Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin for Pakistan

NATIONAL AGROMET CENTRE PAKISTAN METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT SECTOR H-8/2, ISLAMABAD

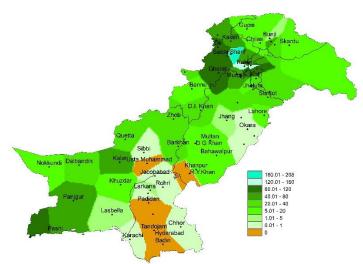
Phone: +92-51-9250299 Email: dirnamc@yahoo.com

Rainfall Distribution (mm) during the Previous Week (15th – 21st April 2024)

Contents

Highlights of past weather	1								
Past weather for Agri Plains	2-4								
Crop progress	4								
Agrometeorological parameters									
Temperature	5-6								
• R.H and GDD	7								
Cloudiness	8								
Wind speed	9								
Comparison of temperatures for RAMCs									
during the previous week	10								
Weather Outlook	11								
Advisory for Farmers	11								
National data for selected stations	12								
	\square								

<u>Patron-in-Chief:</u> Mahr Sahibzad Khan (Director General) <u>Editor-in-Chief:</u> Asma Jawad Hashmi (Director) <u>Editor:</u> Dr. Tariq Mahmood (Meteorologist)



Highlights of Past Weather (15th – 21st April 2024)

- Moderate to heavy rains were reported from most parts of the country during the past week. While light rainfall was reported from some scattered parts of Sindh Provence.
- Daily maximum temperatures were observed below normal in most parts of the country.
- Daily minimum temperatures were observed below normal in most parts of the country except Sindh and GB where normal to above normal minimum temperatures were recorded.
- Also below normal mean daily temperatures were observed in most parts of the country.

Past Weather of Provinces (15th – 21st April 2024)

<u>Punjab</u>

Light to moderate rainfall was reported from Punjab Province. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures were recorded as 31.2°C & 18.0°C respectively. For the recent week on average 137.1 growing degree days were accumulated. Average relative humidity was recorded as 59% and wind speed in the morning/evening was recorded as 1.9/4.3 Knots. The highest rainfall was reported as 95.5 mm from Murree. However, the lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 6.0°C at Murree.

Baluchistan

Light to moderate rainfall was reported from the northern parts of the province. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures were recorded as 22.6°C & 11.7°C respectively. For the recent week on average 85.0 growing degree days were accumulated. Average relative humidity was recorded 85% and wind speed in the morning/evening was recorded as 1.3/4.5 Knots. The highest rainfall was reported as 95.7 mm from However. the lowest minimum Gawadar. temperature was recorded as 5.0°C at Kalat.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Moderate to heavy rainfall was reported from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures were recorded as 20.3°C & 10.3°C respectively. For the recent week on average 72.1 growing degree days were accumulated. Average relative humidity was recorded as 76% and wind speed in the morning/evening was recorded as 0.5/2.1 Knots. The highest rainfall was reported as 207.0 mm from Malam Jabba. However, the lowest minimum temperature was recorded as -3.5°C at Kalam.

<u>Sindh</u>

Light rainfall was reported from Some parts of Sindh Province. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures were recorded as 35.7°C & 22.7°C respectively. For the recent week, on average 169.3 growing degree days were accumulated. Average relative humidity was recorded as 53% and wind speed in the morning/evening was recorded as 2.2/5.7 Knots. The highest rainfall was reported as 1.01 mm from Larkana. However, the lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 19.5°C at Moinjo Daro.

Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu & Kashmir

Moderate to heavy rainfall was reported from Kashmir But light to moderate rainfall was reported Gilgit Baltistan. Weekly maximum and in minimum temperatures were recorded as 21.2°C & 9.7°C respectively. For the recent week on average 74.1 growing degree days were accumulated. Average relative humidity was recorded as 61%. and wind speed was recorded in the morning/evening as 0.4/2.5. The highest rainfall was reported as 124.5 mm from Garhi Dopatta. However, the lowest minimum temperature recorded was 3.3°C at Skardu.

Past Weather for Major Agricultural Plains

<u>(15th – 21st April 2024)</u>

Rawalpindi (Potohar region)

Rainfall was reported as 45.7 mm from Rawalpindi during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 4.6/5.1 Oktas, and average relative humidity was observed as 71%. Mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 13.3°C and for the recent week, 106.7 growing degree days were accumulated. The wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.9/1.1 Knots. The lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 10.5°C.

