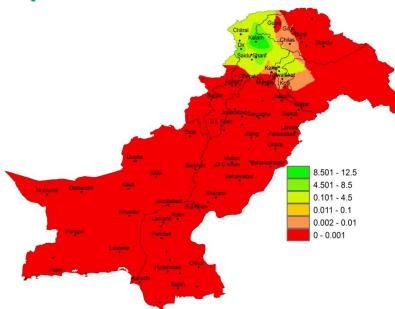
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Rainfall Distribution (mm) during the previous Week (15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2018)



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### Highlights of Past Weather (15th to 21st January, 2018)

Below normal night time temperatures were observed in most parts of Gilgit-Baltistan and Kashmir, while above in Punjab and Sindh. Mix trend was observed in KP and Baluchistan during the previous week.

Province wise rainfall distribution reported as follows:

- Light rainfall observed at scattered places in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu Kashmir during the previous week.
- Dry weather reported from rest of the country during the previous week.

### Past Weather of Provinces (15th to 21st January, **2018**)

#### **Punjab**

Dry weather reported from Punjab during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 23.3°C & 5.3°C respectively. For the recent week on average 65.1 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of the last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 61% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 0.8/2.0 knots. During the previous week, lowest minimum temperature was recorded as -1.0°C at Murree.

#### **Balochistan**

Dry weather reported from Balochistan during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 22.4°C & 4.3°C respectively. For the recent week on average 62 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 44% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.5/4.2 knots. During the previous week lowest minimum temperature was recorded as -6.5°C at Quetta.

#### Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Light rainfall reported from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 18.1°C & 1.3°C respectively. For the recent week on average 38.6 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 51% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.3/3.3 knots. During the previous week highest amount of rainfall was reported as 13 mm at Kalam & lowest minimum temperature was recorded as -8.0°C at Kalam.

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

Traces were reported from Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 13.4°C & -1.9°C respectively. For the recent week on average 32.8 growing degree days were accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded as 55% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded as 1.5/1.4 knots. During the previous week highest amount of rainfall was reported as 0.01 mm at Chilas and Rawalakot & lowest minimum temperature was recorded as -9.0°C at Skardu.

#### Sindh

Dry weather reported from single place of Sindh during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded as 27.0°C & 9.4°C respectively. For the recent week, on average 92.0 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 0.8/2.4 knots. During the previous week lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 3.5°C at Moin-jo-Daro.

### Past Weather for Major Agricultural Plains (15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2018)

#### Rawalpindi (Potohar region)

Dry weather reported from Rawalpindi during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.7/0.3 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 68%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 2.3°C & for the recent week 61.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/1.7 knots.

#### Faisalabad (Central Punjab)

Dry weather reported from Faisalabad during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.7/0.3 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 63%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 4.8°C & for the recent week 66.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.2/1.1 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 59%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 9.2°C & for the recent week 89.0 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.2/2.2 knots.

#### **Usta Muhammad (Eastern Balochistan)**

Dry weather reported from Usta Muhammad during week; however, cloudiness the the morning/evening recorded 0.0/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 56%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 7.2°C & for the recent week 80.0 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.0 knots.

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

Dry weather reported from Quetta during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.7/0.1 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 22%. Mean night time temperature recorded as -0.8°C & for the recent week 17.4 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.2/3.1 knots.

### Past Weather for Sub-Regional Agricultural Plains (15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2018)

#### Multan

Dry weather reported from Multan during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.6/0.9 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 61%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 6.8°C & for the recent week 72.1 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.6/4.9 knots.

#### Lahore

Dry weather reported from Lahore during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 0.6/0.0 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 61%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 8.3°C & for the recent week 74.4 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/2.6 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 28%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 0.8°C & for the recent week 24.8 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 5.0/5.0 knots.

#### Murree

Dry weather reported from Murree during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 2.0/1.1 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 44%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 2.8°C & for the recent week 23.1 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.9/2.0 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 57%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 4.8°C & for the recent week 71.0 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.6/0.3 knots.

