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# Jayalalithaa raises dam issue with Modi

## "Kerala govt. trying to subvert SC order"

Special Correspondent

**CHENNAI:** Chief Minister Jayalalithaa has sought the Centre's intervention to restrain Kerala from proceeding with an environment impact assessment for the construction of a new Mullaperiyar dam in Idukki district of Kerala.

Observing that the move was in utter violation of the Constitution Bench Order of the Supreme Court which held that the dam was "structurally, hydrologically and seismically safe", Ms. Jayalalithaa said Kerala was "seeking to subvert the Order by stealth."

"When finality has been reached on the dam issue, the Kerala government is trying to subvert the Supreme Court order by seeking approval of the terms of reference to conduct an EIA for the construction of a new dam," Ms. Jayalalithaa said in a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday.



*Chief Minister Jayalalithaa at a meeting early this week at the Secretariat on Mullaperiyar dam issue.*

In response to media reports claiming Kerala had obtained permission for the environment impact assessment, the Ministry of Environment and Forests on June 4 in a press release denied that approval was granted for the EIA.

Noting that the Government

of India should have desisted from entertaining and considering Kerala's proposal and "ought to have remitted the proposal back to the Government of Kerala", Ms. Jayalalithaa said she looked forward to Mr. Modi's "immediate positive response in this matter."

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**BALWINDER KUMAR, DDA VICE-CHIEF**



**'Optimum use is the way forward to solve Delhi's water crisis, zero discharge will also be our focus'**

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**NEW DELHI:** The Delhi Development Authority's vice-chairman shares how he plans to tackle water shortage in colonies under his jurisdiction and new projects. Except...

**In its new colonies, DDA is looking at a new model. What is your primary focus?**

In our new projects, like in the transit-oriented development project, the focus is on zero discharge. We have already announced two such projects, one in Karkardooma and one near Sanjay Lake. We are planning a third in Dwarka. No water will be wasted and all the water, till the last drop, will be reused. The situation that Delhi is in right now, recycling water is the way forward and this is what we are looking at in all our future projects.

**Experts have raised concerns about the impact the land pooling policy on water availability and the water table.**

Under the land pooling policy, all water infrastructure will be developed by DDA and water pipelines will be constructed in a manner that will facilitate reuse. The two biggest problems in Delhi are parking and water. We have a plan and the know-how to tackle the first. When it comes to water, we have to understand it is a finite source and we can't make more. We are looking at using water from the main drains in the city, like the Najafgarh Drain. We want to treat that water. We will appoint a consultant who will help plan the logistics of water supply and treatment.

**Water availability is a problem in DDA colonies in Dwarka and Vasant Kunj. What is the situation in new colonies?**

Issues in these areas do exist and we can't deny that. In the newer colonies, we have provided proper water pipelines and related infrastructure. Better plans are being laid out for new housing projects.

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# Need of the hour: Reuse, recycle

**WAY OUT** The Delhi Development Authority's new-age housing scheme promises to be a zero-discharge project where every drop will be reused

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**NEW DELHI:** The Delhi Development Authority's (DDA) proposed new-age housing scheme in east Delhi's Karkardooma, among other things, is expected to be a game-changer as far as the use of water is concerned.

The transit-oriented development project promises to be a zero discharge area where water will be reused and recycled and sewerage treated. DDA has also promised it won't need more water than what the Delhi Jal Board (DJB) already supplies in the area.

In March this year, when the DDA announced the project, it caught the attention of many — those who were looking forward to it and those who were wary

of it. It aims at adding 4,500 homes to the city's housing network all the while minimising the need to travel as commercial space and residential space will coexist.

Skeptics — most of them working in the field of environment — have warned that the project will add to the city's ever-increasing load.

But DDA officials defend it.

"A project of this kind has not been envisioned in the city so far. We have planned meticulously to conserve, reuse and recycle water and are sure there will be no shortage. All will this be done with-

THE WHOLE OF DELHI WILL HAVE TO UNDERTAKE OPTIMUM UTILISATION OF WATER. EVERY CITIZEN WILL HAVE TO UNDERTAKE THIS RESPONSIBILITY. BUT THE ONE THING THAT IS GOING TO HELP US MOST IS TREATING AND RECYCLING USED WATER.

BALWINDER SINGH, DDA vice-chairman

out extracting any groundwater at all," DDA vice chairperson Balwinder Kumar had said at the launch.

