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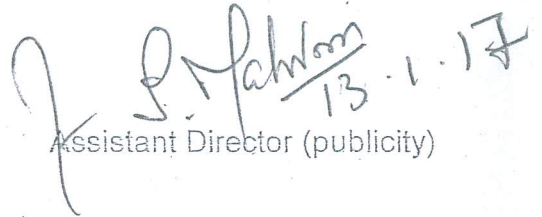
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# No relief from cold as north sees new lows

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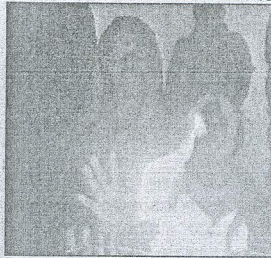
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Strong icy winds swept across the north and northwest India on Thursday bringing minimum temperature several notches below the normal.

Several parts of the hills as well as the plains recorded minimum temperature of the season with no relief expected in the next 24 hours. The weatherman said the cold conditions would intensify with the forecast of fresh spell of snowfall and rains in the Western Himalayas on January 14 and 15.

People in the hill states of J&K, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand shivered with both minimum and maximum temperatures recording below the freezing point. In J&K, Leh town witnessed the coldest night of the season with temperature plummeting to minus 17.7 degrees Celsius. Lakes froze as Gulmarg, Pahalgam and Srinagar recorded minimum temperature between minus 13 and minus 5 degrees Celsius.

For the residents of Himachal Pradesh, Thursday was



SEEKING WARMTH

no different from the last few days as they struggled to bring their routine, affected by heavy snowfall in the past few days, back to normal. Keylong town shivered with minimum temperature of minus 14.9 degrees Celsius. Most highways cutting across the upper regions of HP witnessed traffic jams due to slippery roads.

In the plains of north India, Churu in the desert state of Rajasthan was coldest with minus 0.3 degrees Celsius. Delhi recorded season's coldest January 12 in five years as minimum temperature dropped to 3.6 degrees Celsius. Thursday's minimum was four notches below the season's average.



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# CHINA SHOULD BE BARRED FROM SCS, SAYS TILLERSON

## CHINA'S STAND ON DISPUTED WATERS IS RUSSIA TAKING OVER CRIMEA

### AGENCIES

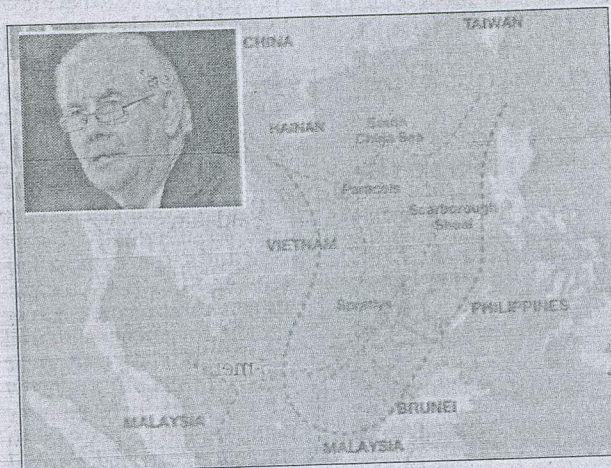
Washington DC, 12 January

U.S. President-elect Donald Trump's nominee for secretary of state has set a course for a potentially serious confrontation with Beijing, saying China should be denied access to islands it has built in the contested South China Sea.

In comments expected to enrage Beijing, Rex Tillerson told his confirmation hearing before the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee that China's building of islands and putting military assets on those islands was "akin to Russia's taking Crimea" from Ukraine.

Asked whether he supported a more aggressive posture toward China, he said: "We're going to have to send China a clear signal that, first, the island-building stops and, second, your access to those islands also is not going to be allowed." The former Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM.N) chairman and chief executive did not elaborate on what might be done to deny China access to the islands it has built up from South China Sea reefs, equipped with military-length airstrips and fortified with weapons.

Trump's transition team



did not immediately respond to a request for specifics on how China might be blocked from the artificial islands.

China claims most of the energy-rich waters through which about \$5 trillion in ship-borne trade passes every year.

Neighbours Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan and Vietnam also have claims. When asked repeatedly about Tillerson's comments on blocking access to islands, China's foreign ministry spokesman Lu Kang said he couldn't make any guesses as to what Tillerson was referring to and would not answer hypothetical questions.

