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Salient Agromet Advisories

As per the weather forecast received from the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD), weather may remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country and moderate to thick fog may occur over northwestern part and light to moderate fog may occur at places elsewhere over the country during late night till morning. Night temperature may fall by (1-3) ° C and day temperature may fall slightly over the country. As per the medium range quantitative district level weather forecast issued by BMD, dry condition will prevail over the country for next five days. Besides, there was no rainfall during extended period in this month. As a result, it is advised to apply irrigation, pesticides and fertilizers and intercultural operation in all the districts in the country. Under foggy condition, monitor the standing crops for incidence and spread of pest & diseases and monitor tomato and potato crops for early blight disease. If symptoms are noticed, undertake plant protection measures. In some districts, minimum temperature is below 15 degree Centigrade and may decrease further during next five days, thus proper care should be taken to reduce the impacts of cold temperature on livestock and poultry.

Considering the realized weather along with weather forecast, and state and stage of the crops, agromet advisories are issued for different districts separately. Following are the salient agromet advisories for the districts where dry condition prevailed during last four days & dry condition will also likely during next five days. Salient Agromet Advisories for livestock, poultry and fishery are also mentioned.

Agromet Advisories

General Advisories

Night temperature may fall by (1-3)° C and day temperature may fall slightly over the country. Moderate to thick fog may occur over during late night till morning. Under this circumstance, monitor the standing crops for incidence and spread of pest & diseases If symptoms are noticed, undertake plant protection measures. Special care should be taken to protect the livestock, poultry, fishes from the cold as there is a chance fall of temperature during next five days.

Aman Paddy

Complete harvesting the rest of the fully matured crop immediately and sundry the harvested paddy and carry out threshing and store it in safe place.

Vegetables

- As there was no rainfall relatively for extended period and there is no chance of rainfall for next five days, apply adequate irrigation to moist the soil in the vegetable field.
- Complete transplanting of brinjal, tomato, chilli, late sown cauliflower and cabbage.
- To control leaf curl disease in tamato, spray Rogor @ 1 ml per litre of water to control the leaf curl disease in tomato crop which is transmitted by an insect vector.
- Since there is no possibility of getting rainfall in the coming 5 days spray Captan 50 WP 0.2% (@ 2 g/lit. of water) to control Fruit rot or anthracnose disease in the chilli crops.
- In case of cold conditions, there may be infestation of yellow vein mosaic in okra. Farmers are advised to go for spraying of systemic fungicides.
- Protect young plants from low temperature. Remove the stock sprout, suckers and water sprout from budded/grafted vegetable plants.

- Monitor the standing crops for incidence and spread of pest & diseases and monitor tomato and potato crops for early blight disease. If symptoms are noticed, undertake plant protection measures.

Boro Paddy:

- Continue seedbed preparation with assured irrigation.
- Remove the dew deposited in the morning hours on seedlings.
- Apply light irrigation as there was no rainfall during past few weeks and there is no chance of rainfall during next five days.
- If the seedbed becomes yellow, apply urea at the rate of 283 gm urea per decimal.
- Arrangement for polythene may be made as this may be required to cover the seedbed during sudden drop in temperature during this season.

Wheat

- Those who have not sown the crop, it is advised to immediately sow the crop with the recommended varieties under favourable temperature conditions. Sowing should be preferably completed by mid-December and before significant drop in temperature which will hinder germination of seeds.
- It is advised to give first & light irrigation to wheat crops which are already 17-21 days as there was no rainfall and also there is no chance of rainfall next one week. Do not allow standing water in the field as this will turn the green leaf to yellow in colour and also may damage the seedlings
- Besides during day time when the soil is in moist condition, it is advised to apply 300-400 gm Urea per decimal to the 17-21old crop as there is no chance of rainfall and wind will be calm for next seven days.
- Farmers are advised to do intercultural operations for conserving the moisture and removing weeds within 25-30 days after sowing.
- Monitor the incidences of blast disease periodically as there is chance of the disease due to likely incidence of moderate to thick/light to moderate fog over the district during late night till morning. If noticed, apply Navio 75 WG 6 gm/decimal to control the disease.

Mustard:

- Complete sowing of mustard
- It is advised to see the presence of required soil moisture which help in germination of seeds. If there is less moisture during sowing, apply light irrigation after 10-15 days after sowing.
- As there was no rainfall and there is no chance of rainfall during next few days, first irrigation should be given after 20-25 days after sowing.
- Farmers are advised to do intercultural operations thinning and weeding in timely sown after 15-20 days of sowing for conserving the moisture and removing weeds in mustard crop.
- Due to possibility of dry weather farmers are advised to do thinning to maintain proper plant count in timely sown mustard crop.
- Regularly check the mustard crop for pest population. Monitor the crop against attack of leaf eating caterpillars.

- Monitor the crop against attack of painted bug.
- Occurrence of saw fly may be seen in the mustard crops. To control this pest spray Chlorpyrifos 20 EC @ 5 ml/litre of water on fair weather.
- Alternaria blight may infect the mustard plant under the present weather condition. It is advised to spray Rovral-5- WP @ 2% (mix 2gm in 1 litre water) three to four times at an interval of 10-12days.

Maize:

- Complete sowing
- As there was no rainfall and there is no chance of rainfall during next few day, apply first irrigation after 15-20 days plant. Second irrigation should be given after 30-35 days.
- Remove extra seedlings after 30 days of sowing of seeds.
- Remove the weeds upto one month after sowing of seeds.

