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## Experimental Climate Monitoring and Prediction

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## September 17, 2015 PALIFIL SEAS STATE

During late August through early September 2015 the trapical Pacific SST was at a strong EI Niño level. All atmospheric variables support the El Niño pattern, including weakened trade winds and excess rainfall in the eastcentral tropical Pacific. The consensus of ENSO prediction madels indicate continuation of strong El Niño conditions during the September-Navember 2015 seasan in progress. Some further strengthening into later fall is possible, with the event lasting well into spring 20IE.

## (Text Courtesy IRI)

## INDIAN ICEAN STATE

Neutral sea surface temperature was observed around Sri Lanka.

## MJI STATE

$M J D$ is weak and therefore significant impact on rainfall is not expected.

## Highlights

Up to 40 mm rainfall was observed in northern, north eastern, western, south western and southern regions of the country during the time period $29^{\text {th }}$ September- $5^{\text {th }}$ October. Southern region of Anuradhapura received heavy rainfall up to 110 mm on $25^{\text {th }}$ September and rainfall up to 70 mm was observed in Badulla on $1^{\text {st }}$ October and in Moneragala on $2^{\text {nd }}$ October. Every prediction model predict increase of rainfall during the next week.

## Summary

Monitoring
Weekly Monitoring: During $29^{\text {th }}$ September $-5^{\text {th }}$ October, few regions of the country received heavy rainfall. On $29^{\text {th }}$ September heavy rainfall up to 110 mm was observed in southern region of Anuradhapura and in the ocean near Jaffna while rainfall up to 40 mm was observed in Hambantota. On $30^{\text {th }}$ September Trincomalee, Galle and ocean near Colombo received rainfall up to 40 mm . On $1^{\text {st }}$ October only Badulla received rainfall up to 70 mm and northern region of Moneragala received rainfall up to 70 mm on $2^{\text {nd }}$ October. No rainfall was observed in any part of the country on $3^{\text {rd }}$ October. Rainfall up to 90 mm was observed in Jaffna on $4^{\text {th }}$ October while Ratnapura received rainfall up to 60 mm and Galle and Kalutara received rainfall up to 40 mm . No rainfall was observed in any part of the country on $5^{\text {th }}$ October.

Monthly Monitoring: In September 2015 the entire country received above average rainfall while the ocean near northern and eastern provinces received below average rainfall.

## Predictions

14 day prediction: NOAA NCEP models predict relatively high rainfall in south western region of the country compared to the rest of the country during $7^{\text {th }}-13^{\text {th }}$ October. Total rainfall up to 85 mm is expected during the week in the south western region and total rainfall up to 55 mm is expected in the north eastern region. Rest of the country shall receive total rainfall up to 45 mm . These models predict the rainfall shall be increased significantly during $14^{\text {th }}$ - $20^{\text {th }}$ October and total rainfall up to 135 mm is expected in western region, total rainfall up to 125 mm is expected in north western, eastern and southern regions and the rest of the country shall receive total rainfall up to 95 mm .

IMD WRF \& IRI Model Forecast: According to the IMD WRF model rainfall up to 35 mm is expected in Trincomalee on $9^{\text {th }}$ October and any significant amount of rainfall is not expected for the rest of the country. Any part of the country shall not receive significant amount of rainfall on $10^{\text {th }}$ October as well. IRI CFS models predict total rainfall up to 100 mm in south eastern region of the country during $7^{\text {th }}-12^{\text {th }}$ October.

Seasonal Prediction: As per IRI Multi Model Probability Forecast for October to December, the total 3 month precipitation has $50 \%$ likelihood of being above average. The 3 month temperature has more than $70-80 \%$ likelihood in the entire country of being in the above-normal tercile during this period.

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