China's right to carry

out 'normal activities' in its sovereign territory in the South China Sea is 'indisputable', Lu said, speaking at a daily briefing on Thursday. He did not elaborate.

Tillerson also said Washington needed to reaffirm its commitment to Taiwan, which Beijing regards as a renegade province, but stopped short of Trump's questioning of Washington's long-standing policy on the issue.

The United States switched diplomatic recognition from Taiwan to China in 1979, acknowledging that China takes the position that there is "one China" and Taiwan is part of it. But the US is also Taiwan's biggest

ally and arms supplier. "I don't know of any plans to alter the 'one China' position," Tillerson said.

Tillerson said he considered China's South China Sea activity "extremely worrisome" and that it would be a threat to the "entire global economy" if Beijing were able to dictate access to the waterway.

He blamed the current situation on what he termed an inadequate U.S. response. "The failure of a response has allowed them just to keep pushing the envelope on this," Tillerson said. "The way we've got to deal with this is we've got to show back up in the region with our traditional allies in Southeast Asia," he said. Democratic President Barack Obama's administration conducted periodic air and naval patrols to assert the right of free navigation in the SCS.

These have angered Beijing, but seeking to blockade China's man-made islands would be a major step further and a step that Washington has never raised as an option.

Under his strategic "pivot" to Asia, Obama has increased the U.S. military presence in the region, and Trump has vowed a major naval buildup.



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# 3 more die of biting cold in Shimla

Cold wave tightens grip | Keylong coldest at -14.9°C, Manali -7.2°C

**BHANU P LOHUMI**

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**SHIMLA, JANUARY 12**

Three more persons died last night due to biting cold in Shimla district.

Reports here said Khushi Ram (43), resident of Khadralla in Rohru, was reportedly found dead at Khadralla. He had been out of his home for the past three days. His body was found lying in open.

In another case, Nepali labourer Dev Singh (45) was found dead near Anu Kansakoti village, Rohru. Preliminary inquiry by the police revealed that he died of hypothermia. Another body of a Nepali national was also found in a nullah below Bihar village.

Earlier, five migrants from Bihar were asphyxiated last Tuesday, while the body of Senior Superintendent in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry Gopal Singh Kapatia (46) was found in his house in Chakkar on Wednesday. A kidney patient also collapsed on the way to the IGMCH.

The doctors, who appeared in the High Court today, maintained that the infant at Kamla Nehru Hospital died of ill-health. Two persons from Uttarakhand Ajit Sharma and Ram Sharma were found unconscious in Amar cottage in Toland. They were using angithi to warm the room last night. They were taken to the hospital by the police.



A vehicle moves slowly on a snow-covered road following heavy snowfall at Sanjoli in Shimla on Thursday. **PTI**

## House gutted

A three-storey house was gutted in fire in Tharol village of Kotkhai in upper Shimla area on Wednesday. The house belonged to two brothers Virender Chauhan and Narender Chauhan. Sources said the fire that broke out from the lamp in the temple spread in the house. Fire tenders could not reach the house due to heavy snow. The neighbours rescued the two families and no loss of life was reported.

## Met predicts more rain, snow

- The biting cold wave brought down temperatures as most of the places shivered at freezing point while Keylong in tribal Lahaul and Spiti recorded the lowest temperature at -14.9°C.
- Kalpa recorded -8°C while Manali and Shimla recorded a low of -7.2°C and -0.6°C followed by Solan -0.6°C, Kangra 0.3°C, Una 1.4°C and Nahan 3.7°C.
- The local Met office has warned of heavy rain and snow at isolated places on January 15 and 16.

The traffic from Sanjauli to Victory Tunnel was restored only for light vehicles till evening and a large number of link roads were yet to be restored. Contrary to the claims of the state government that water had been restored, most localities were without water and people trying to heat snow.

## Most areas get power: Pharka

Reviewing the preventive steps taken by departments in the wake of heavy snowfall and rain, Chief Secretary VC Pharka directed the departments of I&PH, Health and the MC, Shimla, to take steps to prevent water-borne dis-

eases due to heavy snowfall and rain.

He said 480 roads had been opened for vehicular traffic out of 607 roads closed due to heavy snowfall. In Shimla, power supply in 80 per cent areas had been restored while 90 per cent areas in Rampur and Rohru had power.