Faisalabad (Central Punjab)

Rainfall was reported as 0.01 (trace) mm from Faisalabad during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded 1.7/3.0 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 57%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded 19.0°C & for the recent week 145.9 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.5/1.6 Knots. The lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 17.5°C.

Tandojam (Lower Sindh)

Dry weather was reported during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded 3.4/3.7 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 59%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 21.1°C & for the recent week 161.3 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.9/1.8 Knots. The lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 19.5°C.

Usta Muhammad (Eastern Baluchistan)

Dry weather was reported during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 1.7/2.1. Average relative humidity was observed as 38%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 19.3° C & for the recent week 156.8 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/1.7 Knots. The lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 17.0° C.

Quetta (Northern Baluchistan)

Rainfall was reported as 35.4 mm from Quetta during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 4.5/5.2 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as

64%. Mean minimum time temperature recorded as 8.1° C & for the recent week 55.5 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.2/3.3 Knots. The lowest minimum temperature was recorded as 6.5° C.

<u>Past Weather for Sub-Regional Agricultural</u> <u>Plains (15th – 21st April 2024)</u>

Multan

Rainfall was reported as 17.6 mm during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 2.7/3.9 Oktas. Average relative humidity was observed as 56%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 19.3°C & for the recent week 144.0 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.0/4.3 Knots.

Lahore

Rainfall was reported as 7.21 mm from Lahore during the week; cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 2.3/4.7 Oktas, and average relative humidity was observed as 48%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 20.0°C & for the recent week 150.6 growing degree days accumulated. The wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.4/5.1 Knots.

Zhob

Rainfall was reported as 0.03 mm from Zhob during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 4.3/5.3 Oktas. Average relative humidity was observed as 62%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 22.0°C & for the recent week 150.8 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.3/3.3 Knots.

Murree

Rainfall was reported as 95.51 mm from Murree during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 4.6/6.1 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 75%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 7.4°C & for the recent week 45.3 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.3/3.4 Knots.

D.I. Khan

Rainfall was reported as 33.01 mm from D.I. Khan during the week; cloudiness in the morning/evening

was recorded as 3.3/4.6. Average relative humidity was observed as 71%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 18.4°C & for the recent week 131.8 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/0.3 Knots.

Peshawar

Rainfall was reported as 102.0 mm from Peshawar during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 4.7/5.7 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 74%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 15.6°C & for the recent week 108.4 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.1/3.4 Knots.

Kalam

Rainfall was reported as 62.8 mm from Kalam during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 6.0/5.0 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 46%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 0.5° C & for the recent week 15.1 growing degree days accumulated. The wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/1.3 Knots.

Gilgit

Rainfall was reported as 12.02 mm from Gilgit during the week, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 6.0/6.0 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 54%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 11.4°C & for the recent week 88.0 growing degree days accumulated. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/3.7 Knots.

Skardu

Rainfall was reported as 6.0 mm from Skardu during the week; however, cloudiness in the morning/evening was recorded as 5.1/6.7 Oktas while average relative humidity was observed as 46%. The mean minimum time temperature was recorded as 6.9°C & for the recent week 54.2 growing degree days accumulated. The wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/1.3 Knots.

<u>Crop Situation for Major Agricultural Plains</u> (Based on data from Regional Agromet Centers)

Potohar Region (Rawalpindi)

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

Central Punjab (Faisalabad)

Wheat crop is sown in the fields. Date of sowing 21-11-2023. Phonological Stage: Full Maturity Completed. Condition: Very Good.

Lower Sindh (Tandojam)

Wheat crop is sown in the fields. Stage: Land is preparing for new crop.

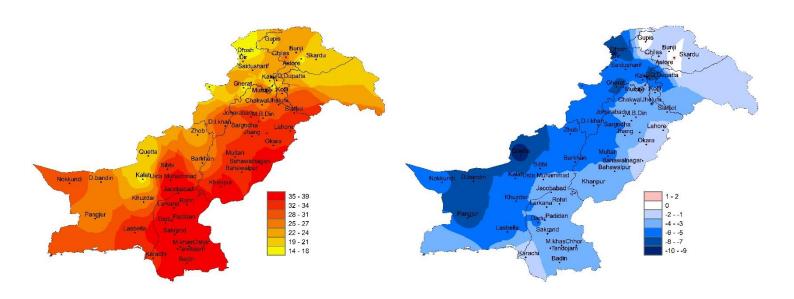
Northern Baluchistan (Quetta)