In the past, however, DDA has not been as careful. Huge housing colonies came on large swathes of land in Dwarka without taking into consideration the associated water demand. A similar story was repeated in Vasant Kunj.

The result: residents in these areas drill into the land to find water. These illegal bore wells — along with thousands of others that serve the unauthorised colonies in the city — are among the primary reasons for the fast falling water table in the city.

Critics, however, say that TOD projects are just unnecessary burden on the city's

overstretched resources.

"We need to plan such projects in NCR and not within the city. There is a very real need to decongest the city but we keep adding more and more people to it. The land pooling policy will create a similar problem," said water activist Diwan Singh.

Balwinder Kumar, however, believes the idea of decongestion is flawed.

"These projects are needed to take on illegal and unauthorised colonies. If we don't start any housing projects in the city in an effort to decongest it, illegal housing, which will extract ground water and hurt the system more, will come up," he says.

There are currently over 20 lakh households in the city that are not supplied water by the DJB pipelines. While some receive water from tankers, others extract groundwater to meet their daily demand.

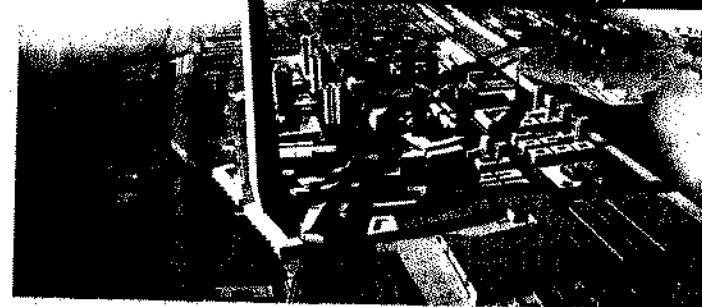
The Delhi Jal Board has said its long term priority is to lay water pipelines to connect every home. While some projects have already been sanctioned, a very big part of Delhi still remains unconnected to any water network. These dark spots are a problem for residents as well as the city's water situation.

"The dual piping system, where treated non-drinking water can be used for non-drinking purposes will be a good step. Water wastage is also very high in the city and that needs to be plugged by changing old pipelines," says Singh.

## SAVING WATER

Water recycling is a key feature of the Karkardooma new-age housing project

An artist's impression of the project



## HOW THEY PLAN TO DO IT



Recycle



Reuse



Reduce usage



Plants that use less water



Water retention ponds in park



No ground water extraction allowed

- Parks in the project will be used as water retention ponds in monsoon and will be cleaned regularly
- Use of recycled water for non-potable uses like flushing, cooling, car-washing, irrigation
- Efficient fixtures like dual flush, low-flow fixtures
- Native and drought resistant species used for landscaping in all public areas
- Potable per-capita requirement: (135 lpcd for domestic and 20 lpcd for non-domestic).
- Reuse 60% of water supplied
- DDA to make do with 2.7 MLD of 'water budget' available and cater to a population of around 50,000

\*MLD: MILLION LITRES DAILY; LPCD: LITRES PER CAPITA PER DAY

### NEXT WEEK

Plugging leakages and water loss at existing production plants

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# Haryana to keep Yamuna flow steady

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**New Delhi:** The Yamuna's condition may improve soon, but only slightly. The National Green Tribunal on Thursday directed the Haryana government to maintain a flow of at least 10 cumecs of water at Hathnikund barrage, in compliance with an earlier Supreme Court order.

Based on a committee's recommendations, the apex court in 1998 had ordered that 10 cumecs of water be released into the river all round the year. But the river's needs are so much more.

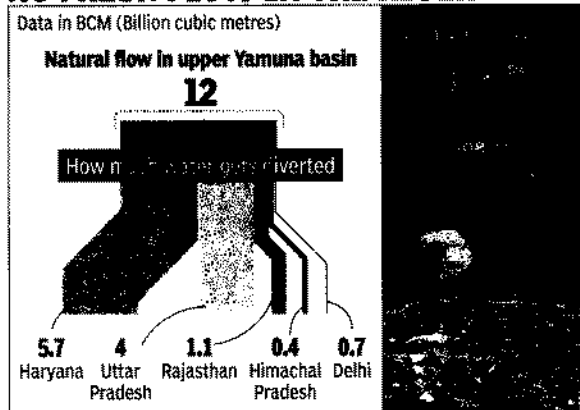
A principal committee appointed by NGT has recommended that the Yamuna requires 2,000-2,500 cusecs to

maintain ecological flow.