Lentil

- Continue sowing of seeds.
- Apply light irrigation
- Intercultural operation i.e. weeding should be done once within 30-35 days after sowing of seeds.
- There is chance of incidence of Stemphylium blight under the present weather condition. If noticed, spray Rovral 50 WP or Phalitur 250 EC or mix both the fungicides and mix with water @ 2% three to four times after 7 days interval under light sunny condition in the morning hours between 9-10 am.

Potato

- Apply light irrigation as there was no rainfall during past few weeks and there is no chance of rainfall during next five days. In potato field, three irrigations are recommended. First at 25 days , Second at 60 days and third at 80 days after planting of the tubers.
- Farmers are advised to do intercultural operations for conserving the moisture and removing weeds.
- Monitor the incidences of late blight disease periodically as there is chance of the disease due to likely incidence of light to moderate fog over the district during late night till morning. If noticed, prophylactic spraying of Krilaksil or Ridomil MZ chemical @ 1.5 g / liter water is recommended.
- Those who have already planted the crop should adopt mulching by using water hyacinth, straw etc. to enhance the tuber quality and yield.
- One weeding followed by one earthing up in potato crop is advocated during this time. Earthing up is to be done if the crop has attained stolon formation stage (25 days after planting and attained a height of 15-22 cm.
- Due to favourable weather conditions attack of red ant and cut worm may be observed in the potato field. Farmers are advised to apply Phorate 10% granules @ 2kg/bigha or Malathion 5% dust @ 5kg/bigha in the soil at the time of earthing up.

Groundnut

- Continue sowing of rabi groundnut with assured irrigation. Undertake intercultural operations after 14-20 days after sowing.
- As there is no chance of rainfall during next 5 days and soil is almost dry, apply irrigation to the plants which are sown 18-20 days back.

Horticultural crops

- Present weather conditions are favorable for the planting of horticultural crops viz, papaya, mango, Banana, guava etc, farmers are advised for the planting the same at the earliest.
- As there was no rainfall relatively for extended period and there is no chance of rainfall for next five days, apply adequate irrigation to young fruit plants.
- Farmers are advised to go for bagging of the banana bunches with muslin cloth or polyethylene before fruit set in order to protect the fruits from the attack of banana fruit and leaf scarring beetle.
- As dry condition will prevail during next five days, apply irrigation to banana plants 15-20 days interval. As there was no rainfall relatively for extended period and there is no chance of rainfall for next five days, apply adequate irrigation to young fruit plants.
- Farmers are advised to go for bagging of the banana bunches with muslin cloth or polyethylene before fruit set in order to protect the fruits from the attack of banana fruit and leaf scarring beetle.
- As dry condition will prevail during next five days, apply irrigation to banana plants 15-20 days interval.
- Weather is congenial for sigatoka disease in banana, cut and remove the severely affected leaves and apply Mancozeb (Indofil M 45) @ 2.5 g/lit or Propiconazole 1ml/ litre of water followed by 4 sprays at 30 days interval.

Sugarcane:

- Irrigation can be given at weekly interval (for medium type of soil). In heavy soils, 10-15 days' interval.
- If water scarcity is the irrigate the crop in alternate row, to save the water. Drip irrigation can save the water up 40 per cent per cent.
- To control early shoot borer in sugarcane, spray 2.5 ml Monocrotophos in each litre water. Spray 2 g Bentan or Crilton per litre of water to control red rot and release required quantity of Epiricania sps to control pyrilla infestation.
- To control stem borer in sugarcane, spray Chlorpyriphos 20 % @ 30 ml per 10 liter of water
- To prevent lodging of matured sugarcane crops, it is advised to provide mechanical support to the crops by using bamboo sticks or tying 4 to 5 canes together with their leaves.

Beetle vine

- Keep the old fencing tight
- Cover the beetle vine field with straw and other materials like cotton cloths like sari so that cold & strong Northern wind should not enter and affect the growth of the plant.
- Remove Kochu crop if it grown around the beetelvine crop as it may be infested by gora pancha and kanda pancha disease.
- Start harvesting of the crop as sunny weather will prevail during next five days

Cotton: Sowing stage

- In cotton fields at boll development stage install pheromone traps @5/ha to monitor pink bollworm moth. For control of initial infestation spray of 5% NSKE OR Azadirachtin 1500 ppm @ 25 ml/10 litres of water. Above ETL level spray Cypermethrin 10% EC @ 10 ml or lambda cyhalothrin 5% EC @ 10 ml/10 litres of water.
- Prevailing weather condition is favorable for thrip incidence in cotton. It is advised to spray any one of the insecticides (500 l spray fluid /ha), Imidacloprid 200 SL @ 100 ml or Methyl demeton 25 EC 500ml/ha or Dimethoate 30 EC 500 ml/ha or NSKE 5% @ 2 kg/ha.
- In cotton crop areas where jassid and white fly infestation has crossed ETL, apply Imidachloprid 17.8 SL @ 3 ml/10 litre or Thiamethoxam 25 WG @ 2g/ 10 litre or Acetamiprid 20 SP @ 3g/10 litres of water.
- For management of fungal disease on bolls of cotton crop take a spray of Carbendazim (50% WP) @ 1 gm or Pyraclostrobin (20 % WG) @ 1 gm per liter of water during clear weather condition
- In cotton, foliar spray of 2% DAP (200 g DAP +10 litre water) mixed with 4 ml Planofix at boll development stage is advisable to reduce boll shedding and improve boll growth.

Livestock

- Night temperature has started falling/ will fall in the district; farmers should make proper arrangements to protect their milch animals and their young ones from morning/evening cold by covering them with gunny bags during night and ample exposure to sunlight during day time to avoid pneumonia.
- Suggested to go for routine vaccination for livestock against the dreaded virus like tarka, khura and PPR.
- The floor and dairy shed should be cleaned with suitable antiseptic solution and maintain a proper sanitation.
- Keep animal shed clean and de-worm domestic animals. For Foot and Mouth disease, wash the wound with potassium permanganate solution.