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## Efforts on to normalise life: AG to High Court



Workers clear a road after snowfall in Shimla on Thursday. PHOTO: AMIT KANWAR

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**SHIMLA, JANUARY 12**

Efforts have been made to bring normalcy in Shimla. This was stated by the Advocate General before the High Court during the course of hearing of a PIL plea on the issue of disruption of normal life due to heavy snow in the town.

The counsel for the state electricity board has said the electricity board had restored electricity in Shimla and was trying to restore it in other parts. After hearing the matter, a Division Bench

comprising Chief Justice Mansoor Ahmad Mir and Justice Sandeep Sharma directed the Chief Secretary to file a fresh status report after receiving the inputs from all the departments within four weeks and listed the matter for further hearing on March 8.

Apart from this the Advocate General, Shrawan Dogra has also filed reply/affidavit on behalf of the state authorities along with details of generators in the IGMC, Kamla Nehru Hospital & DDU Zonal Hospital, Shimla.

After perusing the reply filed by the Advocate General, a Division Bench, headed by the Chief Justice, observed: "It appears that there was a premature delivery of a male child in Kamla Nehru Hospital on January 3, who had developed cardiac arrest on the same day. On January 7 at 5:30 pm, the infant was revived. Thereafter, the infant was on ventilator, which is having an inbuilt battery back-up, but the infant again had cardiac arrest on January 7 and died at 11 pm.



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The winter break, which started in the third week of December, for all classes in Noida schools has been further extended till Sunday, January 15. Schools in neighbouring Ghaziabad however, reopened on Thursday as scheduled.



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## CAPITAL SHIVERS

# Schools shut as cold wave intensifies

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**NEW DELHI:** The junior students of the city's 1,000 government schools will now return to classes on January 20 after the Kejriwal government extended the winter break by five days on Thursday, the coldest January 12 in five years.

The government has asked city's 1,700 private schools, those run by municipal bodies and the Delhi Cantonment board to assess the situation and take a decision.

Many private schools were undecided while others said they would take a call on January 16 when the schools reopen.

"In view of the prevailing cold conditions and weather forecast by meteorological department that the temperature in the Capital will dip further, it has been decided to extend the winter break for primary classes (Classes KG to 5) from January 16-19 in all government and government-aided



**3.4°C** MIN TEMP ON THURSDAY

■ Children head to school on a cold winter morning in Gurgaon. PARVEEN KUMAR / HT

schools," a department of education circular said.

The temperature dropped to 3.4 degree Celsius, 4 degrees below normal, in the city, with some parts shivering at two degrees in the morning. The maximum temperature was 18.2 degrees.

The next few days will be colder, with the weather office predicting a further drop in the minimum temperature and fog over the weekend.

"Our primary wing is anyway closed till January 16. We will take a call on extending the vacation depending on weather

condition in future," said Ashok Pandey, principal of Ahlcon International School.

Springdales Pusa Road would not extend the vacation, principal Ameeta Mulla Wattal said.

The department of education has asked the schools to relax uniform norms so that students are dressed for the cold conditions.

"The schools are directed to ensure that all the students come to school in full sleeves woollen clothes (long socks, stockings, shoes, gloves, caps and scarf) to protect them from the adverse cold conditions. Students may also be allowed full sleeves/full legged clothing even other than school uniform," the circular said.



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## Surviving the drought

**T**amil Nadu's move to declare a drought, ironically on the eve of the harvest festival of Pongal, is an important step to address the agrarian distress that is sweeping the State following poor rainfall during the northeast monsoon. Even with relatively better governance structures, desperation among farmers has resulted in a spate of suicides, particularly in the Cauvery delta rice belt that has received little water from Karnataka in recent times. An official declaration of drought brings relief: postponement of loan recovery, waiver of land tax and alternative employment through schemes such as the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme. The challenge now is to infuse confidence among farmers that the government is fully behind them. As agriculture scientist M.S. Swaminathan has pointed out, there is a need to look ahead and institute reforms in drought management for effective distress mitigation. These should be founded on a participatory approach, one that intensively engages the farm community year-round. A monsoon management centre drawing upon the expertise of multiple departments would, for instance, help use scarce resources conservatively during a drought, and maximise their potential in good times. It is also crucial to preserve the health of cattle and other livestock, as they tend to suffer irreparable harm during drought, with cascading effects on their future productivity. The Centre should provide all support to achieve this under the National Disaster Response Fund and the Prime Minister's crop insurance scheme.

