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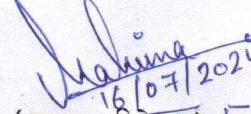
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# Centre takes stock as floods hamper states

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**NEW DELHI:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday assured chief ministers of flood-hit states of all possible central assistance as monsoon rains wreak havoc across India, leaving over 200 dead and millions affected.

In telephone conversations with Himanta Biswa Sarma of Assam, Yogi Adityanath of Uttar Pradesh and Bhupendra Patel of Gujarat, Shah discussed the deployment of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) units and steps to provide relief and rehabilitation to affected populations.

"The home minister has conveyed to the CMs that all possible help from the Centre will be available to deal with the situation," said an officer, who didn't want to be named.

The assurances come as the death toll in Assam alone climbed to 96, with more than 597,600 people affected across



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17 districts. In Uttar Pradesh, nearly 1,500 villages in 22 districts were inundated, while Gujarat grappled with widespread flooding.

The crisis extends beyond human casualties. Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve in Assam reported the loss of nearly 200 animals, including 10 endangered one-horned rhinos,

since May.

The situation is unlikely to relent in some of these parts. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) warns of continued heavy rainfall, with a low-pressure system forming over the Bay of Bengal. The monsoon trough remains south of its normal position, likely to

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persist for the next 4-5 days.

"Flooding is likely over South Gujarat, Coastal Maharashtra, North Konkan and Goa over the next 2 days," said Mahesh Palawat, vice president of climate and meteorology at Skymet Weather.

The IMD has issued alerts for extremely heavy rainfall in Konkan, Goa, parts of Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Karnataka on Tuesday. Heavy to very heavy rainfall is expected across several states, including Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Sikkim, Assam, and Meghalaya.

Despite localised excess rainfall, the country overall faces a 2% deficiency in monsoon rain, with East and Northeast India, and Northwest India both reporting 6% deficits.

Heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely at many places, with some extremely heavy spells too possible, over Konkan and Goa, the weather agency said. Heavy to very heavy rainfall with extremely heavy falls at isolated places was also predicted over Coastal Karnataka and heavy to very heavy rainfall could hit parts of Uttarakhand, Gujarat region, Chhattisgarh, Vidarbha, sub-himalayan West Bengal, Sikkim, Assam & Meghalaya, madhya Maharashtra, south interior Karnataka Telangana and Tamil Nadu, it added.

The situation in Assam remained grim, with over 500,000 people across 18 districts reeling under the deluge. Assam's Cachar is the worst-hit district.

The flood-affected districts in Assam include Cachar, Chirang, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Goalpara, Golaghat, Jorhat, Kamrup, Kamrup Metropolitan, Karimganj, Majuli, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari, and Sivasagar.

On the other hand, 1,342 villages under 52 revenue circles are still under water and the flood waters submerged 25367.61 hectares of crop area in Assam.

The water level of the Brahmaputra River is flowing above the danger level mark at Neamatighat, Tezpur and Dhubri while the Burhidihing River is flowing above the danger level mark at Chenimari (Knhowang). Over 58,000 people are still taking shelter in 172 relief camps and distribution centres in 13 districts, and 283712 domestic animals were also affected by the deluge.

The situation in Uttar Pradesh, especially in the eastern and central regions, is also under observation after an increase in the water levels of several rivers following incessant rains impacting around 18 lakh people in more than 900

villages.

As per officials, nearly 18 districts, including Azamgarh, Mau, Ballia, Pilibhit, Shahjahanpur, Kushinagar, Shravasti, Balrampur, Lakhimpur Kheri, Barabanki, Sitapur, Gonda Siddharth Nagar, Moradabad, Bareilly and Basti in Uttar Pradesh were affected by increased water level.

## ASI REPORT

decision on this and we can't reveal the findings of the report as per the direction of the apex court," said Dhar Shehar Qazi Waqar Saddique, a respondent in the matter who moved to the Supreme Court against ASI survey.

The dispute around the complex - Hindus worshipped at the centre of the Bhojshala dome and Muslims offer Friday prayers there - dates back to the early 1990s.

