

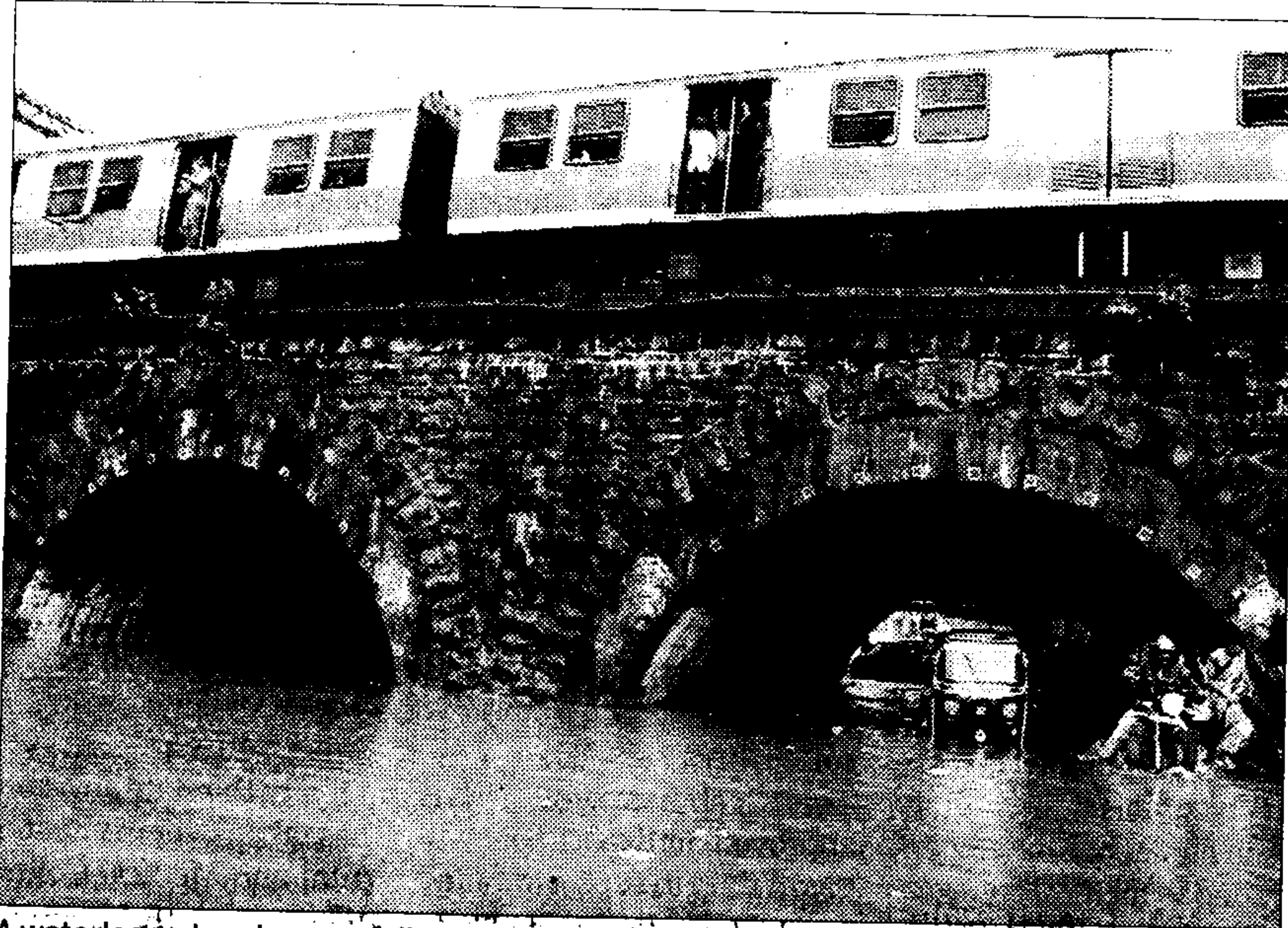
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A waterlogged underpass following downpour in Thane, Mumbai, on Monday. PTI



Vehicles moving through the waterlogged road at Sidharth Basti underpass, Nizamuddin, after the heavy rain in New Delhi on Monday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: MANAS RANJAN BHUI

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Monsoon arrives, but only patchy rains likely

Overnight rain causes waterlogging

NEW DELHI, JULY 4

A day after the long awaited monsoon arrived in the national Capital, weather experts today poured water on the hopes of Delhiites forecasting only patchy rains with little possibility of sustained downpour.

"The monsoon has arrived. Patchy rains are expected in Delhi on Monday. We don't see heavy rains coming any sooner yet, though it might rain well on Tuesday for some time," said an official of the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

According to Mahesh Palawat of private weather forecaster Skymet, Delhi has not received typical monsoon rainfall for the past five years.

"Normal monsoon, in which it continues to rain or drizzle for many hours, is because of the formation of altostratus or stratus clouds which are low and mid-sheet type. In Delhi, we are only getting cumulonimbus clouds resulting in patchy rains for a short span of time," said Palawat.

Experts say climate change, disturbance in green cover, urbanisation around Delhi and NCR as well as change in the pattern of monsoon at large are some of the reasons why Delhi no longer receives good rainfall.

The rains in Delhi and NCR on Sunday night were patchy and varied widely from one place to another.

On Sunday night, the Del-

hi Ridge received overall maximum rainfall of 66.5 mm, Aya Nagar got 1.9 mm, Pusa one mm, Palam 7.8 mm, Safdarjung 45.2 mm, and Lodhi Road 56.8 mm.

"Earlier the atmospheric pressure in the Bay of Bengal moved north-west towards Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, eastern Bihar, and eastern Uttar Pradesh. Now it shows westerly movement. So central India received better rainfall," said Palawat.

While Delhi is expected to be rain-deficient, eastern Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Vidarbha in Maharashtra will receive good rainfall over the next three days. — IANS

NEW DELHI, JULY 4

Several incidents of waterlogging were reported from various parts of the city, particularly in south Delhi in the wake of overnight rain which also uprooted trees and caused collapse of portions of buildings in many areas.

Over a dozen cases of waterlogging were reported from areas under the South Delhi Municipal Corporation including Sangam Vihar, R Block, Badarpur to Molarband stretch of road, Bhogal underpass, Ashram, Jasola Vihar and Devli Extension, a senior SDMC official.

Ten trees were uprooted while four cases of collapse of old portions of buildings were also reported, he said. — PTI

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The Tribune 5 July Eid bonanza for flood-hit businesses

Govt to transfer funds today to traders, farmers and others affected by 2014 deluge

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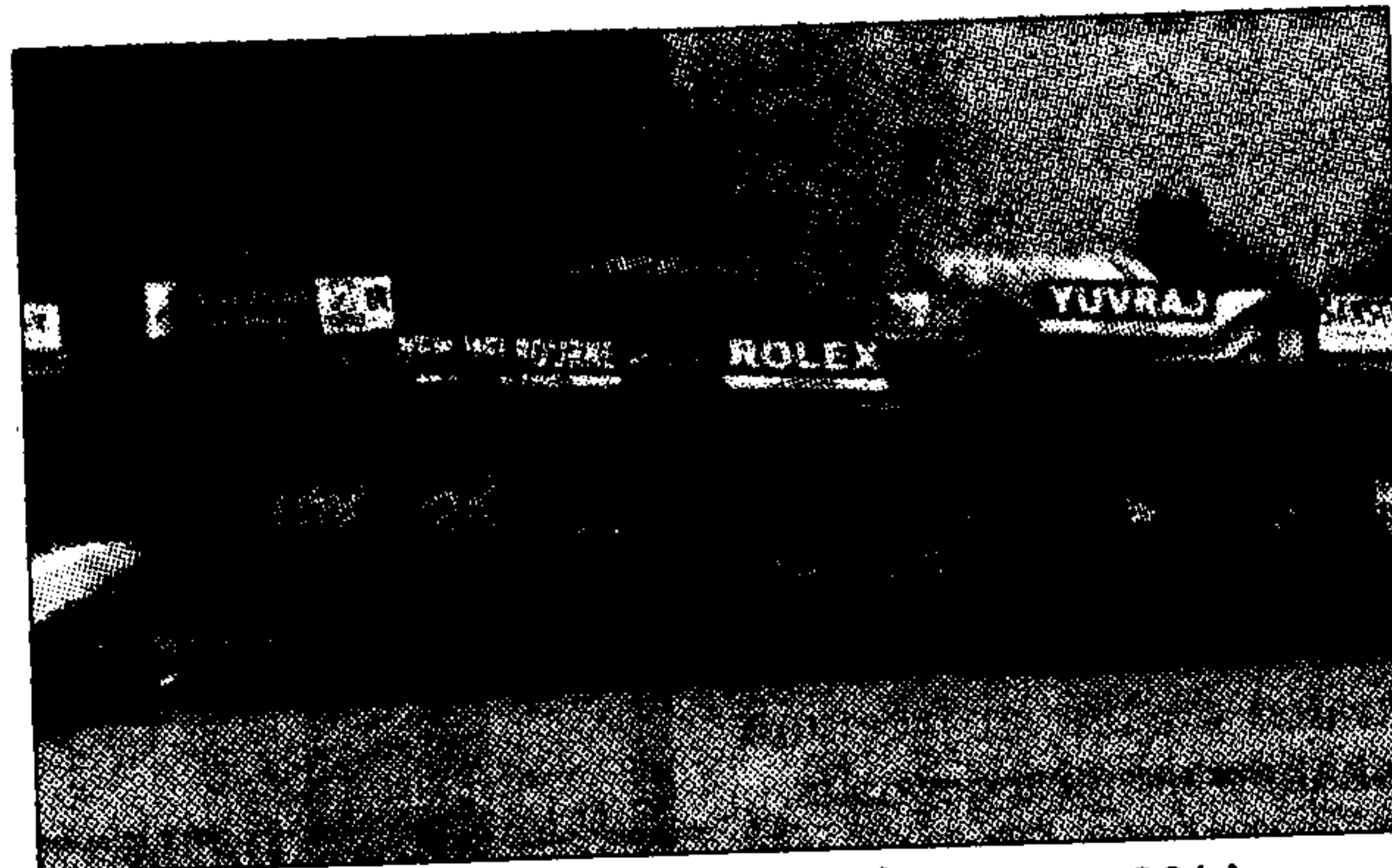
SRINAGAR, JULY 4

Ahead of the upcoming Eid festival, the state government is releasing cash relief to the flood-affected businesses, including traders, farmers, artisans, houseboat owners and others who were hit by the floods in September 2014.

Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti is going to set the cash-relief disbursement process rolling on Tuesday. The funds would be transferred directly to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

Minister for Finance Haseeb A Drabu, at a meeting here today, said that the interest subvention for traders under the Prime Minister's development package would also be distributed.

"The state government will give money to banks for disbursement to the flood-hit traders. The only condition for availing the



Houseboats suffered damage during the floods in 2014.

Relief for houseboat owners, refugees

- Under the one-time settlement of loans to houseboat owners, ₹48-crore funds to be released from Tuesday
- The Finance Minister released interest subvention component in respect of Artisans Credit Cards, pending since 2011. The amount totalling ₹26 crore will be released from Tuesday
- According to officials, over 36,000 West Pakistan refugee families will be given ₹5.5 lakh per family as an immediate financial assistance under the Central package

interest subsidy is that the beneficiary account must have been standard as on August 31, 2014, with a

maximum limit of Rs 5 lakh," Haseeb Drabu said.

The Finance Minister said the state government

would audit the accounts once the funds were disbursed to avoid any fiscal mismanagement.

The minister said the state government would also start releasing funds to provide one-time waiver to farmers who had availed loans under the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme, subject to a maximum limit of Rs 1 lakh. He said the account had to be standard on August 31, 2014, and balance on March 31, 2015, would be taken into consideration.

In another major decision, the Finance Minister, following up his Budget speech announcement, today decided to release funds for one-time settlement of loans of houseboat owners. Drabu was told that the beneficiaries of the scheme, with an outstanding amount of Rs 48 crore, had been identified and the funds would be

released from Tuesday.

The Finance Minister also released interest subvention component in respect of Artisans Credit Cards, pending since 2011. The settlement would pose an outgo of Rs 26 crore which would be released from Tuesday. He also called for revising the scheme under which 10 per cent of the interest is borne by the government while 2.5 per cent is charged on the artisan.

The meeting also discussed the financial package for West Pakistan refugees (WPR). According to officials, over 36,000 WPR families would be given Rs 5.5 lakh per family as an immediate financial assistance under the Central package. "The process for disbursement of funds has been started. Once the GoI releases the funds, it will be immediately disbursed among the beneficiaries," Drabu said.

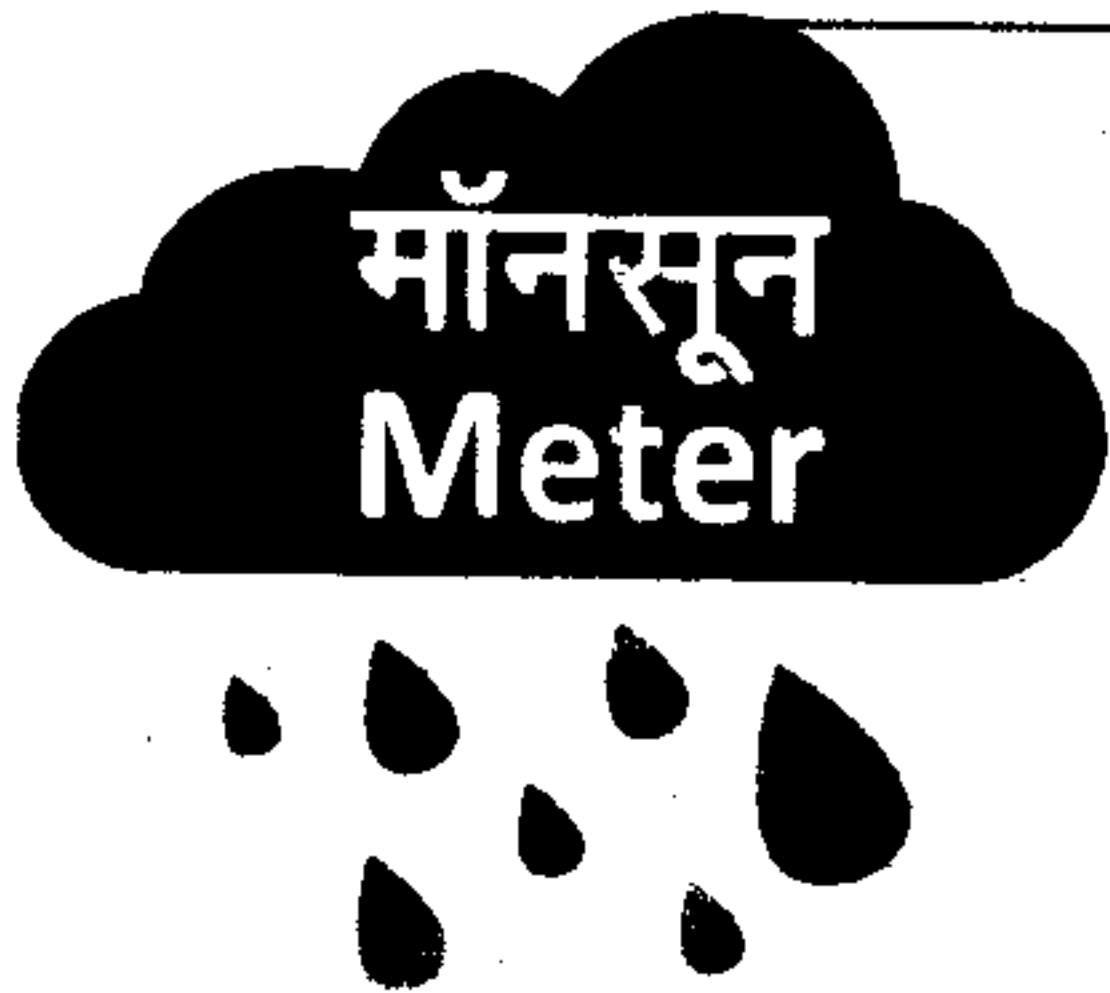
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NBT- 5 July



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मध्य प्रदेश में आज भारी
बारिश हो सकती है।

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अभी भी लापता हैं।

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Overnight rain causes traffic jams on Monday morning



* Dhaula Kuan, Sardar Patel Marg, South Extension, Moolchand, Ashram and Mathura Road were packed with vehicles till around 11am on Monday morning.

SAUMYA KHANDELWAL/HT PHOTO

NEW DELHI: Overnight and morning rain led to waterlogging and traffic jam on the Capital's roads on Monday. South and south-west Delhi were the worst-affected areas.

An official of the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said 45.2mm rain was recorded in 24 hours; the maximum in the Ridge area, 66.5mm, overnight. The maximum temperature on Tuesday is likely to hover around 34.5 degree Celsius and the mini-

mum temperature will be 24.8 degree Celsius.

On Monday, Dhaula Kuan, Sardar Patel, South Extension, Moolchand, Ashram intersection, Mathura Road and Pragati Maidan were packed with vehicles till around 11am.

"Complaints of jams were reported from few parts around south Delhi but were brought under control by noon. Additional traffic officials were deployed to manage heavy traffic inter-

sections," said a senior traffic official.

Municipal bodies' claims of complete desilting of roads fell flat as complaints of waterlogging were reported from Najafgarh, Deoli, Greater Kailash, Neb Sarai, CR Park, Sangam Vihar and Bhogal underpass.

The municipal corporation of Delhi central control room 15 complaints of water-logging.

Ten cases of trees falling were also reported.

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BRAVE CROSSING

A couple crosses a flooded street in Wuhan, in China's central Hubei province. Death toll in heavy rains and landslides in China during the last few days went up to 61 as 14 more deaths were reported over the weekend

— AFP

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U'khand cloudburst: 3 more bodies found

Toll at 18; search ops continue

DEHRADUN: Three more bodies were recovered from the debris in the cloudburst-hit villages of Pithoragarh, raising the death toll in the state to 18.

While searches were on for as many missing people by the Army, paramilitary and police personnel.

According to the Disaster Mitigation Centre here, the number of recovered bodies swept away by flashfloods in Chamoli continues to be 3 and the total fatalities from both districts located far apart from each other is currently 18.

Overcoming hindrances



The Army and the State Disaster Response Force troops carry out rescue and relief works in the villages affected by cloudbursts in Chamoli and Pithoragarh districts of Uttarakhand on Saturday. PTI

posed by the weather with intermittent rains lashing most parts of the state, Army, paramilitary and police personnel continued their rescue and

search operations in the affected areas, ADG (law and order) Anil Raturi said.