Poultry

- Suggested to go for routine vaccination for poultry against the dreaded diseases /virus Vaccination (RDF1) of the one week old chicks against Raniket disease, darkplague and against Gamboro disease in two weeks old chicks may be carried out after consultation with local veterinarian.
- Clean poultry shed twice in a week.
- Prevent the chicks from chilled wind directly by use of gunny bag or plastic curtains hanging in the side walls
- Arrange light from Bulb 1-2 hours after evening and not to cover the cage by polythene. It favours more production of eggs and reduce the chance of incidences of diseases.

Fishery

Protect the fish population against various bacterial diseases prevalent in winter season; apply Potash @ 4-5 mg/litre of water or Sukrena WS @ 1 litre per bigha of water.

During winter months, fish are under stress and may show symptoms like erratic swimming 11 behaviour, not eating, gasping at the surface and others including mortalities. If such symptoms are observed, immediately stop feeding, liming and manuring. Consult an expert for remedial measures.

Keep pisciculture farm ponds clean. During winter, reduce the amount of food for fishes and provide feed between 2-3PM.

Realized Weather at different locations in the country

Rainfall for last 24 hours (till 06 AM on 18 December'19) and maximum temperature on 17 December, minimum temperature on 18 December'19 is given below:

Name of Divisions	Name of Stations	Rain fall (mm)	Max. Temp (°C)	Min. Temp (°C)	Name of Divisions	Name of Stations	Rain fall (mm)	Max. Temp (°C)	Min. Temp (°C)
Dhaka	Dhaka	00	25.7	16.2	Rajshahi	Rajshahi	00	24.4	11.4
	Tangail	00	23.8	12.5		Ishurdi	00	23.8	11.8
	Faridpur	00	25.2	12.6		Bogura	00	24.5	13.3
	Madaripur	00	26.0	14.6		Badalgachhi	00	24.0	11.6
	Gopalganj	00	25.5	13.5		Tarash	00	23.6	12.2
	Nikli	00	25.0	14.0					
Mymensingh	Mymensingh	00	24.2	13.0	Rangpur	Rangpur	00	23.7	13.0
	Netrokona	00	25.3	12.7		Dinajpur	00	23.8	13.7
						Sayedpur	00	25.0	13.5
Chattogram	Chattogram	00	28.7	16.7		Tetulia	00	21.5	13.3
	Sandwip	00	27.2	15.6		Dimla	00	23.0	13.2
	Sitakunda	00	27.8	15.0		Rajarhat	00	22.5	10.8
	Rangamati	00	27.3	15.0	Khulna	Khulna	00	25.5	15.0
	Cumilla	00	26.1	14.0		Mongla	00	26.3	16.4
	Chandpur	00	26.7	16.6		Satkhira	00	25.5	15.5
	M.Court	00	26.5	16.5		Jashore	00	25.6	11.8
	Feni	00	27.0	14.3		Chuadanga	00	24.4	11.9
		Hatiya	00	26.3	17.0	Kumarkhali	00	23.8	13.6
		Cox's Bazar	00	29.0	18.7	Barishal	Barishal	00	27.0
	Kutubdia	00	28.5	17.5	Patuakhali		00	27.0	16.1
	Teknaf	00	29.6	18.2	Khepupara		00	27.5	16.1
Sylhet	Sylhet	00	26.5	14.8		Bhola	00	27.0	14.8
	Srimangal	00	26.0	11.7					

Highlights:

- Country average bright sunshine hour was 5.89 hours per day during last week.
- Country average free water loss during the previous week was 2.47 mm per day.

