



Twentieth Session of South Asian Climate Outlook Forum (SASCOF-20) and Climate Services User Forum (CSUF)

27th – 30th, September 2021
(to be held online due to CoViD-19 pandemic)

Local times to join the meeting

All times in agenda are indicated in Thailand Local Time, time zone conversions are to be indicated for all participant locations: (local time for start of meeting is provided below for all confirmed countries)

Afghanistan: - 2.30 hrs. (Start at 11:30 am)	Nepal: -1.15 (Start at 12:45 pm)
Bangladesh: -1.00 hrs. (Start at 1:00 pm)	Pakistan: -2.00 hrs. (Start at 12:00 pm)
Bhutan: (Start at 1:00 pm)	Switzerland: -5.00 hrs. (Start at 09:00 am)
India and Sri Lanka: - 1.30 hrs. (Start at 12:30 pm)	UK: -6.00 hrs. (Start at 8:00 am)
Japan: +2.00 hrs. (Start at 4:00 pm)	USA: Start at 2:00 am
Maldives: -2.00 hrs. (Start at 12:00 pm)	
Myanmar: -0.30 hrs. (Start at 1:30 pm)	

AGENDA

Day 1 (27th September 2021)

Thailand Time	Moderator for Day 1: Dr. Anshul Agarwal, RIMES	
14:00-14:50	Inaugural Session	
14:00	Welcome Remarks & Inaugural Keynote Address: Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, Director General of Meteorology, IMD	
14:20	Remarks: Ms. Anahit Hovsepyan, WMO	
14:25	Remarks: David Corbelli, UKMO	
14:30	Remarks: K.J. Ramesh, RIMES	
14:35	Vote of thanks: D. S. Pai, Head Climate Services, RCC, Pune	
14:40	Participants Introduction	

Session I	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for October to December (OND) Season: Country Perspectives (Country-level predictions for OND 2021 and/verification of 2020 forecast)	Moderator Dr. Satyaban B. Ratna, RCC, IMD
	Country representatives to share the presentations, by 26 th September, in required format along with one-line statement on seasonal outlook to be included in new SCOS. Combined presentation for all South Asian countries to be compiled by RCC Pune based on slides packs received from nominated participants. National representatives from respective country will present.	Presentation control with RCC Pune
14:50-15:00	Afghanistan	10 minutes each
15:00-15:10	Bangladesh	
15:10-15:20	Bhutan	
15:20-15:30	India	
15:30-15:40	Maldives	
15:40-15:50	Myanmar	
15:50-16:00	Nepal	
16:00-16:10	Pakistan	
16:10-16:20	Sri Lanka	
16:20-16:30	Discussion on Seasonal Forecast for Tropical Cyclone	
16:30-16:50	Discussion	
Session II	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for OND Season 2021: Global and Regional Perspectives	Session Chair Dr. A. K. Sahai, IITM, Pune
	GPC representatives to prepare a short presentation of 5 slides and share with organizing team by 25 th September.	
16:50-17:00	Dr. Takashi Yamada, TCC, JMA	
17:00-17:10	Dr. Hyun-Ju Lee, WMO LRFMME lead Center, KMA	
17:10-17:20	Dr. Satyaban B. Ratna, RCC, IMD, Pune	
17:20-17:30	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for OND Season 2021: Global and Regional Perspectives, Andrew Colman, UKMO	
17:30-17:40	Dr. Bohar Singh, IRI	
17:40-18:00	Open Discussion about Seasonal Forecast for OND Season 2021 over South Asia	

Day 2 (28th September 2021)

Moderator for Day 2: Dr. Satyaban, RCC, IMD		Session Chair
14:00	Preparation of Consensus Outlook for OND 2021 Season	Dr. Takuya Komori, JMA
14:00-14:15	Pre-Consensus outlook for OND Season 2021 Draft Presentation and Discussion (Dr. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune)	
14:15-15:00	Open Discussion	
Session III	Improvements and updates in seasonal forecast	Dr. D. S. Pai, RCC, Pune
15:00-15:15	Extended range forecast products for South Asia (D. R. Pattanaik)	
15:15-15:45	Tropical Cyclone Seasonal Forecast over NIO (Dr. Sabeer Ali, RCC, Pune)	
15:45-16:15	Skill Assessment Report (Kate Salmon, UKMO)	
16:15-16:45	The Latest SCOS Survey Results & Next Steps (Rebecca Parfitt, UKMO)	
16:45-1700	Open Discussion	

Agreement on the draft text of the consensus forecast to be shared by email by national representatives by end of the day

Day 3 (29th September 2021)**Finalizing the Consensus Statement and Communication through Emails**

Day 4 (30th September 2021)

**Climate Services User Sector Forum
(CSUF)**

Moderator for Day 4: Tamara Janes, UKMO		
Session IV	Interpreting Consensus Outlook for OND 2021 Season	
14:00-14:15	Presentation of SASCOF-20 Consensus Outlook (Dr. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune)	
14:15-14:30	Discussion on SASCOF-20 Outlook and Opportunity for questions by user sector representatives from countries and regional agencies.	
14:30-15:30	<p>With reference to JJAS 2021 Monsoon season how you were able to use the Seasonal Outlook (This session is intended to get feedback from specific users on how they were able to apply the seasonal outlooks in respective sectors. <i>All agencies mentioned below are tentative for discussion among organizing committee and open for suggestions</i>)</p> <p>Disaster Risk Reduction (Aye Zar Myo Han, UNICEF, Myanmar and Kareff Rafisura, UNDP, Myanmar) Agriculture (B.V.R. Punyawardena, DOA, Sri Lanka) Water Resources (Tayba Tamang, NCHM, Bhutan) Seasonal forecast application for Aquaculture (Dr. Nachiketa, ESMAD)</p>	
15:30-15:40	Break	
Session V	Climate Change Assessment Report and Impact on South Asia	
15:40- 16:00	Summary of Climate Assessment Report of South Asia (AR6) (Dr. Krishnan, CCCR, IITM, Pune)	
16:00- 16:20	Impact Outlook developed for South Asia region: experiences, challenges, and way forward (Sung Eun Kim & Sanjay Srivastava, UNESCAP)	
16:20- 16:30	Customized forecast messages shared with the end user's: Experiences from Bangladesh (Ms. Fardini Khandkar, RIMES, Bangladesh)	
16:30-16:50	Open Discussion	
17:00	Closing Remarks by Dr. D. S. Pai, RCC, IMD Close of SASCOF-20	