In 1997, the then Congress-led government banned the entry of common citizens, even as it allowed Muslims to offer namaz there. Under an arrangement devised by the Archaeological Survey of India on April 7, 2003, Hindus perform puja on the Bhojshala premises on Tuesdays, while Muslims offer namaz in the complex on Fridays.

The development holds striking similarities with suits filed by Hindu groups and petitioners in Varanasi and Mathura - all part of what experts have called the new temple movements, where Hindu groups and individuals have approached lower courts to file petitions seeking legal solutions to decades-old religious disputes, instead of using street mobilisations to push for change. In Varanasi, an ASI survey concluded earlier this year that a large Hindu temple existed before the construction of the Gyanvapi Masjid while in Mathura, a survey was stayed by the Supreme Court.

In all cases, Hindu petitioners argue that medieval-era Islamic structures were built by demolishing temples and demand praying rights. The Muslim sides reject the contention and say that any such legal action violates property and religious laws, including the 1991 Places of Worship Act, which locks the religious character of holy sites as they existed on August 15, 1947.

The act excluded the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid dispute in Ayodhya, which gave rise to the most famous example of such a religious dispute. The title suit was decided by the Supreme Court in favour of the Ram Temple, which was consecrated earlier

this year by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. But the Bharatiya Janata Party lost the Faizabad seat, under which Ayodhya falls, in general elections held in May-June.

The structure was first declared protected by the erstwhile Dhar state in 1909. In 1951, the complex was declared as a monument of national importance under the Ancient and Historical Monument and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Declaration of National Importance) Act, 1951. It is currently protected by ASI under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958. Monuments under this law aren't covered by the 1991 act.

In May 2022, the Hindu Front for Justice filed the petition against the offering of namaz and ASI's 2003 order that prohibited Hindus from offering daily puja in it. The Indore bench of the MP high court directed ASI to conduct a scientific survey of the complex by a committee of five members, and submit a report within six weeks which was later extended to 14 weeks.

In Dhar, ASI conducted the survey for 14 weeks between March 22 and June 30 on the directions of the high court and said the existing structure was built over the base of an earlier monument in the 11th century and the mosque probably came up in the 14th century. It also said the original structure of basalt was found during its digging.

"Existing structure appears to have been made hurriedly without paying much attention to symmetry, designs, material, etc. Although most of the superstructure is made of limestone, but some parts of the earlier basalt structure, and one pillar base of marble were also reused," the report said.

The report mentioned a number of images and sculptures made of basalt, marble, schist, soft stone, sandstone and limestone.

"Images carved on (windows and pillars) included Ganesh, Brahma with his consorts, Narasima, Bhairava... Images of animals in different mediums include lion, elephant, horse, dog, monkey, snake, tortoise, swan and bird. Mythical and composite figures include a variety of Kirtimukhas human face, lion face, composite face, vyala of different shapes, etc," the report said.

It added that the kirtimukha - a motif with origins in the shiv puran - with human, animal and composite faces carved on a number of pillars in the western colon-



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nade were not destroyed. "Small figures of deities carved on the frame of windows fixed in north and south walls of the western colonnade are also comparatively in good state of preservation," the report said.

ASI said that as human and animal figures were not permitted in a mosque, at many places such as western and eastern colonnades, they were either chiselled out or defaced. It also said that some carvings on pillars, beams and windows were chopped off to reuse them in the present structure. "A large number of large size inscriptions in Sanskrit and Prakrit were damaged and reused," the report said.

"Fragments of these inscriptions, sculptures, and architectural members suggest that superstructure of this stone structure was later modified and converted into a mosque," the report said.

The report quoted inscriptions to Khilji king Mahmud Shah I in AH 859 (1455 CE) fixed on the gateway of the tomb of Abdullah Shah Chantal at Dhar (Epigraphia Indo-Moslemica 1909-10) and said that his men reached this old monastery with crowd of people and destroyed the effigies of idols and converted this temple into mosque violently.

The report said that the existing structure has long colonnades in all four directions decorated with 106 pillars and 82 pilasters. "Art and architecture of these pillars and pilasters in colonnades suggest that they were originally part of a temple. For their reuse in existing structure, figures of deities and human carved on them were mutilated," the report said.

