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Discussion Notes

Realized Weather- Country Reports (12-18 July 24)	 Bangladesh experienced moderate to active monsoon over most parts of the country with heavy rain mainly in the southern region. Bhutan experienced mainly cloudy conditions with scattered light to moderate rain over much of the country, with isolated heavy rain mainly in the southern parts. Myanmar experienced scattered rain and thundershowers across much of the country with isolated heavy rain in some areas. Pakistan experienced scattered light to moderate rain and thundershowers over much of the country with isolated moderate to heavy rain in the upper region of the country. Maldives experienced scattered rain and thundershowers, while Sri Lanka observed scattered rain with moderate to heavy rain in the southwestern region.
Significant Weather Features in the region for the coming week (19-25 July 24)	 The Monsoon trough is active and south of its normal position. It is likely to be south of its normal position during next 3-4 days. A shear zone runs in lower and middle tropospheric levels roughly along 20°N tilting southwards with height. A low-pressure area has formed over Central and adjoining North Bay of Bengal with associated cyclonic circulation extending up to mid tropospheric levels tilting south-westwards with height. It is likely to become more marked and move north westwards towards Odisha coast during next 2 days. A cyclonic circulation lies over Kutch and adjoining Northeast Arabian Sea in lower tropospheric level.
Weather Outlook (19-25 July 24)	 Widespread light to moderate rain is likely across much of Bangladesh, with moderate to heavy rain and thunderstorms mainly in the southern region. Bhutan is likely to experience widespread rain and thundershowers, with moderate to heavy rain in some places. While Maldives is likely to experience light scattered showers, Sri Lanka is likely to experience widespread rain and thundershowers, with light to moderate in the southwestern region. Widespread rain and thundershowers are expected over much of Myanmar, with isolated heavy rain in some areas. Much of Nepal is likely to experience scattered light to moderate rain and thunderstorms, with isolated heavy rain in some places. Pakistan is expected to experience widespread light to moderate rain and thundershowers with heavy rain in some places.

Ocean Watch	 Observed Ocean Surface Conditions (12-18 July 24) No significant events were reported. Forecast for the coming week (19-25 July 24) High wind speed and high wave heights are likely along the coastal areas resulting in rough seas over the week.
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