However, he made it clear that there was no report of any

untoward incident caused by the rains on Sunday from anywhere. "NDRF, SDRF, ITBP and the state police are working round-the-clock looking for any traces of life trapped under the debris," the official said. He said the Army had recovered an elderly woman alive from Pithoragarh on Saturday and has shared the information on Twitter.

Prez grieves

President Pranab Mukherjee wrote to Governor K K Paul expressing grief at the loss of lives in the recent spell of rains whereas Congress president Sonia Gandhi had a telephonic talk with Chief Minister Harish Rawat during which she took stock of the situation.

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Rain continues to batter severa

NEW DELHI: Heavy rains continued in many parts of the country and water level of rivers in Uttar Pradesh started rising as monsoon advanced further into many states of north India.

In Telangana's Medak district, two minors of a family were killed and their parents injured in the early hours of Sunday after a wall of their house collapsed on them due to incessant rain, police said.

Geeta (5) and Chitti (10) were killed when the wall of their shanty collapsed around 1 am near Ramayampet, police said.

Rains lashed several parts of Rajasthan, with Sikar receiving 20 cm precipitation, followed by Baran 11 cm. Incessant showers continued to hit Pune and Nashik. The wet spell resulted in an increase in water levels of the four dams that supply water to Pune city — Khadakwasla, Panshet, Varasgaon and Temghar.

The Southwest Monsoon has advanced further into remaining parts of west Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, most parts of Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Punjab and some parts of east Rajasthan.

The national capital on Sunday experienced pleasant weather as rains brought the maximum temperature down to 32.4 degrees, four notches below the season's average.

With light to moderate rain in Uttar Pradesh in the last 24 hours, water level of important rivers has started rising at a number of places. According to the Central Water Commission, Sharda river is flowing above danger mark in Paliakalan, Lakhimpur.

Several parts of Punjab and Haryana were being pounded by heavy rain since Saturday.

Jind received 100 mm rain, while Narwana and Chhachrauli recorded 90 mm rainfall each. In Punjab, Nabha and Muktsar recorded 60 mm rainfall each.

Rajasthan's Udaipur on Sunday received 45 mm rainfall, followed by Kota 41.8 mm and Churu 18 mm. Barmer was the hottest in the state with maximum temperature of 40.2 degrees Celsius, while Jaisalmer recorded a high of 39.7 degrees Celsius.

Mercury drops

In Himachal Pradesh, the mercury dropped marginally as it received light to moderate rains. The lower areas of the state reeled under sultry conditions as humidity level rose after scattered rainfall.

In Bihar, rains brought relief to the people of Patna and other parts of the state. Patna recorded 19 mm rainfall, while Gaya, Bhagalpur and Purnea received 32 mm, 22 mm and 34 mm rainfall respectively. The rains brought down the maximum temperature which hovered around 30 degrees Celsius in major towns of the state.

Kolkata received the monsoon's first downpour with incessant rains lashing the metropolis since Sunday morning. The day temperature came down sharply to 28.5 degrees Celsius, four notches below normal, as the city received 29.8 mm rain.

The Met department has forecast heavy rain over the next two days in sub-Himalayan West Bengal. Heavy rain is very likely at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Odisha and Jharkhand, the IMD said.

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Damaged houses after cloudburst in Chamoli district of Uttarakhand on Saturday. PTI

Showers pound Maharashtra

Rain continues to batter the Mumbai suburbs and the coastal Konkan coast on Sunday with several rivers like Surya in Palghar district and Kundalika river overflowing at several places disrupting the road traffic, *DHNS* reports from Mumbai. The weathermen forecast heavy to very heavy rain for Monday and Tuesday in Mumbai city and suburbs. Meanwhile, rain also lashed the western Maharashtra — where the Radhanagiri dam at Kolhapur is overflowing and Koyna dam in Satara received good rainfall in the catchment area. As rain led to dip in mercury, lot of people went for hiking at the ghats and the hill stations like Matheran and Mahabaleshwar. Intermittent rain was reported in Mumbai throughout the day but with less intensity. There was no major impact on the local train movement. The traffic was slow because of potholes and waterlogging in the suburbs side. Over the last couple of days, the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai has filled over 300 potholes between Mumbai-Dahisar, Mumbai-Mulund and Mumbai-Mankhurd. A report from Virar said, a couple of units of the pumping station at Virar was stopped for a day as the Surya river overflowed.

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Guwahati

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Mathura



MONSOON SHOW: (L-R) A passenger ferry passes by Bir Lachit Barphukan statue on the flooded Brahmaputra River in Guwahati; people wade through a flood Sunday. PTI

Water levels in TN reservoirs rise DH- 4 July

CHENNAI: It is a good news for Tamil Nadu as the water levels of major reservoirs including Mettur dam have increased due to heavy rain that lashed southern and western parts of Tamil Nadu since Saturday night.

Water Resources Department officials told *DH* on Sunday that the inflow rose to 1,500 cusecs due to heavy rain in the catchment area of river Cauvery in Karnataka.

Accordingly, the water level in the Mettur reservoir rose to 43 feet compared to 40 feet on Monday last. "The water level is expected to touch 50 feet in the next few days if the south-west monsoon further intensifies," a senior official from PWD water resources department said.

However, the official said

that the dam could be opened for Delta farmers for Kuruvaik cultivation only when the water level in the dam is about 90-feet level.

"If Karnataka government releases 10 tmc water in June-July as per the final order of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal, the water level will reach more than 60 feet and further intensification of rain will also contribute further inflow in to Mettur," the official pointed out.

Delta areas such as Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Nagapattinam and some parts of Salem, which produces 25 lakh tonnes of paddy every year with Kuruvaik and Samba cultivation done in about 20 lakh acres, also received good rainfall in the past week.

DH News Service

Moderate rain in state; dam levels continue to rise



Intermittent rains lashed Mangaluru on Sunday. DH PHOTO

BENGALURU, DHNS: Most parts of the state received moderate rains on Sunday.

There was moderate rain

across Shivamogga district. It drizzled since late Saturday night in Sagar, Hosanagar, Tirthahalli and Sorab taluks.

However, Bhadravathi received good rains.

The water level in Bhadra reservoir went up to 127 feet

with an inflow of 8,656 cusecs of water. The storage in Linganamakki increased to 1765.40 feet.

Uttara Kannada district recorded 336 mm of rain in the last 24 hours.

Siddapura has received 82.2 mm of rains while it rained 56.6 mm in Yallapur.

A boulder fell on a house killing a cow in Kelagina Idagunji village of Honnavar taluk on Sunday night.

A house was damaged in a tree fall in Tavade village of Joida taluk. However, there have been no casualties.

Intermittent rains lashed parts of Dakshina Kannada on Sunday. In the last 24 hours, Belthangady has received 36.3 mm rainfall followed by Mangaluru—28.4 mm. A house was damaged when a tree fell on it, at Kadaba.

Rains resumed in Kodagu district after a day's break. Talacauvery, Bhagamandala, Napoklu and surrounding areas experienced good rainfall.

The water-level in Harangi

reservoir stood at 2842.35 feet. The inflow of water was 2,206 cusecs.

Mudigere, Sringeri experienced good rainfall. Kerekatte received highest of 90 mm followed by Kigga—60 mm, Mudigere—54.9 mm rainfall in the last 24 hours.

Incessant rains continued in Dharwad and surrounding areas for the second day on Sunday. But there was not much rain in Hubballi.

Belagavi city and surrounding areas received light showers following which a chilly atmosphere prevailed on Sunday. The clouds remained overcast for the entire day in a majority of taluks in the district. Bailhongal, Gokak, Ramdurg, and Raibag witnessed light drizzle.

The water level in Krishnaraja Sagar (KRS) dam in Madya district has went up by one-and-a-half feet.

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MONSOON RELIEF

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People enjoy high tide at the Marine Drive in Mumbai on Monday. Incessant rains continued to lash Pune and many parts of western Maharashtra over the weekend, bringing in a long-awaited relief to the region which had been experiencing chronically deficient rainfall. Steady showers that started in the Pune region on Saturday grew into a heavy downpour by night and continued this morning, marking the first vigorous monsoon activity of the season since last month. It also diluted the prospects of additional water cuts to Pune where the corporation water supply at present has been restricted to alternate days. — PTI

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dated forecast in June.

The Telegraph — 4 July

CLOUD-FILLED SKY PROMISES RESPITE FROM SUN TORMENT TILL MONDAY

Monsoon finds its mojo with wet weekend

RITH BASU

The monsoon is making up for lost time and there are more showers in store after a wet weekend, the first sustained spell of rain following the driest June in seven years.

The medium to heavy showers since Saturday may have inundated parts of Calcutta, but few were complaining about the sun being tucked away behind dark grey clouds after tormenting the city throughout the past month.

More downpours are expected on Monday, after which meteorologists expect the intensity of the rainfall to lessen.

The amount of rainfall on Saturday and Sunday varied in parts of the city, with Salt Lake in the east recording almost 100mm till morning and another 50mm during the rest of the day. In meteorological terms, rainfall above 64mm in a day is "heavy".

According to the Calcutta Municipal Corporation, most parts of the city received between 25mm and 50mm of rain since Saturday. The Regional Meteorological Office in Alipore recorded 48.6mm in 24 hours, till 8.30pm on Sunday.

A portion of the first-floor balcony of a three-storey house on Kalakar Street in the Posta neighbourhood collapsed during heavy rain around 6pm on Saturday. Nobody was injured in the incident.

In Salt Lake, places like Karunamoyee, the City Centre rotary and many other parts of the township were found inundated in the morning along with Chinar Park, off Haldiram's on VIP Road.