The importance of welfare support for small and marginal farmers cannot be overstated, given the vagaries of the monsoon. More than a decade ago, the National Commission on Farmers pointed out that successive droughts, illness, high expenditure on social obligations and asset loss push farmers to the brink. Yet, not much has changed in the management of drought from the low-budget practices of the colonial era, as the *Swaraj Abhiyan* case in the Supreme Court last year revealed. No more time can be lost in making the administrative system for agriculture responsive to today's needs. The Centre has to ensure that the Drought Management Manual is updated to reflect farmers' concerns, chiefly, giving weightage to the amount of rainfall deficit and declaring a drought without delay. In Tamil Nadu, excessive reliance on water-intensive rice cultivation, and lower priority for hardy millets have raised the risk for many farmers. Active recharging of groundwater and harvesting of surface water are vital to meet the challenges.



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# At 3.4°C, city reels under cold wave

Delhi records the lowest temperature in Jan. in last three years, the coldest day of the season so far

BINDU SHAJAN PERAPPADAN

**NEW DELHI:** Delhiites braved the coldest January 12 in the last five years with the mercury slipping to a low of 3.4 degrees Celsius on Thursday. The overall temperature settled four degrees below normal and though the day was sunny and bright, chilly cold winds left many freezing under layers of woollens.

The mercury dropped steeply during the evening hours because of the north-westerly winds. The MeT Department said there will be no relief from the cold wave in the next 24 hours as the mercury is likely to hover around 3 degrees Celsius.

The mercury plummeting to 2 degrees Celsius at several place in the city. The Safdarjung observatory, recorded a low of 3.4 degrees Celsius while the Lodhi Road observatory recorded a minimum of 2 degrees Celsius. Areas under Palam, Ay-anagar and Ridge logged a minimum of 4.4, 4.9 and 5.5 degrees Celsius, respectively.

## Cold and dry winds

"Today's minimum temperature of 3.4 degrees is the lowest in the month of January in the last three years and it is also lowest of the season so far," said Ravinder Bhishen, the director of the Regional Weather Forecasting Centre.

"The ongoing winter conditions are due to the continuous flow of cold and dry north-westerly winds. These icy cold winds are blowing directly from the snow-clad Himalayas of Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh," said a MeT Department official.

These winds are dry in nature and have reduced the humidity levels significantly,



OUT IN THE COLD: People take shelter on the pavement on a cold Thursday evening in New Delhi. PHOTO: SUSHIL KUMAR VERMA

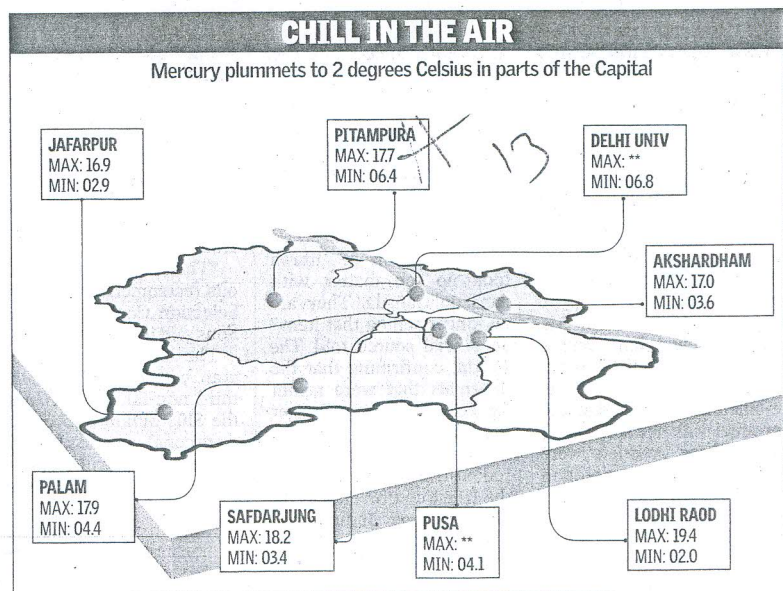
which is further aiding the dip in temperatures, the official said.

