











Weekly SAHF Forecasters' Forum #53

Date: 16 February 2023

Discussion Notes

Realized Weather (10-16 Feb.23)	 Mainly dry weather conditions were observed across Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, and Pakistan. Also, Bhutan, Nepal and Pakistan observed sub-zero temperatures with isolated and scattered rain/snow in some places in their northern regions. Sri Lanka experienced isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers with much of the country experiencing mainly dry weather conditions. No significant synoptic phenomena were observed in the region during the week. 	
Salient synoptic features in the coming week (17-23 Feb. 23)	 Westerly waves are likely to pass over northern parts of Afghanistan and Pakistan during the week of 17 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 between 17-20 February 2023. Sub-tropical anti-cyclone likely to extend in the region over the week. 	
Rainfall outlook (17- 23 Feb. 23)	 Possibility of isolated and scattered rain/snow over Pakistan between 17-21 February 2023. Also, isolated rain/snow likely over Bhutan and Nepal during the week of 20 February 2023. Mainly dry weather conditions to prevail over Bangladesh and Myanmar with possibility of isolated rain/thundershowers over southern Myanmar during the week of 17 February 2023. Possibility of isolated and scattered rain/thundershowers over Maldives and Sri Lanka and drier conditions to prevail over much of these countries. 	 Extended Range Outlook (until 01 March 2023) Higher probability of rain/snow likely over northern parts of Afghanistan and Pakistan towards the week ending of 22 February 2023. Higher probability of rain/snow likely to over the isolated places of northern regions of Bhutan, Nepal and northeast India towards the week ending of 01 March 2023.
Temperature outlook (17-23 Feb. 23)	■ No significant anomalies.	Ocean Watch Ocean Surface Forecast briefing during past week (10-16 Feb.23)) No significant events were observed. Forecast for coming week (17-23 Feb.23) No significant events over the week.