



Addressing Chennai Rains

Why in news?

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The Meteorological department has forecasted more rainfall due to a low pressure area persisting in the Bay of Bengal.

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What is the status of rain in Tamilnadu?

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- The MeT department said low pressure area over south west Bay of Bengal, adjoining Sri Lanka and Tamil Nadu coast.

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- The associated cyclonic circulation extending up to 3.1 km above mean sea level continued to persist and are likely to bring more rains.

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- Rains continued to lash Chennai and neighbouring districts of Kancheepuram, Tiruvallur besides other regions of Tamil Nadu.

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- The fury continued in Chennai and other coastal regions of Tamil Nadu, with the metropolis gauging 93% more showers than normal for the October one to November 4 period.

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What are the impacts of the rains so far?

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- Eight persons have died so far since the onset of the northeast monsoon in the state.

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- Schools and colleges, closed since October 31, were shut on Saturday as well and several university exams were postponed.
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- Power supply was suspended in inundated areas of North Chennai and pockets of South Chennai.
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- Commuters had a harrowing time due to delayed services of buses and trains and severe traffic snarls.
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- Showers caused track “circuit based signalling to fail” due to water logging in Chennai Division, “affecting punctuality” between few stations in the southern sector.
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- Wherever automatic signalling got affected, trains got slightly delayed since they had to be dealt with manual signals instead of automatic signals.
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- There were also some power tripping issues in railway routes, including the northern suburban stations.
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