Wheat crop is sown in the fields of RAMC Quetta. Date of sowing 22-11-2023. Phonological Stage: Heading. Condition: Very *Good*

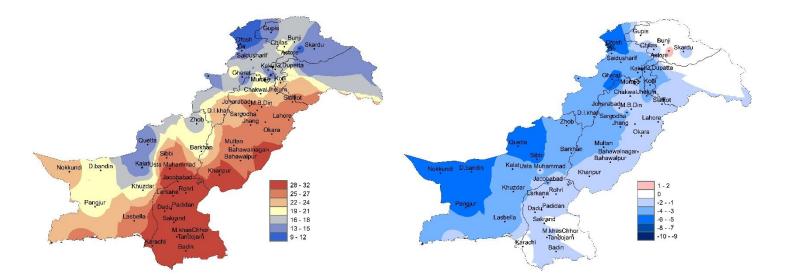
Eastern Baluchistan (Usta Muhammad) Wheat crops are grown in the fields. Phonological Stage: Harvesting Threshing. Condition: *Good*.

Actual & Departure of Maximum temperature (°C) for the

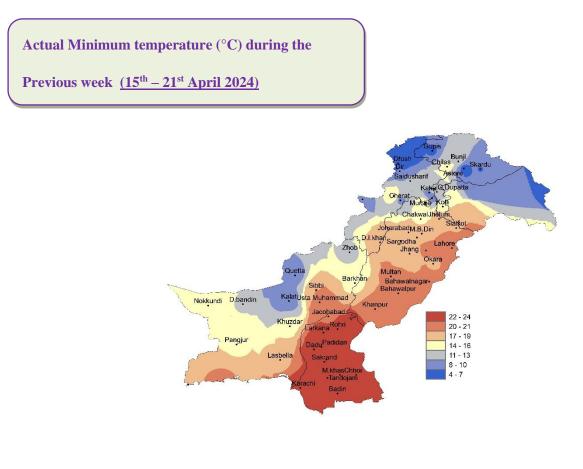
Previous week $(15^{th} - 21^{st} \text{ April 2024})$



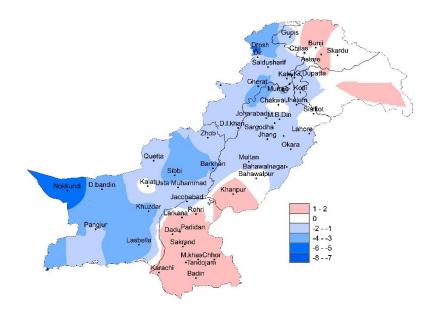
Actual & Departure of Mean temperature (°C) for the Previous week (15th – 21st April 2024)

