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Weekly SAHF Forecasters' Forum #52

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Discussion Notes

Realized Weather (03-09 Feb.23)	 Mainly dry weather conditions were observed across Bhutan, Nepal, and Pakistan with isolated and scared rain/snow in some places in the northern region of these countries. Also, Bangladesh and much of Myanmar experienced mainly dry weather conditions during the week. Maldives and Sri Lanka experienced isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers under the influence of easterly wave with heavy showers in isolated pockets of Sri Lanka due to the passage of low pressure associated with the easterly waves. No significant synoptic phenomena were observed in the region during the week. 	
Salient synoptic features in the coming week (10-16 Feb. 23)	 Westerly waves are likely to pass over northern parts of Afghanistan and Pakistan during the week of 09 February 2023. A shallow western disturbance likely to move over Bhutan and Nepal over the week. Moderate north westerly and north easterly winds likely over Bangladesh and adjoining areas. Moderate north easterly and south easterly winds likely to continue over Myanmar with western disturbance likely to move over its northern region. Sub-tropical anti-cyclone likely to extend in the region over the week. 	
Rainfall outlook (10- 16 Feb. 23)	 Possibility of isolated and scattered rain/snow over Pakistan, Bhutan and Nepal. Mainly dry weather conditions to prevail over Bangladesh and Myanmar with possibility of isolated rain/thundershowers over southern Myanmar during the week of 12 February 2023. Possibility of isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers over Maldives and Sri Lanka and drier conditions likely after the week of 12 February 2023. 	 Extended Range Outlook (until 22 February 2023) Higher probability of rain/snow likely over northern parts of Afghanistan and Pakistan towards the week ending of 15 February 2023. Higher probability of rain/snow likely to continue over the northern regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan towards the week ending of 22 February 2023.
Temperature outlook (10-16 Feb. 23)	 No significant anomalies. 	 Ocean Watch Ocean Surface Forecast briefing during past week (03-09 Feb.23)) Except for Indian peninsular region, no high wave warnings and alerts were issued over the rest of the region during the week. No significant events were observed. Forecast for coming week (10-16 Feb.23) No significant events over the week.