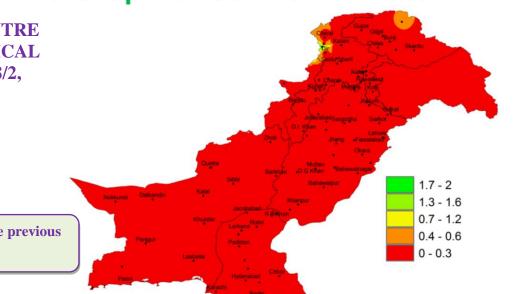
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**Rainfall Distribution (mm) during the previous** Week (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

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# Highlights of Past Weather (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

Below normal night time temperatures reported from Punjab, Sindh, KP, Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan while mix trend observed in terms of night time temperatures in Baluchistan.

Province wise distribution of rainfall reported as follows:

- Dry weather reported from Punjab, Sindh, Baluchistan and Kashmir during this week.
- Light rainfall (including *traces*) reported from isolated places of Gilgit Baltistan while a single station of KP (Malakand Division) during the last week.

### Past Weather of Provinces (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

#### Punjab

Dry weather reported from Punjab during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 31.9°C & 15.5°C respectively. For the recent week on average 130.8 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of the last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 59% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 0.9/2.0 knots. During the previous lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 6°C at Murree.

#### Balochistan

Dry weather reported from Balochistan province during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 31.6°C & 14.8°C respectively. For the recent week on average 125.9 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 41% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.5/5.4 knots. During the previous week lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 1.0°C at Kalat.

#### Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Light rainfall reported from single place (Mirkhani) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 27.3°C & 10.0°C respectively. For the recent week on average 95.5 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 47% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.3/2.6 knots. During the previous week the highest amount of rainfall was recorded as 2.0 mm at Mirkhani (Malakand division) & lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 0.5°C at Kalam.

#### Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu & Kashmir

Light rainfall reported from isolated places of Gilgit-Baltistan while Kashmir reported as dry during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 23.6°C & 6.9°C respectively. For the recent week on average 68.2 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 47% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 0.7/1.4 knots. During the previous week the highest amount of rainfall was recorded as trace (0.4 mm) at Hunza & lowest minimum temperature was recorded as - 2.0°C at Skardu.

### Sindh

Dry weather reported from Sindh province during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 36.4°C & 19.9°C respectively. For the recent week, on average 166.2 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 56% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.2/2.6 knots. During the previous week, lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 16.0°C at Moin-Jo-Daro.

#### Past Weather for Major Agricultural Plains (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

#### **Rawalpindi** (Potohar region)

Dry weather reported from Rawalpindi during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 70%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 12.4°C & for the recent week 111.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.0 knots.

#### Faisalabad (Central Punjab)

Dry weather reported from Faisalabad during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 61%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 16.2°C & for the recent week 121.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.2/0.2 knots.

#### Tandojam (Lower Sindh)

Dry weather reported from Tandojam during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 62%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 18.3°C & for the recent week 161.0 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.5/1.4 knots.

#### Usta Muhammad (Eastern Balochistan)

Dry weather reported from Usta Muhammad during week: however, cloudiness in the the morning/evening recorded 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 75%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 18.6°C & for the recent week 155.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.2 knots.

#### **Quetta (Northern Baluchistan)**

Dry weather reported from Quetta during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.4 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 20%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 6.1°C & for the recent week 60.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.5/2.1 knots.

#### Past Weather for Sub-Regional Agricultural Plains (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

#### Multan

Dry weather reported from Multan during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.3/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 58%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 17.1°C & for the recent week 140.1 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.7/0.0 knots.

#### Lahore

Dry weather reported from Lahore during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 58%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 16.5°C & for the recent week 137.0 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.7/0.0 knots.

#### Zhob

Dry weather reported from Zhob during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 32%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 10.6°C & for the recent week 108.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 5.0/5.7 knots.

