 Sown Area (in million hectares)

Crop	Area Sown in 2020-21 on January 7, 2021	Area Sown in 2019-20 on January 7, 2020	Normal Area on January 7 (2014-2018)**	Y-o-Y Change	Change from Normal
Wheat	33.546	32.675	30.328	3%	11%
Rice	1.876	1.826	4.179	3%	-55%
Pulses	15.958	15.267	14.488	5%	10%
Coarse Cereals	4.845	5.218	5.714	-7%	-15%
Oilseeds	8.180	7.779	7.318	5%	12%
Total	64.405	62.765	62.027	3%	4%

Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India

** Normal Area is the five-year average of the area from 2014-2018

**STATEWISE DISTRIBUTION OF NO. OF DISTRICTS
WITH EXCESS, NORMAL, DEFICIENT, SCANTY AND NO RAINFALL**

S. NO.	STATES	PERIOD FROM : 01.10.2020 TO 31.12.2020						TOTAL
		LE	E	N	D	LD	NR	
1.	A & N ISLAND (UT)	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
2.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	1	2	5	6	1	0	16
3.	ASSAM	3	11	2	10	1	0	27
4.	MEGHALAYA	1	3	0	2	1	0	7
5.	NAGALAND	2	3	3	1	2	0	11
6.	MANIPUR	0	2	4	2	1	0	9
7.	MIZORAM	0	2	4	1	1	0	8
8.	TRIPURA	0	2	2	0	0	0	4
9.	SIKKIM	0	0	1	1	2	0	4
10.	WEST BENGAL	0	0	3	8	8	0	19
11.	ODISHA	7	11	8	4	0	0	30
12.	JHARKHAND	3	1	6	8	6	0	24
13.	BIHAR	0	1	1	17	19	0	38
14.	UTTAR PRADESH	0	0	1	12	50	12	75
15.	UTTARAKHAND	0	0	1	2	10	0	13
16.	HARYANA	0	0	3	5	12	1	21
17.	CHANDIGARH (UT)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
18.	DELHI	0	0	0	0	7	2	9
19.	PUNJAB	2	1	4	11	2	0	20
20.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0	1	7	4	0	0	12
21.	JAMMU & KASHMIR(UT)	2	1	4	12	1	0	20
22.	LADAKH(UT)	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
23.	RAJASTHAN	0	0	2	10	21	0	33
24.	MADHYA PRADESH	0	2	9	16	24	0	51
25.	GUJARAT	4	4	10	6	9	0	33
26.	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI (UT)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
27.	DAMAN & DIU (UT)	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
28.	GOA	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
29.	MAHARASHTRA	9	5	10	9	2	0	36
30.	CHHATISGARH	6	6	6	9	0	0	27
31.	ANDHRA PRADESH	2	8	3	0	0	0	13
32.	TELANGANA	15	7	8	3	0	0	33
33.	TAMILNADU	0	10	22	5	0	0	37
34.	PUDUCHERRY (UT)	1	1	1	1	0	0	4
35.	KARNATAKA	2	8	16	4	0	0	30
36.	KERALA	0	0	7	7	0	0	14
37.	LAKSHADWEEP (UT)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	TOTAL	61	94	157	180	181	15	690
CATEGORYWISE DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS OUT OF THE 688 WHOSE DATA RECEIVED		9%	14%	23%	26%	26%	2%	

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS IN EARLIER YEARS SINCE 1st OCTOBER

DATE	LE	E	N	D	LD	NR
31.12.2019	34%	21%	20%	17%	8%	0%
31.12.2018	2%	3%	10%	24%	41%	20%
31.12.2017	9%	11%	19%	21%	32%	8%
31.12.2016	8%	7%	15%	28%	38%	4%
31.12.2015	0%	10%	9%	22%	51%	8%