Since Haryana controls the water that flows at Hathnikund, it will now have to ration other needs—drinking water, irrigation, requirements for industries and other infrastructure—and ensure that a minimum of 10 cumecs supply is maintained. As of now, hardly anything is being left for the river.

"Haryana was releasing only about 160 cusecs but now it will have to release 10 cumecs or 360 cusecs. Ten cumecs is actually a nominal amount. It may only meet needs up to Panipat," said Manoj Misra, petitioner. Misra is, however, relieved that the first step has been taken; now the bench headed by NGT chairperson Swatanter Ku-

## NO FRESH FLOW IN THE RIVER



mar has directed a principal committee headed by Shashi Shekhar who is also the secretary, ministry of water resources, to hold a meeting on

June 22 in which several measures including waste water reuse, rainwater harvesting, efficiency in irrigation and rationing water needs for

agriculture will be discussed.

While the rationing will have to be done by the Haryana government, representatives of Uttarakhand and Rajasthan governments were present and consulted. The direction will come at a cost as all the states will have to revisit the allotments they had made for various anthropogenic needs.

Meanwhile, Delhi Pollution Control Committee and Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation have informed that 1,200 industries have been issued notices for not discharging effluents into the conveyor belt for treatment. The bench has warned that they will be shut down within a week if they don't comply.

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# Farmers, Irrigation Dept in conflict over water cess

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**MUKTSAR, JUNE 11**

Already facing a crop failure-like situation during almost every kharif season due to massive rain and faulty drainage system, a majority of farmers in waterlogging-affected Muktsar and Fazilka districts are likely to face another major trouble this paddy season.

The Irrigation Department has decided to shut the water inlets to their fields from

## Warning to farmers

- Only ₹78 lakh (20%) of the ₹3.7 crore target collected in Muktsar and Fazilka districts
- The Irrigation Department has decided to shut the water inlets to the fields of defaulting farmers from Monday

Monday due to non-payment of water cess, which was due on May 31. As per the information available, the department has collected just Rs 78 lakh as water cess in these two districts against the actual

target of Rs 3.7 crore – about 20 per cent of the target.

To warn the farmers, the Irrigation Department had even decreased the water level in some minor distributaries this Monday. After the



requests by farmers that they would pay the cess in a week's time, the water was again restored to its original level in these distributaries.

However, on seeing the situation remaining almost unchanged during this grace period, the department has decided to close from Monday the water inlets to the fields of all farmers who have failed to pay water cess.

The farmers have to pay water cess at the rate of Rs 50 per acre per crop season. This

amount would be deposited in the account of a society formed at the executive engineer level and spent on works like cleaning and de-silting work of canals.

Besides, the repair work of canals in case of any exigency like breach will also be done with this fund.

RK Gupta, Executive Engineer, Irrigation Department, said, "As we have achieved just 20 per cent of the total water cess collection in Muktsar and Fazilka districts, we

have appealed to the farmers to pay it or the water inlets will be closed from Monday."

The farmers' unions have been opposing this proposed move. Puran Singh Doda, district president, Bharatiya Kisan Union, said, "Our stand is clear that we will not pay water cess to the state government. We will take up this issue in the state committee meeting to decide the future course of action in case the department closes the water inlets."