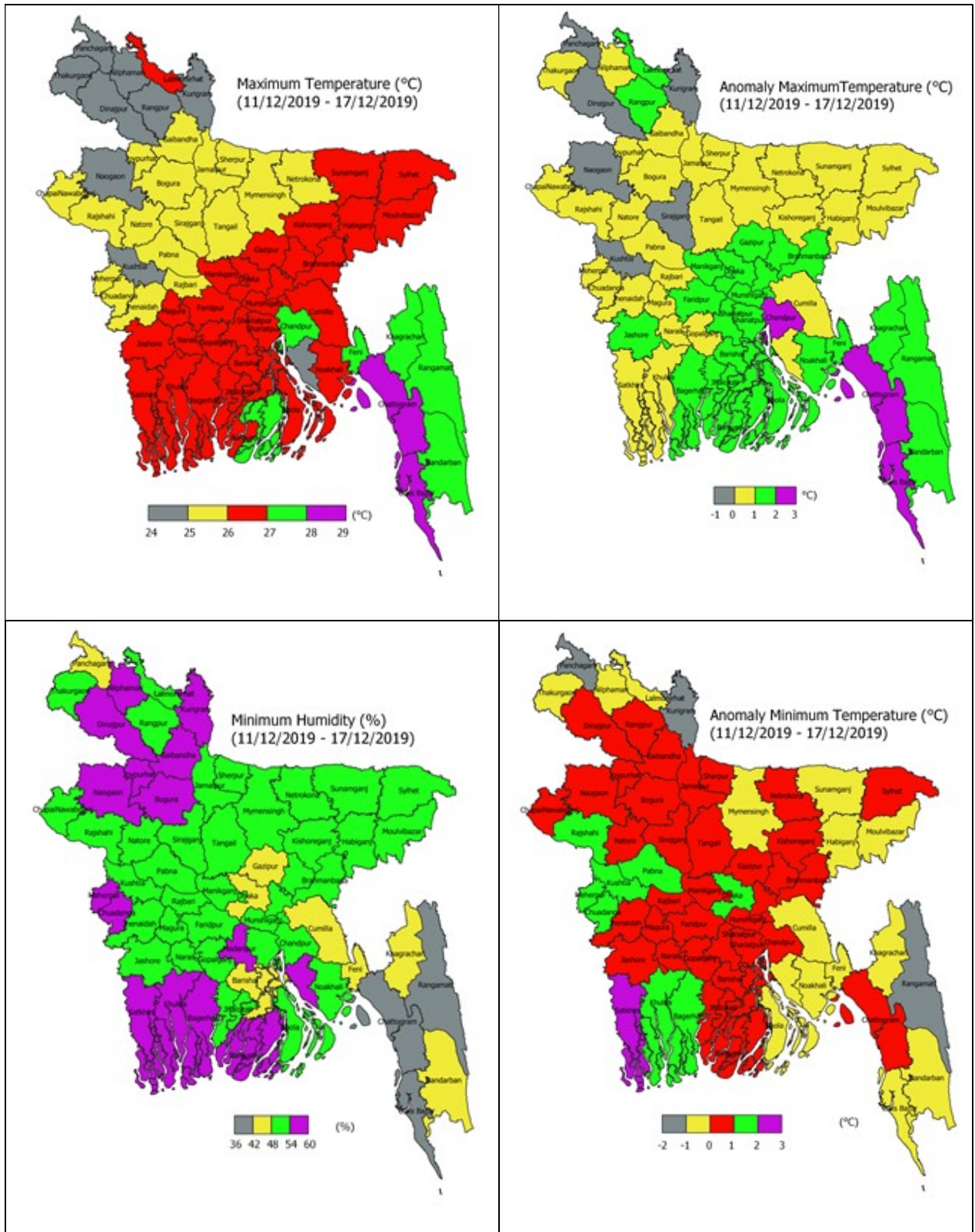
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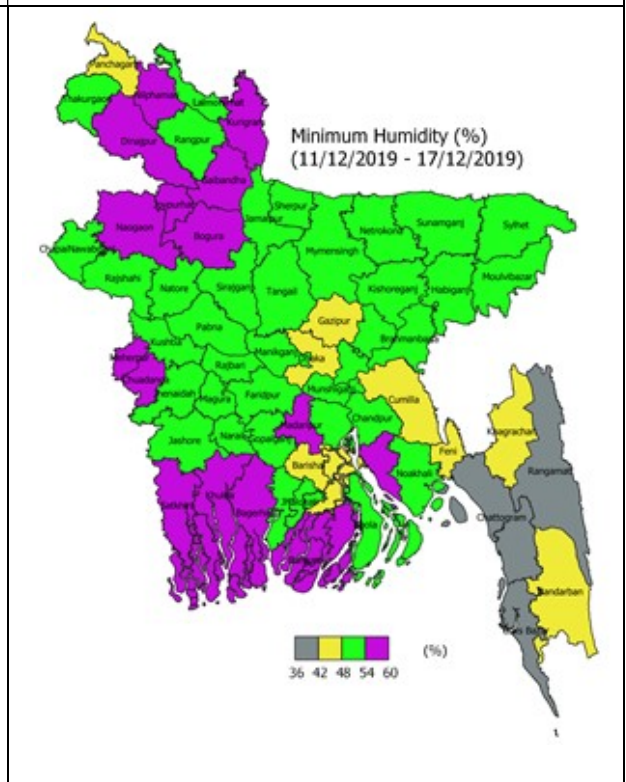
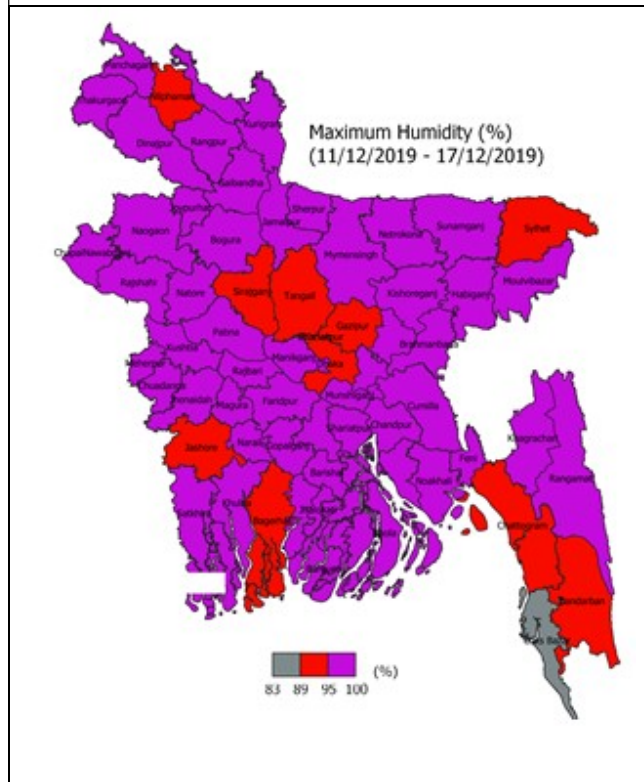
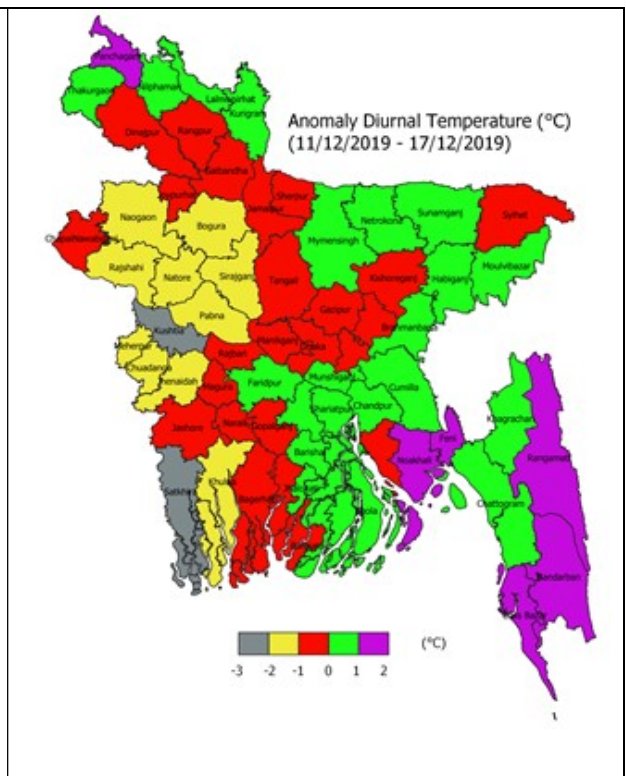
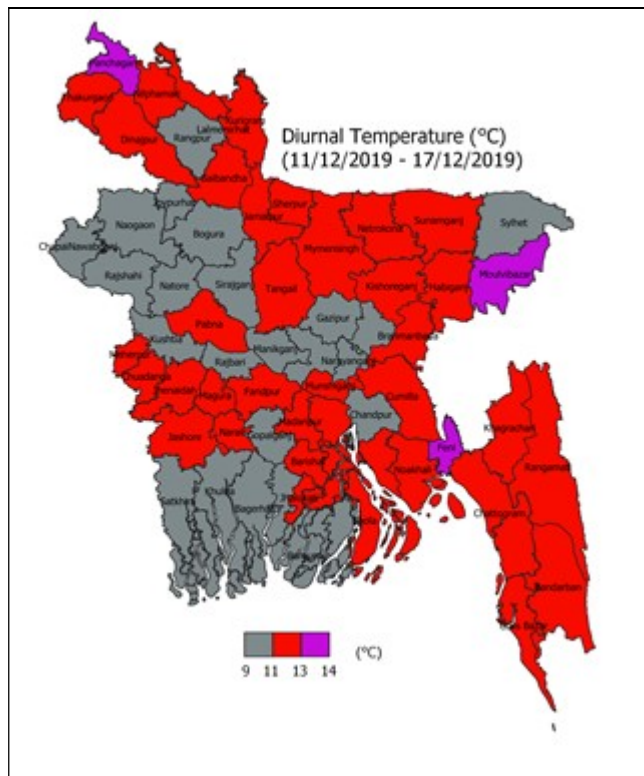
Forecast: Weather may remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country.