Several times during Sunday, the sky became so dark or the rain so heavy that motorists were forced to slow down and switch on their headlamps and hazard lights.

The monsoon officially arrived in Calcutta on June 17, but there was hardly any rainfall in more than a fortnight as the weather remained hot and sweaty. The skies finally opened up in July, bringing the true monsoon feel to the city almost three weeks behind schedule. Metro lists the difference between the first fortnight of monsoon and the first weekend of monsoon rain



Monsoon fun near the Red Road-Rani Rashmoni Avenue crossing on Sunday morning. Picture by Amit Datta

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The 'almost dry' spell...

- Monsoon reaches city on June 17
- Rainfall from June 17-30 (14 days): 23.8mm
- Highest rainfall (in 24 hours): June 18, 6.4mm
- Highest maximum temperature: 36.1 degrees Celsius (+3) on June 26

... monsoon rain finally

- Started: July 1
- Rainfall from July 1 to July 3 (till 5.30pm): 46.4mm. The data recorded at Alipore does not reflect the heavy rainfall at other parts of the city. According to civic records, Salt Lake received more than 96mm rain between 5.30am on July 2 to 5.30am on July 3.
- Highest rainfall (in 24 hours): July 3, 36.8mm
- Highest maximum temperature: 33.1 degrees Celsius (normal) on July 1

The rain and the thick cloud cover dragged down the maximum temperature to 28.5 degrees Celsius, four notches below normal.

Last Sunday, the maximum temperature was 36.1 degrees Celsius as the city reeled under hot and sweaty conditions.

"The monsoon winds arrived by June 17, but conditions were not favourable for rainfall because the customary low-pressure zone were missing from the Bengal coast. But one such weather system is positioned close to south Bengal now and that has finally brought heavy rainfall Calcutta's way," said a senior official of India Meteorological Department, Calcutta.

Satellite pictures show a low-pressure area creeping up towards the Bengal coast from the Andhra Pradesh-Odisha coast, increasing moisture intake from the sea. On Sunday evening, it was

spread over Jharkhand, adjoining Odisha and south Bengal.

A low-pressure area has atmospheric pressure lower than its surroundings and, therefore, draws air towards itself. The monsoon low-pressure trough, an imaginary line joining the low-pressure points across the breadth of the country, runs from Rajasthan to north-east Bay of Bengal. Meteorologists said this trough had so far been either positioned too far south or too far north of the city.

The low-pressure area responsible for the current spell of rain is tipped to lose strength from Tuesday. When that happens, the intensity of the rain will lessen, the clouds will slowly clear out and the temperature will start to rise. "For the next spell of rain, Calcutta will have to wait for the next low-pressure zone near the city or hope that the monsoon trough passes close to it because of the interplay of other systems," said a weather scientist.

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Reservoir levels go up by 32% in a single day

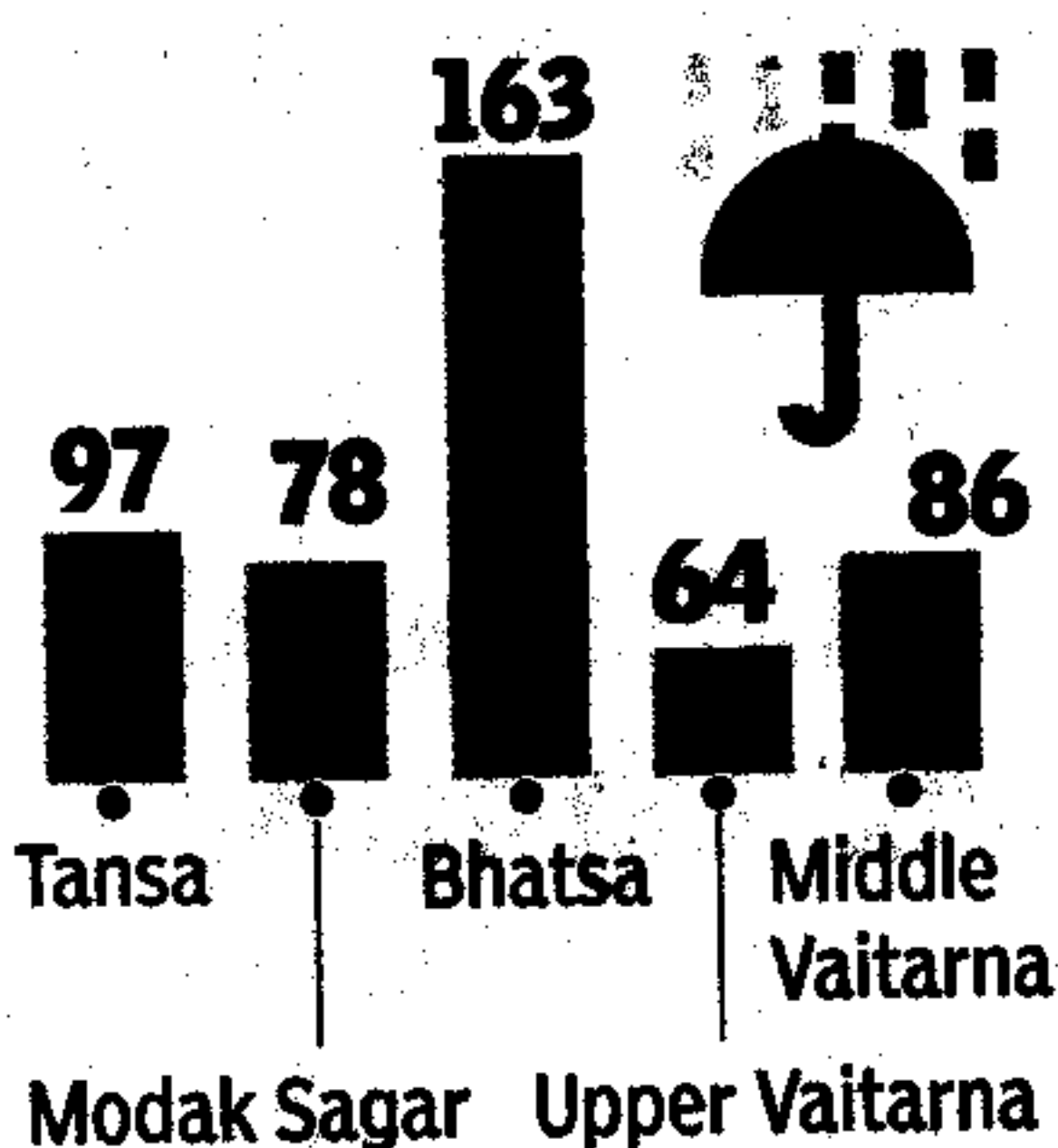
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Vinamrata Borwankar | TNN

Mumbai: The catchments of lakes that supply water to the city received on Saturday 32% of the rainfall from the start of the monsoon till Friday. Thus, in one day, the total water stock of all seven lakes increased from 119,259 to 157,460 million litres. The final quantity is still half of what it was on July 3 last year (329,855 million litres). A civic official said the forecast is good for the next few days and lake levels are likely to go up. Mumbai continues with a 20% water cut, imposed last October.

BMC officials say the lakes receive most of their rainfall in the July-August period. The civic authority usually decides the city's water strategy on October 1 by looking at lake levels after the formal end of the monsoon.

RAINFALL LAKES

For 24 hours starting at 6am
on Saturday. Figures in mm



Since June 18

Tansa | 400
Modak Sagar | 383
Bhatsa | 483
Upper Vaitarna | 180
Middle Vaitarna | 313



Water Stock

As of July 3. Figures in
million litres

2016 | 157,460
2015 | 329,855



CITY

8.30am-8.30pm, Sunday

Colaba | 22.6 mm
Santacruz | 20 mm



FORECAST

Intermittent rain/showers very likely. Heavy rain likely in some areas. Max & min temperatures likely to be 29°C and 24°C

Another landslide on Matheran road

A landslide on Neral-Matheran road choked traffic for two hours on Sunday morning. Eleven days ago, a priest was injured in a boulder fall. On Sunday night, a landslide at Malshej Ghat blocked NH 222.

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8 die as vehicle falls into Uttarakhand gorge

STAFF REPORTER

DEHRADUN: Three days after heavy rain wreaked havoc in the Hill State, eight persons were killed and eight others injured when a utility vehicle fell into a gorge near Dehradun district's Khunna village after it passed over a road damaged by rains here on Saturday night.

The administration began the rescue operations only in the early hours of Sunday.

"The road near Khunna [in Dehradun district's Kalsi tehsil] had sunk due to continuous rainfall and when the utility vehicle carrying 16 persons passed over the damaged patch it went into the gorge," Station House Officer of the Kalsi police station Hari Om said.

While eight persons died on the spot, the eight injured persons were taken to nearby hospitals.

The accident added to a series of rain-related incidents that have been occurring across the State for three days.



TOUGH TASK: Rescue operations under way in the flood-hit Chamoli district of Uttarakhand on Sunday. — PHOTO: VIRENDER SINGH NEGI

On Friday separate incidents of landslips and flash floods due to heavy rains killed many people in Chamoli, Pithoragarh and Nainital districts.

Chances are bleak

After the accident, the number of deaths in rain-related incidents across the

State has reached 27, with 17 persons missing.

Since the missing persons have not been spotted for three days now, officials said that there was only bleak possibility of the bodies being found.

Relief and rescue operations are under way in the flood-hit Pithoragarh and

Chamoli regions for three days now. Roads have been submerged in floods and hundreds of affected villagers have taken shelter in government hospitals and government schools.

