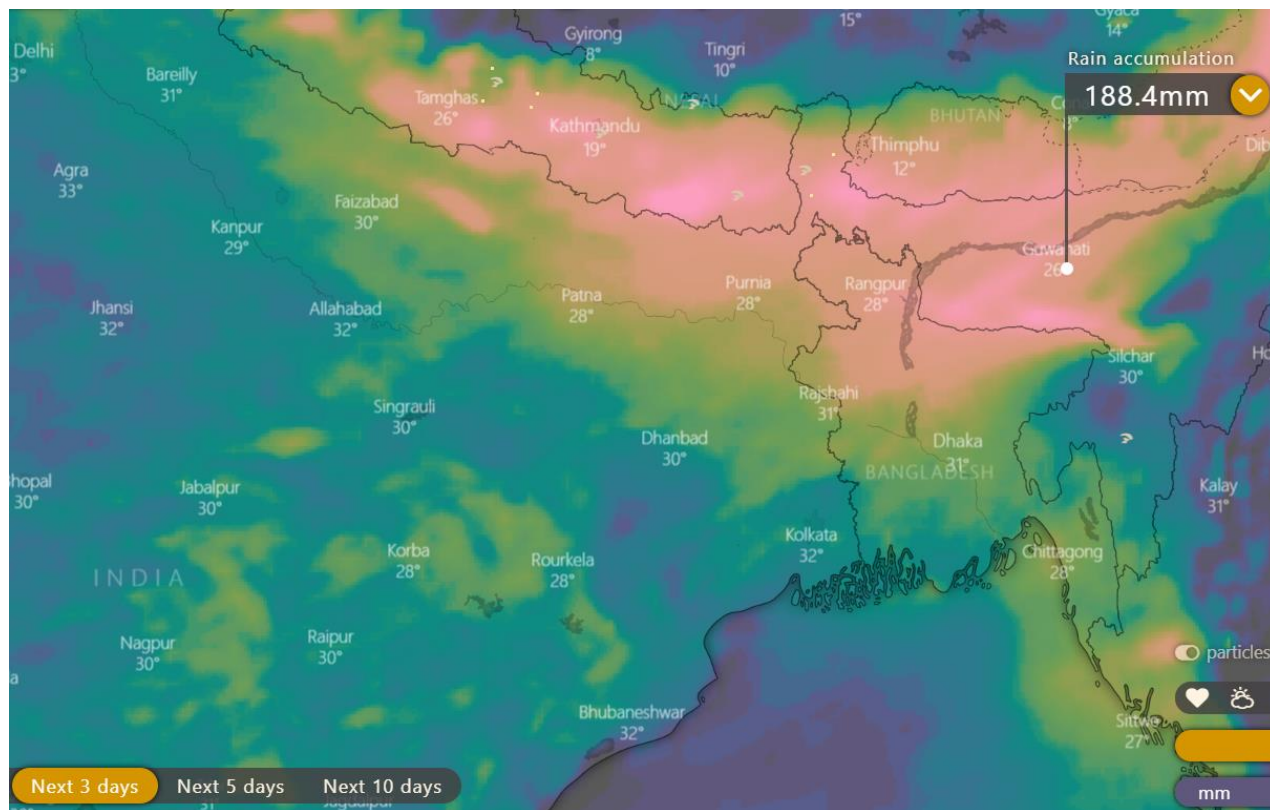


Excessive rain warning for Assam and Meghalaya: IMD's advice to stay indoor for next two days

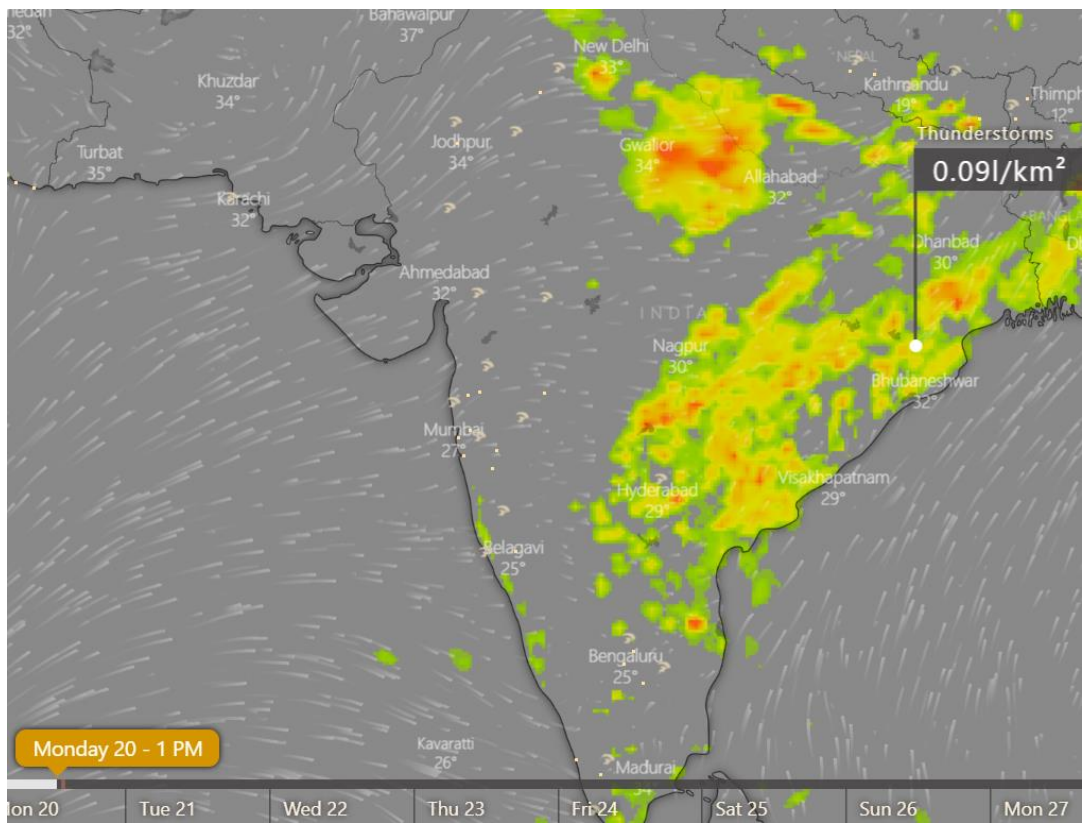
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National Weather Forecasting Centre, India Meteorological Department (IMD) is issuing an alert for Assam and Meghalaya predicting extremely heavy rainfall during next 2 days and there are also possibility extremely heavy falls in Arunachal Pradesh, West Bengal and Sikkim during next 24 hours.



As per IMD, strong southerly/southwesterly winds from Bay of Bengal and Arabian Sea to the lower tropospheric level in Northeast & adjoining East India and northwest India have created favorable conditions for heavy to very heavy rainfall in Bihar, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura during next 3 days.

Intense spell in Northeast India may accentuate existing flood conditions and lead to landslides in some areas of Northeastern states and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal and Sikkim”, said IMD.



IMD has issued alert for Punjab, East Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha, Odisha, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Telangana, Kerala, Mahe, Lakshadweep and northeastern states predicting thunderstorm and lightning during next 12 hours.

IMD is also issuing a strong wind alert for Southwest, and Westcentral Arabian Sea during the next four days. Fishermen are advised not to venture into this area during the period.