The report also claimed to be found more than 150 inscriptions and fragments, engraved on fine grained basalt in Nagari script, and dating to the 13th century CE. The Sanskrit and Prakrit inscriptions were earlier than the Arabic and Persian inscriptions, it added. "A large inscription fixed in the eastern colonnade contains two poems in Prakrit language consisting of 109 stanzas each. The first of them is called in the colophon as Avani-kūrmāsātām and its authorship is attributed to Maharajadhiraja and Paramēśvara Bhōjadeva. Although, there is no colophon at the end of the second poem, it is also stated to have been composed by Paramara king Bhoja," said the report, adding that these inscriptions start with the invocation of Gods such Om Sarasvityanamah, Om Namah Shivay etc.

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ments, large slabs of inscriptions with literary texts and Nagakamika inscriptions on pillars, ASI said a large structure associated with literary and educational activities existed at the site. It also said that the pre-existing structure can be dated to the Paramara period of 11th century and was made from the "parts of earlier temples."

ASI said the inscription on the eastern colonnade contained the first performance of Parijatamanjari Natika that took place in the temple of the goddess Saraswati. ASI found inscriptions such as Sarada (another name of Saraswati) Sadan and Om Sarasvityanamah. The inscription that the first performance of play 'Parijat manjari' written during King Arjunvarman, a descendant of Raja Bhoj of Dhar, was held at Saraswati temple, was also found.

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**'I SHOULD BE DEAD'**

A spectator was killed in the attack, while two other people were seriously injured. The 20-year-old gunman, who also died, has been named as Thomas Matthew Crooks.

Trump wore a white bandage that covered his right ear but his aides did not allow any photographs to be taken, said the Post.

"A lot of people say it's the most iconic photo they've ever seen," Trump said. "They're right and I didn't die. Usually, you have to die to have an iconic picture." Trump told the paper he wanted to keep speaking following the shooting but the Secret Service insisted he go to the hospital.

Trump also said he appreciated the call he received from President Joe Biden, also expected to be his rival in the election, according to the Post, calling it "fine" and "very nice." The paper reported that Trump suggested the campaign between him and Biden, a Democrat, could be more civil from now on.

The former president will announce at the convention this week his choice for a run-

ning mate, having cited as frontrunners Ohio U.S. Senator J.D. Vance, Florida U.S. Senator Marco Rubio and North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum, all of whom will speak at the at the gathering.

Trump held individual meetings with each of the three men late last week in what was effectively one last job interview, according to two sources who requested anonymity to disclose private conversations.

On the incident itself, FBI officials said on Sunday that the shooter acted alone.

The agency said it had yet to identify an ideology linked to the suspect or any indications of mental health issues or found any threatening language on the suspect's social media accounts.

Crooks was a registered Republican, according to state voter records, and donated \$15 to a Democratic political action committee when he was 17.

At the time of the shooting, he was employed as a dietary aide at the Bethel Park Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, which said Crooks' background check was clean. The gun - an AR-style-5.56 caliber rifle - had been legally bought, said FBI officials, who believed it had been purchased by the suspect's father.

The officials said "a suspicious device" was found in the suspect's vehicle, which was inspected by bomb technicians and rendered safe. The Secret Service denied accusations by some Trump supporters that it had rejected a campaign request for more security.

The shots on Saturday appeared to come from outside the area secured by the Secret Service, the agency said.

Facing growing criticism over a massive security failure, the US Secret Service on Monday vowed to cooperate with an independent review.

"The Secret Service is working with all involved Federal, state and local agencies to understand what happened, how it happened, and how we can prevent an incident like this from ever taking place again," the agency's director Kimberly Cheatle said in a statement.

"We understand the importance of the independent review announced by President (Joe) Biden yesterday and will participate fully," Cheatle added.



# Shah reaches out to CMs of flood-hit Assam, UP & Guj, vows central aid

## 162 NDRF Teams Deployed In Affected Areas

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Union home minister Amit Shah on Monday assured central assistance to states affected by floods as he spoke to chief ministers of Assam, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat to take stock of the situation.