#### **Peshawar**

Dry weather reported from Peshawar during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 1.7/0.9 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 62%. Mean night time temperature recorded as 2.8°C & for the recent week 58.2 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.9/2.6 knots.

#### Kalam

Rainfall reported as 13.0 mm from Kalam during week: however, cloudiness morning/evening recorded as 3.1/3.6 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 69%. Mean night time temperature recorded as -5.6°C. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.6 knots.

#### Gilgit

Dry weather reported from Gilgit during the week; However, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 3.7/3.7 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 64%. Mean night time temperature recorded as -4.1°C. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.0 knots.

#### Skardu

Dry weather reported from Skardu during the week; However, cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded as 4.6/4.9 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 66%. Mean night time temperature recorded as -7.1°C. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/1.4 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 in the fields of RAMC Faisalabad.

Wheat (Galaxy); Very Good, Tillering completed in irrigated Conditions.

#### Lower Sindh (Tandojam)

There is presently one crop in the fields of RAMC Tandojam.

Wheat (Sindhu); Good, at Heading stage in irrigated Conditions

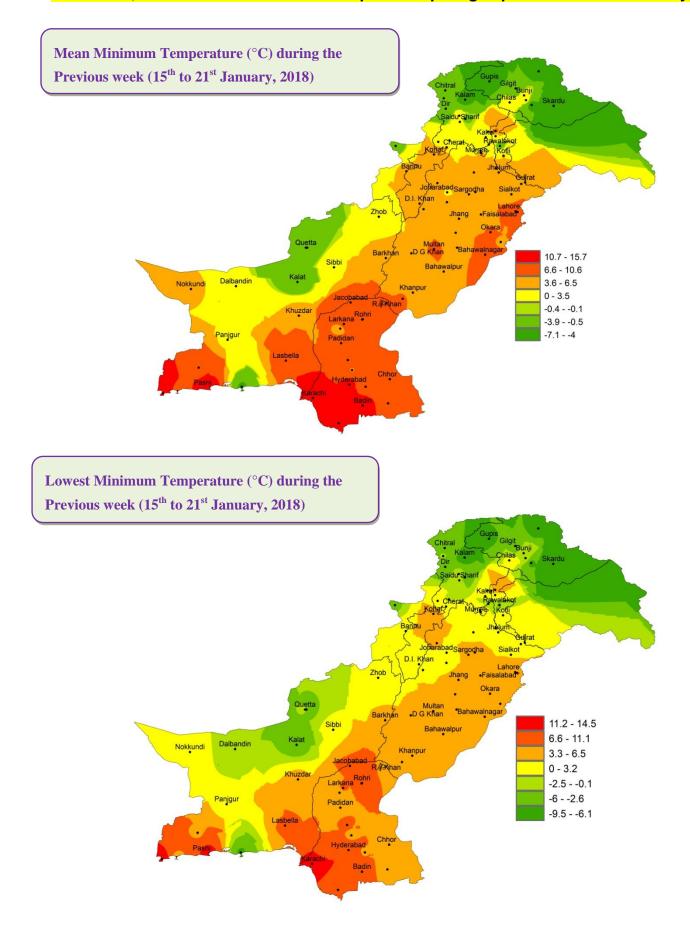
#### **Northern Baluchistan (Quetta)**

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

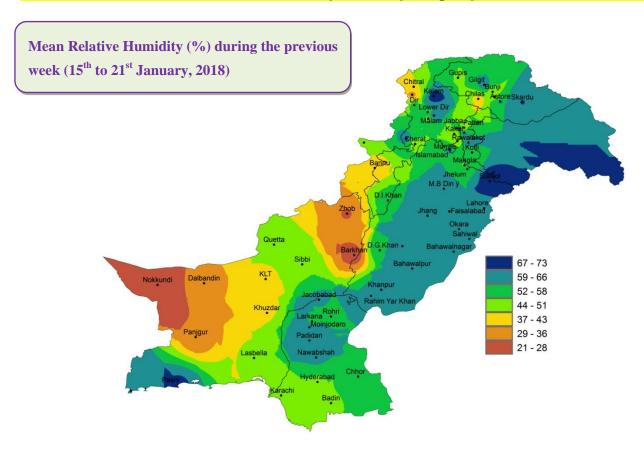
#### Eastern Baluchistan (Usta Muhammad)

There is presently one crop grown in the fields of RAMC Usta Muhammad.