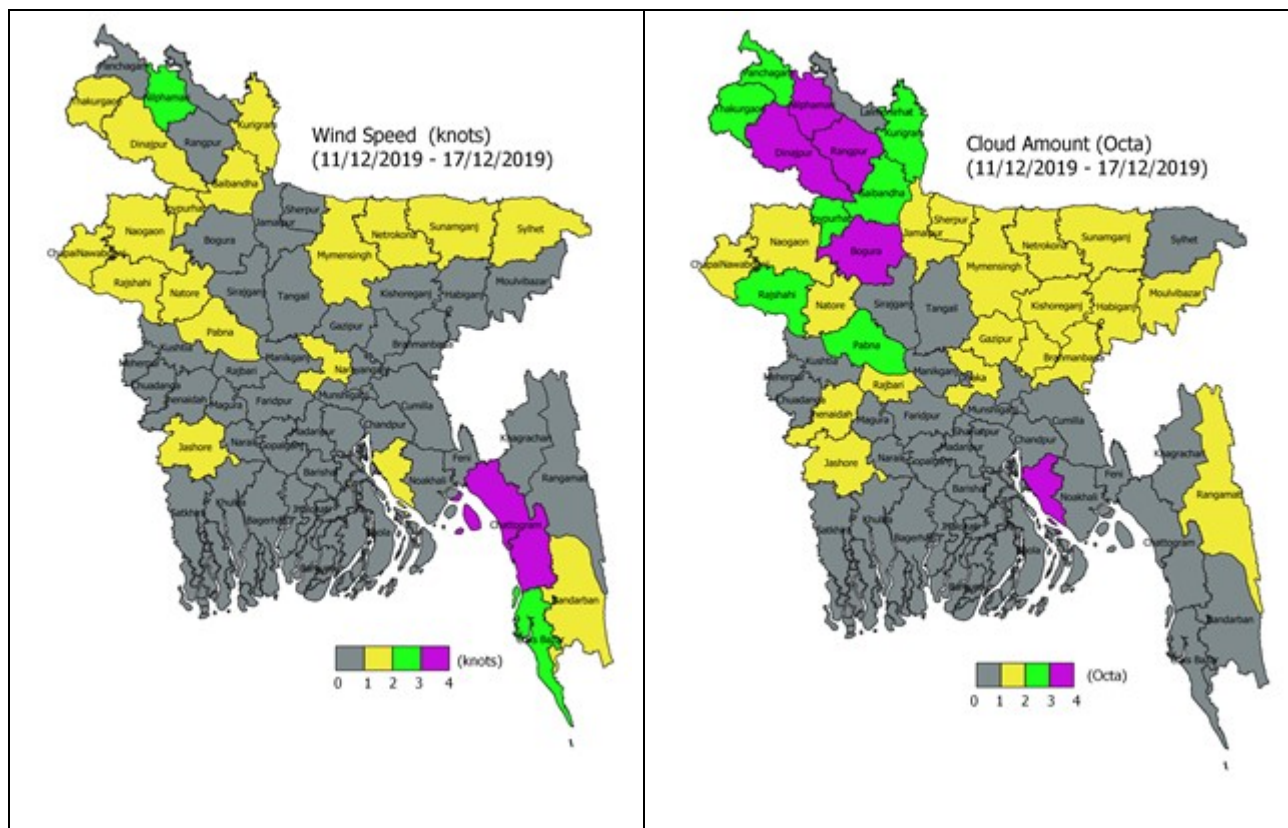
Fog: Moderate to thick fog may occur over northwestern part and light to moderate fog may occur at places elsewhere over the country during late night till morning.