Source: Indian Meteorological Department



STATE-WISE RAINFALL DISTRIBUTION

S NO	MET. SUBDIVISION/UT/STATE/DISTRICT	Week:31-12-2020 To 06-01-2021				Period:01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020			
		ACTUAL (mm)	NORMAL (mm)	%DEP.	CAT.	ACTUAL (mm)	NORMAL (mm)	% DEP.	CAT.
REGION : EAST AND NORTH EAST INDIA									
1	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.0	6.0	-100%	NR	247.0	267.4	-8%	N
2	ASSAM	0.0	2.0	-100%	NR	189.2	161.5	17%	N
3	MEGHALAYA	0.0	0.8	-100%	NR	310.6	328.0	-5%	N
4	NAGALAND	0.1	0.7	-92%	LD	198.6	160.8	23%	E
5	MANIPUR	0.0	1.1	-100%	NR	188.9	226.4	-17%	N
6	MIZORAM	0.0	0.8	-100%	NR	226.7	264.1	-14%	N
7	TRIPURA	0.0	0.8	-100%	NR	254.3	221.8	15%	N
8	SIKKIM	0.0	6.5	-100%	NR	185.3	216.3	-14%	N
9	WEST BENGAL	0.0	2.2	-100%	NR	85.7	159.1	-46%	D
10	JHARKHAND	0.0	1.6	-100%	NR	67.5	90.3	-25%	D
11	BIHAR	0.0	1.5	-99%	LD	30.1	73.0	-59%	D
REGION : NORTH WEST INDIA									
1	UTTAR PRADESH	4.8	2.0	138%	LE	7.6	41.5	-82%	LD
2	UTTARAKHAND	19.5	6.0	225%	LE	17.8	60.5	-71%	LD
3	HARYANA	20.6	2.6	694%	LE	8.8	20.1	-56%	D
4	CHANDIGARH (UT)	5.9	4.0	47%	E	32.2	55.5	-42%	D
5	DELHI (UT)	25.3	2.7	836%	LE	0.8	22.7	-96%	LD
6	PUNJAB	9.7	3.2	202%	LE	20.7	26.3	-21%	D
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	27.7	12.8	116%	LE	77.9	91.6	-15%	N
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR (UT)	67.3	14.7	358%	LE	108.1	133.5	-19%	N
9	LADAKH (UT)	3.7	2.6	42%	E	4.0	14.3	-72%	LD
10	RAJASTHAN	8.2	0.7	1078%	LE	6.2	17.9	-66%	LD
REGION : CENTRAL INDIA									
1	ODISHA	0.0	1.7	-100%	NR	166.6	131.3	27%	E
2	MADHYA PRADESH	1.2	1.8	-31%	D	28.5	53.7	-47%	D
3	GUJARAT	0.0	0.1	-86%	LD	31.1	28.5	9%	N
4	DADAR & NAGAR HAVELI (UT)	0.0	0.0	-100%	NR	34.2	54.8	-38%	D
5	DAMAN & DIU (UT)	0.0	0.0	-100%	NR	35.5	50.0	-29%	D
6	GOA	6.8	0.3	2169%	LE	231.9	202.9	14%	N
7	MAHARASHTRA	1.3	0.8	66%	LE	126.7	98.5	29%	E
8	CHHATTISGARH	0.0	1.3	-100%	NR	92.6	76.7	21%	E
REGION : SOUTH PENINSULA									
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR (UT)	9.3	20.2	-54%	D	858.5	675.8	27%	E
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	4.1	2.3	80%	LE	387.3	290.7	33%	E
3	TELANGANA	0.0	1.2	-100%	NR	179.5	123.3	46%	E
4	TAMIL NADU	39.7	4.4	803%	LE	474.9	448.0	6%	N
5	PUDUCHERRY (UT)	78.1	10.8	623%	LE	1178.9	895.6	32%	E
6	KARNATAKA	3.0	0.5	491%	LE	206.0	181.7	13%	N
7	KERALA	20.7	2.1	886%	LE	365.1	491.6	-26%	D
8	LAKSHADWEEP (UT)	33.1	6.2	433%	LE	294.0	321.8	-9%	N
COUNTRY :		9.4	2.9	225%		124.6	123.8	1%	

CATEGORYWISE DISTRIBUTION OF NO.OF STATES

CATEGORY	Week:31-12-2020 To 06-01-2021	Period:01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020
	NO.OF STATES	NO.OF STATES
Large Excess	16	0
Excess	2	8
Normal	0	14
Deficient	2	10
Large Deficient	3	5
NoRain	14	0
NoData	0	0