#### Murree

Dry weather reported from Murree during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 48%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 9.3°C & for the recent week 66.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.0/1.0 knots.

#### D.I. Khan

Dry weather reported from D.I. Khan during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 61%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 16.8°C & for the recent week 136.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/1.0 knots.

#### Peshawar

Dry weather reported from Peshawar during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.7/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 64%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 16.1°C & for the recent week 125.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 8.3/0.3 knots.

#### Kalam

Dry weather reported from Kalam during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 26%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 1.9°C & for the recent week 43.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/5.3 knots.

#### Gilgit

Dry weather reported from Gilgit during the week; However, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 2.3/3.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 56%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 3.2°C & for the recent week 63.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/2.3 knots.

#### Skardu

Dry weather reported from Skardu during the week; However, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 2.0/3.8 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 51%. Mean night time temperature recorded as -0.6°C & for the recent week 26.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/3.0 knots.

#### **Crop Situation for Major Agricultural Plains** (Based on data from Regional Agro met Centers)

#### **Potohar Region (Rawalpindi)**

There is presently no crop grown in the fields of RAMC Rawalpindi.

#### **Central Punjab (Faisalabad)**

There is presently one crop (irrigated conditions) grown in the fields of RAMC Faisalabad. Cotton: Very Good condition, Maturity Completed.

#### Lower Sindh (Tandojam)

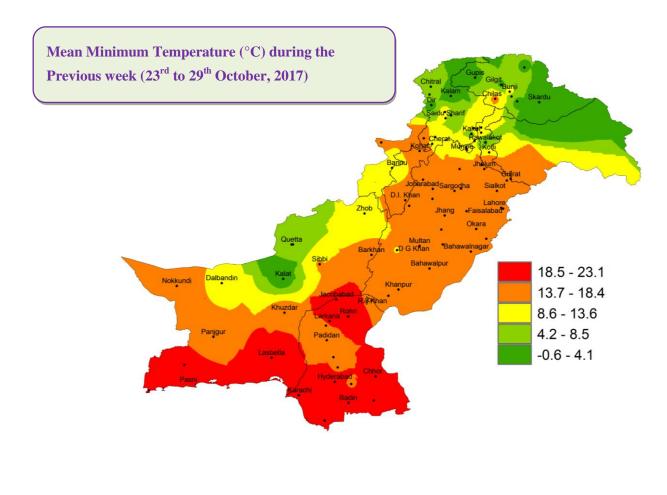
There is presently no crop in the fields of RAMC Tandojam.

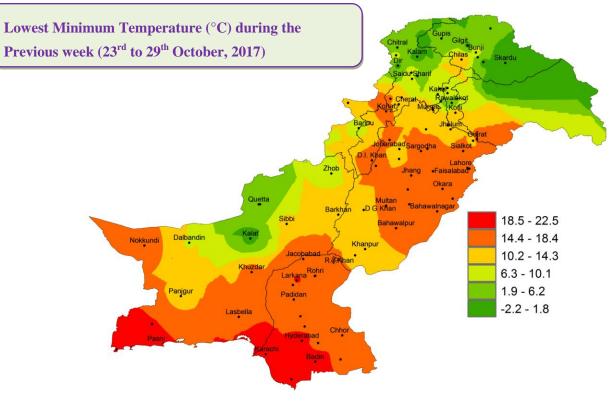
#### Northern Baluchistan (Quetta)

There is presently no crop grown in the fields of RAMC Quetta.

