



Twenty-third Session of South Asian Climate Outlook Forum (SASCOF-23) and Climate Services User Forum (CSUF)

26th – 29th, September 2022

(to be held online due to CoViD-19 pandemic)

Local times to join the meeting

All times in agenda are indicated in **Indian standard Time (IST)**, 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: - 1.00 hrs. (Start at 11:30 am)	Nepal: -0.15 (Start at 12:45 pm)
Bangladesh: +0.30 hrs. (Start at 1:00 pm)	Pakistan: -0.30 hrs. (Start at 12:00 pm)
Bhutan: +0.30 hrs. (Start at 1:00 pm)	Thailand: +1.30 hrs. (Start at 14:00 pm)
India and Sri Lanka: 00 hrs. (Start at 12:30 pm)	Switzerland: -3.30 hrs. (Start at 09:00 am)
Japan: +3.30 hrs. (Start at 4:00 pm)	UK: -4.30 hrs. (Start at 8:00 am)
Maldives: -0.30 hrs. (Start at 12:00 pm)	USA: -10.30 hrs.(Start at 2:00 am)
Myanmar: +1.00 hrs. (Start at 1:30 pm)	

AGENDA

Day 1 (26th September 2022)

Indian Time	Moderator for Day 1: Dr. Anshul, RIMES	
12:30-13:20	Inaugural Session	
12:30	Welcome Remarks & Inaugural Address: Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, Director General of Meteorology, IMD	
12:50	Remarks:, Ms. Anahit Hovsepyan, WMO	
13:00	Remarks:, Dr. G. Srinivasan, RIMES	
13:05	Vote of thanks: K.S. Hosalikar, Head Climate Services, RCC, Pune	
13:10	Participants Introduction	

	Moderator: Dr. Satyaban Ratna, RCC, IMD	
Session I	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for October to December (OND) Season: Country Perspectives (Country-level predictions for OND 2022 and/verification of 2021 forecast)	Session Chair Dr. Hosaliker, IMD, Pune
	Country representatives to share the presentations, by 26th 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.	
13:20-13:30	Afghanistan	10 minutes each
13:30-13:40	Bangladesh	
13:40-13:50	Bhutan	
13:50-14:00	India	
14:00-14:10	Maldives	
14:10-14:20	Myanmar	
14:20-14:30	Nepal	
14:30-14:40	Pakistan	
14:40-14:50	Sri Lanka	
14:50-15:00	Discussion on Seasonal Forecast for Tropical Cyclone	
15:00-15:20	Discussion	
Session II	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for OND Season 2022: Global and Regional Perspectives	
	GPC representatives to prepare a short presentation of 5 slides and share with organizing team by 25th September.	
15:20-15:30	Dr.Takashi.yamada, TCC, JMA	
15:30-15:40	Dr. Hyun-Ju Lee,WMO LRFMME lead Center, KMA	
15:40-15:50	Dr. Satyaban B. Ratna, RCC, IMD, Pune	
15:50-16:00	Dr. Andrew Colman,UKMO	
16:00-16:10	Dr. Bohar Singh, IRI	
16:10-16:30	Open Discussion about Seasonal Forecast for OND Season 2022 over South Asia	

Day 2 (27th September 2022)

	Moderator for Day 2: Dr. Satyaban Ratna, RCC, IMD	
12:30	Preparation of Consensus Outlook for OND 2022 Season	Session Chair Dr. Pattanaik, IMD
12:30-12:45	Pre-Consensus outlook for OND Season 2022 Draft Presentation and Discussion (Dr. O. P. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune)	
12:45-13:30	Discussion on OND SASCOF outlook	
Session III	Improvements and updates in seasonal forecast	
13:30-13:50	Operational S2S products available from Global Centers for South Asia: Dr. Pattanaik	
13:50-14:10	Experimental Tropical Cyclone Seasonal Forecast over NIO (Dr. Sabeer Ali, RCC, Pune)	
14:10-14:30	Machine Learning based experimental probabilistic seasonal forecast for the Famine Early Warning Systems Network (FWWS NET) for the OND Season. Dr. Nachiketa, NOAA	
14:30-15:00	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 (28th September 2022)

Finalizing the Consensus Statement and Communication through Emails

Day 4 (29th September 2022)

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

Moderator for Day 4: Dr. Satyaban Ratna, RCC, IMD		
Session IV	Interpreting Consensus Outlook for OND 2022 Season	Session Chair Dr. Tamara James, UK Met Office
12:30-12:45	Presentation of SASCOF-23 Consensus Outlook (Dr. O. P. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune)	
12:45-13:05	. Application of seasonal outlook for flood forecasting and drought monitoring: current status and future requirements in South Asia (Ms. Upeakshika Bandara, RIMES)	
13:05-13:25	Research and development efforts to test the application of seasonal outlook and forecast products in Agriculture: experiences from pilot fields in Bangladesh (Mr. Asif Udin Bin Noor, RIMES)	
13:25-13:45	Climate Services Toolkit customization at national level: supporting interface for dissemination and application of sub-seasonal forecast products (Ms. Monju Shubha, NCHM, Bhutan)	
13:45-14:00	Presentation on 2022 Pakistan Flood (PMD, Pakistan)	
14:00-14:10	Break	
Session V	Application/New Products for Climate Service for South Asia	Session Chair Dr. Pulak Guhathakurta, RCC, Pune
14:10- 14:30	Use of Climate data in Understanding the Mosquito-Borne Disease Outbreaks (Dr. Rajib Chattopadhyay, RCC, Pune)	
14:30- 14:50	Impact Outlook developed for South Asia region: experiences, challenges, and way forward (Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, UNESCAP)	
14:50- 15:00	New Dashboard for Drought Monitoring for South Asia (Dr. Giriraj Amarnath, IWMI)	
15:00-15:20	Open Discussion: Discussion on SASCOF-23 Outlook and Opportunity for questions by user sector representatives from countries and regional agencies.	
15:30	Closing Remarks by K. S. Hosalikar, RCC, IMD Close of SASCOF-23	