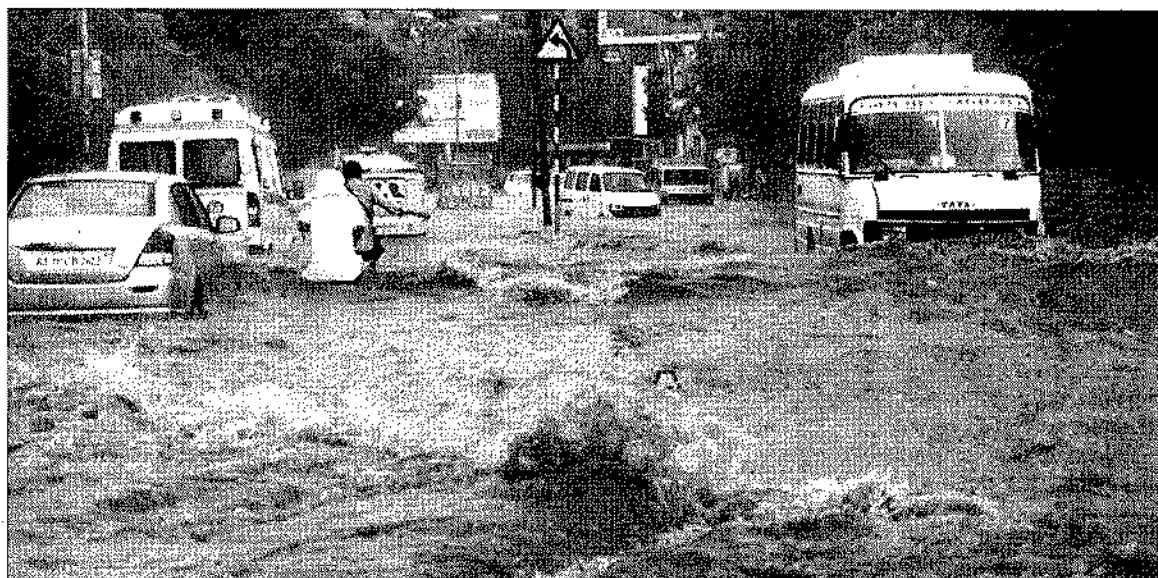
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**PRE-MONSOON SHOWERS:** Vehicles wade through a flooded road in Jodhpur on Thursday. PTI

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# Assam overflows, Arunachal

Road links snapped in 8 Arunachal districts, essential supplies hit

**SAMUDRAGUPTA KASHYAP**  
GUWAHATI, JUNE 11

RAINS IN the Eastern Himalayas and the Assam valley over the past one week have cut Arunachal Pradesh off the rest of the country and left the Brahmaputra and its tributaries flowing above the danger mark in several parts of Assam. More rains are forecast over the next few days.

Road links have been snapped in eight districts of Arunachal, leaving several administrative circles faced with a shortage of essential items including foodgrains.

"Though it is only the beginning of the monsoon, the situation is already very bad. Most of the border townships and circle headquarters in Longding, Tirap, Changlang, Anjaw, Dibang Valley, Upper Siang, West Siang and Upper Subansiri districts have been cut off by landslides," said Bamang Felix, government spokesperson.

Itanagar, the capital, has been almost totally cut off. "The main National Highway connecting Itanagar to Bardarawa (Assam) has been blocked at Karsinga for nearly a week. The alternative road to Gohpur too has been snapped at several points. Itanagar is now connected only through a village road to Assam," Felix said.

At least three persons have been killed by landslides in Itanagar, not far from the chief minister's home. Rains have led to such landslides in many localities and families have been shifted. "Water supply lines have been snapped and electric poles uprooted in many localities," Felix said. Schools and colleges in Itanagar and Naharlagun have been shut until Monday.

In Anjaw, one of 10 districts that share a boundary with China, deputy commissioner Nyabin Ete said, "We are in a helpless situation. A bridge has been washed away between Hawaii and Wallong, cutting off two vital Army positions at Wallong and Kibithu (near the border)." Ete said he trekked several kilometres on Thursday to return to Hayuliang after he was stuck on the road.

In Upper Siang, through which the river Tsangpo enters India to become the Brahmaputra, five of the eight administrative circles are cut off. "Luckily, we had stocked enough foodgrains before the rains began," DC Remo Kamki said.

