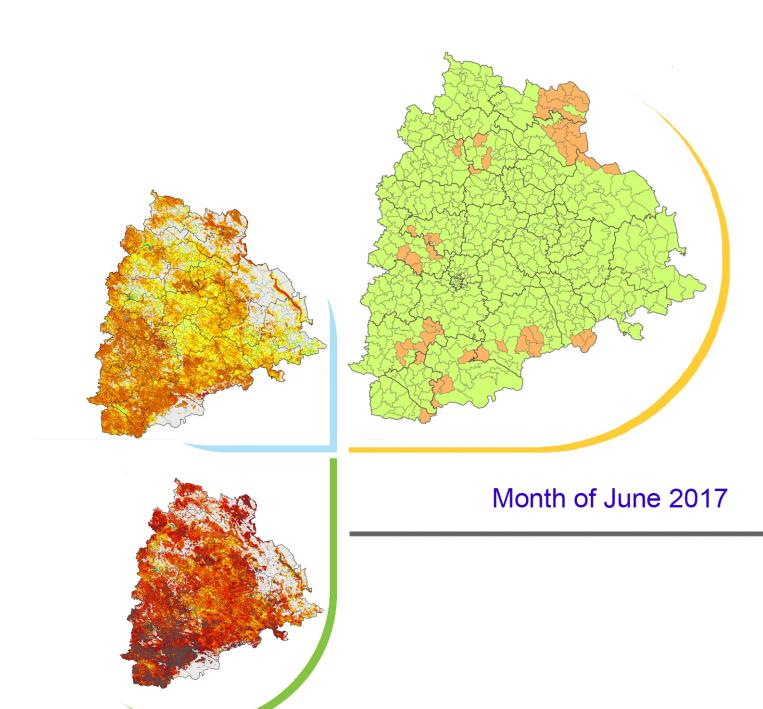
FORTNIGHTLY REPORT OF SEASONAL CONDITION

Integrated Seasonal Condition Monitoring System





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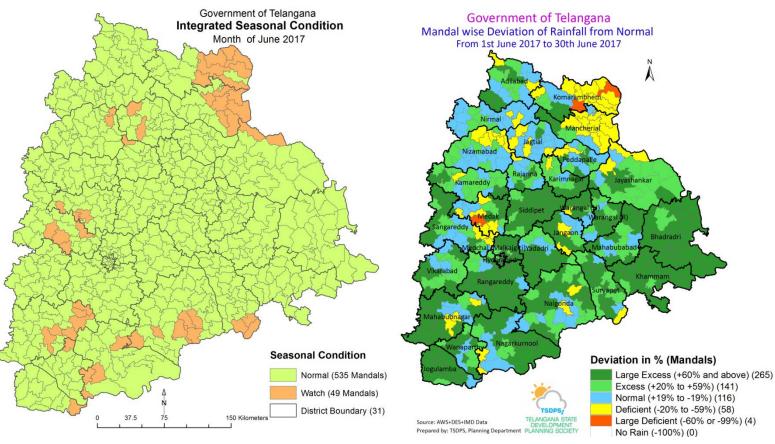
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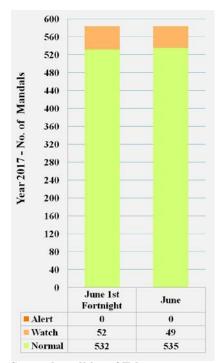
HIGHLIGHTS

INTEGRATED SEASONAL CONDITION MONITORING SYSTEM (ISMS) - TELANGANA Cumulative Report up to 30th June, 2017

- Seasonal condition is categorised as "Normal" in 535 Mandals as on date 30th June 2017
- Seasonal condition is categorised as "Watch" in 49 Mandals as on date 30th June 2017



Seasonal Condition upto Month of June, 2017



Seasonal condition of Telangana upto Month of June 2017

Rainfall 01st June to 30th June, 2017

• 58 Mandals out of 584 (10%) of state received Deficient rainfall. 141 Mandals (24%) of the state received Excess rainfall. 4 Mandals (1%) of the state received Large Deficient rainfall. 265 Mandals (45%) of the state received Large Excess rainfall.

Rainfall from 1st June to 30th June, 2017

• 116 Mandals (20%) have received Normal rainfall respectively.

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1. Background and Rationale

Drought is a complex natural hazard. It is defined as any deficiency of water to satisfy the normal need to agriculture, livestock, industry, or human population. Drought assessment and monitoring is essential for the agricultural sector to take appropriate mitigation measures. Drought indices derived from satellite data play a major role in assessing the health and condition of the crops/vegetation.

National Agricultural Drought Assessment and Monitoring System (NADAMS) project of National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) established a remote sensing based drought assessment protocol utilizing the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) and Normalized Difference Water Index (NDWI). The Government of India has established Mahalanobis National Crop Forecast Centre (MNCFC) under Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, New Delhi for carrying out drought assessment at national level.

The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India published a drought manual in 2009 which suggested parameters like rainfall deficiency, area under sowing, NDVI, Moisture Adequacy Index (MAI) and some other indictors to declare drought. The Government of Telangana (GoTS) uses the following criterion for declaration of drought.

- 1. Mandatory Condition Rainfall deficiency of 25% (>1000 mm rainfall) and 20% (999 to 750 mm rainfall) and 15% (<750 mm rainfall)
- 2. Minimum of two condition to be fulfilled out of following three
 - a) Reduction in cropped area of 50% and above under all principal crops.
 - b) Reduction in yield (50% and above), in case of high input oriented crops viz., ground nut, bengal gram, hybrid sunflower, 40% reduction of yield or above.
 - c) Dry spells and its impact on crop damages.

An extensive weather observation network of 855 Automatic Weather Stations (AWS), is established in Telangana. Telangana State Development Planning Society (TSDPS) monitor the data and maintains the networks. Figure 1 showing the location of AWS stations in Telangana.



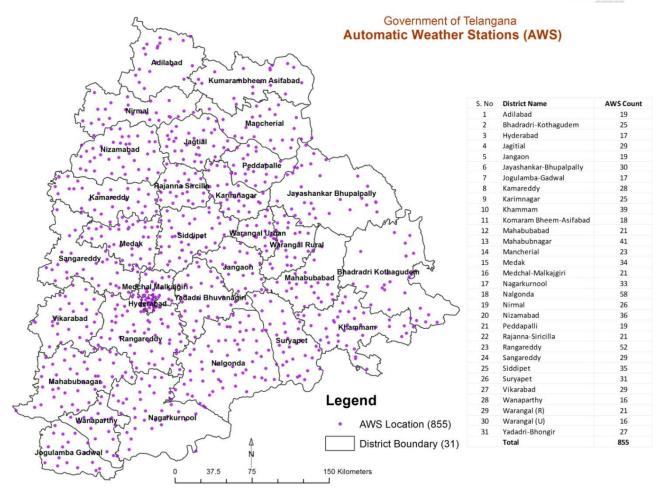


Figure 1: Location of automatic weather stations

Telangana State Remote Sensing Applications Centre (TRAC) has established a protocol *Integrated Seasonal Condition Monitoring System (ISMS*). The objectives of the ISMS are

- Concurrent monitoring of seasonal conditions using remote sensing, extensive weather network data and continuous ground truth.
- Develop an early warning (monitoring and forecasting) of drought using suite of indicators, which will help to increase drought preparedness, and identify and implement appropriate Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) measures.
- Early warning to the Districts/Mandals.

ISMS uses the rainfall data provided by Directorate of Economics & Statistics (DE&S), weekly progress of crop area sowings, groundwater level and its fluctuation, command and non-command area, water releases data, reservoir levels in addition to the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) and Normalized Difference Water Index (NDWI) based methodology of MNCFC. This output is verified through ground truth, additionally in context of the state specific drought declaration criteria. The agricultural situation is classified in three to four categories as per the NRSC i.e. Normal, Watch, Alert for June to August and Normal, Mild, Moderate and Severe for September to October. The details of the classification of agricultural situation are given in Table 1.



Table. 1. Classification of agricultural situation

Duration	Condition	Description			
	Normal	Agricultural situation is normal			
Lung August	Watch	 Progress of agricultural situation is slow Ample scope for recovery No external intervention needed 			
June - August	Alert	 Very slow progress of agricultural situation Need for intervention. Develop and implement contingency plans to minimise loss 			
Mild drought		Crops have suffered stress slightly			
September - October	Moderate drought	Considerable loss in production.Take measures to alleviate suffering			
	Severe	High risk significant reduction in crop yieldManagement measures to provide relief			

2. Data used, Indicators and Methodology

2.1. Data used

Details of data used under project are discussed in Table 2.

Table. 2. Data source and indicators

Data source	Product	Indicators
MODIS (250/500m)	Surface reflectance	NDVI & NDWI
AWiFS	Surface reflectance	NDVI & NDWI
AWS/ DES	 Daily rainfall & soil moisture Crop sown area Crop cutting experiments 	 Rainfall deviation Dry spells Soil moisture status % deviation of crop sown area Crop yield
Agriculture Department, GoTS	Weekly sowing progress	District wise sown areas deviation from normal
Irrigation Department,	Reservoir levels/ Water release	Command area Mandals
GoTS	data	under canal irrigation



2.2. Indicators and Index

2.2.1. Rainfall data

In Telangana, South-West Monsoon is crucial for agriculture sector. ISMS uses integrated (AWS+DES+IMD) mandal wise rainfall data provided by Directorate of Economics & Statistics (DES). This data is used for computation of meteorological drought situation and to derive the mandal wise spatial distribution of rainfall in the state.