Temperature: Night temperature may fall by (1-3) ° C and day temperature may fall slightly over the country.

Spatial Distribution of weather parameters for the Week ending 17 December 2019







Weather Forecast and Advisory for the Period of 15.12.2019 to 21.12.2019

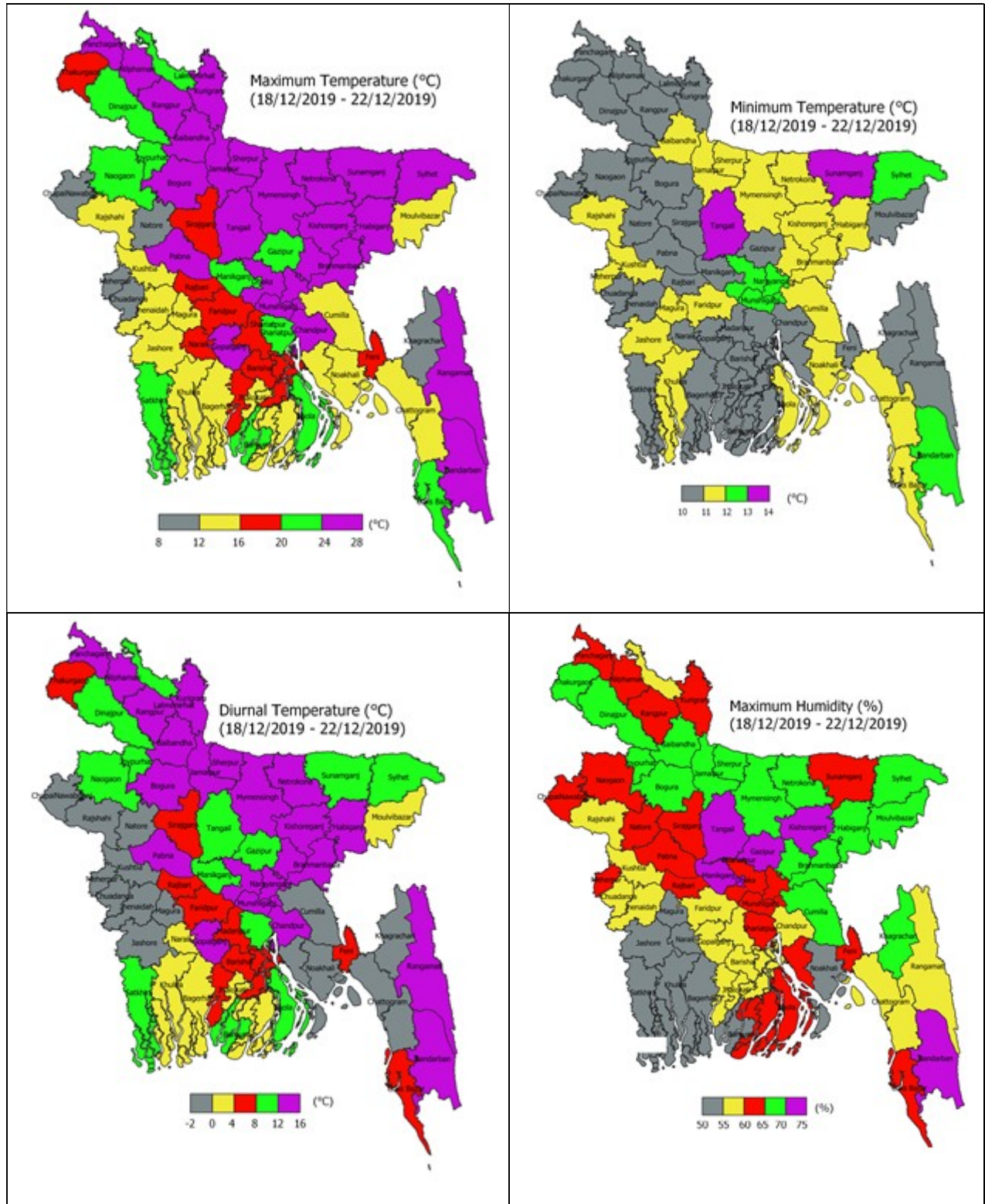
Bright sunshine hour is likely to be from 5.75 to 6.75 hours per day during this week. Average free water loss is likely to be from 2.75 to 3.25 mm per day during this week.