However, electricity and drinking water supply are yet to be restored in the affected villages.

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June rain shortfall has no bearing on overall monsoon, say weathermen

JACOB KOSHY

NEW DELHI: Even as the India Meteorological Department announced the arrival of the monsoon over Delhi last Saturday, and warned the country to brace itself for heavy rains for most of the week ahead, weather agencies caution that rainfall this June — less than what is usual — has no bearing on the overall performance of the monsoon.

Last year, the searing, record-setting El Nino evaporated monsoon rains and yet June posted a 16% surplus over what it historically receives during the month. What is more, the monsoon last year — though setting in over Kerala a few days late — moved so rapidly that it had covered the country by June 29.

In 2014, June rains were 54% less than the historical average of 18 cm and overall monsoon rains between June and September were 12% less than the average, giving India its second of three droughts in 5 years.

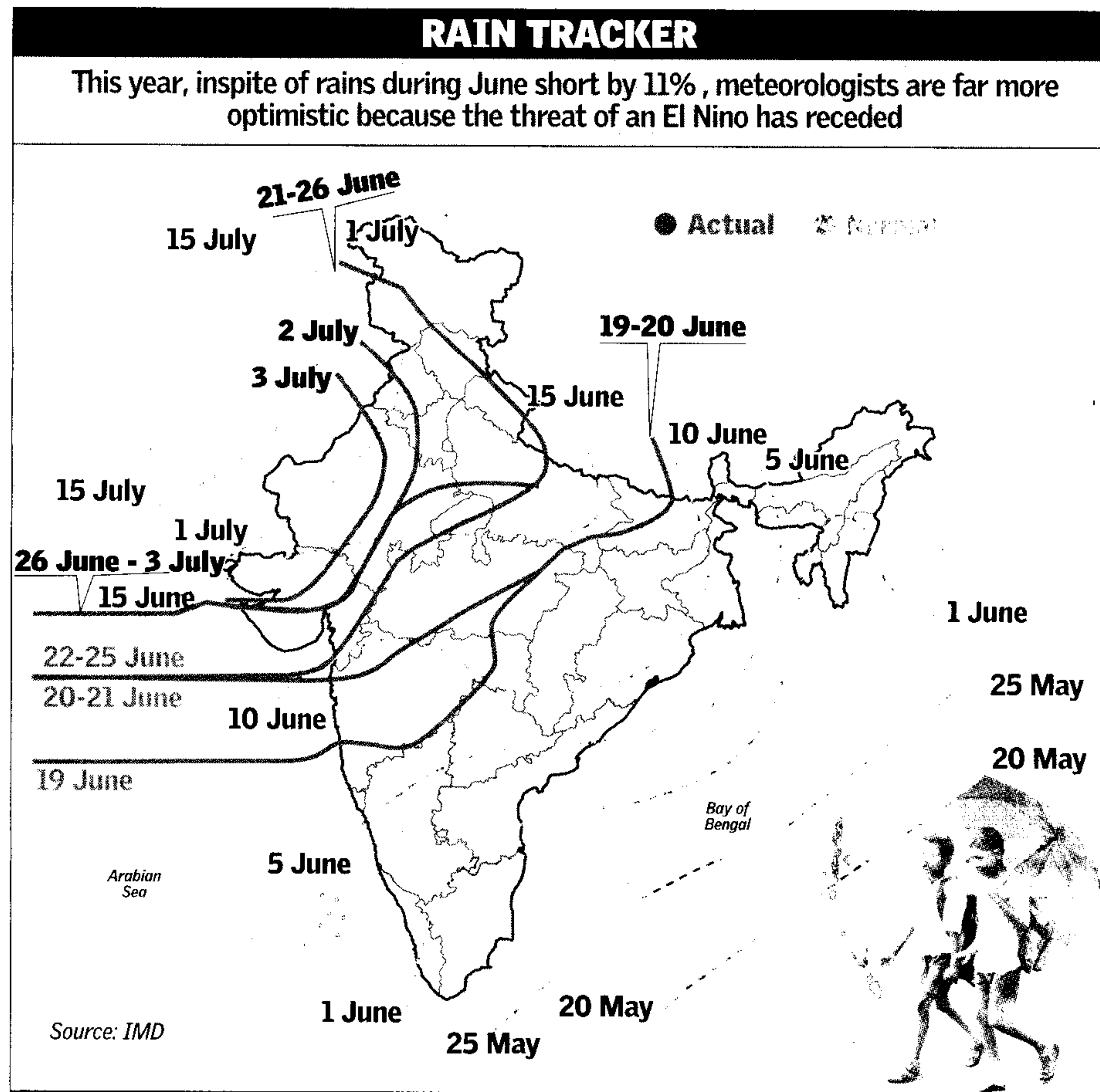
For Jatin Singh, CEO of Skymet, a private weather forecasting agency, the stellar monsoon last June influenced his agency to incorrectly forecast a “normal” monsoon in spite of an intransigent El Nino, defined as an anomalous heating of the Pacific Ocean that dries the monsoon 6 in 10 times.

“If you go back, the rainfall deficit was only 5% till August and then it collapsed. June and September are extremely variable months,” he said.

A forecaster, who didn't want to be identified, said that there were years in the past when the IMD would calculate October rain as “monsoon” to make up for a weak June.

Good progress

This year, in spite of monsoon rains during June short by 11% of what is usual, meteorologists are far more optimistic because the threat of an El Nino has receded. “At



least for the next fortnight, I don't see anything anomalous that will impede the monsoon,” said Mr. Singh. This is seconded by D.S. Pai, Chief Forecaster, IMD but he also cautions that forecasts could change within a fortnight.

“There is good progress. However, the intra-seasonal variability especially during June and July is exactly what makes each monsoon unique,” he said.

There was no statistical relationship between the performance of June rainfall and overall monsoon rains and that was a key reason why the IMD never issued a rain outlook for June.

“In 2010, June was severely deficit but we updated our forecast to 102% or above normal and we were proved right. There are always larger climate factors that begin to influence monsoon in July and August,” he added.

A good monsoon necessarily meant continuous showers over Central India and so far that's been the biggest laggard.

In fact, regions here such as Eastern Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand were short of rain partly because rain bearing systems in China (that also brought rains to Uttarakhand) were preventing the monsoon clouds from firming over the region. That and the lack of rains over north Gujarat so far has meant that weather forecasters are still cagey about what the monsoon can throw up.

Break in monsoon

And then there are the breaks. While July and August are the most bountiful months of the monsoon season, it's also the time the monsoon takes a hiatus — called a ‘break’ in the parlance — that can last for as much as a week.

Breaks are impossible to forecast and those that last for over 10 days can be the death knell for the monsoon especially because they interfere with sowing. For now, these aren't on the IMD's radar.

‘Impossible to forecast’

“In June, we'd said monsoon rains in July would be 107% of LPA (the 50-year average) and we're not changing that,” said B.P. Yadav, spokesperson, IMD. “We're going to have widespread heavy rains for the next week at least.”

Region wise, the season rainfall is likely to be 108% of its average over North-West India, 113% of LPA over Central India, 113% of LPA over South Peninsula and 94% of LPA over North-East India all with a model error of 8 %, the India Meteorological Department had said in its updated forecast in June.

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11% monsoon deficit in June; July will bridge gap, says Met ^{July-1-}

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New Delhi: Monsoon remained slightly below expectations in the first month of the rainy season as June ended with a countrywide deficit of 11%, mainly on account of a delayed onset.

Despite the deficit, however, rains have been in the normal to excess range in around two-thirds of India's 36 meteorological subdivisions. "The deficit in June was mainly due to the eight-day delay in monsoon's onset. It progressed well after that but did not perform as expected in central India. But the shortfall should be made up in July," said D Sivananda Pai, lead monsoon forecaster at the India Meteorological Department.

The Met department expects rains to pick up in July, the most crucial month of the season for kharif sowing. Monsoon's performance in July is also important for water recharge as it accounts for



The highest shortfall was in east and northeast India

almost a third of the total seasonal rainfall. By contrast, June normally gets only around 18% of the total monsoon rains.

"The monsoon hit the country only on June 8. So, we have got just about three weeks of monsoon rains so far. By that measure, an 11% shortfall is well within range," said B P Yadav, director, IMD. Among the meteorological regions of the country, south India received the best rain bounty, with 22% excess

rains in June. Although the monsoon is yet to arrive in many parts of northwest India, the region had just a 2.4% rain shortfall because of fairly good pre-monsoon showers in states such as Punjab.

The highest shortfall was in east and northeast India, where June ended with a 27.3% deficit. The performance wasn't totally unexpected because the region is predicted to receive less rains this year.

The region where monsoon has been more or less disappointing is central India, which had an 18.2% deficit in June. Except for Konkan and Goa, Marathwada and west Madhya Pradesh, rainfall has been less than average in all subdivisions of the region. While Odisha and east MP are expected to get rains in the next days, other subdivisions in the region where the deficit is high — Gujarat and Madhya Maharashtra — may have to wait a few more days for good rainfall, Met officials said.

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Flood leaves 150 U'khand villages without power

Yogesh Kumar &
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Dehradun/Almora: Over 900 villages across the state had plunged into darkness when cloudbursts and incessant rains hit Uttarakhand on July 1. Of these, around 150 are still in the dark. Senior officials of the Uttarakhand Power Corporation Limited (UPCL) said on Monday that the scale of damage to transmission lines was "unprecedented".