In Tirap, landslides have cut off Lajin, an

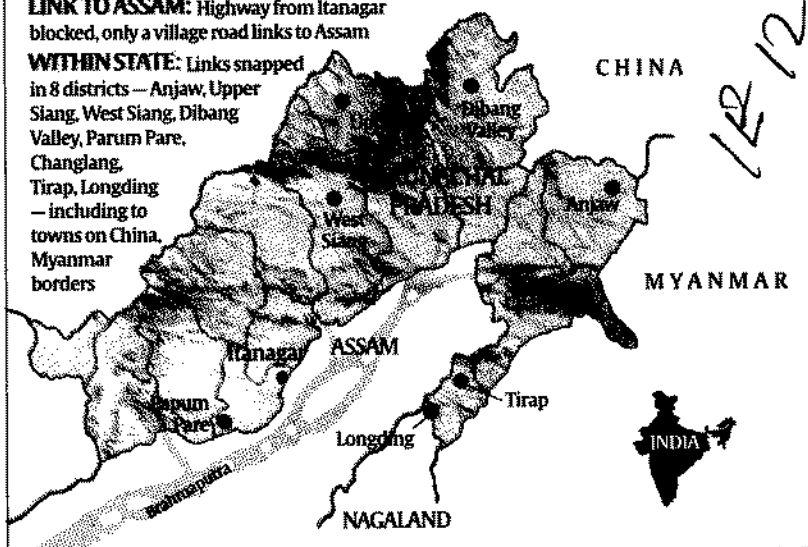


On the way to school in Balimukh village of Morigaon district in Assam on Thursday, June 12.

## WHAT'S BEEN SNAPPED IN BORDER STATE

**LINK TO ASSAM:** Highway from Itanagar blocked, only a village road links to Assam

**WITHIN STATE:** Links snapped in 8 districts — Anjaw, Upper Siang, West Siang, Dibang Valley, Parum Pare, Changlang, Tirap, Longding — including to towns on China, Myanmar borders



administrative circle on the Myanmar border for more than 10 days. "The Border Roads Task Force had only a month ago cleared a major landslide between Khonsa and Laju. Last week, another landslide almost wiped out the road near Puntong village. This has also disrupted movement of troops to the

border areas where operations are on against the NSCN-IM," said an official in Tirap.

The situation has improved slightly in East Siang during the past two days with road links restored, said DC Nidhi Srivastava, but "electricity to many places remains suspended as landslides have uprooted poles".

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### नेपाल में बारिश से भूस्खलन, 47 मरे

काठमांडू @ पत्रिका. भूकंप के बाद नेपाल में बुधवार रात पूर्वोत्तर के पहाड़ी इलाकों के भारी बारिश के चलते भूस्खलन हो गया। इसमें ताप्लेजंग जिले के छह गांव दब गए। भूस्खलन की चपेट में आने से 47 लोगों की मौत हो गई है। घटना के वक्त लोग घरों में सो रहे थे। 10 लोग घायल हैं। एक दर्जन लापता हैं।



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## आषाढ़ में जमकर बरसे बदरा



जोधपुर में गुरुवार को तेज बरसात के बीच कलक्ट्रेट रोड पर गजरते वाहन।

अब सागरीय नमी व स्थानीय मौसमी कारकों से बने बादलों ने गुरुवार को प्रदेश भर में राहत बरसाई। गुरुवार को अधिकतर इलाकों में बारिश हुई। कुछ जगह बुधवार रात से ही बरसात शुरू हो गई थी। इससे गर्मी और लू से राहत मिली है। वहीं उमस बढ़ी तो कुछ जगह मौसम सुहावना हो गया। जोधपुर में एक घंटे बारिश हुई तो साथ में 30 किमी प्रति घंटे की रफ्तार से हवा भी चली। जोधपुर में 14.4 व भीलवाड़ा में 13 मिमी पानी बरसा। जयपुर, अलवर, भरतपुर, पाली, सिरोंही में अच्छी बारिश तो जालोर में बूढ़ाबांड़ी हुई। -पत्रिका-12-6-15

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## प्रदेश में आंधी-तूफान के साथ बारिश

मात्रिका - 12-6-15

**बिजली गिरने से 1 की मौत, दो गम्भीर**

जुन्नरदेव/उन्नीस. जनपद पंचायत जुन्नरदेव की ग्राम बुर्गिला में गुरुवार को आकस्मिक बिजली गिरने से मजदूर महेश भलावी की घटनास्थल पर ही मौत हो गई। दो मजदूर बैसाख भलावी एवं राजू पद्मन गम्भीर रूप से झूलस गए।

**स्तलाम : 24 घंटों में 10.9 मिमी**

स्तलाम, प्री-मानसून की दस्तक के साथ पहली बारिश से शहर सहित अंचल तरबतर हो गया। सुबह 8 बजे के पूर्व चौबीस घंटों के दौरान जिले में 10.9 मिमी औसत वर्षा दर्ज की गई।

**निमाड़ : कहीं राहत तो कहीं आफत**

खंडवा, निमाड़ के खंडवा समेत खरगोन और बुरहानपुर और बड़वानी में तेज हवाओं के साथ बारिश हुई और इससे तबाही मची। वृक्ष और घर पराखरी हुए, निमाड़ में सबसे अधिक 90 मिमी बारिश खंडवा शहर में दर्ज की