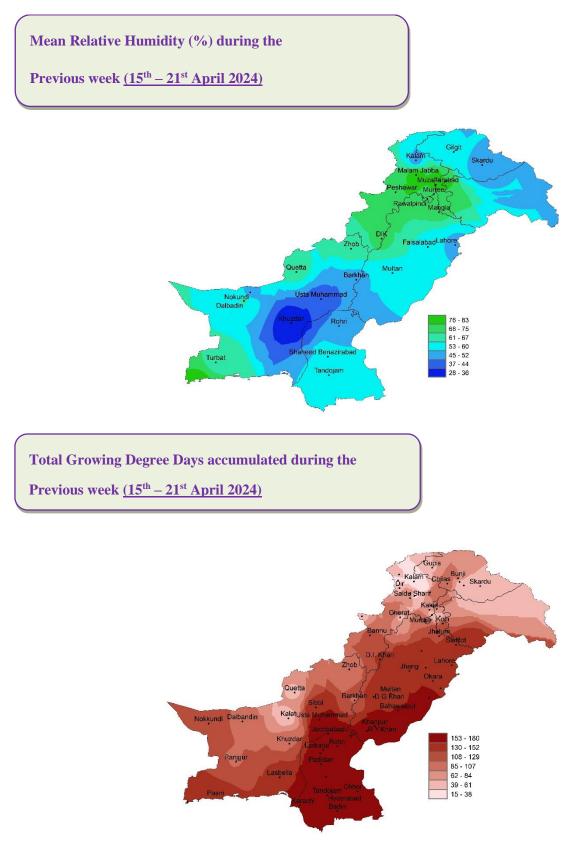


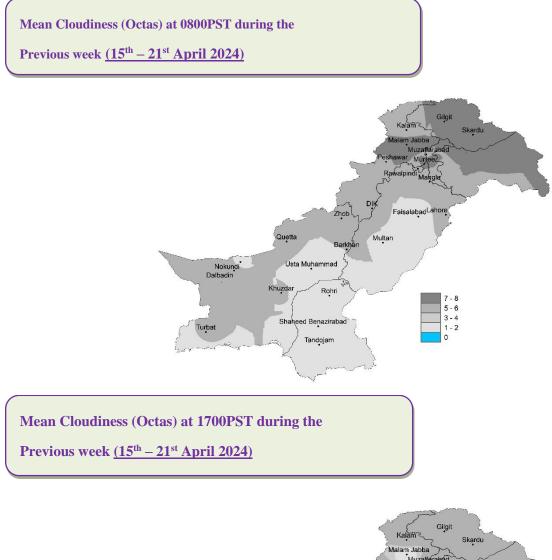
https://namc.pmd.gov.pk/agromet-bulletins.php

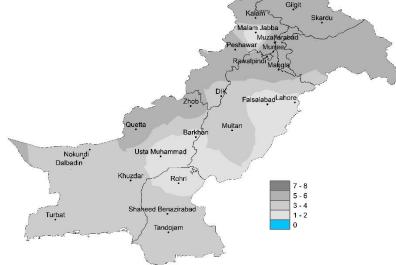


Departure of Minimum temperature (°C) during the Previous week ($15^{th} - 21^{st}$ April 2024)







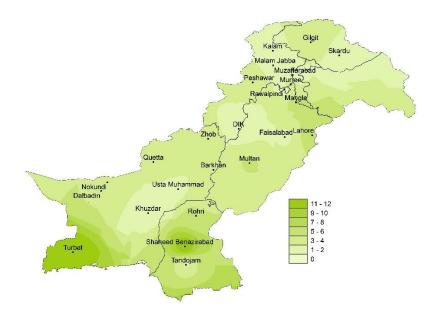




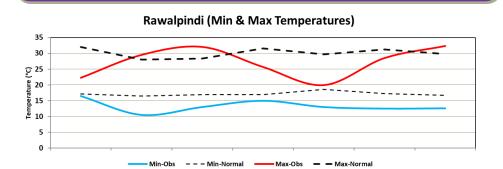
Gilgit KalamiR Skardu Jabba Muzaffarabad Rawalpindi Mangla DI FaisalabadLahore Zhob Quetta Multan Barkha Usta Muhammad Nokundi Dalbadin 11 - 12 9 - 10 7 - 8 5 - 6 3 - 4 1 - 2 Khuzdar Rohri Sha ed Benazirabad Turbat Tandojam

Mean Wind Speed (Knots) at 1700PST during the

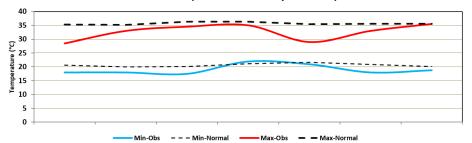
Previous week (15th – 21st April 2024)



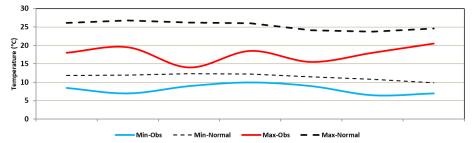
Comparison of temperatures for RAMCs (Minimum & Maximum with normal) during the previous week $(15^{th} - 21^{st} \text{ April 2024})$



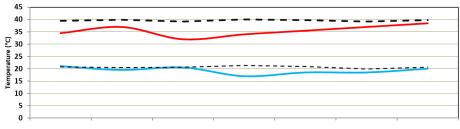
Faisalabad (Min & Max Temperatures)



Quetta (Min & Max Temperatures)

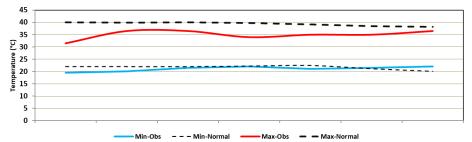


Usta Muhammad (Min & Max Temperatures)



Min-Obs – – – Min-Normal – Max-Obs – – Max-Normal

Tandojam (Min & Max Temperatures)



Weekly Weather Advisory for Farmers

<u>(22nd – 28th April 2024)</u>

A shallow westerly wave is affecting the upper parts. Another westerly wave is likely to approach western parts of the country on the 24th night.

