





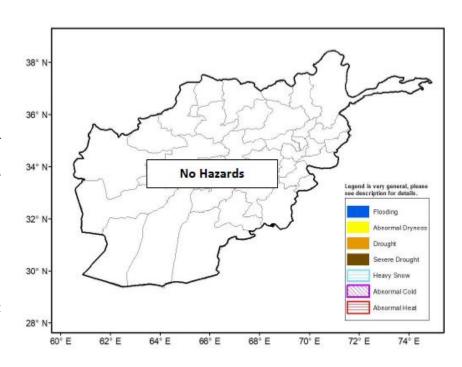
Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET October 1 - 7, 2020

Temperatures:

During the past week, daily maximum temperatures were near or above average across Afghanistan. Some areas observed positive anomalies of more than 4°C. Minimum temperatures were warmer than normal in the central highlands, while northern, western, and southern portions of the country were below normal. Minimum temperatures dropped below freezing in some western portions of the central highlands and in the far northeast. During the outlook period, maximum temperatures are forecast to be below normal in north-central Afghanistan, with positive anomalies in some northeastern provinces. Subfreezing temperatures (as low as -5 to -10 degrees C) are likely through the central highlands as below-normal minimum temperatures are expected.

Precipitation:

During the past week, some localized light and moderate rain was observed in northeastern Afghanistan. Otherwise, the country stayed seasonably dry. According to the GFS model, rain and snow at the highest elevations (less than 25 mm, liquid equivalent) are forecast across northeast Afghanistan during the first week of October.









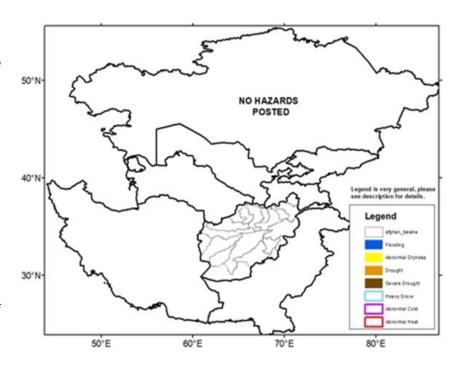
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook October 1 - 7, 2020

Temperatures:

Weekly temperatures averaged 1 to 4 degrees C below normal across Central Asia from September 20 to 26. Widespread subfreezing temperatures were observed throughout northern and eastern Kazakhstan along with the higher elevations of Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan. The GFS model depicts that minimum temperatures are likely to average near to slightly above normal. Similar to the previous week, subfreezing temperatures are forecast for northern and eastern Kazakhstan along with areas at higher elevations.

Precipitation:

Widespread rainfall (10 to 59 mm) occurred for the second consecutive week across the northern third of Kazakhstan. Based on RFE satellite estimates, 30-day precipitation deficits (less than 25 mm) are limited to extreme northern Kazakhstan. According to the GFS model, rain and snow at the highest elevations (less than 25 mm, liquid equivalent) are forecast across northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan during the first week of October.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week) and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts for indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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