So far, 109 human lives have been lost in Assam due to floods and nearly six lakh displaced in several districts. In UP, more than 54 people have died in flood-related incidents and nearly 1,500 villages in 22 districts are affected.



Home minister Amit Shah with Assam governor Gulab Chand Kataria in New Delhi on Monday

Centre has already deployed 162 teams of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) across country — 15 in UP, 12 in Assam, 14 each in Maharashtra and Himachal Pradesh, 13 each in J&K and

Uttarakhand, 11 in Gujarat and 10 in West Bengal.

In Assam, as per Central Water Commission bulletin, the Brahmaputra and two other rivers are flowing above the danger level. So far, 33.4 lakh people have been affected by the floods. The state is running 169 relief camps sheltering over 36,000 inmates. About 30,000 hectare crop have been damaged, as per an assessment report sent to Centre.

Road network, telephone communication, water supply, electricity and other essential services have also been affected in the flood-affected areas.

In UP, 54 human lives have been lost during the current floods, 43 of them due to lightning strikes. At least 22 districts are affected by floods,

more than 14,000 people evacuated from flood-affected zones and 139 relief camps operating in the state. Besides 15 teams of the NDRF, the state has deployed 16 teams of the state disaster response force along with boats and other necessary equipment for rescue and relief operation.

During his telephonic conversation with the chief ministers, Shah assured them of all possible assistance from the central govt. Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma briefed Shah of flood-related deaths and a large population affected in the districts of Cachar, Chirang, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Goalpara, Golaghat, Jorhat, Kamrup, Karimganj, Majuli, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari and Sivasagar.

## INBRIEF

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### Amit Shah assures Assam, Gujarat and U.P. of flood aid

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday spoke to the Chief Ministers of Assam, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat to take stock of the flood situation due to heavy rain. He assured them of all Central help, sources said. So far, in Assam, 109 people have lost their lives in floods and rain-related incidents. More than 5,97,600 people were affected in Assam's Cachar, Chirang, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Dibrugarh, Goalpara, Golaghat, Jorhat, Kamrup, Kamrup Metropolitan, Karimganj, Majuli, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari and Sivasagar districts. In U.P., nearly 1,500 villages in 22 districts were affected by floods and many have lost lives in rain-related incidents. PTI



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**मौसम का मिजाज** रिज क्षेत्र में सबसे से ज्यादा 37.2 एमएम वर्षा दर्ज की गई, अगले कुछ दिन तक हल्की से मध्यम बारिश का दौर जारी रहने की संभावना

## बारिश ने दी हल्की राहत, जलभराव से सड़कों पर आफत

नई दिल्ली, प्रमुख संवाददाता। राजधानी के अधिकांश इलाकों में सोमवार सुबह हल्की बारिश हुई। इसके चलते दिनभर मौसम सुहाना रहा, लेकिन शाम के समय उमस बढ़ने से लोगों को गर्मी का सामना करना पड़ा। वहीं, बारिश के चलते कुछ जगहों पर जलभराव के कारण जाम की समस्या भी देखने को मिली।

मौसम विभाग के अनुसार, दिल्ली में हल्की बारिश का दौर अगले कुछ दिनों तक जारी रहेगा। बीच में मध्यम श्रेणी की बारिश होने का भी अनुमान है। सोमवार को मानक वैधशाला सफदरजंग में 2.7 एमएम बारिश दर्ज की गई। रिज में 37.2 एमएम जबकि पालम में 31.8 एमएम दर्ज की गई। दोपहर में तेज धूप निकलने से शाम होते-होते उमस भी ज्यादा हो गई। इस कारण अधिकतम आद्रता 88 फीसदी और न्यूनतम 59 फीसदी दर्ज की गई।



नई दिल्ली में सोमवार को भारी बारिश के कारण मजनु का टीला रोड पर लगा लंबा जाम। • एएनआई