## 3 degrees on Friday

According to the official, it is the coldest January 12th since 2012. "If we look at the record season-wise, it's the second coldest day as on January 6 in 2013, the temperature had plummeted to 2 degrees Celsius."

Friday's forecast for minimum temperature is 3 degrees Celsius. On Sunday the minimum is likely to go up to 8 degrees Celsius. The humidity on Thursday oscillated between 100 and 54 per cent with moderate fog.

The MeT department has said that western disturbance is expected on January 15th and 16th and the temperatures in the city will rise after that.





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# Biting cold wave sweeps North

A few places in J&K record the lowest temperature for January in three years

NEW DELHI: Northern States reeled under a piercing cold wave on Thursday with the national Capital and a few places in Jammu and Kashmir recording the lowest temperature for January in three years and mercury dipping below the freezing point at many areas in Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan.

## Rail services hit

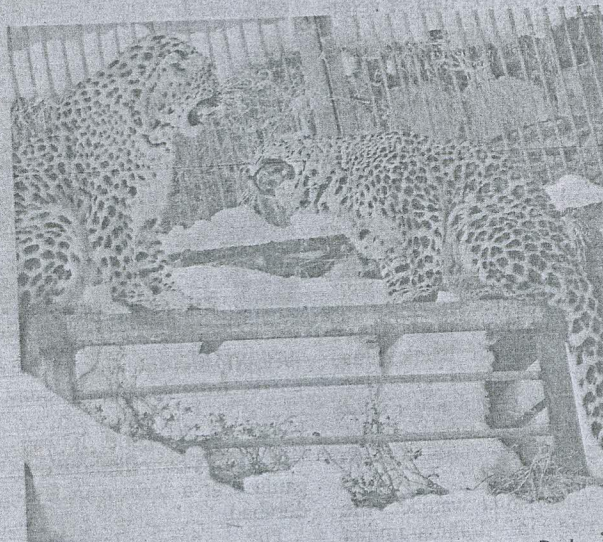
Rail services were hit by poor visibility in the morning.

Authorities in Gautam Budh Nagar ordered closure of all schools affiliated to CBSE, ICSC or UP Board from nursery to Class XII till January 15 due to the intense cold.

Tribal areas and upper hills in Himachal Pradesh quivered under biting conditions. Strong icy winds swept Shimla, where several places remained without power for the seventh day.

## Water supply restored

However water supply was partially restored later



A pair of leopards playing in snow at the Kufri Nature Park near Shimla on Thursday. PHOTO: PTI

in the day.

## Lowest temperature

Many places in Jammu and Kashmir gauged the season's lowest night temperature. The hill resort of Pahalgam recorded the lowest temperature in three years in January at minus

13.0 degrees Celsius.

The ski-resort of Gulmarg in north Kashmir also recorded the season's lowest night temperature in four years at minus 13.5 degrees Celsius to be the coldest place in the Valley.

Kokernag had a low of minus 7.1 degrees Celsius

and Qazigund minus 7.2 degrees Celsius while Kargil town also had the coldest night of the season at minus 15.6 degrees Celsius.

## Minus temperatures

Narnaul in Haryana shivered at minus 0.5 degrees Celsius, while Amritsar and Adampur in Punjab experienced bone-chilling cold conditions at 0.8 degrees Celsius and minus 0.1 Celsius respectively.

Among other places in Haryana, Hisar and Karnal too were extremely cold, registering minimum temperature of 2.4 degrees Celsius and 2.6 degrees Celsius respectively. Ambala recorded a low of 5 degrees Celsius.

The residents in Union Territory of Chandigarh also reeled under piercing chill at a low of 3.7 degrees Celsius. Amritsar residents shivered with the low in the holy city settling at 0.8 degrees Celsius. Adampur was even colder at a low of minus 0.1 deg Celsius. -PTI



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# भारत की ठंड यूरोप को मात दे रही

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**मैड्रिड को टक्कर दे रही दिल्ली :** दिल्ली में लोधी रोड पर न्यूनतम तापमान 2 डिग्री दर्ज किया गया। जबकि स्पेन की राजधानी मैड्रिड में न्यूनतम तापमान 3.4 रहा। दिल्ली में यह इस मौसम का अब तक का सबसे कम तापमान है। पिछले पांच साल में 12 जनवरी को कभी इतनी ठंडी सुबह नहीं रही।