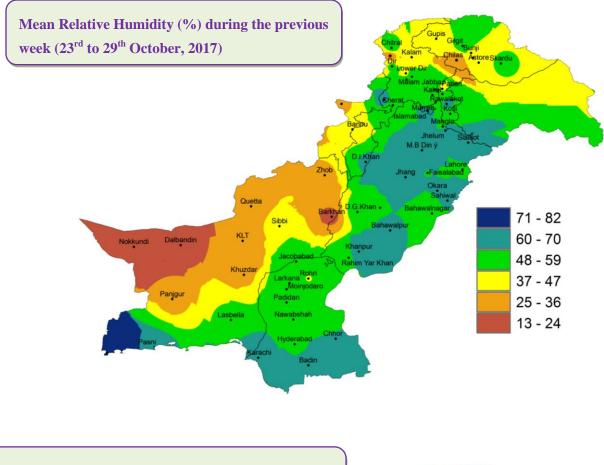
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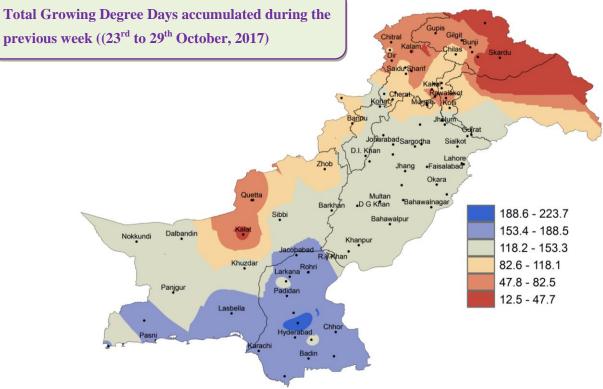
There is presently one crop (irrigated conditions) grown in the fields of RAMC Usta Muhammad. **Rice:** *Harvesting in progress.* 

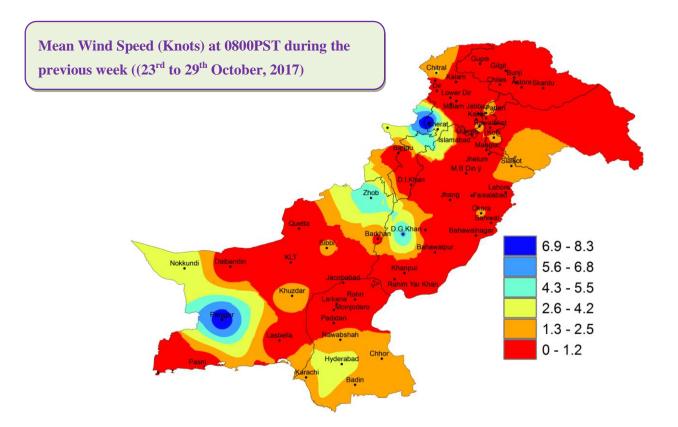


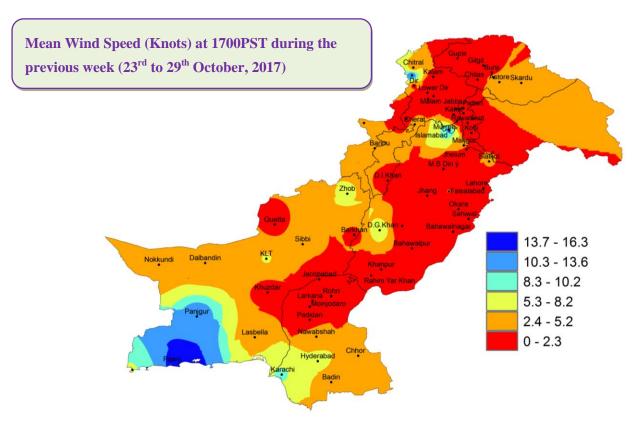


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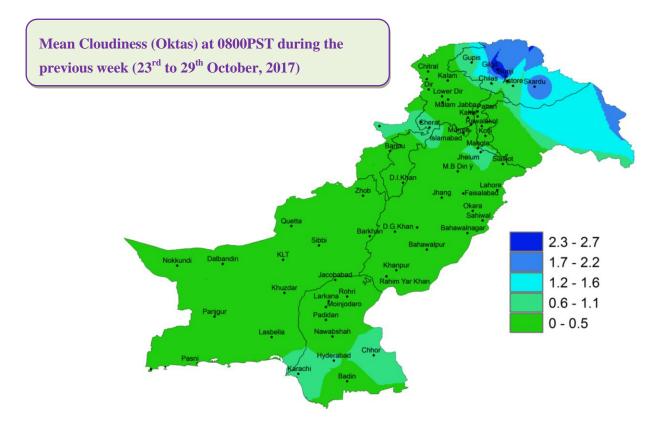