### न्यूनतम तापमान में बढ़ोतरी

बारिश के चलते दिल्ली के अधिकतम तापमान में गिरावट आई, लेकिन न्यूनतम तापमान में बढ़ोतरी देखने को मिली। रविवार को जहां दिल्ली का अधिकतम तापमान 37.1 डिग्री था, वह सोमवार को 35.2 डिग्री दर्ज किया गया। वहीं, न्यूनतम तापमान में रविवार को 27.6 डिग्री तो सोमवार को 29 डिग्री रहा। यह सामान्य से दो डिग्री ज्यादा है। बीते दो दिनों में न्यूनतम तापमान में चार डिग्री की बढ़ोतरी हुई है। मौसम विभाग के अनुसार, अगले छह दिन अधिकतम तापमान 34 से 36 डिग्री जबकि न्यूनतम 25 से 27 डिग्री के बीच रहने की संभावना है।

### यातायात रहा प्रभावित

राजधानी में बारिश के चलते रोहतक रोड पर आनंद पर्वत गली नंबर 10 के पास एवं उत्तरी दिल्ली स्थित फतेह सिंह रोड पर जलभराव हो गया। इसके चलते वाहनों को निकलने में काफी परेशानी हुई। ट्रैफिक पुलिस ने कुछ समय के लिए यह रास्ते वाहनों के लिए बंद कर दिए। पानी निकलने में लगभग दो घंटे का समय लगा। इस दौरान ट्रैफिक पुलिस ने वाहनों को दूसरे रास्तों पर डाइवर्ट किया।



# कहीं झमाझम हुई बारिश, कहीं पड़ीं सिर्फ बौछारें बारिश के बावजूद उमस नहीं हुई कम, दोपहर तक फिर गर्मी ने किया लोगों को परेशान

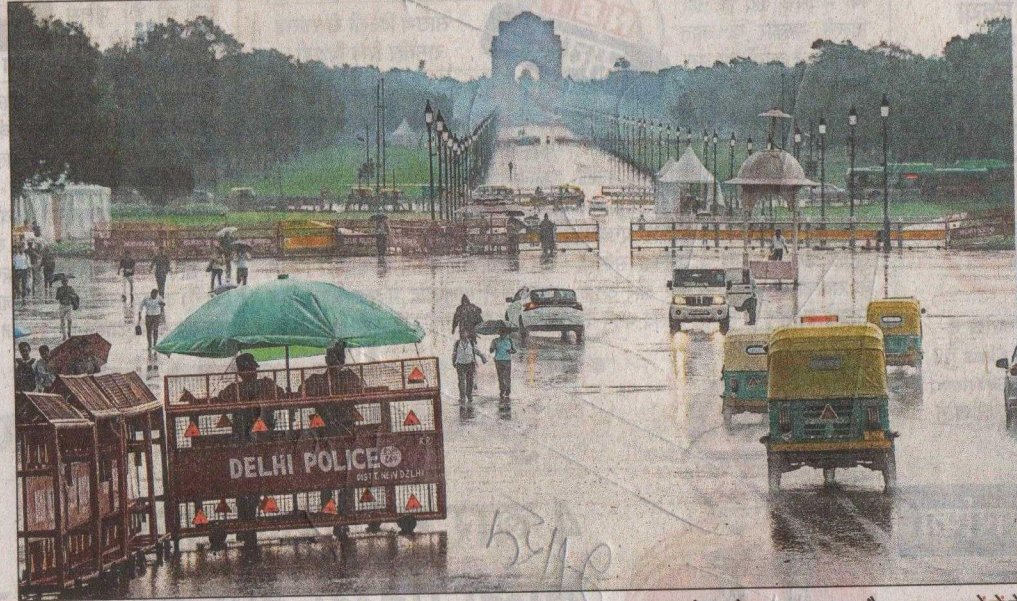
■ विशेष संवाददाता, नई दिल्ली

सोमवार सुबह से ही जबर्दस्त उमस वाली गर्मी से लोग बेहाल रहे, लेकिन 9:30 होते होते मौसम में बदलाव आने लगा। दस बजे के आसपास घने काले बादल छा गए और कुछ इलाकों को तेज बारिश का तोहफा मिला तो वहीं कई इलाकों को सिर्फ बूझाबांदी ही नसीब हुई। तेज बारिश करीब आधे से डेढ़ घंटे तक जारी रही। ऐसे में सड़कों पर जलभराव भी देखने को मिला। वहीं बारिश के थमने के साथ ही दोपहर तक फिर उमस वाली गर्मी ने लोगों को अपना जबर्दस्त अहसास करा दिया।

