



29th South Asian Climate Outlook Forum (SASCOF-29)

25-26 September 2024

Climate Services User Forum (CSUF)

3 October 2024

(to be held online)

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 12:30 pm)	Nepal: +00.15 hrs. (Start at 13:45 pm)
Bangladesh: +00.30 hrs. (Start at 14:00 pm)	Pakistan: -00.30 hrs. (Start at 13:00 pm)
Bhutan: +00.30 hrs. (Start at 14:00 pm)	Switzerland: -3.30 hrs. (Start at 10:00 am)
Sri Lanka: 00.00 hrs. (Start at 13.30 pm)	UK: -4.30 hrs. (Start at 09:00 am)
India: 00.00 hrs. (Start at 13.30 pm)	USA: -9.30 hrs. (Start at 04:00 am)
Maldives: -00.30 hrs. (Start at 13:00 pm)	Thailand: +1.30 hrs. (Start at 15.00 PM)
Myanmar: +01.00 hrs. (Start at 14:30 pm)	Japan: +3.30 hrs. (Start at 17:00 pm)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Day 1: 25th September 2024 (Wednesday)

13:30-14:30	INAUGURAL SESSION	
13:30	Welcome address by Head CRS, Pune: Mr. K.S. Hosalikar	
13:35	Address by WMO: Dr. Wilfran Okia	
13:40	Address by UKMO: Dr. Tamara Janes	
13:45	Address by RIMES: Dr. Anshul Agarwal	
13:50	Inaugural Address: Dr. M. Mohapatra, DGM IMD	
14:00	Vote of thanks, RCC, Pune: Dr. O.P. Sreejith	
14:05	Participants Introduction	
14:15	Group Photo online	
Session I	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for October to December (OND) Season: Country Perspectives (Country-level predictions for OND 2024 and/verification of OND 2023 forecast)	Moderator Ms. Arti Bandgar, RCC, IMD
	Country representatives to share the presentations by 23 rd September 2024, in required format along with one-line statement on seasonal outlook.	

	National representatives will present for specific countries.	
14:30-14:40	Afghanistan: Ms. Soma Popalzai	
14:40-14:50	Bangladesh: Mr. S. M. Quamrul Hassan	
14:50-15:00	Bhutan: Ms. Monju Subba	
15:00-15:10	India: Ms. Arti Bandgar	
15:10-15:20	Maldives: Ms. Azeema Ahmed	
15:20-15:30	Myanmar: Ms. Chaw Su Hlaing	
15:30-15:40	Nepal: Mr. Sudarshan Humagain	
15:40-15:50	Pakistan: Dr. Muhammad Afzaal	
15.50-16.00	Sri Lanka: Ms. Anusha Warnasooriya	
16:00-16:15	Health Break	
Session II	Seasonal Prediction of South Asia for OND Season 2024: Global and Regional Perspectives	Session Chair Dr. D. S. Pai, IMD
	GPC representatives are to prepare a short presentation of 5 slides and share it with the organizing team by 23 rd Sept.	
16:15-16:25	TCC JMA: Mr. Hitoshi Sato	
16:25-16:35	WMO Lead Center KMA: Dr. Hyun Ju Lee	
16:35-16:45	UK Met Office: Dr. Andrew Colman	
16:45-16:55	IRI: Dr. Azhar Ehsan	
16:55-17:05	RCC, IMD: Dr. Satyaban B. Ratna	
17:05-17:15	Pre-Consensus Presentation RCC, IMD, Pune	
17.15-17:30	Agreement/ final remarks on the draft text of the consensus forecast OND 2024 are to be discussed or shared by email by national representatives by the end of the day	

Day 2: 26th September 2024 (Thursday)

Moderator for Day 2: Arti Bandgar, RCC, Pune		
Session III	Preparation of Consensus Outlook for OND 2024 Season	Session Chair: Dr. Rupakumar Kolli, IITM
13:30-13:45	Pre-Consensus outlook for OND Season 2024 Draft Presentation and Discussion (Dr. O. P. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune)	
13:45-14:30	Discussion on OND SASCOF outlook	
Session IV	Improvements and Updates in Seasonal Forecast	Session Chair: Dr. Rupakumar Kolli, IITM
14:30-14:50	Pacific Decadal Oscillation Causes Fewer Near-Equatorial Cyclones in the North Indian Ocean, Dr. Shinto Roos, Mc Gill University, Canada	
14:50-15:10	Tropical Cyclone Seasonal forecast product TCC, Mr. Uesawa/ Mr. Takahashi, TCC	

15:10-15:30	Experimental Seasonal Forecast for Tropical Cyclones over North Indian Ocean, Dr. Sabeerali C.T., RCC, IMD
15:30-15:40	Health Break
15:40-16:00	NCMRWF Extended Range Seasonal Forecast, Dr. Akhilesh Mishra, NCMRWF
16:00-16:20	Extended Range Forecast Products for South Asia, Dr. C. J. Johny, IMD
16:20-16:40	Extended Range Forecast Products from IITM, Dr. Sushmita Joseph, IITM
16:40-17:00	Open discussion / End of SASCOF26 Day 2
Agreement on the draft text of the consensus forecast to be shared by email by national representatives by end of the day	

Finalizing the consensus Statement and Communication through Emails

Day 3: 3rd October 2024 (Thursday)

Climate Services User Forum for Various Sectors

Moderator for Day 3: Dr. Anshul Agarwal, RIMES		
Session III	Interpreting Consensus Outlook for OND 2024 Season	Session Chair: Dr. A. K. Sahai, IITM
13:30-13:45	Presentation of SASCOF-29 Consensus Outlook, Dr. O. P. Sreejith, RCC, IMD, Pune	
13:45-14:00	UNESCAP – Impact Outlook of SASCOF29 outlook, Dr. Sanjay Srivastava	
14:00-14:15	Presentation on Agriculture Sector, Dr. Erkin Isaev, FAO	
14:15-14:30	Local Flood Guidance using IMD's Monitoring & Forecast System, Dr. Rajib Chattopadhyay, RCC, IMD	
14:30-14:45	Climate Information for Managing Climate Impacts on Food Security and Nutrition, Dr. Jothi Ganesh Shanmuga Sundaram, WFP	
14:45-15:00	Health Break	
Session IV	Application of Climate Service Products for Health Sector for Climate Service for South Asia	Session Chair: Dr. Pulak Guhathakurta, IMD
15:00-15:15	New Initiative of Development of Outlook for Health South Asia, Dr. Novil Wijesekara, WHO-SEARO	
15:15-15:30	The Climate Service product for the health sector (India Region), Dr. Ananya Karmakar, RCC, Pune	
15:30-15:45	Climate-related health risks through integrated early warning systems for Nepal, Dr. Raja Ram Pote Shrestha, WHO Country Office, Nepal	
15:45-16:15	Open discussion on SASCOF/CSUF session	
16:15-16:30	Closing Remarks by Mr. K. S. Hosalikar, RCC, IMD	
Close of SASCOF-29		

End of CSUF SASCOF29