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Discussion Notes

Realized Weather-Country Reports (30th Oct – 5th Nov 2026)	▪ Bhutan experienced mostly cloudy to cloudy weather with light rainfall across the country, while moderate to heavy rainfall occurred over the northern and western parts on 30th and 31st October. Light snowfall was reported over the high-altitude areas of Lunana and Laya from 1st to 5th November. The highest rainfall of 23.8 mm was recorded at Haa on 30th October. The highest maximum temperature of 33°C was recorded over the southern foothills on 30th October, while the lowest minimum temperature of −4°C was recorded at Haa on 1st November. ▪ Bangladesh experienced mainly dry weather, with rain at one or two places over the southern parts. Day temperatures fell slightly, while night temperatures remained nearly unchanged. The highest maximum temperature of 35.8°C was recorded at Feni in the southern region on 30th October, while the lowest minimum temperature dropped to 17.4°C at Tetulia in the north on 4th November. The highest rainfall during the week was 58 mm on 30th October. ▪ Nepal experienced widespread light to moderate rainfall at the beginning of the week, with heavy rainfall at a few places over the hilly regions and isolated very heavy rainfall over the central hilly and high hilly regions. Isolated light rainfall occurred over the hilly and Himalayan regions during the rest of the week. Minimum temperatures were above normal at most stations, with the lowest minimum temperature of −2.6°C over the central Himalayan region. Maximum temperatures were below normal at many stations and above normal at a few, with the highest maximum temperature of 31.8°C over the eastern Terai. ▪ Maldives experienced fine weather on most days, apart from a few showers. Winds were light and variable at 5–15 mph.
Significant Weather Features in the region for the coming week (6th – 12th Nov 2026)	▪ The remnant of Severe Cyclonic Storm Murasu lay as a low-pressure area over north Andhra Pradesh and adjoining Telangana on 5th November and is likely to become less marked. In the absence of a westerly trough in the middle and upper levels, the system is not expected to move further north. ▪ Northeast monsoon easterlies are expected to prevail over the Bay of Bengal and the southern peninsula, with rainfall activity confined mainly to the south of 15°N. Isolated heavy rainfall is likely over Tamil Nadu and Kerala up to 8th November, rainfall is likely to increase over Sri Lanka from 7th November, and active convection is expected to persist over the Maldives, the southern Bay of Bengal, the Andaman Sea and the equatorial Indian Ocean. ▪ No significant cyclogenesis is expected over the Bay of Bengal up to 10th November, and no fishermen warnings are in force from 5th to 9th November. However, a wet signal over the east-central Bay of Bengal during 9th–16th November needs to be monitored. ▪ Mainly dry and stable weather is expected over the northern and central parts of South Asia, including Pakistan, Afghanistan, Nepal, Bhutan and northwest, west and northeast India. Day temperatures are expected to remain above normal over most land areas, while night temperatures are likely to fall below normal over central India. ▪ El Nino remains strong, with Nino 3.4 anomalies forecast to exceed +4°C before decaying from January, and the IOD remains neutral.

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<tr><td>Weather Outlook (6th – 12th Nov 2026)</td><td colspan="2">

Bhutan is expected to experience sunny to partly cloudy weather, with gusty winds likely over isolated parts of the country.
Bangladesh is likely to experience mainly dry weather during the first half of the week, with rain likely over the southern parts during the latter half. Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged.
Nepal is expected to experience partly cloudy conditions over the hilly and Himalayan regions, with light rain at a few places. No significant change in temperature is expected, with minimum temperatures likely to remain above normal and maximum temperatures above normal over the hilly and Himalayan regions.
Sri Lanka is expected to experience light to moderate rainfall from 7th November, with accumulated rainfall of 60–125 mm by 10th–12th November.
Maldives is expected to experience thundershowers across the country during the next three days, with heavy showers mainly over the central and northern atolls. Winds are expected to be light and variable at 5–15 mph, with gusts at times.
Myanmar is expected to experience rainfall over the coastal areas and the adjoining Andaman Sea, with accumulated rainfall of 60–150 mm during the week, while the interior is likely to remain mainly dry.
Pakistan is expected to experience mainly dry weather, with day temperatures 2–6°C above normal.

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<tr><td>Extended Range Outlook (6th November – 3rd December, 2026)</td><td>
Extended Temperature outlook

Above-normal maximum temperatures are expected over most parts of India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Sri Lanka during the outlook period, while slightly below-normal maximum temperatures are possible over central India during the first week.
Below-normal minimum temperatures are likely over central India during the first two weeks, while northwest India is expected to remain warmer than normal throughout the period.
Below-normal temperatures are likely over Bangladesh during 9th–16th November and over the Himalayan region, while Pakistan and Afghanistan are expected to remain warmer than normal.

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Extended Rainfall Outlook

On week 1 (6th – 12th November) above-normal rainfall is expected over the east and northeast Bay of Bengal, the Andaman Sea, the Myanmar coast, Sri Lanka and the equatorial Indian Ocean, while below-normal rainfall is likely along the east coast of India and over the southwest Bay of Bengal. Above-normal rainfall is also likely over Bangladesh and Myanmar during 9th–16th November.
During week 2 (13th – 19th November) drier conditions are likely to develop over the southern Bay of Bengal and the equatorial Indian Ocean as the equatorial convection shifts eastward, although differences remain between the extended-range prediction systems.
While on weeks 3 and 4 (20th November – 3rd December) above-normal rainfall is possible over southern India and Sri Lanka in week 3, followed by drier conditions over the Bay of Bengal in week 4. The northern parts of the region, including Afghanistan, Pakistan, Nepal and

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		Bhutan, are expected to remain mainly dry.
Ocean Watch	**Observed Ocean Surface Conditions (30th Oct – 5th Nov 2026)** ▪ Ocean conditions over the west central Bay of Bengal were rough to very rough during the passage of Severe Cyclonic Storm Murasu. High wave alerts and storm surge warnings were issued for Andhra Pradesh, along with high wave and current alerts for the east coast of India. Surface winds ranged from 2 to 30 m/s and significant wave heights from 2.5 to 5.4 m over the Bay of Bengal. A storm surge of about 2 m was forecast near Kanuparthi and Ongole, with inundation of up to 230 m. Swell heights ranged from 0.5 to 2.7 m over the Bay of Bengal, with swell periods of 8–19 seconds across the Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal and equatorial Indian Ocean. Coastal currents were mostly 0.1–0.2 m/s, reaching about 1.7 m/s in some areas. Sea surface temperatures were about 27–30°C over the Arabian Sea, the Bay of Bengal and the equatorial Indian Ocean, while a moderate to extreme marine heatwave covered about 82% of the Arabian Sea on 2nd November. **Forecast for the coming week (6th – 12th Nov 2026)** ▪ Ocean conditions are expected to remain normal to moderate across the region during the coming week. Surface winds are expected to remain up to about 12 m/s, with slightly stronger winds over the Myanmar coast and the southern Maldives towards the end of the week. Significant wave heights are expected to remain below 2 m in all regions, and swell heights are expected to be normal to moderate, not exceeding about 1.3 m. Long-period swells of 19–21 seconds are expected over the Bay of Bengal, the eastern Arabian Sea and the coasts of Sri Lanka, the Maldives, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Myanmar at the beginning of the week. Moderate to high currents are expected along the east coast of India, including Tamil Nadu, with normal currents elsewhere. Sea surface temperatures are expected to range from about 27°C to 30°C, and tropical cyclone heat potential is moderate over most regions. Mariners and fishing communities are advised to closely follow national marine forecasts and warnings.	