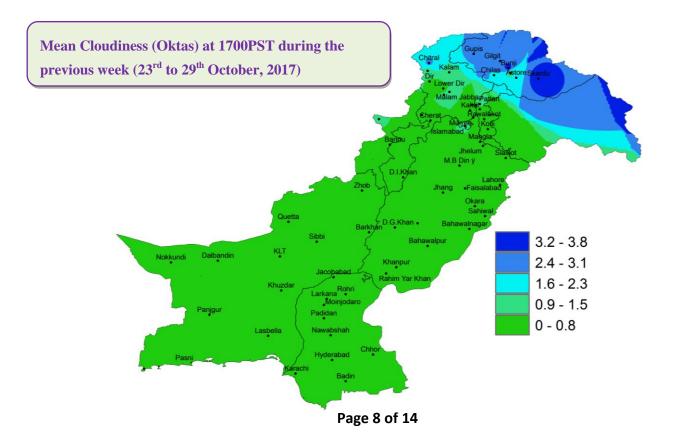






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#### Weekly Weather Advisory for Farmers (30<sup>th</sup> October to 05<sup>th</sup> November, 2017)

Continental air is prevailing over most parts of the country.

#### MONDAY 30-10-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are likely over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

#### **TUESDAY** 31-10-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most plain areas of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are expected over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

### **WEDNESDAY**

#### 01-11-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most plain areas of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are expected over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

#### THURSDAY 02-11-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most plain areas of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are expected over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

#### **FRIDAY** 03-11-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most plain areas of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are expected over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

### **SATURDAY**

#### 04-11-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most plain areas of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are expected over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours.

#### **SUNDAY** 05-11-2017

Mainly dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. Shallow foggy/misty weather conditions are likely over plain areas of Punjab and upper Sindh during morning hours

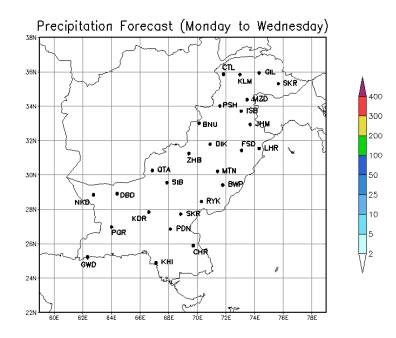
#### **ADVISES FOR FARMERS**

During the last week, mainly dry weather occurred in most parts of the agricultural plains of the country. In the coming days as well, dry weather is expected all over the country. Keeping in view the expected weather conditions following advises are suggested for the farming community.

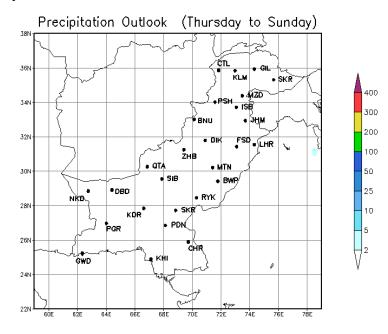
- The fields became fallow after cotton or other Kharif crops may be ploughed well and Suhaga may better be applied to preserve the soil moisture for the upcoming Rabi crops.
- Farmers of irrigated areas may irrigate the standing crops as per requirement in accordance with the expected weather and crop conditions.
- Due to expected foggy/misty weather conditions over the plains of Punjab and upper Sindh, precautionary measures may be taken to preserve the crops and livestock.

### Weather Outlook from 30<sup>th</sup> October to 05<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

The outlook for the period 30<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2017 shows that dry weather is expected at most parts of the country.