इस बार मॉनसून का पैटर्न कुछ ऐसा बना हुआ है कि एक साथ पूरी दिल्ली में बारिश नहीं हो रही है। 28 जून को मॉनसून की एंटी के समय झमाझम बारिश पूरी दिल्ली में हुई थी। इसके बाद से कुछ इलाकों में अधिक बारिश होती है तो कुछ में शुष्क मौसम बना रहता है। यही वजह है कि बारिश के बावजूद राजधानी में उमस भरी गर्मी बनी हुई है, जो लोगों को परेशान कर रही है। मौसम विभाग के अनुसार सोमवार को अधिकतम तापमान 35.2 डिग्री रहा। यह सामान्य है। वहीं न्यूनतम तापमान 29 डिग्री रहा। यह सामान्य से दो डिग्री अधिक रहा। हवाओं में नमी का स्तर 59 से 88 प्रतिशत रहा।

दिल्ली (सफदरजंग) में महज 2.7 एमएम बारिश हुई। वहीं पालम में 31.8, लोदी रोड में 2, रिज में 37.2, आया नगर में 1.2, डीयू में 37.5, पूसा में 35 और पीतमपुरा में 13.5 एमएम बारिश हुई। पूर्वानुमान के अनुसार मंगलवार को बादल छाए रहेंगे। हल्की बारिश होने की संभावना है। अधिकतम तापमान 36 और न्यूनतम 25 डिग्री तक रह सकता है। 17 से 19 जुलाई तक हल्की बारिश की संभावना है। बादल छाए रह सकते हैं। अधिकतम तापमान 34 से 36 डिग्री तक रह सकता है। न्यूनतम तापमान 25 से 27 डिग्री तक रह सकता है। 20 और 21 जुलाई को एक बार फिर बारिश हल्की होगी। बादल छाए रह सकते हैं। अधिकतम तापमान 34 से 35 डिग्री और न्यूनतम तापमान 27 डिग्री तक रह सकता है।

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डिग्री अधिकतम तापमान और 25 डिग्री न्यूनतम पारा रह सकता है आज

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डिग्री अधिकतम और 29 डिग्री न्यूनतम पारा रहा सोमवार को

आज बादल छाए रहेंगे, हल्की बारिश होने की संभावना है

सोमवार को सुबह 9:30 होते होते मौसम में बदलाव आने लगा, दस बजे के आसपास घने काले बादल छा गए और कुछ इलाकों में तेज बारिश होने लगी

## बारिश होने से शाम को कम हुआ प्रदूषण का लेवल

विस, नई दिल्ली : प्रदूषण का स्तर सोमवार को सामान्य रहा। अगले तीन दिन यह संतोषजनक स्तर पर रह सकता है। हालांकि बारिश की वजह से सुबह की तुलना में शाम को प्रदूषण स्तर में कुछ कमी आई। केंद्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड (सीपीसीबी) के एयर बुलेटिन के अनुसार सोमवार को राजधानी का एक्वआई 109 रहा। फरीदाबाद का 110, गाजियाबाद का 108, ग्रेटर नोएडा का 188, गुरुग्राम का 102 और नोएडा का एक्वआई 88 रहा। दिल्ली में 16 जगहों पर एक्वआई संतोषजनक और 22 जगहों पर सामान्य रहा। पूर्वानुमान के अनुसार 16 से 18 जुलाई को प्रदूषण का स्तर संतोषजनक रह सकता है। इसके बाद अगले छह दिनों तक यह संतोषजनक से सामान्य स्तर पर रहेगा।



सोमवार को राजधानी का एक्वआई 109 रहा, 16 जगहों पर एक्वआई संतोषजनक स्तर पर रहा