2.2.2. Reservoir water levels and water release - major and medium project

A scheme having Culturable Command Area (CCA) up to 2,000 hectares individually is classified as minor irrigation scheme. A scheme having CCA more than 2,000 hectares and up to 10,000 hectares individually is a medium irrigation scheme. A scheme having CCA more than 10,000 hectares is major irrigation scheme. In Telangana, water is released during Kharif season to major and medium command areas.

2.2.3. Crop sowing progress

Weekly crop sowing progress reports are taken from 'Season and Crop Coverage Report-Kharif 2017' of Commissionerate of Agriculture, Telangana. The report includes current status of Weather condition, Water level, Crop sowing and Agricultural Operations.

2.2.4. Vegetation index

The crop/vegetation reflects high energy in the near infrared band due its canopy geometry and health of the standing crops/vegetation and absorbs high in the red band due to its biomass and photosynthesis. Uses of these contrast characteristics of vegetation in near infrared and red bands indicate both the health and condition of the crops/vegetation. Normalised Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) is widely used for operational drought assessment because of its simplicity in calculation, easy to interpret and its ability to partially compensate for the effects of atmosphere, illumination geometry etc., (Malingreau 1986, Tucker and Chowdhary 1987, Kogan 1995). NDVI is derived by the difference of these measurements and divided by their sum.

$$NDVI = \frac{(NIR - Red)}{(NIR + Red)}$$

The vegetation index is generated from each of the available satellite data irrespective of the cloud cover present. To minimize the cloud, monthly time composite vegetation index is generated.

2.2.5. Surface wetness indicator



Shortwave Infrared (SWIR) band is sensitive to moisture available in soil as well as in crop canopy. In the beginning of the cropping season, soil background is dominant hence SWIR is sensitive to soil moisture in the top 1-2 cm. As the crop progresses, SWIR becomes sensitive to leaf moisture content. SWIR band provides only surface wetness information. When the crop is grown-up, SWIR response is only from canopy and not from the underlying soil. NDWI using SWIR can complement NDVI for drought assessment particularly in the beginning of the cropping season. NDWI is derived as under;

$$NDWI = \frac{(NIR - SWIR)}{(NIR + SWIR)}$$

Higher values of NDWI signify more surface wetness. The wetness index is generated from each of the available satellite data irrespective of the cloud cover present. To minimize the cloud, monthly time composite wetness index is generated.

2.2.6. Vegetation condition index

Kogan (1995) developed Vegetation Condition Index (VCI) using the range of NDVI as under,

$$VCI = \frac{(NDVI - NDVI min)}{(NDVI max - NDVI min)} * 100$$

The current drought assessment expressed as percentage of deviation of NDVI and NDWI based on 10 year NDVI and NDWI index values. The minimum and maximum value of NDVI and NDWI, the VCI discriminated between the weather components.



2.3 Methodology

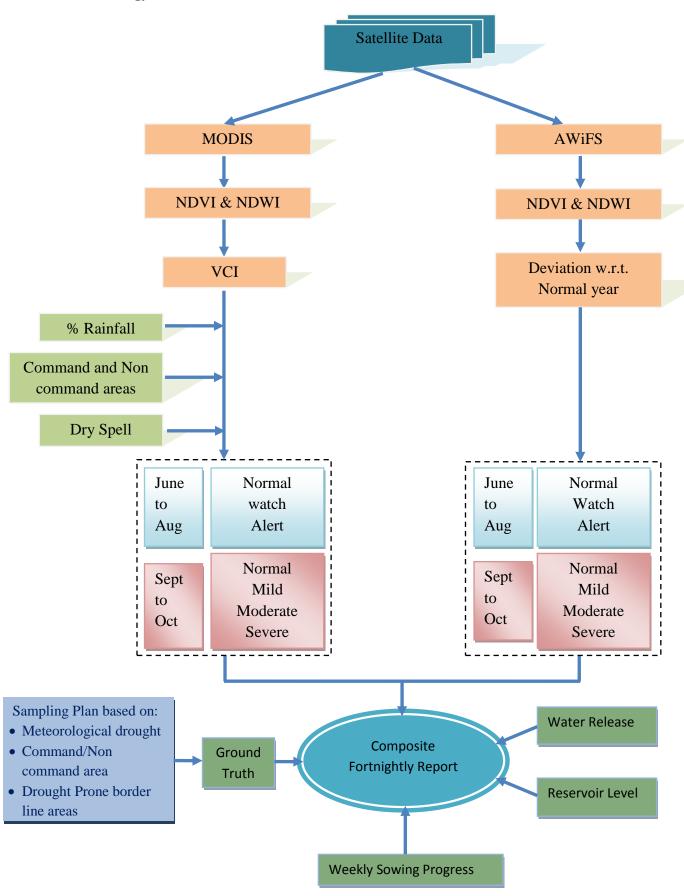


Figure 2: Flow chart of drought assessment methodology



The methodology to assess and monitor the agricultural conditions and situation in the state at district and Mandal level uses IRS Resourcesat-2 AWiFS data. Indian Remote Sensing satellite (IRS) Resourcesat-2 having Advanced Wide Imaging Field Sensor (AWiFS) payload collects data in two spectral bands 0.62-0.68 µm (red) and 0.77-0.86 µm (near infrared) with spatial resolution of 56 m and ground swath of 740 km with a revisit period of 5 days. Along with this MODIS 250/500 m satellite data provide spectra, radiometric and spatial resolutions products for better monitoring of the agriculture. The combination of AWiFS and MODIS is useful to increase the frequency of images.

The different activities carried out through ISMS commence with acquisition of MODIS (250 m) and AWiFS (56 m) satellite data. The satellite data being processed and NDVI and NDWI indices are developed. Based on these indices deviation with respect to normal year (2013) is calculated and Mandal wise statistics are derived. The agricultural situation is assessed incorporating rainfall deviation, command and non command areas, dry spell, drought prone border line areas, crop sown area progress and ground truth along with satellite derived indices. The flow chart of methodology is shown in Figure 2.

3. Present status up to Month of June 2017

3.1. Rainfall data

The status of rainfall as on 30th June 2017 is shown in Table.3.

- **58** Mandals out of 584 (**10%**) of state received **Deficient** (-20% to -59%) rainfall.
- 141 Mandals (24%) of the state received Excess (+20% to +59%) rainfall.
- 4 Mandals (1%) of the state received **Large Deficient** (-60% to -99%) rainfall.
- 265 Mandals (45%) of the state received Large Excess (+60% and above) rainfall.
- **116** Mandals (**20%**) have received **Normal** (+19% to -19%) rainfall.



Table. 3. Rainfall status as on 30th June 2017

Sl. No.	District Name	No. of Mandals	Deficient	Excess	Low Deficient	Large Excess	Normal
1	Adilabad	18	02	07		04	05
2	Bhadradri- Kothagudem	23		02		21	
3	Hyderabad	16		01		15	
4	Jagtial	18	03	01		01	13
5	Jangaon	13	02	01		07	03
6	Jayashankar- Bhupalpally	20	03	10		05	02
7	Jogulamba-Gadwal	12		01		10	01
8	Kamareddy	22	01	13		05	03
9	Karimnagar	16	01	08		06	01
10	Khammam	21		02		19	
11	Komaram Bheem- Asifabad	15	08	02	02	01	02
12	Mahabubabad	16		05		07	04
13	Mahabubnagar	26	03	01		17	05
14	Mancherial	18	10	02		02	04
15	Medak	20	05	03	02	06	04
16	Medchal-Malkajgiri	14		03		10	01
17	Nagarkurnool	20	02	03		10	05
18	Nalgonda	31	02	10		13	06
19	Nirmal	19	01	05			13
20	Nizamabad	27	07	09			11
21	Peddapalli	14	02	03		04	05
22	Rajanna-Siricilla	13	01	05		03	04
23	Rangareddy	27		03		22	02
24	Sangareddy	26	03	05		10	08
25	Siddipet	22		04		18	
26	Suryapet	23	01	09		11	02
27	Vikarabad	18	-	07		08	03
28	Wanaparthy	14		05		07	02
29	Warangal Rural	15		05		08	02
30	Warangal Urban	11	01	02		06	02
31	Yadadri-Bhongir	16		04		09	03
	Total	584	58	141	04	265	116

SOURCE: AWS, DE&S and IMD, HYDERABAD



The % deviation of Actual & Normal rainfall received up to 30th June 2017 is shown in Fig. 3,4, 5,6 & 7 respectively.