"The strong winds and continued rains snapped many poles and supply lines were also cut. The entire power infrastructure in fact took a hit," said a top-ranking UPCL official.

According to figures collated by UPCL, 137 villages in Chamoli district, 466 in Pithoragarh, and 317 in Tehri were without power for more than 24 hours after the disaster struck.

"We worked non-stop over the weekend to ensure that power supply was restored at many places. As a result, most of the villages have now started getting electricity. Only 94 villages in Chamoli and 45 villages in Pithoragarh are now without electricity. However, our men are working day and night to fix



In many parts of Pithoragarh and Almora districts, several roads remained blocked

the technical faults and the transmission is expected to be normalized in these villages as well soon," the official said.

Pawan Singh, the executive engineer of the electricity department in Pithoragarh told TOI that their work was being hampered due to "accessibility issues." "Unless roads are opened, our men can't reach the transmission lines," he said.

In many parts of Pithoragarh and Almora districts, several roads remained blocked and communication networks were down. Sources said that a number of promi-

nent roads including the Almora-Haldwani, Pithoragarh-Tawaghat, Kanalicchina-Askot-Dharchula and Munsiyari-Tehri highways were closed on Monday due to landslides. A dozen-odd bridges were also washed away further hampering people and vehicular movement.

The direct fallout of the closure of these roads and bridges was on the supply of essential commodities, like vegetables and daily goods. "As Almora-Haldwani national highway was closed for the last three days, trucks with grocery and vegetables couldn't reach Almora. Most of our items are over. It would be difficult for us if we don't get the supplies by tomorrow," said Rakesh Tewari, a shopkeeper in Almora.

In Dharchula, CM Harish Rawat's constituency, telephone networks were down since the past four days. In Munsiyari, the disaster control room couldn't function because phone lines had stopped working on Saturday. Mahendra Pati, general manager, BSNL (operations), Almora, told TOI, "Our network is not working in Dharchula, because the entire road has broken down."

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71% less rainfall than last year so far

IMD Says Rain Deficit Likely To Be Covered

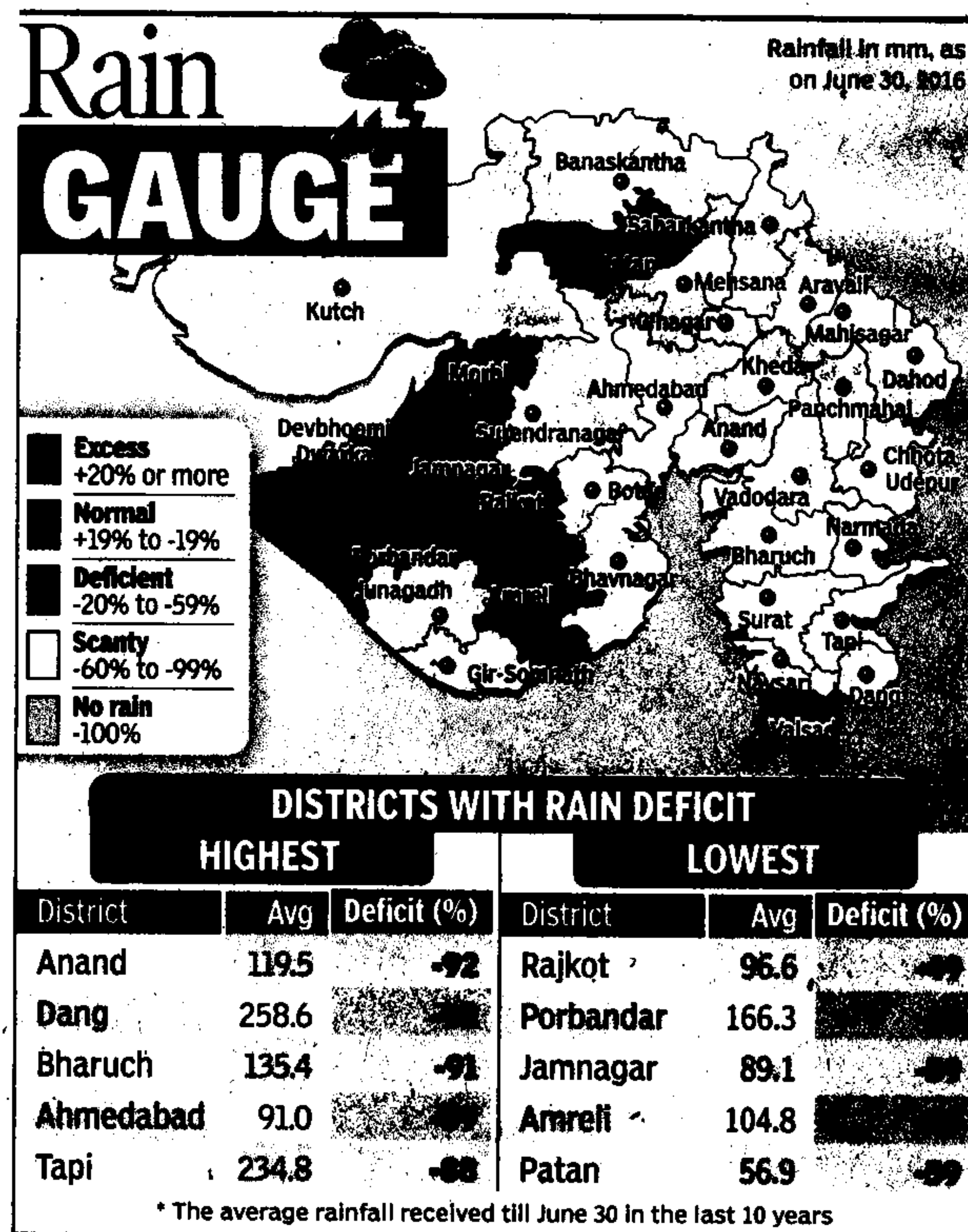
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Ahmedabad: People in Gujarat, which received less rains last year, are keeping their fingers crossed as the state has so far received 71% less rains against its normal rainfall till Thursday.

According to India Meteorological Department (IMD), Ahmedabad, the state should have received 104.5 mm of rains till Thursday for a normal rainfall, but the state has so far only received 30.3 mm of rains.

According to the IMD officials, south, central and northern parts of the state have a deficit of 76%. According to the IMD, the region should have received 130 mm of rains so far, but it has received only 31.3 mm. Similarly, Kutch and Saurashtra regions should have received 85 mm of rains, but they have only received 30.3 mm, registering a shortfall of about 65%.

IMD Gujarat director Jayant Sarkar said, "This year, there has been a delay in the monsoon and even the pre-monsoon rainfall activity has not been enough and hence, the state is having deficit rain-



fall. But we are hoping to cover it in July and August."

According to the IMD, the state on Friday will have partly cloudy sky with a possibility of rainfall at few places over Gujarat region, Saurashtra and Kutch. According to the IMD, for the next five days, there is a possibility of light to moderate rain or thunder showers at a few places in the districts of south Gujarat region, Saurashtra and in Diu, Daman and Dadra Nagar Haveli and at isolated places in

the districts of north Gujarat region and Kutch.

According to the state revenue control room, the state has till Thursday morning received nearly 4.5% of its annual seasonal rainfall of 797 mm. According to the state control room, of the 250 talukas in the state, there are still 13 talukas which are yet to receive any rainfall. Saurashtra region has received the maximum rainfall of 46 mm against its annual seasonal rainfall of 653.

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India for more financial, tech cooperation in climate change ^{st-5} ^{p-7}

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India today called for greater cooperation in finance and technology, which is needed to take further action on climate agreement. "Cooperation is the key for taking actions further, because every country is at a different level of development," Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar said in his opening remarks at a joint press conference with German Minister Barbara Hendricks at the Seventh St Petersburg Dialogue in Berlin.

Germany is hosting the annual dialogue, being held since 2010, on 4-5 July. The dialogue has provided the opportunity for countries to engage in an informal exchange of experiences on



international climate policy. This year's meeting is attended by representatives from 35 countries and is said to be particularly significant.

Stating that India has the will to act, but does not have the wherewithal to do it, not only in terms of finances, but particularly in terms of technology, Mr Javadekar said there was need for cooperation in these areas, according to an official com-

munique. Germany, he added, is the most reliable name in technology in many fields and, therefore, "there is finance, technology and mutual cooperation and walking the talk".

As far as ratification of the agreement on climate change, arrived at in December last year at Paris, is concerned, Mr Javadekar said India has already started the process. "Recently when our Prime Minister was in Washington, in a meeting with President Obama, he also emphasised that the process has to be at the earliest and we have already started working in the direction," he added. "What we have achieved in New York in UN is that we signed the agreement and now we have to implement it. So, pre-2020 actions are also important and they

will be discussed here in Petersburg Dialogue."

The minister underlined the importance of the Joint Statement by Prime Minister Modi and Chancellor Angela Merkel in October 2015. "I think that is the basis of Indo-German partnership programme," he said. "We actually appreciate and we can think of emulating it at a future date."

Mr Javadekar lauded that by 2050, Germany will be meeting 80 per cent of its energy needs through renewable energy. "Our earlier target was only 20 Giga Watts of solar energy. When Prime Minister Modi assumed office, we upscaled it by five times and made it 100 Giga Watts. Other renewable energy like wind energy, now we have opened it for offshore also."

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33 killed as heavy rain brings flash floods in Pakistan

PESHAWAR, PTI: At least 33 people, including eight Pakistani security personnel, were on Sunday killed when torrential rains hit a region bordering Afghanistan in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, triggering flash floods, officials said.