**जिनेवा, ज्यूरिख भी पीछे:** शिमला और श्रीनगर में न्यूनतम पारा क्रमशः -0.6 और -5 डिग्री दर्ज किया गया। वहीं स्विट्जरलैंड के जिनेवा का पारा 0 और ज्यूरिख का पारा -1 डिग्री रहा।

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राहत : शिमला के नजदीक कुफरी में भारी बर्फबारी के बाद गुरुवार को खिली धूप में कपड़े सुखाती युवती। • प्रेड

से अप्रभावित रहने वाले दक्कन के शहरों की सुबह भी सर्द है। नासिक, पुणे और अहमदनगर में क्रमशः 6, 7 और 8 डिग्री सेल्सियस तापमान दर्ज किया गया।

**ठंड की वजह :** पश्चिमी विक्षोभ की वजह से जम्मू-कश्मीर के ऊपर कम

दाबाव का क्षेत्र सक्रिय है। इसकी वजह से ऊंचाई वाले इलाकों में बर्फबारी हो रही है। पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश में आंतरिक चक्रवात की स्थिति से भी तापमान में गिरावट के हालात पैदा हुए हैं।

संबंधित खबरें पेज 3, 17



आफत : ब्रिटेन के स्कॉटलैंड में गुरुवार को चर्च रोड पर गिरी बर्फ को साफ करता एक व्यक्ति। • रायटर्स

## एनसीआर का हाल

1.6° गुडगांव, 3° फरीदाबाद  
5.3° नोएडा और गाजियाबाद  
3.4° तापमान राजधानी के सफदरजंग में दर्ज किया गया

## आज का अनुमान

शुक्रवार को न्यूनतम तापमान 3° और अधिकतम 18.2 डिग्री रह सकता है। सुबह के वक्त कोहरा भी रहेगा। 16 को हल्की बूंदाबांदी भी होने की संभावना है।

## स्कूल बंद

दिल्ली सरकार ने कक्षा पांच तक के बच्चों को 19 जनवरी तक छुट्टी के निर्देश दिए हैं। वहीं नोएडा में कक्षा 12 तक के स्कूल 15 जनवरी तक बंद कर दिए गए हैं।



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## दिल्ली में सीजन का सबसे ठंडा दिन



नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी): राष्ट्रीय राजधानी में आज इस सीजन का सबसे ठंडा दिन रहा और न्यूनतम तापमान 3.4 डिग्री सेल्सियस तक गिर जाने के कारण लोगों को कड़ाके की ठंड का सामना करना पड़ा। पूरे दिन सर्द हवाएं चलती रही और लोगों को कई गर्म कपड़े पहनने के लिए मजबूर होना पड़ा। राजधानी के कई हिस्सों में लोग सर्दी से बचने के लिए चाय की चुस्कियां लगाते हुए देखे गये। खराब मौसम और कोहरे के कारण कम से कम 26 ट्रेनें विलंब से चल रही हैं।

► सम्पूर्ण खबर पृष्ठ 6 पर

## ■ बर्फाली हवाओं से लोग कांपे ■ दिल्ली में जबर्दस्त ठंड ने तोड़े रिकॉर्ड

# ठंड ने बढ़ाई सिहरन

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नई दिल्ली, (पंजाब केसरी): जम्मू-कश्मीर और उत्तर भारत में हो रही लगातार बर्फबारी के चलते दिल्ली में बर्फाली हवाओं ने ठंड बढ़ा दी है। आलम यह है कि यहां पारे ने रिकॉर्ड तोड़ दिया है और गिरकर 2 डिग्री पर पहुंच गया है।

दिल्ली के न्यूनतम तापमान में दो डिग्री सेल्सियस की गिरावट दर्ज किए जाने के बाद दिल्लीवासियों को गुरुवार को मौसम के सबसे सर्द दिन का सामना करना पड़ा। एक मौसम अधिकारी ने बताया कि सफदरजंग वेधशाला में न्यूनतम तापमान 3.4 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। अधिकारी ने बताया कि लोधी रोड में न्यूनतम तापमान दो डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। उन्होंने बताया कि बुधवार का न्यूनतम तापमान 2.3 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया था। मौसम विभाग के ताजा आंकड़ों के मुताबिक राजधानी दिल्ली में न्यूनतम तापमान में गिरावट का दौर जारी है।



