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## Weekly SAHF Forecasters' Forum #58

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## **Discussion Notes**

Realized Weather (17- 23 Mar. 23)	<ul> <li>Under the influence of westerly waves Pakistan experienced rain/thundershowers across much of the country.</li> <li>Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal experienced isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers across much of regions. Also, northern regions of Bhutan and Nepal experienced rain/snow during the same period.</li> <li>Myanmar experienced dry weather conditions with isolated rain/thundershowers over its southern and south central regions.</li> <li>Maldives and Sri Lanka experienced isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers with intermittent heavy rain/thundershowers over some places.</li> </ul>	
Salient synoptic features in the coming week (24-30 Mar. 23)	<ul> <li>Westerly waves likely over northern parts of Afghanistan and Pakistan during the week of 29 March 2023.</li> <li>Western disturbance likely to continue over Bhutan and Nepal.</li> <li>Westerly trough likely over Bangladesh and adjoining areas.</li> <li>Moderate north easterly and south easterly winds likely to continue over Myanmar with western disturbance likely to move over its northern region.</li> <li>North easterly and south easterly winds likely to pass over Maldives and Sri Lanka. Also, shallow easterly wave likely to pass over south of Sri Lanka.</li> </ul>	
Rainfall outlook (24-30 Mar. 23)	<ul> <li>Isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers likely over Pakistan with intermittent heavy rainfall over some places between 24-26 March 2023. PMD has issued the heavy rainfall warnings.</li> <li>Isolated rain/snow likely over Bhutan and Nepal. Also, isolated rain/thundershowers likely over Bangladesh and Myanmar with intermittent heavy rainfall over some places.</li> <li>Possibility of isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers over Maldives and Sri Lanka with intermittent isolated heavy thunderstorms.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extended Range Outlook (until 05 April 2023)</li> <li>Higher probability of rain/snow (&gt;25mm) over Bhutan, northeast India, Pakistan, and northern Nepal towards the week ending of 05 April 2023.</li> </ul>
Temperature outlook (24-30 Mar. 23)	<ul> <li>No significant anomalies.</li> </ul>	Ocean Watch Ocean Surface Forecast briefing during past week (17-23 Mar.23) No significant events were observed. Forecast for coming week (24-30 Mar.23) No significant events over the week.