Features of Indian Summer Monsoon 2004

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NCMRWF Gridded output for CEOP

NCMRWF will provide the model output data for the EOP4 period 2003-2004 from the current operational version of the T80/L18 analysis-forecast system.

Gridded data has been provided for the period Oct 2003-May 2004

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- The analysis fields provided will be valid for 00, 06, 12 and 18UTC. These fields will contain only the 3D atmospheric variables on 15 pressure levels and Surface Pressure.
- The forecast fields provided will also be valid for 00, 06, 12 and 18UTC. The forecast fields will have the 2D surface fields in addition to the 3D fields. The details of the forecast fields are given in the table.

Monsoon Diagnostic Studies

(Onset/Advancement, Synoptic disturbances, Intra-seasonal variability, dry & wet spells)

Fluctuations in the activity of the summer monsoon over India are known to dominantly dependent on

North-south oscillations in the regional monsoon trough Frequency of formation of the synoptic scale (3-5 day) weather disturbances like the monsoon lows and depressions

The intra-seasonal active-break cyclone of the monsoon and the overlapping formation of the monsoon lows/depressions or prolonged absence of the cyclogenesis for a period of 15-30 days are influenced by the intra-seasonal oscillation of the Monsoon on 30-50 day scale.

NCMRWF T80/L18 FORECAST IC: 12Z16MAY2004



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Observed Rainfall distribution June, 2004



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⁽a) Rainfall figures are based on operational data.

(b) Small figures indicate actual rainfall (mm), while bold figures indicate normal rainfall (mm).









T170

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T80

SAMPLE VERIFICATION OF DMO FOR 4 METROPOLITAN CITIES DURING JUNE-SEPTEMBER 2004



July Rainfall in Recent Years

ALL INDIA - JULY RAINFALL



Since 1991, number of years (11 out of 14 years) with less than LPA of July rainfall was more as compared to previous decades. 2002 was the worst year with All India rainfall 54% below normal.

Diurnal behaviour of the Asian Summer Monsoon

Krishnamurti and Kishtwal(2000)

Infrared cloud images and Cloud motion winds from meteosat-5

Evidence of continental-scale diurnal cycle of the monsoon Circulation from mapping of the divergent circulations

Motion of cloud clusters form Bay of Bengal inland in daytime hours And a reverse motion in the early morning hours

Diurnal amplification and weakening in the Tibetan High circulation.

The tropical easterly jet on the southern flank of this anti-cyclone Exhibits a strong diurnal fluctuation in its intensity.

Diurnal response to surface heating, convection and the buildup And weakening of thermal winds Ananthkrishnan(1977) has examined the diurnal variation of surface and tropospheric winds for selected sites over India

Pronounced surface wind speed variations were evident at coastal and inland stations.

Amplitude of the surface wind speed oscillations as large as 7m/s at coastal sites and 3m/s at inland sites on diurnal time scale.

Murakami(1983) showed convection over Tibetan plateau is enhanced during the afternoon and is suppressed during early morning hours

Diurnal variation of rainfall and convection over the different tropical land areas, including the monsoon domain.

WORK PLAN

- Verification and intercomparison of precipitation forecasts
- Skill in predicting the occurrence and amount of daily precipitation
- Evolution and predictability of high impact weather in the short range forecasting
- Diurnal behaviour of Indian summer monsoon