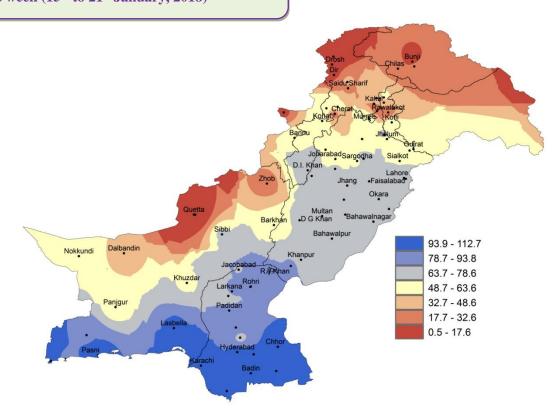
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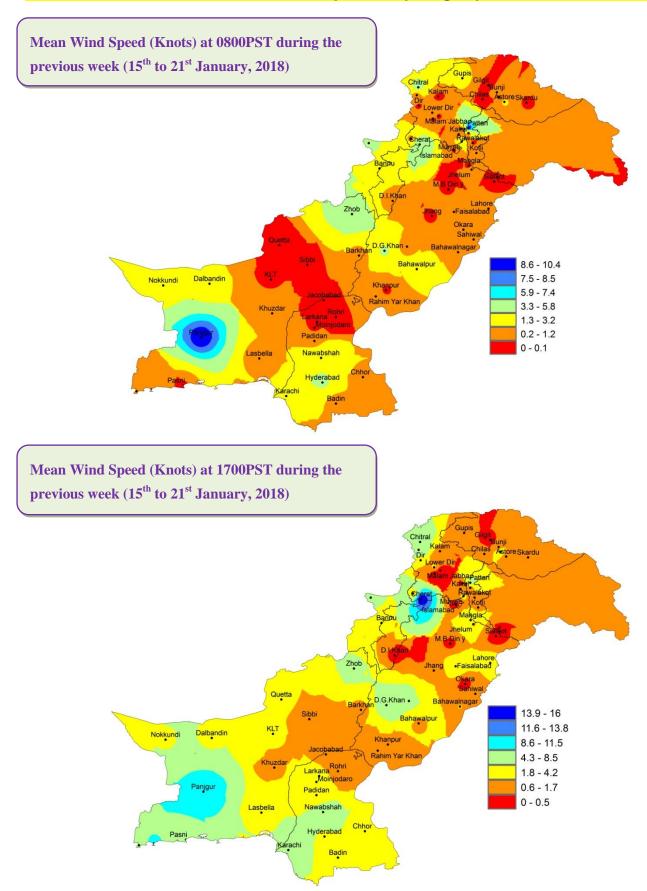
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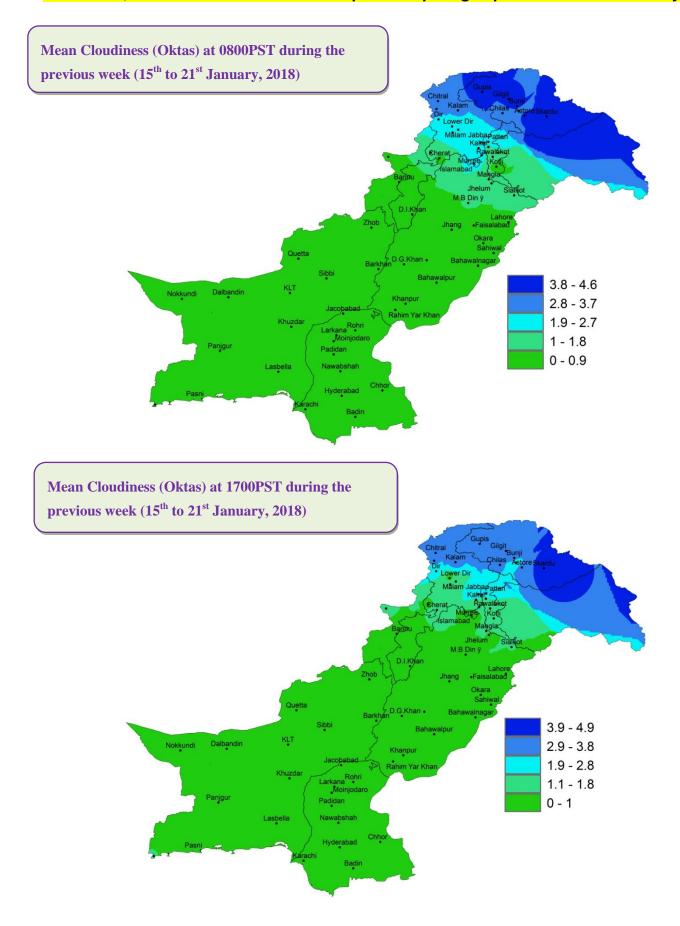
**Total Growing Degree Days accumulated during the** previous week (15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2018)