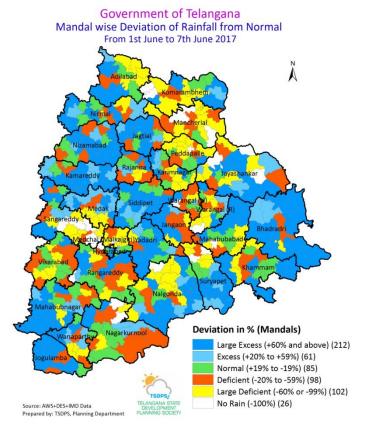


Figure 3: Deviation of Rainfall in percent w.r.t. Normal from June 01st to June 07th, 2017

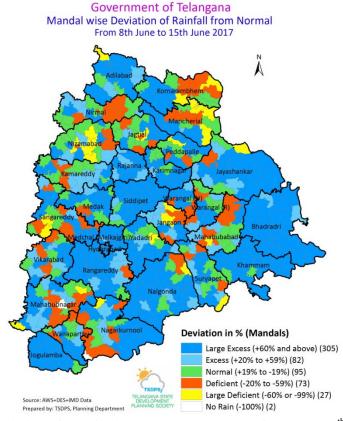


Figure 4: Deviation of Rainfall in percent w.r.t. Normal from June 08th to June 15th, 2017



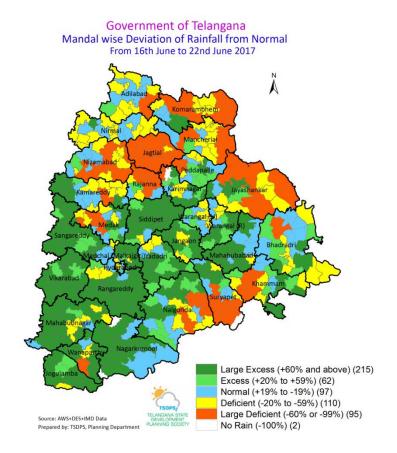


Figure 5: Deviation of rainfall in percent w.r.t. normal from June 16^{th} to June 22^{nd} , 2017

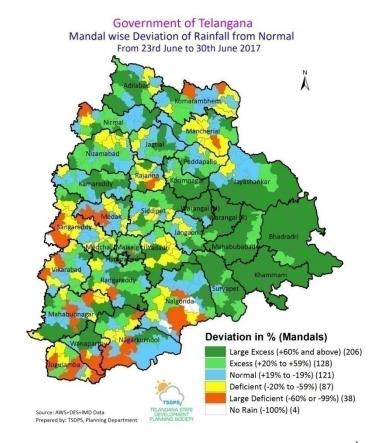


Figure 6: Deviation of rainfall in percent w.r.t. normal from June 23rd to June 30th, 2017



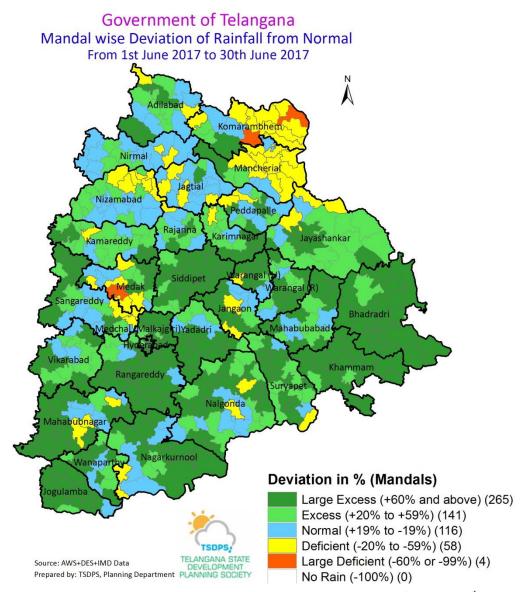


Figure 7: Deviation of rainfall in percent w.r.t. normal from June 01st to June 30th, 2017



3.2. Reservoir water levels

All the major reservoirs are holding 309.11. TMC as on 30-06-2017, and as on date last year the level had stood at 241.96 TMC. The details of water levels of all major reservoirs as on 30-06-2017 are furnished hereunder in Table.4.

Table.4. Reservoir Water Levels

PARTICULARS OF MAJOR RESERVOIRS AS ON 30/June/2017										
Sl	Reservoir Name	Time	FRL	Gross	THIS YEAR LAST YEAR				YEAR	
No				Capaci		As on 30/.	June/2017		As on 30/June/2016	
				ty						
			(feet)	(TMC)	Level	Gross	Inflow	Outflow	Level	Gross
						Storage				Storage
					(in feet)	(TMC)	(Cusecs)	(Cusecs)	(in feet)	(TMC)
				K	rishna Basi	n				
1	Almatti	09:25	1705	129.72	1658.43	14.19	19503	0	1658.63	14.34
2	Jurala	09:27	1045	9.657	1041.67	7.65	1588	523	1031.43	3.23
3	Nagarjunasagar	09:28	590	312.04	501.5	117.69	338	338	504.5	122.52
4	Narayanapur	09:25	1615	37.646	1594.16	15.02	0	0	1594.98	15.62
5	Srisailam	09:27	885	215.80	779	20.02	1093	42	780.5	20.56
6	Tungabhadra	09:26	1633	100.86	1576.39	2.8	14275	34	1579.15	3.81
7	Ujjaini	09:26	1630	117.24	1603.51	49.36	0	221	1594.04	35.23
				G	odavari Bas	in				
8	Jaikwad	09:29	1522	102.73	1502.04	40.15	0	754	1487.56	16.72
9	Kaddam	09:32	700	7.6	688.98	5.06	590	73	673.7	2.62
10	Lower Manair Dam	09:32	920	24.074	893.75	7.44	0	151	876.6	2.38
11	Nizam sagar	09:30	1405	17.803	1380.16	1.32	0	48	1364	0
12	Singur	09:30	1718	29.91	1710.24	19.19	0	285	1666.81	0.29
13	Sri Ram Sagar	09:31	1091	90.313	1054.9	9.224	0	211	1046.6	4.64

Source: Irrigation Department, Hyderabad

3.3. Vegetation index

The Normalized Difference of Vegetation Index (NDVI) for month of June 2017 is shown in the figures and also compared with 2015 and 2014. The year 2013 is treated as a normal year. Mandal wise NDVI, monthly agricultural situation for the year 2017, 2015 and 2014, deviation of NDVI w.r.t. 2013 are shown in the Figures 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 respectively. The NDVI deviation with respect to the month of June 2013 indicate that parts of Mahabubnagar, Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Rangareddy, Sangareddy, Suryapet, and Vikarabad, districts are under stress condition. As per rainfall distribution the progress of agricultural situation is normal and the vegetation condition in the state is likely to improve in coming fortnight.



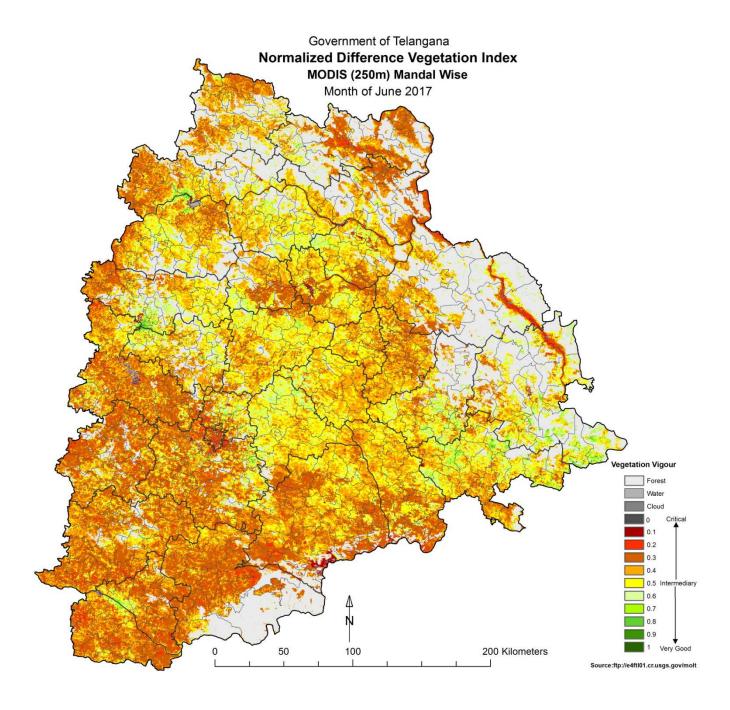


Figure 8: NDVI - MODIS: Month of June 2017



Government of Telangana Normalized Difference Vegetation Index MODIS (250m) Mandal Wise

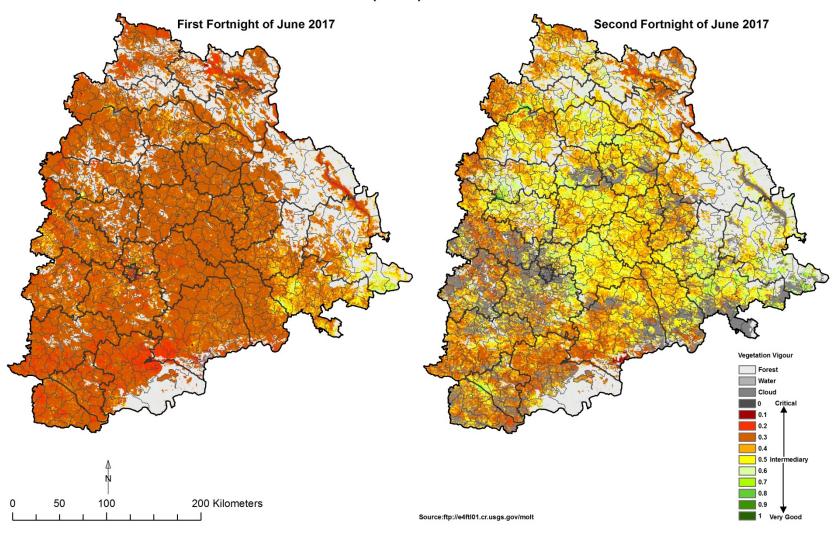


Figure 9: NDVI - MODIS, Fortnightly agricultural situation from June 2017



Government of Telangana MODIS (250m) Mandal Wise NDVI Agricultural Situation for the Year 2017 & 2013

