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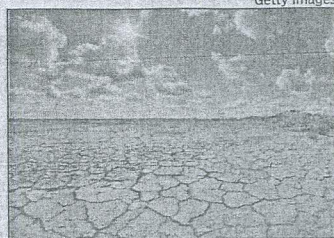
Record high temp of last year may be the new normal by 2025

Melbourne: Global temperature records set in 2015 — the hottest year so far — may become the new norm by 2025 if carbon emissions continue to rise at the same rate, a new study has warned.

Human activities have already locked in this new 'normal' for future temperatures but immediate climate action could prevent record extreme seasons year after year, said Sophie Lewis from the Australian National University.

"If we don't reduce our rate of emissions, the record hot summer of 2013 in Australia - when we saw temperatures approaching 50 degrees celsius in some areas - could be just another average summer season by 2035," she said.

So, what is the idea of a new



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normal. "We determined that a new normal occurred when at least half of the years following an extreme year were cooler and half warmer. Only then can a new normal state be declared," Lewis said.

This process was also used to determine new normal conditions for seasonal and regional

changes to the climate, she said. Using the ANU's National Computational Infrastructure supercomputer to run climate models, the researchers explored when new normal states would appear under the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change's four emissions pathways.

"The results revealed that while global average temperatures would inevitably enter a new normal under all emissions scenarios, this was not the case at seasonal and regional levels. We found that with prompt action to reduce greenhouse gases, a new normal might never occur in the 21st century at regional levels during the southern hemisphere summer and northern hemisphere winter," she said.

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Water found on metallic asteroid ^{8/11}

Washington: Scientists have detected the presence of water on Psyche, the largest metallic asteroid in our solar system and the target of a proposed Nasa mission.

New observations from the Nasa Infrared Telescope Facility in Hawaii show evidence of water or hydroxyl on its surface.

While the source of these molecules on Psyche remains a mystery, Joshua Emery, from the University of Tennessee, said that water-rich minerals detected on the asteroid might have been delivered by carbonaceous asteroids that impacted Psyche in the distant past. ^{PTI}

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750 families marooned in Tripura

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AGARTALA: The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and the paramilitary Tripura State Rifles (TSR) worked to rescue flood affected people in west Tripura and its adjoining Sepahijala district. Incessant rains owing to a depression in the Bay of Bengal have submerged at least 10 municipal wards in Agartala and some areas in the city's outskirts. "We have rescued about 400 families and sent them to a makeshift relief centre. We are constantly monitoring the situation," West Tripura district magistrate Dr. Milind Ramteke told newsmen on Monday.

Youth dies

350 families have been evacuated in the Bishalgarh sub-division of Sepahijala district.

A youth died after he was



A woman tries to collect drinking water at a flood-affected area in Agartala, Tripura, on Monday. — PHOTO: PTI

washed away by flood water on Sunday night. Rescuers recovered his body, the police said.

The Howrah River on edge of Agartala city, which has had insufficient water for some years now, is flowing at the danger level.

The district adminis-

tration has issued warnings to people residing nearby to be cautious, and to try and move to safer places at their earliest.

Different low lying localities within Agartala municipal corporation limit and outside have been submerged by flooded water.