MONDAY

22-04-2024

Mainly dry weather is expected in most parts of the country while hot in the southern parts. However, rain-wind/thunderstorms are likely in upper Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan, and adjoining hilly areas.

TUESDAY

23-04-2024

Mainly dry weather is expected in most parts of the country while hot in the southern parts. However, rain-wind/thunderstorms are likely in upper Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan and adjoining hilly areas.

WEDNESDAY

24-04-2024

Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country while partly cloudy in northern areas. However, rain-wind/thunderstorm is likely in western Balochistan.

THURSDAY

25-04-2024

Rain-wind/thunderstorms are likely in Balochistan, south Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, and south Punjab. Dust/thunderstorm-light rain is expected in upper Sindh. Hot and dry weather is expected in other parts of the country.

FRIDAY

26-04-2024

Rain-wind/thunderstorm (Isolated heavy falls) is expected in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Islamabad, Punjab, Balochistan, Gilgit-Baltistan, and Kashmir. Isolated hailstorms are also likely during this period. Snowfall is also likely over high mountains in northern areas. Dust/thunderstorm-light rain is expected in upper Sindh.

SATURDAY

27-04-2024

Rain-wind/thunderstorm (Isolated heavy falls) is expected in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Islamabad, Punjab, Balochistan, Gilgit-Baltistan, and Kashmir. Isolated hailstorms are also likely during this period. Snowfall is also likely over high mountains in northern areas.

SUNDAY 28-04-2024

Rain-wind/thunderstorm (Isolated heavy falls) is expected in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Islamabad, Punjab, Gilgit-Baltistan and Kashmir. Isolated hailstorms are also likely during this period. Snowfall is also likely over high mountains in northern areas.

ADVISORY FOR FARMERS

• The farmers may plan field activities according to the PMD weather forecast.

National Weather Data of Selected Cities from (15th – 21st April 2024)

Stations	Minimum/Day Time Temperature (°C)		Growing	Relative	Rainfall	Cloudiness (Oktas)	Cloudiness (Oktas)	Wind Speed	Wind Speed
	Mean	Lowest	Degree Days	Humidity (%)	(mm)	0800 PST	1700 PST	(Knots) 0800 PST	(Knots) 1700 PST
D.I. Khan	18.4	17.5	131.8	70.5	33.0	3.3	4.6	0.3	0.3
Faisalabad	19.0	17.5	145.9	56.5	0.0	1.7	3.0	0.5	1.6
Gawadar	21.4	21.0	143.0	79.8	95.7	2.9	2.9	2.6	10.3
Gilgit	11.4	8.0	88.0	54.4	12.0	6.0	6.0	0.3	3.7
Kalam	0.5	-3.5	15.1	45.7	62.8	6.0	5.0	0.0	1.3
Lahore	20.0	17.6	150.6	47.9	7.2	2.3	4.7	1.4	5.1
Malam Jabba	4.9	3.5	22.5	83.3	207.0	*	6.7	*	1.3
Mangla	16.9	14.2	128.3	67.9	13.9	4.2	4.9	1.3	4.9
Multan (PBO)	19.3	17.6	144.0	55.5	17.6	2.7	3.9	2.0	4.3
Murree	7.4	6.0	45.3	74.8	95.5	4.6	6.1	2.3	3.4
Muzaffarabad	12.8	12.2	86.0	77.2	91.6	5.0	5.7	0.0	0.0
Sh. Ben. Abad	22.3	20.5	173.8	52.8	0.0	3.6	3.7	4.3	11.1
Peshawar	15.6	14.0	108.4	74.4	102.0	4.7	5.7	1.1	3.4
Quetta	8.1	6.5	55.5	64.2	35.4	4.5	5.2	1.2	3.3
Rawalpindi	13.3	10.5	106.7	71.0	45.7	4.6	5.1	0.9	1.1
Rohri	22.9	22.0	166.5	47.5	0.0	1.9	2.4	1.4	4.0
Skardu	6.9	3.3	54.2	45.7	6.0	5.1	6.7	0.0	1.3
Tandojam	21.1	19.5	161.3	58.5	0.0	3.4	3.7	0.9	1.8
U.Muhammad	19.3	17.0	156.8	38.0	0.0	1.7	2.1	0.0	1.7
Zhob	22.0	21.0	150.8	62.3	25.7	4.3	5.3	1.3	3.3

*** Shows that data was not available.