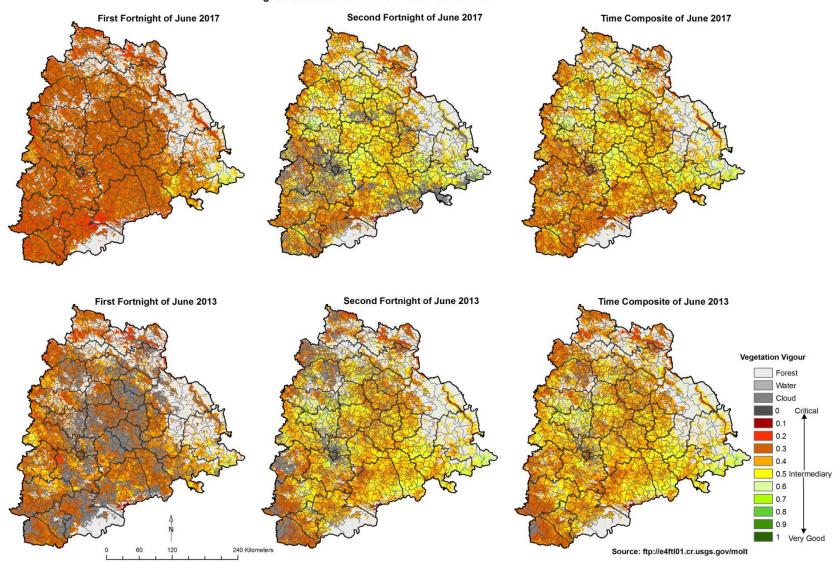


Figure 10: NDVI - MODIS, Time composite of agricultural situation from June 2017 and 2013



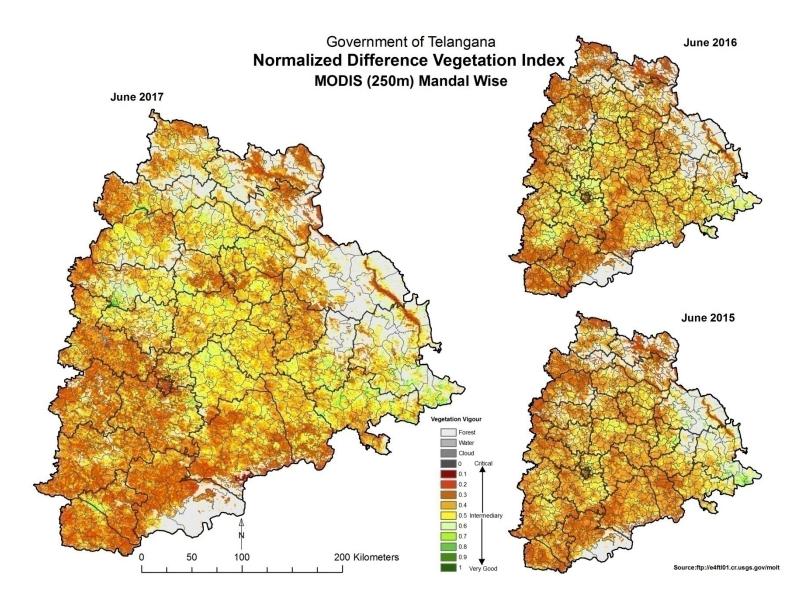


Figure 11: NDVI - MODIS, Monthly agricultural situation from June 2017, 2016 and 2015



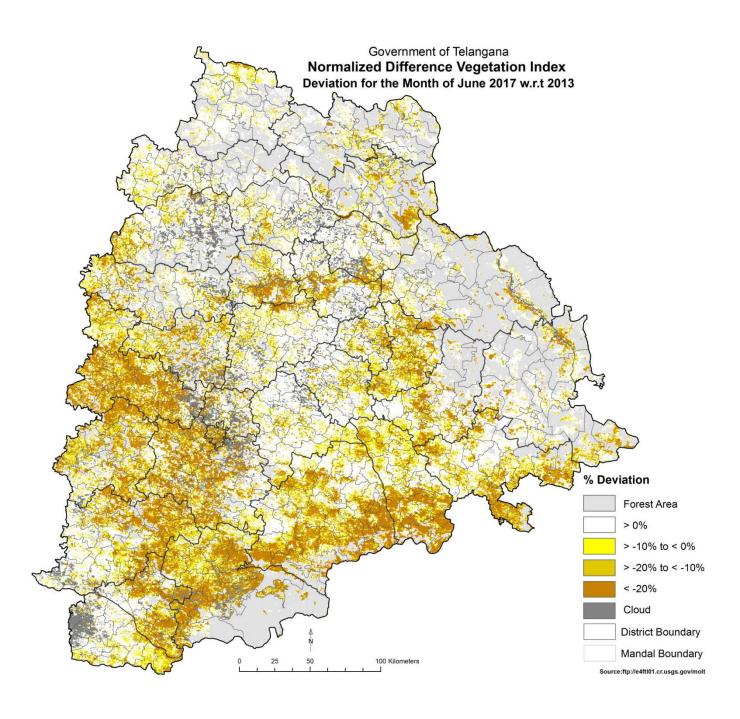


Figure 12: NDVI deviation (MODIS - 250m), Month of June 2017 w.r.t. 2013



3.4. Surface wetness indicator

The map indicates status of moisture availability in soil as well as in crop canopy for month of June 2017. The year 2013 is treated as a normal year. Mandal wise Normalized Difference Water Index (NDWI) situation from the year 2017, 2015 & 2014, monthly agricultural situation deviation of NDWI w.r.t. 2013 are shown in the Figures 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 respectively. NDWI deviations with respect to month of June 2013 indicate that parts of Mahabubnagar, Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Nirmal, SangaReddy, and Vikarabad districts are under mild stress condition. As per rainfall distribution the progress of agricultural situation is normal and the soil moisture condition in the state is likely to improve in next fortnight.

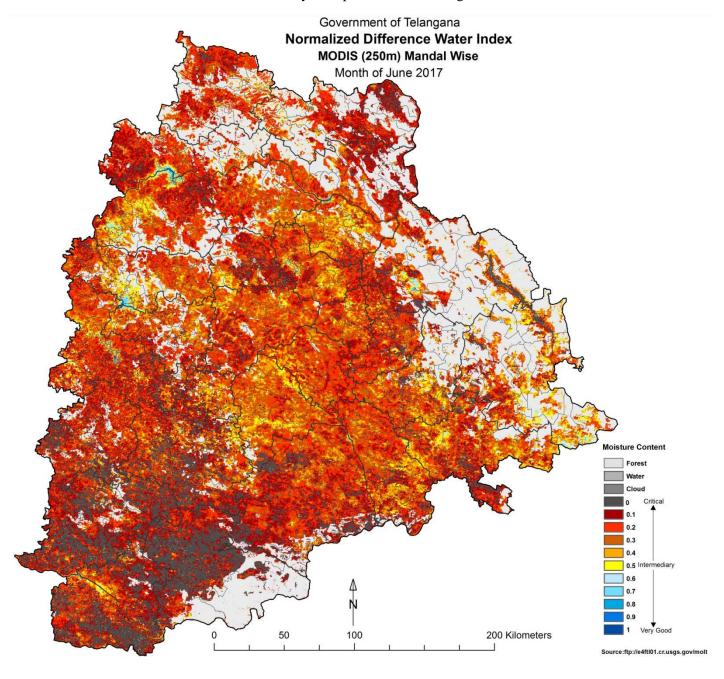


Figure 13: NDWI - MODIS: Month of June 2017



Government of Telangana Normalized Difference Water Index MODIS (250m) Mandal Wise

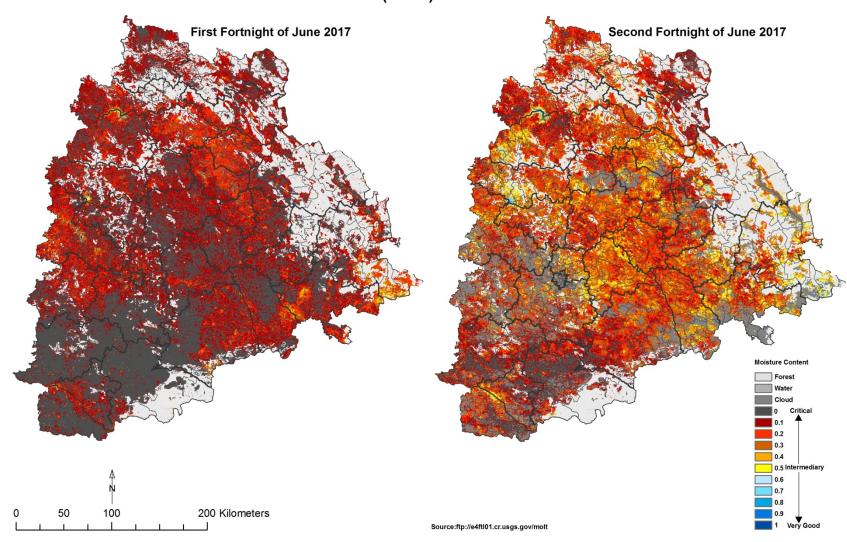


Figure 14: NDWI - MODIS, Fortnightly agricultural situation from June 2017



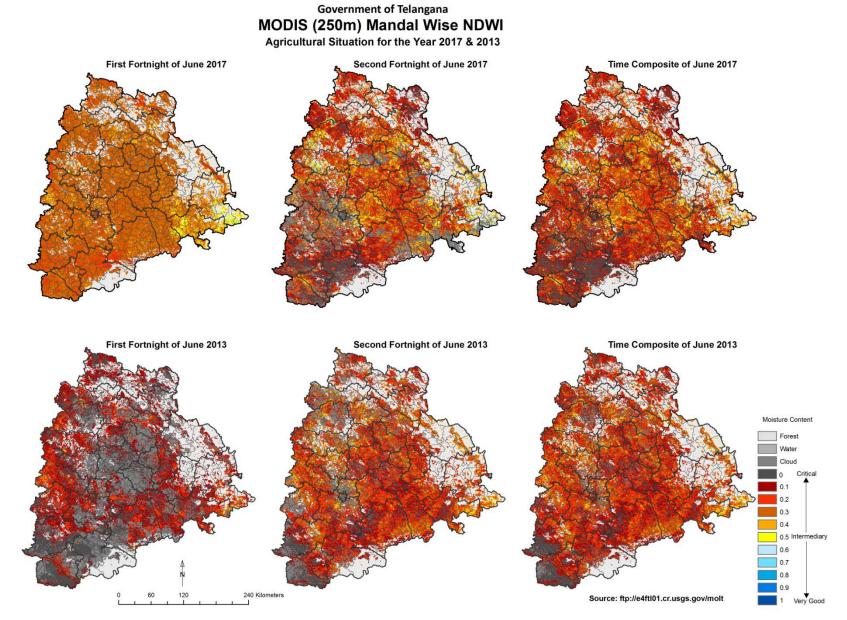


Figure 15: NDWI - MODIS, Time composite of agricultural situation from June 2017 and 2013