छिं दवाड़ा, आंधी-तूफान के साथ गुरुवार दोपहर हुई जोरदार बारिश ने जमकर कहर बरपाया। कई जगह पेड़ गिरने से मार्ग अवरुद्ध हो गए। छिंदवाड़ा के शक्तिनगर, चंदनगांव में झुग्गी-झोपड़ी के छप्पर उड़ गए। उमरेठ के छात्रकीय स्कूल में बिजली गिरने से कंप्यूटरों में आग लग गई। ग्राम को मौसम साफ हुआ तो वहीं रात में एक बार फिर बृदम्बादी हुई। गुरुवार सुबह तेज धूप निकली। दोपहर बारह बजे के बाद बादल घिरते चले गए और डेढ़ बजे तक काली घटाओं के पीछे सूरज दक गया। इसके बाद तेज आंधी के साथ मूसलाधार बारिश का सिलसिला शुरू हुआ। जोरदार बारिश से दिन में ही अंधेरा छा

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# सौराष्ट्र में बारिश से उफने नदी-नाले

पत्रिका-12-6-15

**बिजली गिरने से दो  
जनों की मौत**

**किसान लगे बुआई की  
व्यवस्था में**

**तापमान पिछले सप्ताह की  
तुलना में काफी कम रहा**

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प्रदेश के सौराष्ट्र के अधिकांश भागों  
में बुधवार रात और गुरुवार को बारिश  
होने से कई जगहों पर नदी नाले

उफनने के समाचार हैं। वहीं बारिश  
के बीच बिजली गिरने से अमरेली  
और बोटाद में एक-एक जने की मौत  
हो गई। कई जगहों पर जोरदार बारिश  
होने से किसानों ने बुआई की व्यवस्था  
शुरू की है।

बुधवार रात से गुरुवार को  
सौराष्ट्र के अलावा वडोदरा, छोटा  
उदेपुर, समेत सावरकुंडला एवं दक्षिण  
गुजरात के सूरत व अन्य भागों में  
बारिश रही। अमरेली में साढ़े तीन इंच  
तक बारिश होने की खबर है जिससे  
जिले के कई भागों में नदी नालों में  
उफान आ गया। मौसम विभाग ने  
संभावना जताई है कि सोमवार (15

जून) तक दक्षिण गुजरात क्षेत्र के  
अलावा सौराष्ट्र एवं दीव, दमन और  
दादरानगर हवेली क्षेत्र में हल्की से  
मध्यम बारिश के बीच तेज हवाएं  
चल सकती हैं। उत्तर-मध्य गुजरात  
एवं कच्छ में भी गर्जना के साथ  
बूदाबादी के आसार हैं। बादलों के  
बीच राज्य के अहमदाबाद समेत  
तमाम जगहों पर तापमान में काफी  
कमी आई है। हालांकि उमस भरी  
गर्मी जारी रही। अहमदाबाद शहर में  
गुरुवार को अधिकतम तापमान  
37.5 डिग्री सेन्टीग्रेड रहा। अन्य  
जगहों पर भी तापमान पिछले सप्ताह  
की तुलना में काफी कम रहा है।

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## दि-12-6-15 आसमान में छाए रहेंगे बादल, चलेंगी तेज हवाएं

**नई दिल्ली | प्रमुख संवाददाता**

मौसम विभाग के अनुसार शुक्रवार को राजधानी में बादल छाए रहेंगे। वहीं धूल भरी आंधी भी दर्ज किए जाने की संभावना है। कुछ इलाकों में बूदाबांदी भी दर्ज की जा सकती है। अधिकतम तापमान 42 डिग्री सेल्सियस व न्यूनतम तापमान 29 डिग्री सेल्सियस के करीब रह सकता है। दिल्ली में गुरुवार को अधिकतम

तापमान 41.3 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। यह सामान्य से दो डिग्री सेल्सियस अधिक है। वहीं न्यूनतम तापमान 29.6 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। यह सामान्य से दो डिग्री सेल्सियस अधिक है। हवा में आर्द्रता का अधिकतम स्तर 54 प्रतिशत दर्ज किया गया। यह बुधवार से चार प्रतिशत अधिक है। पालम में अधिकतम तापमान 43.1 डिग्री सेल्सियस रहा।

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