Around 30 houses were demolished in the rainstorm caused by continuous heavy rainfall that began late yesterday and were concentrated mainly in the northwestern province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

The worst hit district was south west Chitral district, where flood waters swept away a mosque at the time when spe-



Children affected by flooding sit on higher ground in the village of Nagar in Chitral, Pakistan, on Sunday. AFP

cial Ramzan prayers were being held inside, dozens of houses and army post in the remote village of Ursoon, a media report said.

At least 33 people, including eight security officials, were killed and 17 people were reportedly missing in Ursoon Village while as many were in-

jured due to flash flooding in the area occurred due to the over flow of the Chitral river, DPO Chitral Asif Iqbal said.

Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) was in contact with the district administration for rescue and relief efforts, according to a statement released by the authority.

Around 82 houses were affected by the waters and efforts were underway to provide food and relief items to the villagers, the statement said.

KP Governor Iqbal Zafar Jhagra has expressed deep grief and sorrow over the losses caused by the flooding and directed the authorities to speed up the rescue and relief efforts.

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Toll in China landslides climbs to 61

Death toll in heavy rains and landslides in China during the last few days rose to 61 as 14 more death were reported, PTI reports from Beijing. At least 14 people were killed and eight other missing in south China since Thursday, the State Flood Control and Drought Relief Headquarters said on Sunday. The downpour which struck Hubei province has left 16 people dead and six missing, destroying or damaging more than 15,800 housing units and inflicting direct economic losses worth USD 595 million, state-run news agency Xinhua news agency quoted local officials yesterday.

In another incident, at least 23 people were killed and seven others injured in the landslide in southwest China's Guizhou Province. In all 30 people were caught in Friday's landslide at Pianpo Village, Dafang County.

All missing and dead people were found, the report said. More than 800 soldiers and rescuers worked with excavators to search for the missing villagers.

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New Act for Ganga rejuvenation

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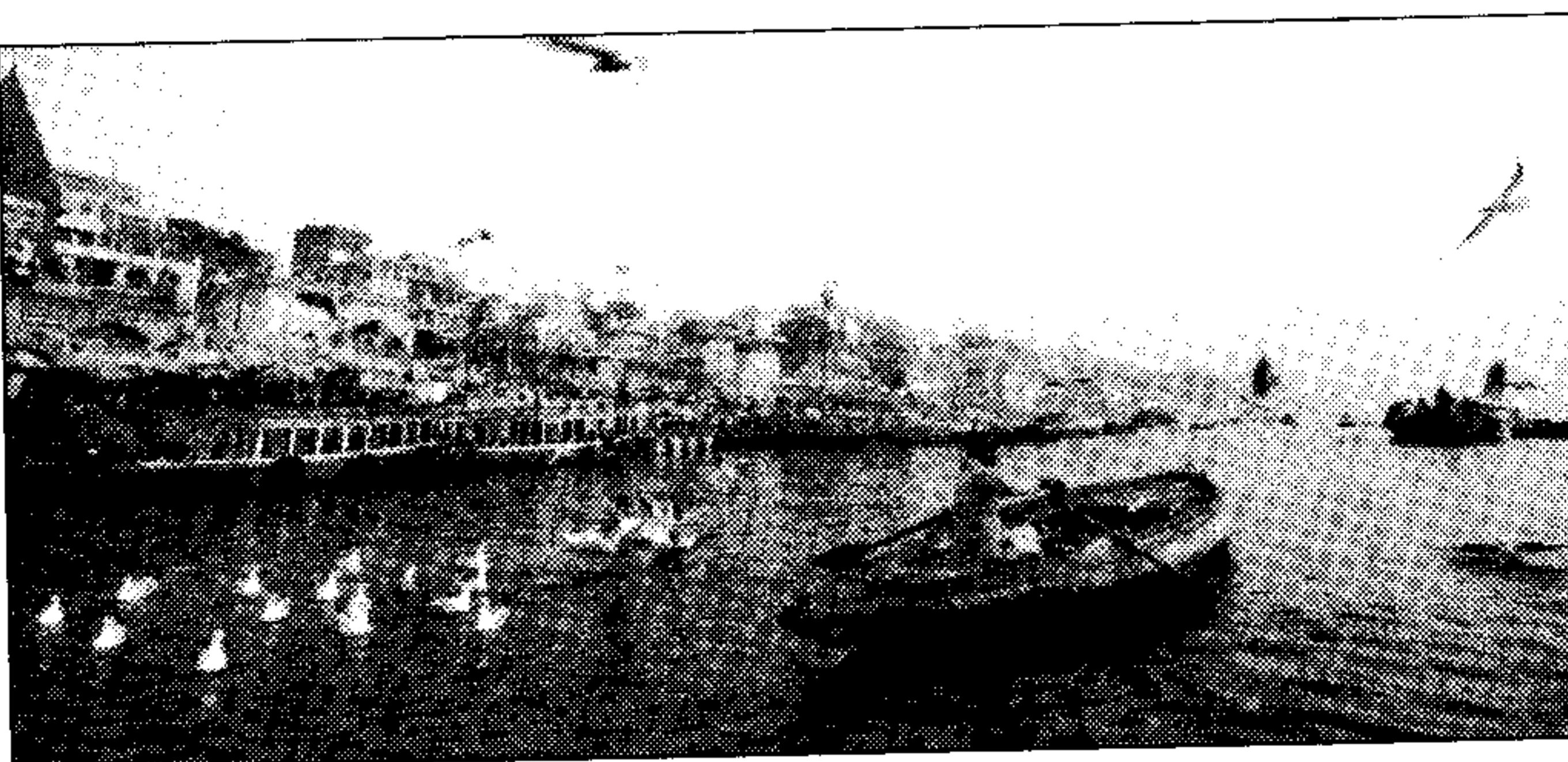
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The government will formulate a new Act for speedy implementation of the Namami Gange programme, Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Uma Bharti said today.

Chairing an hour-long meeting of the National Ganga River Basin Authority, the minister said five Ganga basin states have agreed in principle to this idea, which was proposed by the Justice Girdhar Malviya expert committee.

She also announced that 20 trash skimmers would be put in operation along the entire stretch of the Ganga in addition to the five machines already



in operation to clean the river.

On river front development, Ms Bharti said 1242 ghats and drains in 411 villages have been identified for this purpose and very soon work will start there. She said out of 118 towns along the river Ganga detailed survey of 59 towns has been completed and 27 reports have been prepared.

The minister said Wild Life Institute of India has been selected to suggest measures for conservation of dolphins, crocodiles and other species. In addition to this, Central Inlands Fisheries Research Institute has been asked to undertake various measures for the conservation of various types of fish, she said.

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Telangana to launch novel afforestation drive

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HYDERABAD: Telangana is planning to launch the 'Telanganaku Haritha Haaram' this year on July 8 with the participation of about 85,000 individuals comprising students, members of self-help groups, officials and elected representatives, besides Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao, along the 165 km national highway from Hyderabad to the State border with Andhra Pradesh.

On the same day, the programme would be launched in other districts by Ministers, legislators and MPs in their respective constituencies and officials in their respective departments.

The government has decided to take up plantation of flower-bearing and shade-providing trees all along the 165-km national highway from Abdullapurmet near Ramoji Film City in Ranga Reddy district on the outskirts of Hyderabad to Nallabandagudem in Kodad man-



GREEN COVER: Saplings being readied in nurseries for the Telangana government's the 'Harith Haaram' drive.

dal in Nalgonda district, after which the road enters Andhra Pradesh.

According to officials, Mr. Chandrasekhar Rao would participate in the programme at Pedda Kaparathi in Chityal mandal of Nalgonda district. Officials have divided the stretch into 14 seg-

ments with one senior officer being made in-charge of every segment. Officer on Special Duty to the Chief Minister, Priyanka Verghese, who is also in-charge of Haritha Haaram in the CMO, is supervising the launch in Nalgonda district.

The stretch spreads across

six Assembly constituencies, 10 mandals and 50 villages. An action plan has been prepared for participation of the villagers residing along the highway voluntarily. Special counters will be set up for distribution of saplings in the 14 segments and measures will be taken for protection of the planted saplings.

Instead of planting only one type of saplings, it has been decided to go for different types of plants for every 10-km stretch. The same method will be followed in the plantation along the other national highway stretches in the State.

Meanwhile, the Forest Department officials are making arrangements to supply saplings of medicinal, fruit, flower and shade-giving varieties in the city. It is being planned to plant medicinal saplings on July 11 at KBR Park, Shamshabad Airport, Necklace Road, People's Plaza, Hitec City, Charminar and Uppal areas.

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Cloudy weather here to stay



MONSOON MAGIC: Youngsters enjoying a walk at Rajpath in New Delhi on Monday. The weather became pleasant following a downpour in the city on Sunday night. — PHOTO: SHIV KUMAR PUSHPAKAR

STAFF REPORTER

NEW DELHI: With overnight rainfall of 45.2 mm recorded at Safdarjung weather station, the city finally received a significant amount of rain under the influence of the south-west monsoon, which arrived in the Capital on July 2.

Significant drop

Temperatures on Monday dropped significantly as the maximum touched 34.5 degrees Celsius, two degrees cooler than usual for this time

of the year, while the minimum was recorded at 24.8 degrees Celsius, down by three degrees. Between 8.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on Monday, Safdarjung and other weather stations received only traces of rainfall. However, Palam and Gurgaon recorded 19.3 mm and 8 mm of rainfall respectively. Humidity remained high and oscillated between 100 per cent and 67 per cent.