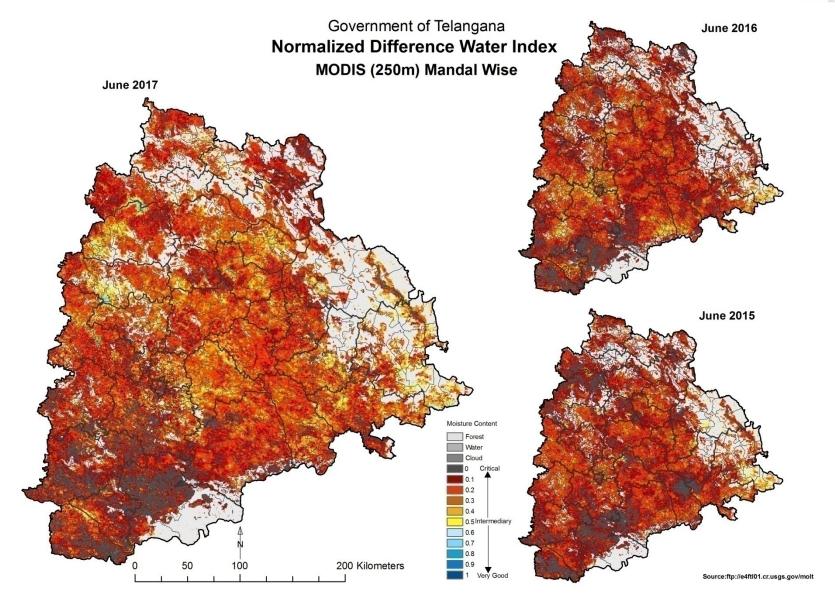


Figure 16: NDWI - MODIS, Monthly agricultural situation from June 2017, 2016 and 2015



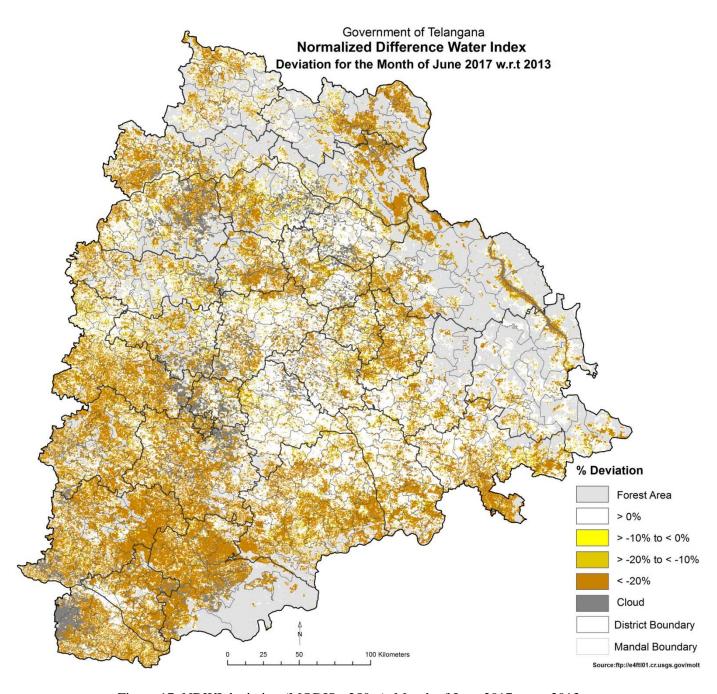


Figure 17: NDWI deviation (MODIS - 250m), Month of June 2017 w.r.t. 2013



3.5. Drought situation of Mandals

3.5.1. Composite criteria

The drought situation in the state is assessed using different indicators viz., NDVI, NDWI and rainfall deviation of mandals. Compositing all indicators, mandals were categorised into Normal, and Watch. Mandal-wise analysis for the Month of June 2017 indicated "Normal" agricultural situation in 535 Mandals. The agricultural situation is categorized as "Watch" in 49 Mandals. The Mandals under Normal and Watch categories are given in the Table.5. and their spatial distribution is shown in Figure 18.

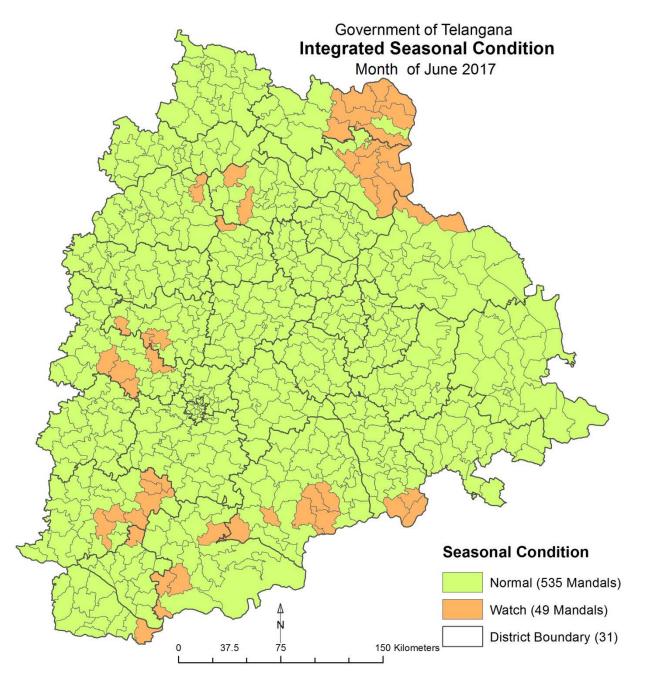


Figure 18: Mandal wise drought assessment based on ISMS criterion



Table 5: Mandals under watch category based on ISMS criteria

District	Mandal	Total
Jagtial	Mallapur and Medipalle	02
Jayashankar Bhupalpally	Mahadevpur and Palmela	02
Jogulamba Gadwal	Alampur	01
Kumarambheem Asifabad	Bejjur, Chintalamanepally, Dahegaon, Kagaznagar, Kouthala, Rebbana and Sirpur (T)	07
Mahabubnagar	Balanagar, Bhoothpur, Devarkadara, Jadcherla, Mahabubnagar rural and Rajapur	06
Mancherial	Bellampalle, Bhimaram, Chennur, Kannepalli, Kotapalle, Nennal and Vemanpalle	07
Medak	Alladurg, chilipched and Kowdipalle	03
Nagarkurnool	Kodair, Peddakothapalle, Pentlavelli and Vangoor	04
Nalgonda	AnumulaHaliya, Gundlapalle, Kondamallapally, Nidamanur, Peddavura and Tirumalagiri Saga	06
Nizamabad	Mortad and Yergatla	02
Rajanna Sircilla	Rudrangi	01
Sangareddy	Hathanoora, Kondapur, Munipalli and Sadasivpet	04
Suryapet	Chinthalapalem, Mattampalle and Mellachervu	03
Wanaparthy	Ghanpur	01



4. Conclusions

Highlights of seasonal conditions at the end of the month, June 2017 are as follows.

- ➤ 58 Mandals of state received **Deficient** rainfall. Deficient rainfall was recorded north eastern parts of Komaram Bheem- Asifabad, Mancherial, Nizamabad, Sangareddy districts. South western part of Medak and parts of Jagitial, Mahabunagar district also received deficient rainfall.
- ➤ 116 Mandals received Normal rainfall in State. Normal rainfall was recorded mostly in parts of Adilabad, Jagitial, Mahabubnagar, Nagarkurnool, Nalgonda, Nirmal, Nizamabad, Peddapalli and Sangareddy districts.
- ➤ 141 and 265 Mandals of state received Excess and Large Excess rainfall in State respectively. All most all parts of Bhadradri kothagudem, Jangaon, Jayashankar-Bhupalpally, Jogulamba Gadwal, Kamareddy, Karimnagar, Khammam, Mahabubabad, Mahabubnagar, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Nagarkurnool, Nalgonda, Rangareddy, Sangareddy, Siddipet, Suryapet, Vikarabad, Wanaparthy, Warangal Rural, Warangal Urban and Yadadri Districts received excess to large excess rainfall.
- Mandal wise analysis by the end of June, 2017 indicated "Normal" agricultural situation in **535** Mandals and in **49** Mandals are in "Watch" category.

