



Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook July 30 – August 5, 2020

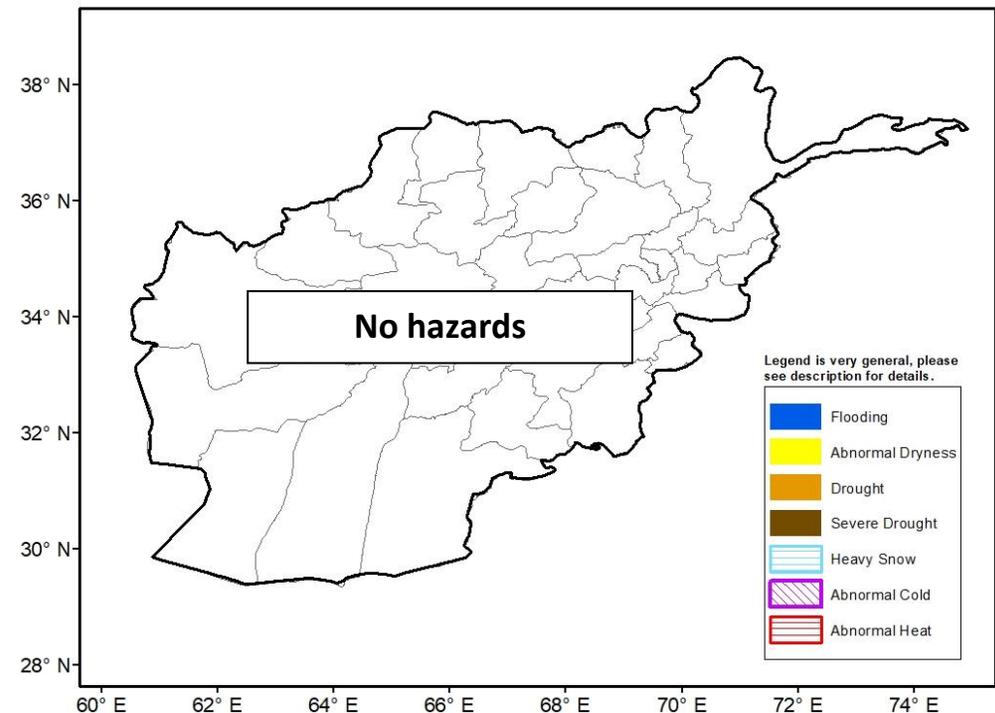
Temperatures:

During the past week, some below-average mean temperatures (up to 5°C anomalies) were observed in Afghanistan. Still, maximum temperature climbed as high as 48 degrees Celsius in western Afghanistan and 40+°C temperatures were recorded in many areas of the north and west. During the outlook period, near-average temperatures are expected in most areas with some warmer than average conditions along the Pakistani border. With seasonal heat, southwestern provinces could see maximum temperatures exceed 45°C.

Precipitation:

During the last week, light to moderate rain showers, totaling around 25mm or less, were observed in eastern Afghanistan associated with the Indian monsoon. Outside of a few light showers in the central highlands, the remainder of the country was dry. Vegetation health remains mostly good after a very wet spring period. Several provinces along the northern border are the exception where satellite derived indices show less healthy vegetation conditions.

During the first week of August, only a few scattered showers or thunderstorms (10-25mm total) are likely in eastern Afghanistan, while the rest of the country stays seasonably dry.



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 or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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