The Meteorological Department has forecast overcast conditions along with possibility of light rain and

thundershowers on Tuesday. The maximum and minimum temperatures are likely to settle between 34 and 24 degrees Celsius.

Traffic jams

June in the city this year was particularly dry, with high levels of humidity making for a rather uncomfortable month. In fact, the heat and humidity made the wait for the monsoon seem longer as it arrived two days later than forecast.

Meanwhile, rain and reopening of schools after summer vacations resulted in

massive traffic jams in several parts of the city in the morning.

Several parts of south Delhi witnessed bumper-to-bumper traffic due to water-logging on account of rain late on Sunday night. IT employee Samar Jain said it took him over an hour to cover three km in south Delhi while driving to office.

West Delhi faced traffic jams due to heavy rain on Monday morning. Janakpuri resident Amit Vijjan said he took thrice as long to reach his Noida office.

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Assam floods: Over 80,000 hit in 4 districts

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OVER 80,000 people have been affected by floods in four districts in Assam, official sources revealed Monday.

The Brahmaputra river was flowing above the danger level in Jorhat and Tezpur. The daily

flood update released by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) said that Lakhimpur district was the worst hit with over 68,000 people affected in the district till Monday. The other three districts where floods have inundated a sizeable area are Dhemaji, Nagaon and Jorhat, the ASDMA update said.

Over 4,000 people were af-

ected in Jorhat's Majuli island with flood waters from the Brahmaputra inundating 60 villages. Many localities in Guwahati city also remained under water for the second consecutive day Monday following heavy rains that caused flash floods. Localities that suffered the worst included Anilnagar, Panjabari and VIP Road, the ASDMA update said.

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जिले में रविवार को रातभर बारिश की झड़ी लगी जिससे सुबह होते-होते नदी-नाले उफन पड़े और बस्तियों में पानी भर गया। खेरवाड़ा में रातभर में 226 मिमी बारिश ने कहर बरपाया। धरियावद में चार इंच पानी बरसने से कई क्षेत्रों में जल जमाव हो गया तथा एक मकान ढहने से दम्पती दब गए।

खेरवाड़ा क्षेत्र में भारी बारिश से उदयपुर-अहमदाबाद नेशनल हाईवे पर 3 से 4 फीट पानी भर गया जिससे रातभर हाईवे जाम रहा। हाईवे के आसपास स्थित चाय की थड़ियां और कैबिन

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पत्रिका

बरसाती पानी में बह गए। तेज बारिश से कस्बे की कई सड़कें टूट गई। कस्बे के हरिओम नगर, स्वस्तिक कॉलोनी, पुलिस थाने सहित अन्य क्षेत्रों में 5 फीट तक पानी भर गया। जिले में कई नदी-नाले उफान पर आ गए। कोटडा और झाड़ोल वृत्त में पहली ही बारिश से कई सड़कें टूट गई, वहीं छोटे-बड़े जलाशय लबालब हो गए। उदयपुर के नादेश्वर चैनल में शाम को 2 फीट पानी बह रहा था। बड़ा मदार का जलस्तर 11 फीट हो गया है। जिले के जयसमंद क्षेत्र में 118, गोगुंदा में 98, सलूमबर में 40, डाया बांध पर 42 एवं उदयपुर शहर में 17 मिमी बारिश हुई।

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बादलों की ओट से दिनभर झांकता रहा सूरज

राजधानी में रविवार की जोरदार बारिश के बाद सोमवार को बादलों की आवाजाही रही। दोपहर बाद घने बादल जमा भी हुए लेकिन फिर आसमान खुल गया। बारिश नहीं होने से वातावरण में उमस ने जरूर बेहाल किया, लेकिन शाम ढलते समय मौसम सुहाना हो गया।

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पंचमहाल जिला मुख्यालय गोधरा में सोमवार को बारिश के कारण जमा हुए पानी से निकलते लोग।

बुलानी पड़ी एनडीआरएफ की टीम

ट्रेक पर पानी भरने से रेल यातायात प्रभावित

अहमदाबाद/दाहोद. पंचमहाल जिले में सोमवार सुबह हुई तेज बारिश का असर जनजीवन पर दिखाई दिया। उफनी नदी नालों के बीच में फंसे लोगों को निकालने के लिए अहमदाबाद से नेशनल डिजास्टर रिस्पॉन्स फोर्स (एनडीआरएफ) को बुलाना पड़ा। ट्रेक पर भी पानी भरने के कारण कई

ट्रेनों प्रभावित हुई। जिले में चार दर्जन से अधिक पशुओं के बहने की भी खबर है।

पंचमहाल जिले के विविध भागों में सोमवार सुबह से ही शुरू हुई तेज बारिश के चलते नदी नालों में उफान आ गया। कई जगहों पर हुई चार इंच से अधिक बारिश के कारण 25 लोग नदी नालों के बीच फंस गए। जबकि 50 से अधिक पशु भी बह गए। अनेक घरों और दुकानों में पानी भर गया।

चारों ओर पानी-ही पानी नजर आया। सूत्रों के अनुसार मेशर नदी में एक महिला बह गई, जिसे तलाशा जा रहा है। सोमवार सुबह प्रभावित

इलाकों में अहमदाबाद से एनडीआरएफ के 70 जवानों की टीम भेजी गई। पंचमहाल में शेहरा तहसील में सबसे अधिक करीब पांच इंच बारिश हुई है।

गोधरा के निकट चंचालावा और संतरोड तथा पीपलोद के निकट ट्रेक पर पानी भर जाने से मुंबई-दिल्ली रेल मार्ग बाधित हुआ। जिससे सात ट्रेन रद्द भी की गई हैं। जबकि इतनी ही ट्रेनों को निकटतम स्टेशनों पर रोका गया है। सूत्रों का कहना है कि गोधरा के समीप हुई बारिश के कारण पानम नदी में उफान आ जाने से मिट्टी ढह गई जिससे रेलवे कामकाज बाधित हुआ है।

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प्रदूषित नदियों पर मोदी चिंतित

पजाय

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नई दिल्ली, (दिनेश शर्मा): नमामि गंगे प्रोजेक्ट पर जोर दे रही मोदी सरकार के लिए प्रदूषित नदी खंडों को प्रदूषण मुक्त करना बंगलादेश ने ढाका आतंकवादी हमले के पीड़ितों को दी श्रद्धांजलि टेढ़ी खीर बन रहा है। केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण बोर्ड की रिपोर्ट में पता चला है कि गंगा नदी सहित देश की 275 नदियों में 302 नदी खंड अत्याधिक प्रदूषण के शिकार हैं।

केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड के मुताबिक जल गुणवत्ता आकलन के आधार पर पाया गया कि वर्ष 2008 में किए गए सर्वेक्षण में देश की 121 नदियों में ही 150 खंडों पर प्रदूषण की मात्रा ज्यादा पायी गयी थी जब कि अबनमी रिपोर्ट के अनुसार 275

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भारी प्रदूषण का शिकार

नदियों पर 302 प्रदूषित नदी खंडों के किनारे के 650 शहरों (महानगर व उपनगरों) को मिलाकर जो पहचान की गयी उसमें प्रदूषण बढ़ा है। जनता संघर्ष समिति के प्रधान सुखबीर शरण अग्रवाल ने इसके और भी भयावह रूप में सामने आने की आशंका जतायी है। केवल सरकार ही नहीं सभी सामाजिक व धार्मिक संगठनों की मदद के बिना बदलाव कठिन है।

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दिल्ली में आज भी हल्की बारिश होने के आसार

5-7-16 नई दिल्ली (व.सं.)। दिल्ली में पिछले 24 घंटे में 45.2 मिलीमीटर बारिश रिकॉर्ड की गई है। मौसम विभाग के अनुसार मंगलवार को भी आसमान में बादल रहेंगे। कई इलाकों में रुक-रुक कर बारिश दर्ज की जाएगी। अधिकतम तापमान 34 डिग्री सेल्सियस व न्यूनतम तापमान 24 डिग्री सेल्सियस के करीब रह सकता है।

सोमवार को हवा में आर्द्रता का स्तर 100 प्रतिशत तक पहुंच गया। अधिकतम तापमान 34.5 डिग्री सेल्सियस रहा। यह सामान्य से दो डिग्री सेल्सियस कम है। न्यूनतम तापमान 24.8 डिग्री सेल्सियस रहा। यह सामान्य से तीन डिग्री सेल्सियस कम है। मौसम वैज्ञानिक बीपी यादव के अनुसार दक्षिण पश्चिम मानसून आगे बढ़ रहा है। जम्मू-कश्मीर के ऊपर पश्चिमी विक्षोभ भी है।

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■ प्रस, नई दिल्ली : सरकार ने गंगा को साफ रखने के लिए राज्यों की सलाह से समग्र गंगा अधिनियम बनाने का फैसला किया है। इस बाबत सोमवार को यहां राष्ट्रीय गंगा नदी घाटी प्राधिकरण की बैठक में फैसला लिया गया। इसमें तय किया गया कि पूर्व जज गिरधर मालवीय की अगुआई के नेतृत्व में गंगा अधिनियम का प्रारूप तैयार किया जाएगा। बैठक की अध्यक्षता जल संसाधन मंत्री उमा भारती ने की। बैठक में केंद्रीय विज्ञान और तकनीक मंत्री हर्षवर्धन, पर्यटन मंत्री महेश शर्मा और यूपी के कौशल विकास मंत्री अभिषेक मिश्रा और कई राज्यों के अधिकारी मौजूद थे।

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