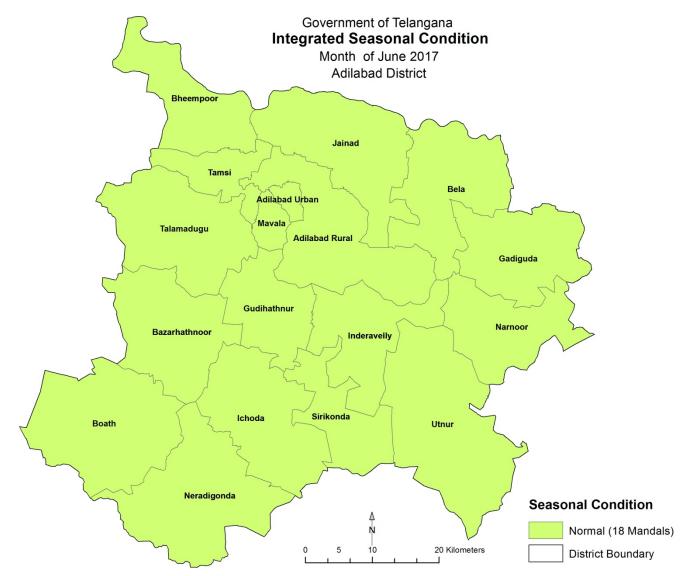


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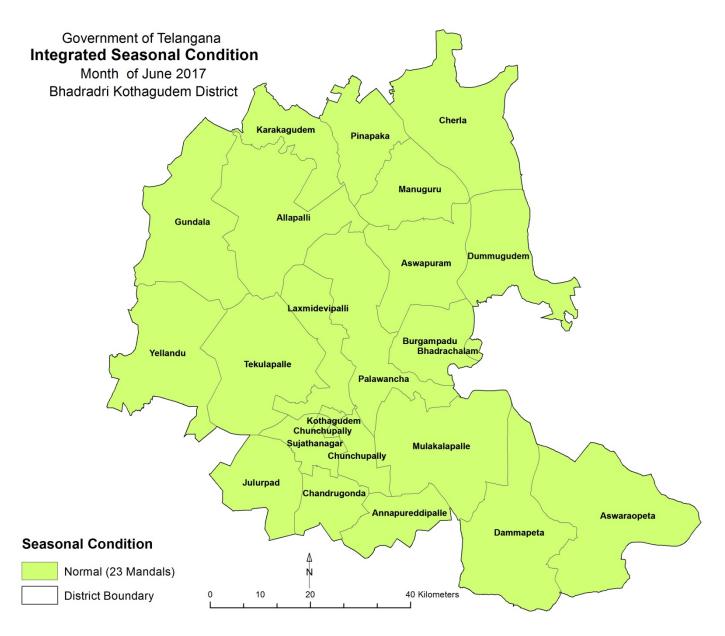
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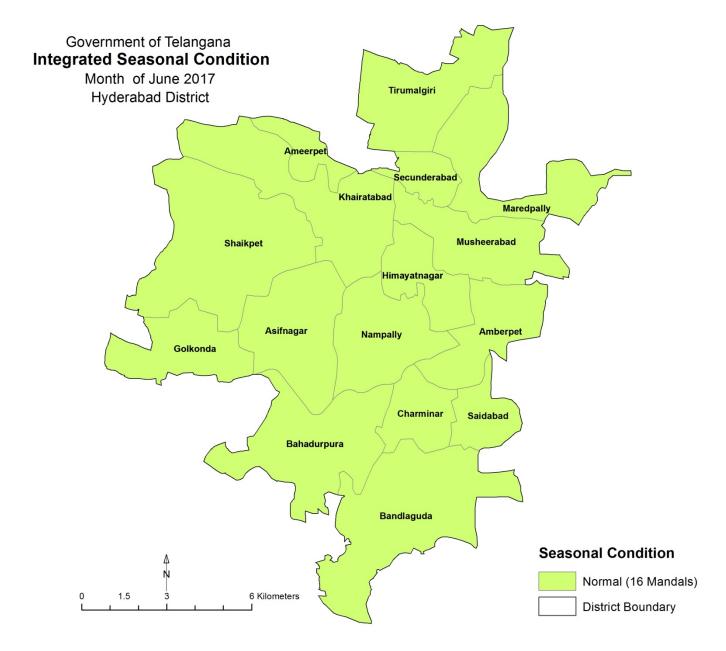
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District Wise Maps Showing Normal, Watch Mandals