फोटो: वसीम सरवर

### दिल्ली में ठंड से लोग बेहाल...

- दिल्ली में 2 डिग्री तक गिरा पारा
- सर्द हवाओं से लोग हुए परेशान
- कम दृश्यता के कारण रेल सेवाएं प्रभावित
- विमान सेवा पर भी असर पड़ा
- शुक्रवार को और ज्यादा ठंड का अनुमान
- अभी बनी रहेगी ऐसी ही स्थिति : मौसम विभाग
- शीतलहर का प्रकोप जारी, ठंड ने किया परेशान

फोटो: श्रीकांत सिंह

स्थान	न्यूनतम तापमान
लोधी रोड	2.0
जाफरपुर	2.1
अंधरधाम	2.8
सफदरजंग वेधशाला	3.4
पालम एयरपोर्ट	4.4
आयानगर	4.9
दिल्ली रिज	5.5

### मौसम अभी सर्द रहेगा...

भारतीय मौसम विभाग के अधिकारियों के मुताबिक, शुक्रवार को दिन इससे भी ठंडा रहने का अनुमान है। माना जा रहा है कि इस दिन पारा 3 डिग्री से भी नीचे जा सकता है। अधिकतम तापमान सामान्य से 3 डिग्री कम यानी 17.2 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। नमी का स्तर अधिकतम 100 और न्यूनतम 54 फीसद दर्ज किया गया।

### रेल और हवाई सेवा प्रभावित

उत्तर भारत में कोहरे व ठंड का असर, रेल व हवाई यातायात पर भी पड़ा है। रेलवे के अनुसार खराब मौसम की वजह से 26 ट्रेनें कई घंटों की देरी से चल रही हैं। आठ ट्रेनों के समय में भी परिवर्तन किया गया, जबकि सात ट्रेनों को रद्द कर दिया गया है। वहीं, भारतीय मौसम विभाग ने कहा है कि बारिश होने की कोई संभावना नहीं है।



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## जम्मू-कश्मीर में कड़ाके की ठंड, लेह में तापमान शून्य से 18 डिग्री नीचे

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श्रीनगर, (वार्ता): जम्मू-कश्मीर में लद्दाख क्षेत्र और कश्मीर घाटी में कड़ाके की ठंड एवं तापमान के शून्य से काफी नीचे रहने से विश्व प्रसिद्ध डल झील समेत, जलाशयों और अन्य जगहों पर एकत्र जल जम गया है। राज्य में लेह में सबसे कम तापमान शून्य से 17.7 डिग्री नीचे दर्ज किया गया वहीं कारगिल में इस मौसम का सबसे कम तापमान शून्य से 15.6 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। मौसम विभाग के प्रवक्ता ने बताया कि दूरदराज के इलाकों में अगले 24 घंटों के दौरान हल्की

बारिश और हिमपात हो सकती है। घाटी में अगले 48 घंटे के दौरान छिटपुट बारिश या हिमपात हो सकती है।

लेह में रात का तापमान कल के शून्य से 16 डिग्री सेल्सियस कम के मुकाबले शून्य से 17.7 डिग्री सेल्सियस कम दर्ज किया गया। मौसम विभाग ने बताया कि कल लेह में आसमान साफ रहेगा और इस दौरान यहां अधिकतम और न्यूनतम तापमान क्रमशः तीन डिग्री सेल्सियस और शून्य से 14 डिग्री सेल्सियस कम दर्ज किया गया।

श्रीनगर में आज थोड़ी देर सूर्य के निकलने से लोगों ने राहत की सांस ली। यहां रात का तापमान कल के शून्य से 4.1 डिग्री सेल्सियस कम के मुकाबले आज शून्य से पांच डिग्री सेल्सियस कम दर्ज किया गया। यहां लोगों को अधिकतर समय आग सेंकते हुये देखा गया। प्रवक्ता ने बताया कि कल श्रीनगर में बादल आंशिक रूप से छाये रहेंगे। उत्तरी कश्मीर के कुपवाड़ा में रात के तापमान में कुछ बढ़ोतरी दर्ज की गयी। यहां रात का तापमान शून्य से 5.8 डिग्री कम दर्ज किया गया।