SUBDIVISION-WISE RAINFALL DISTRIBUTION

S NO	MET. SUBDIVISION/UT/STATE/DISTRICT	Week :31-12-2020 To 06-01-2021				Period:01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020			
		ACTUAL (mm)	NORMAL (mm)	%DEP.	CAT.	ACTUAL (mm)	NORMAL (mm)	% DEP.	CAT.
	REGION : EAST AND NORTH EAST INDIA	0.0	2.4	-99%		142.1	166.7	-15%	
1	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.0	6.0	-100%	NR	247.0	267.4	-8%	N
2	ASSAM & MEGHALAYA	0.0	1.8	-100%	NR	215.0	196.5	9%	N
3	N M M T	0.0	0.9	-99%	LD	213.5	221.0	-3%	N
4	SHWB & SIKKIM	0.0	3.2	-100%	NR	121.8	179.4	-32%	D
5	GANGETIC WEST BENGAL	0.0	2.2	-100%	NR	80.6	156.4	-48%	D
6	JHARKHAND	0.0	1.6	-100%	NR	67.5	90.3	-25%	D
7	BIHAR	0.0	1.5	-99%	LD	30.1	73.0	-59%	D
	REGION : NORTH WEST INDIA	22.6	5.2	335%		34.3	55.9	-39%	
1	EAST UTTAR PRADESH	0.3	1.7	-85%	LD	9.1	47.7	-81%	LD
2	WEST UTTAR PRADESH	11.4	2.2	419%	LE	5.4	32.7	-83%	LD
3	UTTARAKHAND	19.5	6.0	225%	LE	17.8	60.5	-71%	LD
4	HAR. CHD & DELHI	20.7	2.5	730%	LE	8.6	20.2	-57%	D
5	PUNJAB	9.7	3.2	202%	LE	20.7	26.3	-21%	D
6	HIMACHAL PRADESH	27.7	12.8	116%	LE	77.9	91.6	-15%	N
7	JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH	67.3	14.7	358%	LE	108.1	133.5	-19%	N
8	WEST RAJASTHAN	3.6	0.7	416%	LE	3.8	11.6	-68%	LD
9	EAST RAJASTHAN	14.1	0.6	2246%	LE	9.2	25.8	-64%	LD
	REGION : CENTRAL INDIA	0.7	1.1	-32%		84.9	76.0	12%	
1	ODISHA	0.0	1.7	-100%	NR	166.6	131.3	27%	E
2	WEST MADHYA PRADESH	1.9	1.0	94%	LE	21.3	50.9	-58%	D
3	EAST MADHYA PRADESH	0.3	2.9	-89%	LD	37.9	57.4	-34%	D
4	GUJARAT REGION	0.0	0.2	-85%	LD	23.7	29.8	-21%	D
5	SAURASHTRA & KUTCH	0.0	0.1	-100%	NR	37.3	27.5	36%	E
6	KONKAN & GOA	0.9	0.3	195%	LE	254.2	139.6	82%	LE
7	MADHYA MAHARASHTRA	3.0	0.2	1390%	LE	170.0	103.1	65%	LE
8	MARATHWADA	0.9	0.6	45%	E	106.7	100.0	7%	N
9	VIDARBHA	0.2	1.6	-87%	LD	52.0	81.5	-36%	D
10	CHHATTISGARH	0.0	1.3	-100%	NR	92.6	76.7	21%	E
	REGION : SOUTH PENINSULA	11.3	2.3	393%		319.4	277.1	15%	
1	A & N ISLAND	9.3	20.2	-54%	D	858.5	675.8	27%	E
2	COASTAL AP and YANAM	4.0	3.2	26%	E	419.3	338.1	24%	E
3	TELANGANA	0.0	1.2	-100%	NR	179.5	123.3	46%	E
4	RAYALASEEMA	4.3	0.8	435%	LE	343.2	223.3	54%	E
5	TN PUDU and KARAIKAL	39.9	4.4	807%	LE	477.5	449.7	6%	N
6	COASTAL KARNATAKA	8.7	0.3	2798%	LE	332.8	256.8	30%	E
7	N. I. KARNATAKA	1.0	0.7	44%	E	179.8	138.1	30%	E
8	S. I. KARNATAKA	3.5	0.5	595%	LE	203.0	204.1	-1%	N
9	KERALA & MAHE	20.7	2.2	841%	LE	365.1	491.6	-26%	D
10	LAKSHADWEEP	33.1	6.2	433%	LE	294.0	321.8	-9%	N
	COUNTRY :	9.4	2.9	225%		124.6	123.8	1%	

CATEGORYWISE NO.OF SUBDIVISIONS AND % AREA(SUBDIVISIONAL)OF THE COUNTRY

CATEGORY	Week :31-12-2020 To 06-01-2021		Period:01-10-2020 To 31-12-2020	
	NO.OF SUBDIVISIONS	SUBDIVISIONAL %AREA OF COUNTRY	NO.OF SUBDIVISIONS	SUBDIVISIONAL %AREA OF COUNTRY
Large Excess	17	47%	2	5%
Excess	3	7%	9	24%
Normal	0	0%	9	25%
Deficient	1	0%	11	27%
Large Deficient	6	19%	5	19%
NoRain	9	27%	0	0%

Attachments:

No Attachments.