COLOR CODED WEATHER WARNINGS

Based on interaction and inputs from stake holders and government departments like NDMA involved in the management of weather related disastrous events, IMD issues weather warnings using color codes. These warnings are mainly meant for administrators to keep ready and position their resources to handle situations arising out of weather related disastrous events. The following colour codes are used by IMD to provide inputs to disaster management authorities for management of severe weather events:

- No warning
- Be updated
- Be prepared
- Take action

In the National level weather warnings in map form, red color over a state does not mean the entire state is under threat (unless otherwise explicitly mentioned). Rather, finer details related to the colored warnings will be available at website www.imdchennai.gov.in. Hence there is no need for unwarranted panic on noticing red color shading over the entire State in the state/subdivisional level warning map issued at the national level.

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