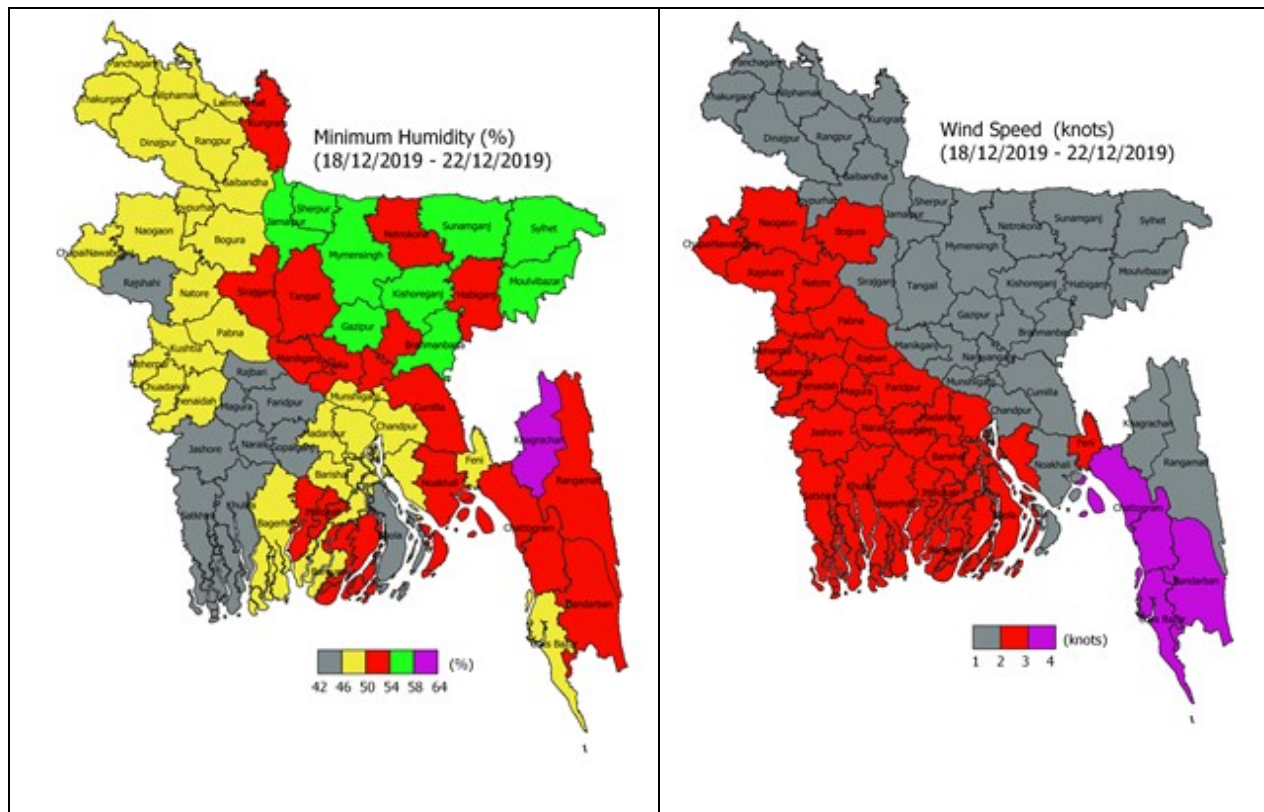
Light rain (04-10mm) may occur at one or two places over Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions and weather may remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country during this period.

Light to moderate fog may occur at places over the country during late night to morning.

Slight fall in night temperature is expected over the country during this period.

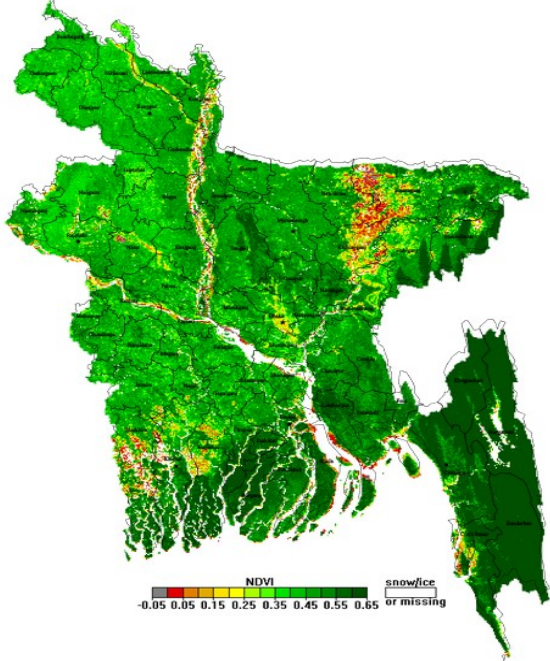
District Wise Quantitative Weather Forecast for next Five days from 18 Dec. -22 December'19