The outlook for the period 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 shows that dry weather is expected to prevail in most parts of the country.



### National Weather Data of Selected Cities (23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2017)

Stations	Tem	n Night time perature °C) highest	Growing Degree Days	Relative Humidity (%)	Rainfall (mm)	Cloudiness (Oktas) 0800 PST	Cloudiness (Oktas) 1700 PST	Wind Speed (Knots) 0800 PST	Wind Speed (Knots) 1700 PST
Astore	1.9	0.0	28.0	37	0.00	1.0	2.3	0.7	2.7
Badin	23.2	22.5	170.1	65	0.00	0.0	0.0	2.0	3.0
Bahawalnagar	17.3	16.0	148.5	51	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahawalpur	16.2	14.7	141.6	61	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Balakot	9.2	8.2	98.1	57	0.00	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0
Bannu	10.4	9.0	109.9	39	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.7	4.0
Barkhan	14.9	13.0	123.0	20	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.7
Bunji	10.2	8.3	79.3	46	0.00	2.8	3.7	0.8	0.3
Cherat	13.3	11.5	95.8	48	0.00	0.6	0.0	2.8	4.0
Chhor	20.6	18.0	171.1	59	0.00	1.0	0.3	1.3	3.7
Chilas	14.4	13.5	110.5	23	0.00	0.5	2.2	0.3	1.0
Chitral	4.6	3.0	70.3	60	0.00	0.0	2.5	2.7	3.0
D.G.Khan	13.5	12.4	132.0	56	0.00	0.3	0.0	5.7	7.0
D.I.Khan	16.8	16.0	136.5	61	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0
Dalbandin	11.9	10.0	126.3	20	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3
Dir	2.3	1.0	61.7	51	0.00	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.7
Drosh	8.7	7.8	86.4	20	0.00	0.0	1.3	0.7	13.0
Faisalabad	16.2	15.2	121.9	70	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Gari dopatta	10.2	9.5	105.1	54	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Gawader	20.9	20.0	133.0	74	0.00	0.0	0.5	0.0	10.0
Gilgit	3.2	1.0	63.5	56	0.00	2.3	3.0	0.0	2.3
Gupis	3.3	2.0	49.3	42	0.00	1.0	2.5	1.0	1.0

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Hyderabad	21.1	20.0	169.5	56	0.00	0.7	0.3	3.3	6.3
Islamabad	10.9	10.0	104.8	64	0.00	0.3	1.0	0.0	10.8
Jacobabad	18.5	17.5	153.5	55	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jhang	16.3	15.5	138.0	66	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.7
Jhelum	14.7	13.9	126.0	67	0.00	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.7
Jiwani	22.9	22.5	155.5	82	0.00	0.0	0.3	0.0	7.7
Kakul	7.6	7.0	80.3	51	0.00	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.7
Kalam	1.4	0.5	46.5	39	0.00	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.7
Kalat	1.9	1.0	43.5	26	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3
Karachi	22.8	20.5	167.2	68	0.00	1.0	0.3	2.4	8.3
Khanpur	14.7	13.7	137.4	61	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Khuzdar	16.9	15.5	130.0	32	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.3
Kotli	13.8	13.0	119.1	52	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.0
Lahore	16.5	15.5	137.0	58	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0
Larkana	19.6	19.0	159.1	50	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
Lasbella	21.8	18.0	176.0	53	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.3	4.3
Lower Dir	10.4	8.5	109.3	44	0.00	0.0	0.5	0.7	2.0
M.B Din	16.0	15.5	130.1	70	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Malam Jabba	6.3	4.5	45.3	56	0.00	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Mangla	14.0	13.3	122.1	55	0.00	0.5	0.0	0.0	3.6
Mir Khani	7.4	6.0	84.7	39	2.00	0.0	0.7	0.5	4.3
Moinjodaro	17.3	16.0	149.7	57	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3
Multan(PBO)	17.1	15.5	140.1	58	0.00	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.0
Murree	9.3	6.0	66.9	48	0.00	0.0	0.0	2.0	1.0
Muzaffarabac	l 10.7	10.2	100.7	48	0.00	0.2	0.5	0.5	1.3
Nawabshah	18.2	16.5	164.7	49	0.00	0.0	0.0	2.0	4.0