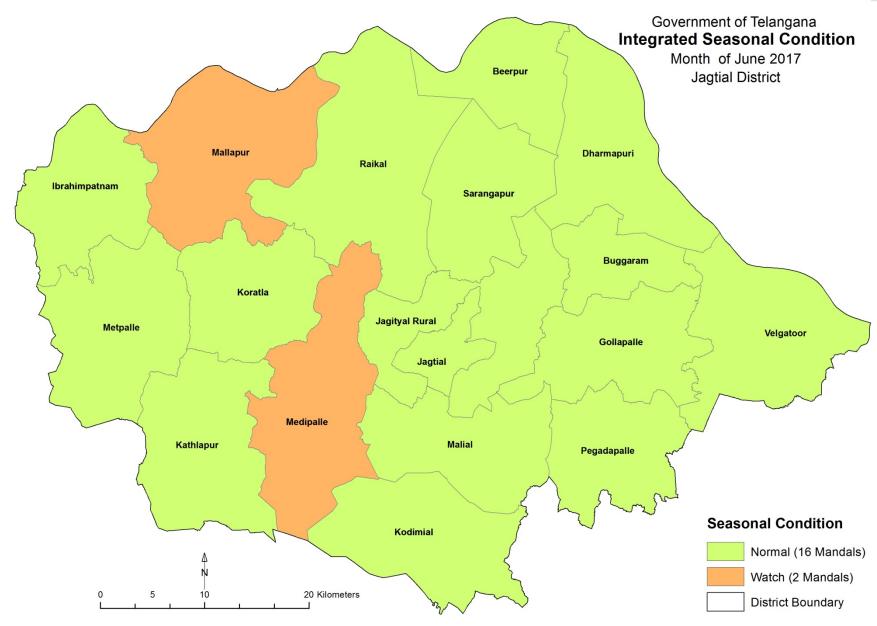




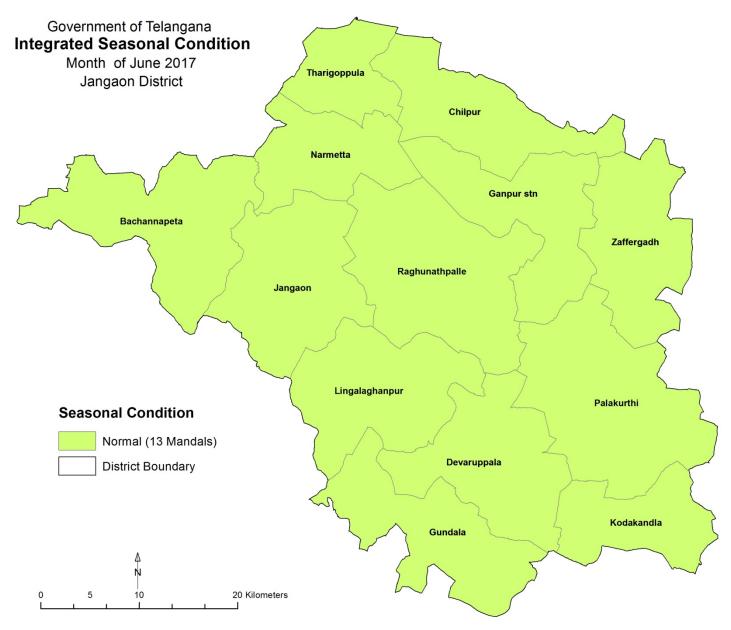








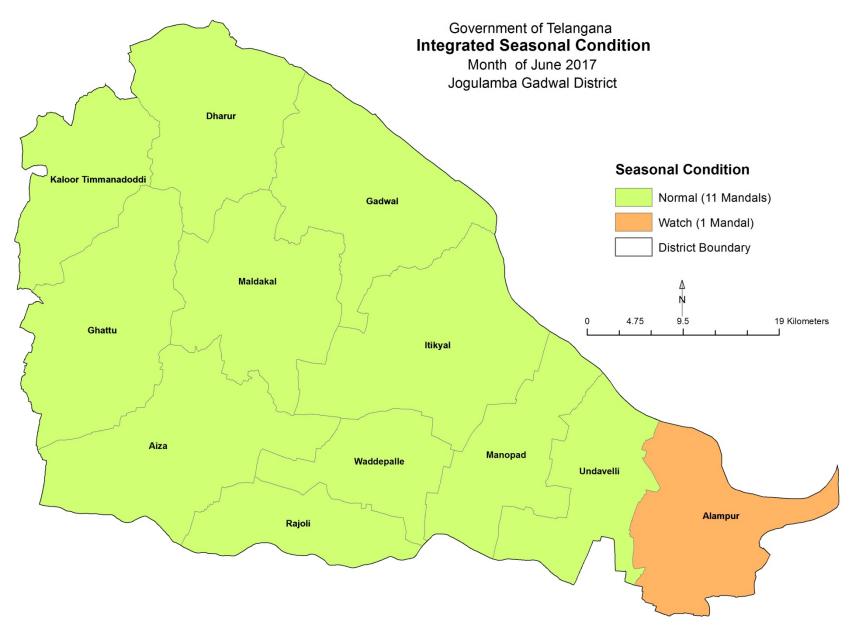




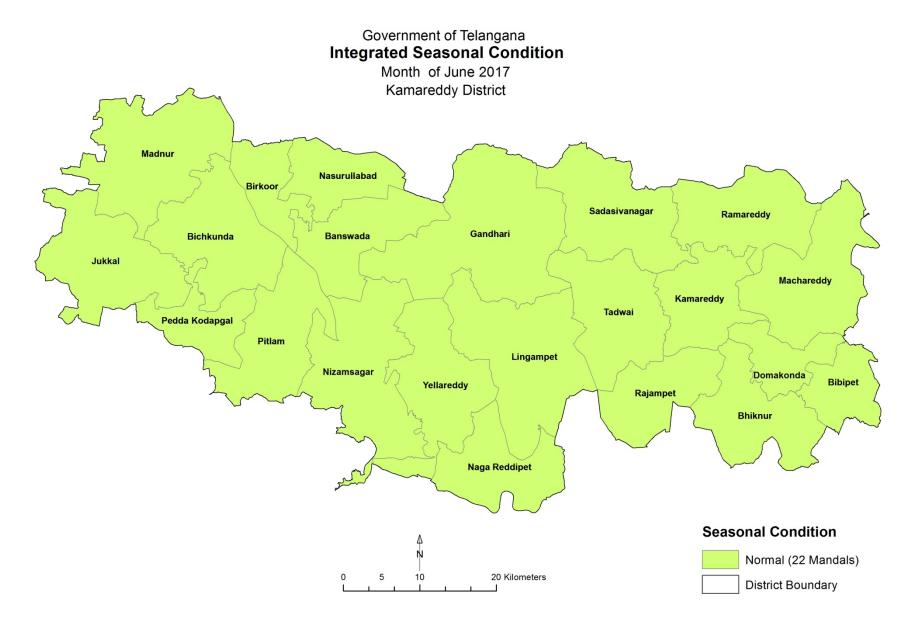




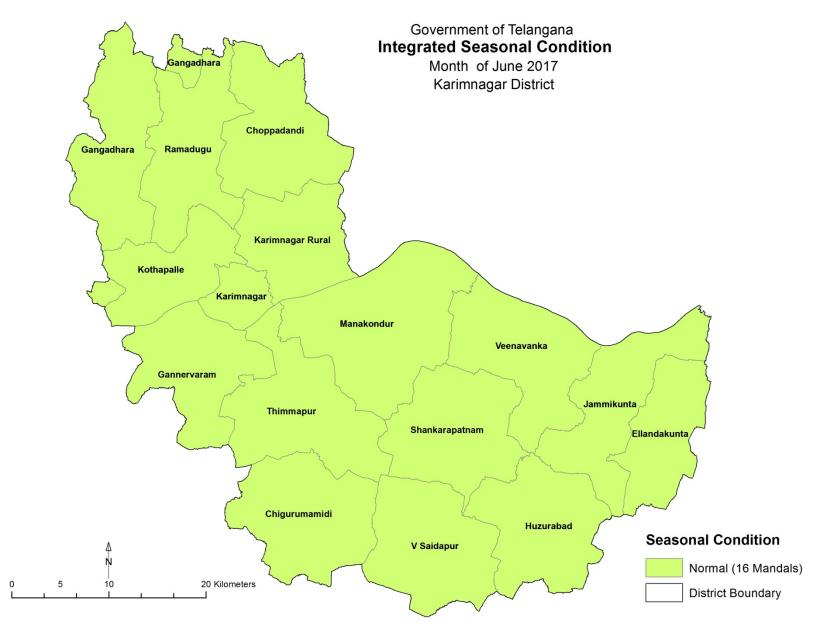




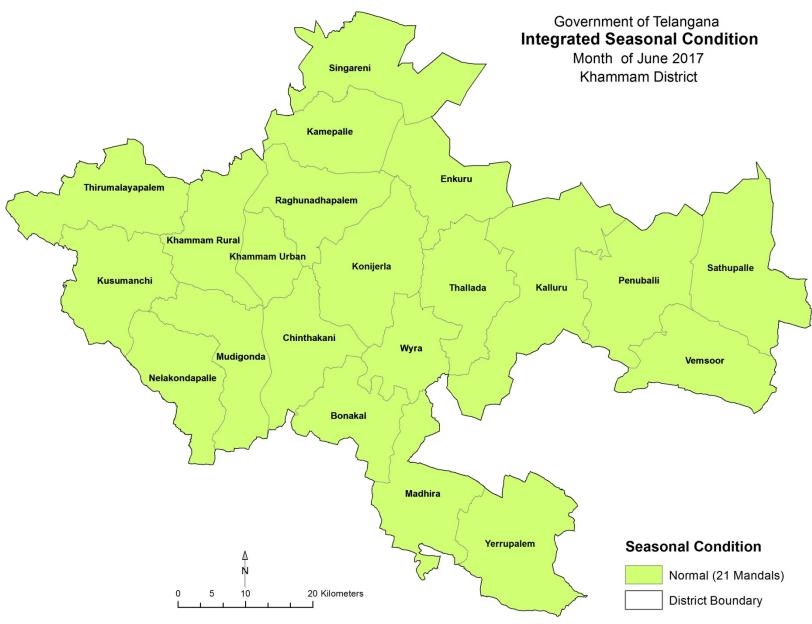




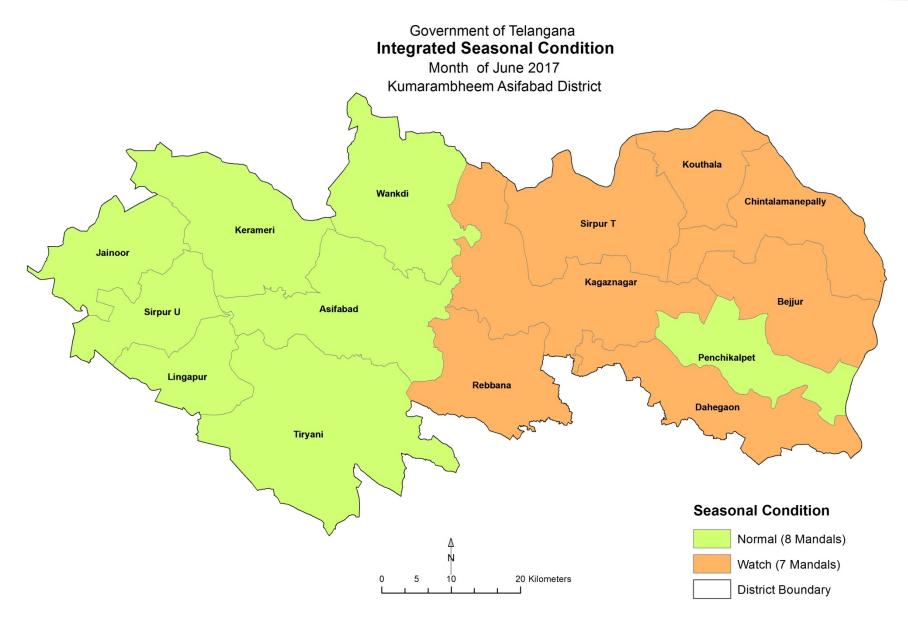




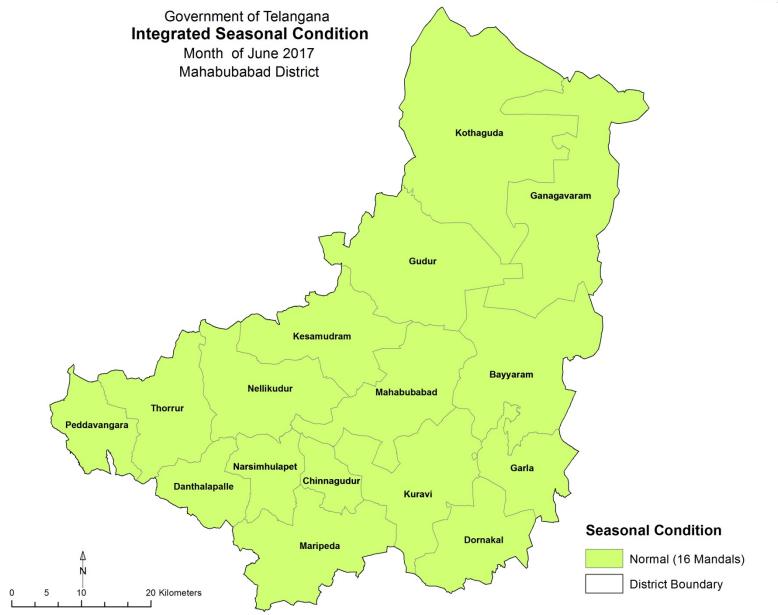