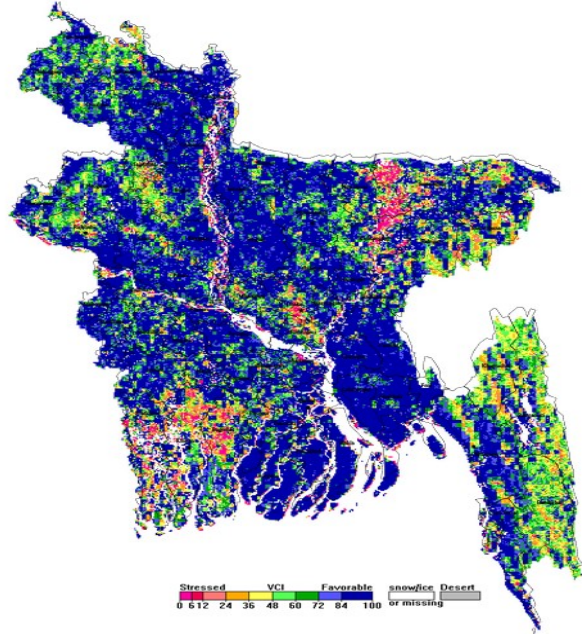


Different Satellite Products over Bangladesh

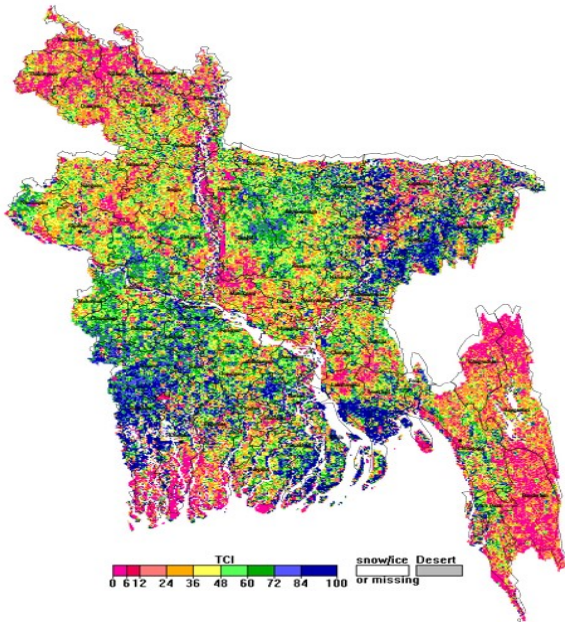
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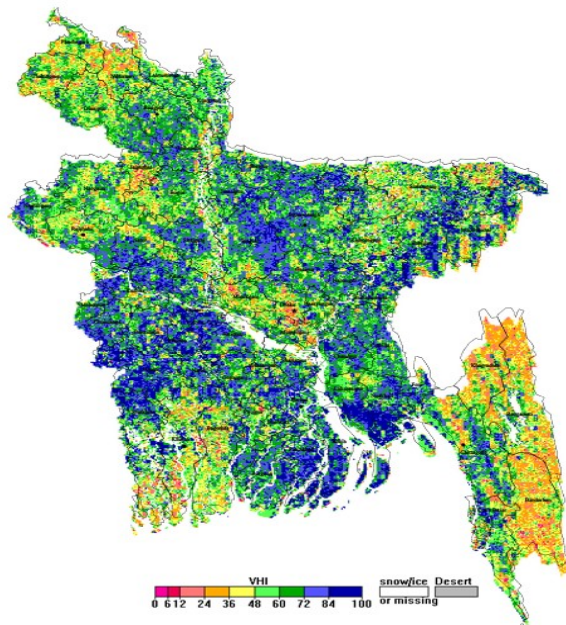
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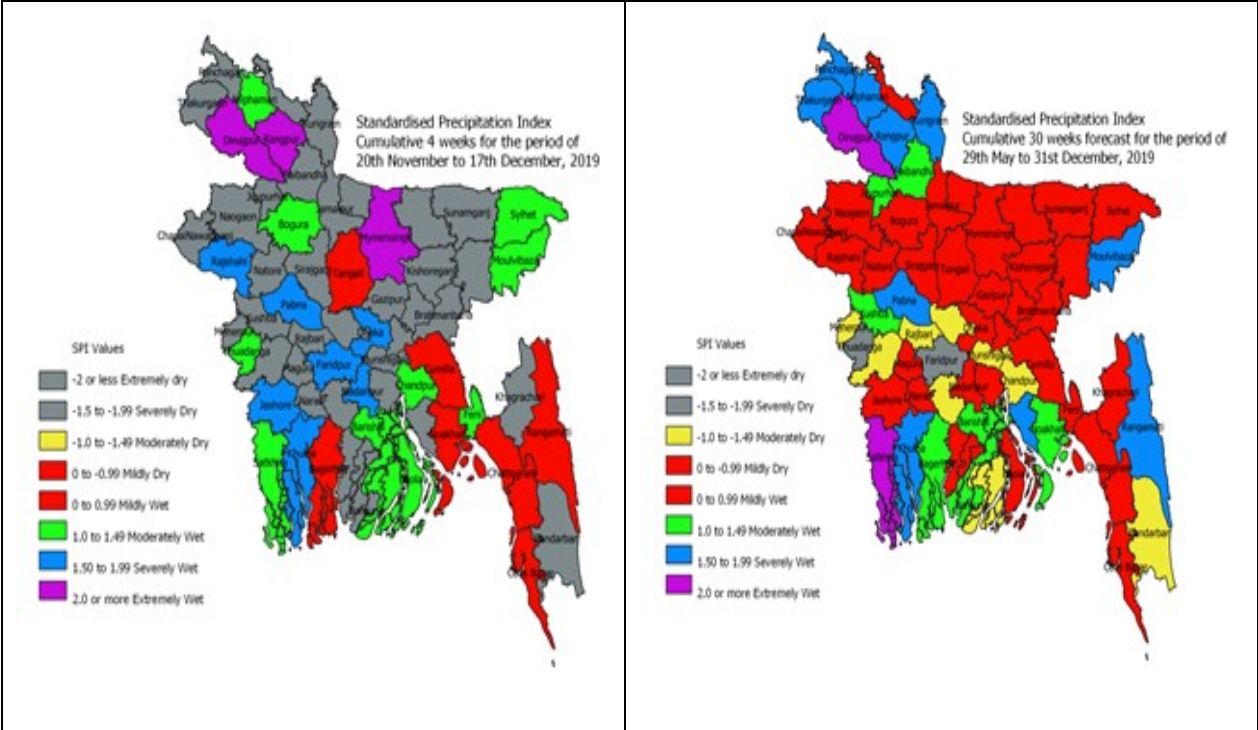


NOAA/ AVHRR BLENDED VHI composite for the week No. 49 (03 December-09 December) over Agricultural regions of Bangladesh



Monitoring Meteorological Drought in Bangladesh using Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI)

It has been observed that during last four weeks including November and December mild wet conditions prevails in whole Bangladesh except some districts and moderate to severe dry condition prevails in some districts of Bangladesh.



Data source: Bangladesh Meteorological Department