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# Weekly Weather Advisory for Farmers (22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2018)

Continental air is prevailing over most parts of the country. A shallow westerly wave is likely to enter in Balochistan on Monday and likely to affect during next 24 hours.

# MONDAY 22-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. However, light rain is expected at a few places in Quetta and Zhob divisions 60%.

# TUESDAY 23-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. However, light rain is expected at a few parts of the country, chances of rain in Gujranwala, Lahore divisions and Kashmir 30%, Hazara, Rawalpindi divisions, Islamabad and Gilgit-Baltistan 20%. Light snowfall over the hills is also expected in Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan during the period.

## WEDNESDAY 24-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. However, Balochistan and Sindh temperature is likely to decrease one to two centigrade.

### THURSDAY 25-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.

# FRIDAY 26-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.

# **SATURDAY 27-01-2018**

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.

### SUNDAY 28-01-2018

Mainly cold and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.

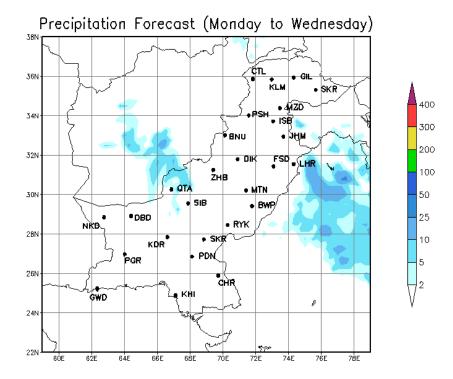
#### **ADVISES FOR FARMERS**

During the last week, dry weather was observed in most of the agricultural plains of the country. In the next week as well dry weather is likely to prevail in most parts of the country. Accordingly, following advises are suggested for the farming community.

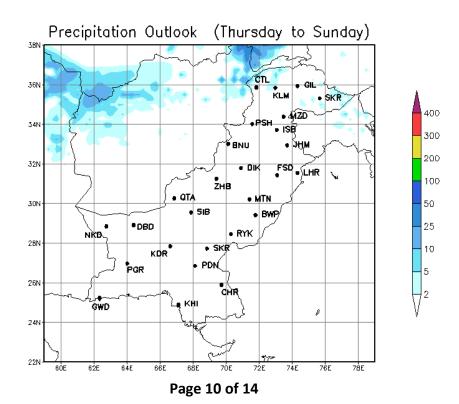
- Necessary precautionary measures may be taken to protect crops/nurseries from effects of extreme weather conditions.
- Removal of weeds from the fields may be ensured.

### Weather Outlook from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2018

The outlook for the period 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 shows that dry weather may prevail in most parts of the country, however light rainfall is expected in Quetta region.



The outlook for the period 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 shows that dry weather is expected to prevail in most parts of the country, however light rainfall is expected at scattered places in upper KP and Gilgit-Baltistan.