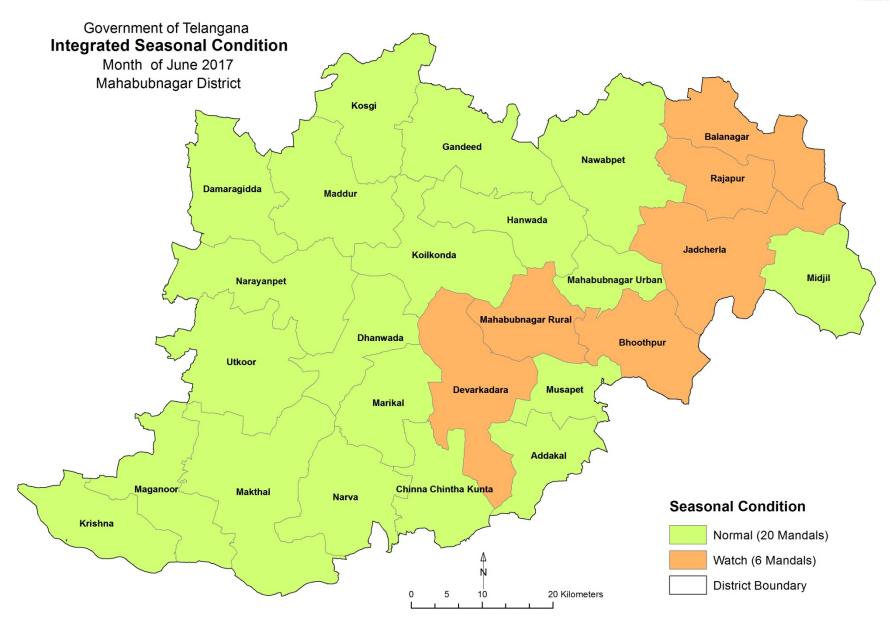




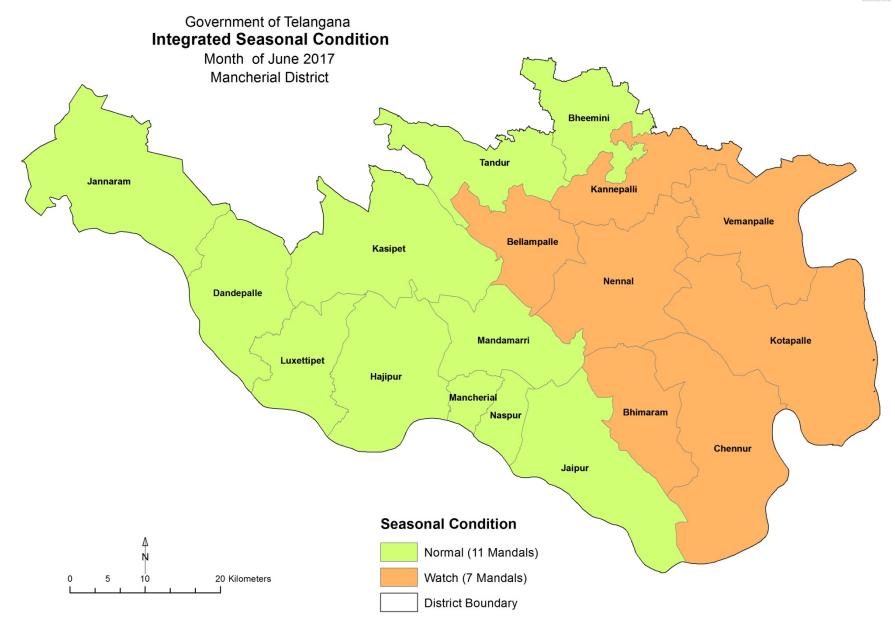




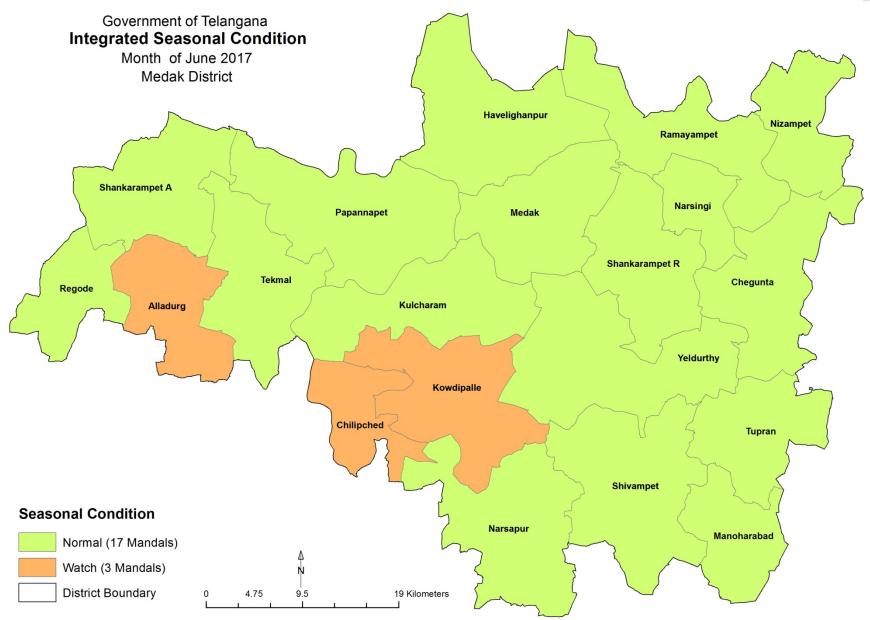




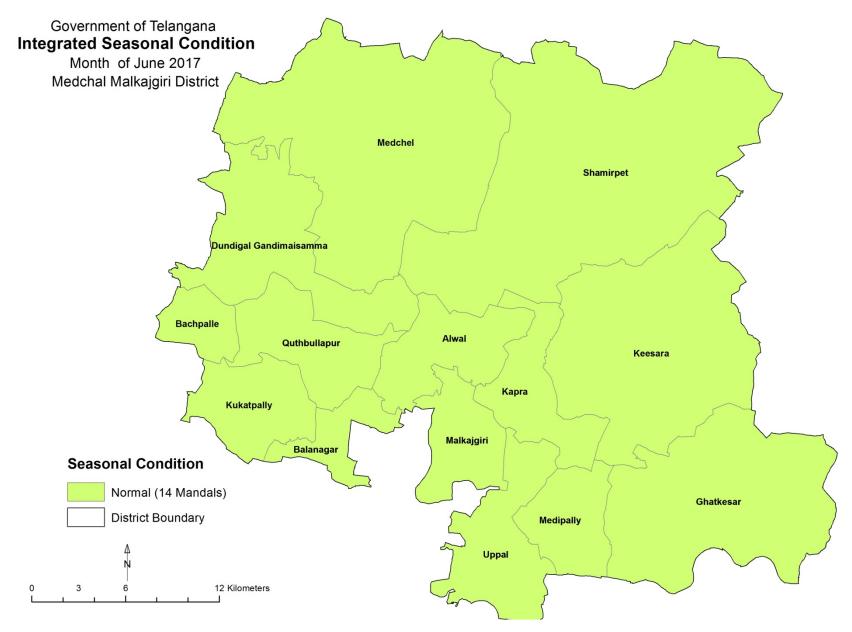




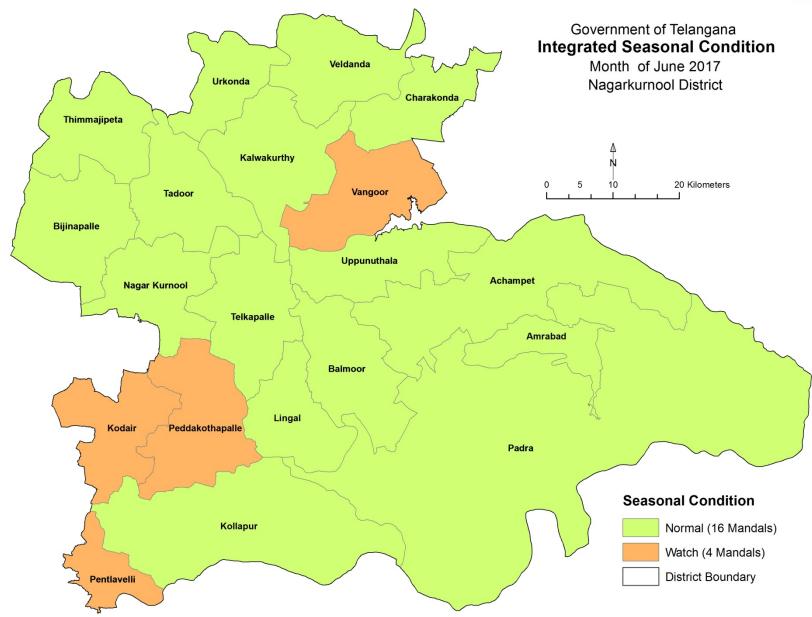




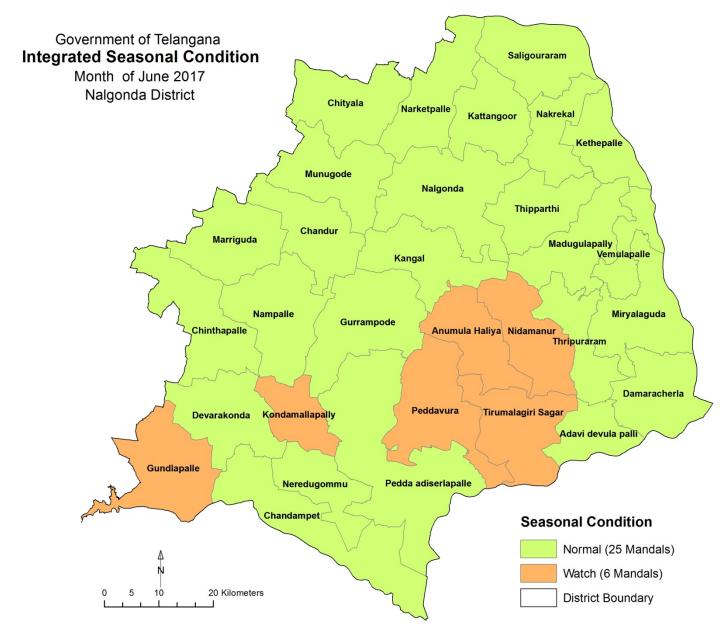














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