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City gets more than avg annual rains, lakes at 96% capacity

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Mumbai: With a month of monsoon left to go, the city surpassed its annual average rainfall of 2,514 mm on Sunday. The total rainfall till 5.30 pm on August 25 was 2,527.5 mm. Weathermen said though the onset of monsoon in Mumbai was delayed and the rains officially arrived only on June 25, they picked up pace in the last week of June. The normal onset for monsoon in Mumbai is June 10.

Meanwhile, the total rainfall recorded in July was 1,464.8 mm, making it the second highest rainfall recorded for the month since 1959.

While the last two weeks have been comparatively dry, the first week of August recorded significant rainfall owing to which the season's required average rainfall of 2,317.2 mm was surpassed on August 4 itself. The 11.3 mm rains recorded by the IMD Santacruz observatory in the 24 hours between August 24-25 (8.30 am-8.am) helped cross the required annual average

Meanwhile, the IMD has forecast cloudy skies with light to moderate rainfall in the city and suburbs on Mon-

Water stocks in the lakes on August 25 were 13.91 lakh million litres or 96.14% of the required stocks. The lakes must have over 14 lakh million litres of water till the end of monsoon to avoid water cuts, say civic officials.

With floods every 10 yrs, green policy need of the hour

he recent floods have put the focus back on the long-delayed floodline policy for the Mumbai region. The mapping of red and blue flood lines was first mandated in the state in 1989 to help protect people and property. Using historical records, irrigation officials were to mark the highest flood level in 25 years as a blue line and the highest flood level in 100 years as a red line. Usually residences are allowed in the area between the red and blue lines-often with stilts -but not between the blue line and the river.

Increasing flood frequency may make the floodline policy outdated even before it has been fully implemented. For instance, a 25-year-flood is a severity of flood that has a 4% chance of happening in any one year. But this kind of flood is now occurring at 10-12-year frequencies, says NEERI's Rakesh Kumar. That means such floods now have a 10% chance of occurring in any given year. What does this mean for regulation? Norms centre around protecting the 25-year flood zone. But Kumar thinks this may no longer be enough, "It would be safer now to keep the 50-year-flood-zone free of residential development," he says. In much of the Mumbai region, it may be too late for that. - Vaishnavi Chandrashekhar

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Sardar Sarovar Dam water level rises

A village in Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh has started submerging as the backwater level of the Sardar Sarovar Dam in Gujarat rises due to heavy rains. On Sunday, the backwater level rose to 133 metres, 6.5 metres above the danger mark, leaving the village of Nisarpur, 180 km from here, on the brink of going under, an senior official

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Schools shelter flood-hit, kids skip classes

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CHANDIGARH/JALANDHAR, AUG 26 Students in 140 government schools, mainly in Punjab's Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Tarn Taran, Ludhiana and Ropar districts, the worst hit by floods, have not attended classes for more than a week.

With many schoolbuildings under water, some on the verge of collapse, and sludge all around, education has taken a serious hit in these districts. The functioning of more than 100 private schools too has crippled with some serving as relief centres.

Official spokesperson Mandeep Singh said teaching in 36 schools in Jalandhar, 20 in Kapurthala, 13 in Tarn Taran, 27 in Ludhiana and 35 in Ropar had been hit.

Her house inundated, Kiranjot Kaur (14), a Class VIII student at Government



An inundated government school at Nawan Pind Khalewal in flood-hit Shahkot, Jalandhar. MALKIAT SINGH

High School, Chak Wadala, Jalandhar, is lodged in a relief camp at Lohian village. "My school is under 6-8 feet of water," she says. Children in Lohian village too have had to skip classes, their school having been turned into a camp.

At least 40 government schools in Lohian and Gidder Pindi blocks of Jalandhar are shut. Desks, chairs, book shelves and items for mid-day meals have been swept away. Gurpratap Bajwa of Gidder Pindi says it took them a long time to raise a smart school. "My school had painted walls, an LED and a computer lab. Everything is gone. Floodwaters have played havoc in Ropar schools at Phool

Khurd, Phool Kalan, Buri and Ranjitpura. A teacher observed: "The problem will get worse after the water recedes, leaving muck." Secretary (School Education) Krishan Kumar said they would seek special grants for loss of infrastructure. "We will also take steps to make up for the academic loss."

Dreaded gangster Kaushal in STF net

SANJAY YADAV

FARIDABAD, AUGUST 26

The Haryana STF today finally nabbed 'wanted' gangster Kaushal after yearlong efforts by KK Rao, former IG STF, and the Faridabad Police Commissioner. The immigration division of the IGI airport called up the police after detaining Kaushal, who arrived in an Air India flight.

Highly placed sources claimed Kaushal was brought to India from Dubai, where he had been reportedly hiding since several months. At 3.30 am today, the immigration department contacted the CBI about his arrival following which the STF was informed. Inspec-Sandeep Kumar. tors Jasveer, Sandeep Dhankhar anad Pradeep Kumar reached the airport at 4.30 am and arrested Kaushal.