### National Weather Data of Selected Cities (15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2018)

Stations	Minimum Night time Temperature (°C)		Growing Degree Days	Relative Humidity (%)	Rainfall (mm)	Cloudiness (Oktas) 0800	Cloudiness (Oktas) 1700	Wind Speed (Knots)	Wind Speed (Knots)
	Mean	Lowest				PST	PST	0800 PST	1700 PST
Astore	-6.3	-7.5	***	60	0.00	4.0	3.3	1.4	0.9
Badin	13.6	10.5	110.5	50	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.6
Bahawalnagar	7.1	5.0	77.0	61	0.00	0.0	0.4	0.9	1.7
Bahawalpur	6.5	4.5	72.6	65	0.00	0.0	0.0	2.0	1.4
Balakot	2.0	0.9	43.6	52	0.02	2.1	2.9	0.4	0.3
Bannu	4.3	3.0	60.1	37	0.00	0.0	0.0	2.0	1.7
Barkhan	5.3	4.0	57.0	23	0.00	0.0	0.7	0.6	0.9
Bunji	1.0	-0.6	11.3	46	0.00	4.4	3.6	0.3	0.6
Cherat	3.7	2.0	25.0	47	0.00	0.7	1.3	5.7	16.1
Chhor	8.6	6.0	104.7	55	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.7
Chilas	1.4	0.5	19.8	41	0.01	3.3	2.9	0.0	1.1
Chitral	-1.7	-3.2	8.6	44	0.00	3.3	3.0	4.3	5.4
D.G.Khan	4.7	3.2	64.9	59	0.00	0.4	0.0	3.4	6.0
D.I.Khan	4.8	2.5	71.0	57	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3
Dalbandin	0.3	-2.0	44.5	32	0.00	0.3	0.0	1.7	3.7
Dir	-3.7	-5.0	15.0	54	7.00	2.6	2.1	0.0	2.0
Drosh	-1.0	-2.4	4.1	33	0.00	3.3	3.0	0.6	8.6
Faisalabad	4.8	3.0	66.3	63	0.00	0.7	0.3	0.2	1.1
Gari dopatta	1.9	0.9	39.7	62	0.00	1.6	1.4	0.0	0.3
Gawader	9.2	5.5	89.3	62	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	8.9
Gilgit	-4.1	-5.5	***	64	0.00	3.7	3.7	0.0	0.0
Gupis	-6.6	-7.0	***	50	0.00	4.1	3.0	1.7	0.9
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Hyderabad	12.4	11.0	102.5	50	0.00	0.0	0.0	3.4	4.0
Islamabad	2.0	0.0	50.9	60	0.00	1.9	0.7	0.0	0.3
Jacobabad	8.0	7.0	78.3	59	0.00	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.6
Jhang	5.3	4.6	69.3	64	0.00	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.6
Jhelum	3.8	2.0	62.5	59	0.00	1.0	0.9	0.3	1.4
Jiwani	15.7	14.5	110.4	66	0.00	0.9	1.1	0.6	7.7
Kakul	0.7	0.0	31.0	46	0.00	2.4	1.6	0.3	0.6
Kalam	-5.6	-8.0	***	69	13.00	3.1	3.6	0.0	0.6
Kalat	-3.3	-5.0	****	41	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
Karachi	13.0	11.5	112.8	44	0.00	0.4	0.0	1.7	6.3
Khanpur	5.5	4.5	75.7	64	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4
Khuzdar	6.3	4.5	61.3	42	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.4
Kotli	3.7	2.0	62.7	54	0.00	0.6	1.1	0.9	1.4
Lahore	8.3	7.0	74.4	61	0.00	0.6	0.0	0.3	2.6
Larkana	8.6	7.5	84.0	55	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
Lasbella	8.9	7.0	98.5	46	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.6
Lower Dir	0.9	-2.0	36.3	56	0.00	2.0	0.7	1.1	2.0
M.B Din	6.0	4.4	67.7	65	0.00	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Malam Jabba	-1.3	-4.0	***	66	9.00	1.9	1.4	0.0	0.0
Mangla	3.8	1.9	64.1	50	0.00	1.6	1.1	0.0	4.0
Mir Khani	1.4	0.0	26.2	49	0.00	2.4	1.9	0.0	3.0
Moinjodaro	5.3	3.5	69.1	66	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4
Multan(PBO)	6.8	6.1	72.1	61	0.00	0.6	0.9	0.6	4.9
Murree	2.8	-1.0	23.1	44	0.00	2.0	1.1	2.9	2.0
Muzaffarabad	3.1	2.0	43.6	54	0.00	2.3	1.6	0.9	1.1
Nawabshah	8.4	7.0	88.8	60	0.00	0.0	0.0	3.1	6.3
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Nokkundi	4.3	1.5	57.3	21	0.00	0.3	0.0	2.0	4.0
Okara	6.6	6.0	71.0	65	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0
Padidan	7.5	6.0	83.8	63	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.7
Panjgur	2.6	1.0	53.5	29	0.00	0.0	0.0	9.1	11.4
Parachinar	-1.9	-3.5	14.3	50	0.00	0.9	1.3	3.9	5.9
Pasni	13.8	13.0	105.5	68	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3
Pattan	7.9	7.0	54.3	44	4.00	2.7	3.1	10.9	7.0
Peshawar	2.8	1.5	58.2	62	0.00	1.7	0.9	0.9	2.6
Quetta	-0.8	-3.0	17.4	22	0.00	0.7	0.1	2.2	3.1
Rahim Yar Khan	6.7	5.2	80.3	62	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.6
Rawalakot	-1.8	-3.0	19.5	63	0.01	1.4	1.0	0.0	0.9
Rawalpindi	2.3	1.0	61.9	68	0.00	0.7	0.3	0.3	1.7
Rohri	9.1	7.5	85.8	57	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
Sahiwal	6.4	5.5	67.2	62	0.00	0.3	0.3	1.1	1.7
Saidu Sharif	0.7	-1.5	28.8	48	1.00	2.7	1.9	0.0	0.0
Sialkot	4.3	1.7	56.9	74	0.00	1.6	1.0	0.0	0.0
Sibbi	2.8	2.0	68.0	49	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
Skardu	-7.1	-9.5	***	66	0.00	4.6	4.9	0.0	1.4
Tandojam	9.2	7.5	89.0	59	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.2
Usta. M	7.2	7.0	80.0	56	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Zhob	0.8	0.5	24.8	28	0.00	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Shows that data was not available.