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Nokkundi	18.1	16.5	148.8	13	0.00	0.0	0.0	3.0	2.7
Okara	18.0	17.5	142.5	59	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.3
Padidan	16.9	16.0	155.8	57	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.0
Panjgur	14.7	13.0	131.3	29	0.00	0.0	0.0	7.3	11.7
Parachinar	14.4	12.5	103.5	32	0.00	1.0	1.0	3.0	3.0
Pasni	22.4	18.5	160.3	65	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.3	16.3
Pattan	10.6	10.0	111.0	44	0.00	0.0	1.3	2.3	1.5
Peshawar	16.1	15.0	125.3	64	0.00	0.7	0.0	8.3	0.3
Quetta	6.1	4.5	60.9	20	0.00	0.0	0.4	1.5	2.1
Rahim Yar Khan	15.3	13.8	140.9	58	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.3
Rawalakot	3.4	3.0	56.0	63	0.00	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
Rawalpindi	12.4	11.4	111.9	70	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rohri	20.4	18.5	163.3	47	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sahiwal	16.5	15.0	137.7	61	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0
Saidu Sharif	8.6	7.0	94.0	49	0.00	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.7
Sialkot	15.1	14.0	123.8	59	0.00	0.3	0.0	2.5	2.5
Sibbi	13.9	11.5	143.1	44	0.00	0.0	0.0	1.3	4.0
Skardu	-0.6	-2.2	26.5	51	0.00	2.0	3.8	0.0	3.0
Tandojam	18.3	17.5	161.0	62	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.4
Usta. M	18.6	17.5	155.5	75	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Zhob	10.6	9.0	108.3	32	0.00	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.7

\*\*\* Shows that data was not available.

### Findings of AgMIP Pakistan, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad

- There would be significant increase in temperature i.e., 2.8°C in day and 2.2°C in the 1. night during mid-century (2040-2069).
- There would be significant variability in rainfall patterns (about 25% increase in 2. summer & 12% decrease in winter during 2040-2069).
- Climate Change will affect the crop yields negatively (about 17% for rice and 14% for 3. wheat).
- If there will be no adaptation to Climate Change, majority of farmers would be the 4. economic losers.
- 5. With Adaptation to Climate Change (through technology and management), there would be significant decrease in poverty and improvement in the livelihood of farming community.

(Agricultural Model Inter-comparison and Improvement Project (AgMIP) Pakistan 2012-2014)

- 1 سال 69-2040 کے دوران درجہ حرارت میں قابل ذکر اضافہ ہوسکتا ہے۔ جو کہ دن کے وقت 2°2.8 اور رات کو 2°2.2 تک ہوگا۔
  - 2۔ گرمیوں کی بارش میں 25 فیصد اضافہ اور سردیوں کی بارش میں 12 فیصد تک کمی کا امکان ہے۔
  - 3۔ مندرجہ بالاموسی تغیرات کی وجہ سے دھان کی پیداوار میں 17 فیصد اور گندم کی پیداوار میں 14 فیصد تک کمی ہوسکتی ہے۔
    - 4۔ اگرموسی تغیرات کا مناسب بندوبست نہ کیا گیا۔ تو کسانوں کی اکثریت کومعاشی نقصان کا سامنا کرنا پڑے گا۔
- 5۔ موتی تغیرات کے سدّیاب(بذریعہ نی ٹیکنالوجی کااستعال اور بہترنظم دنسق) سے غربت میں کمی اور کسانوں کی زندگی میں خوشحالی لائی جاسکتی ہے۔

(ايگمي يا كتان 2012-2014)