<sup>\*</sup>Trace shows not-measurable data

# Findings of AgMIP Pakistan, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad

- 1. There would be significant increase in temperature i.e., 2.8°C in day and 2.2°C in the night during mid-century (2040-2069).
- 2. There would be significant variability in rainfall patterns (about 25% increase in summer & 12% decrease in winter during 2040-2069).
- 3. Climate Change will affect the crop yields negatively (about 17% for rice and 14 % for wheat).
- 4. If there will be no adaptation to Climate Change, majority of farmers would be the 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 ذکراضافہ ہوسکتا ہے۔ جو کہ دن کے وقت 2.8° دوران درجہ حرارت میں قابل ذکراضافہ ہوسکتا ہے۔ جو کہ دن کے وقت 2.8° دوران درجہ حرارت میں قابل ذکراضافہ ہوسکتا ہے۔ جو کہ دن کے وقت 2.8° دوران درجہ حرارت میں
  - 2۔ گرمیوں کی بارش میں 25 فیصد اضا فداور سر دیوں کی بارش میں 12 فیصد تک کمی کا امکان ہے۔
  - 3۔ مندرجہ بالاموسم تغیرات کی وجہ سے دھان کی پیداوار میں 17 فیصد اور گندم کی پیداوار میں 14 فیصد تک کمی ہوسکتی ہے۔
    - 4۔ اگرموسی تغیرات کامناسب بندوبست نہ کیا گیا۔ تو کسانوں کی اکثریت کومعاشی نقصان کا سامنا کرنا پڑے گا۔
- 5۔ موتی تغیرات کے سدّیاب (بذریعینی ٹیکنالوجی کااستعال اور بہترنظم ونسق) سے غربت میں کمی اور کسانوں کی زندگی میں خوشحالی لائی جاسکتی ہے۔

(ایگمپ پاکتان 2012-2014)