



Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook October 10 – October 16, 2019

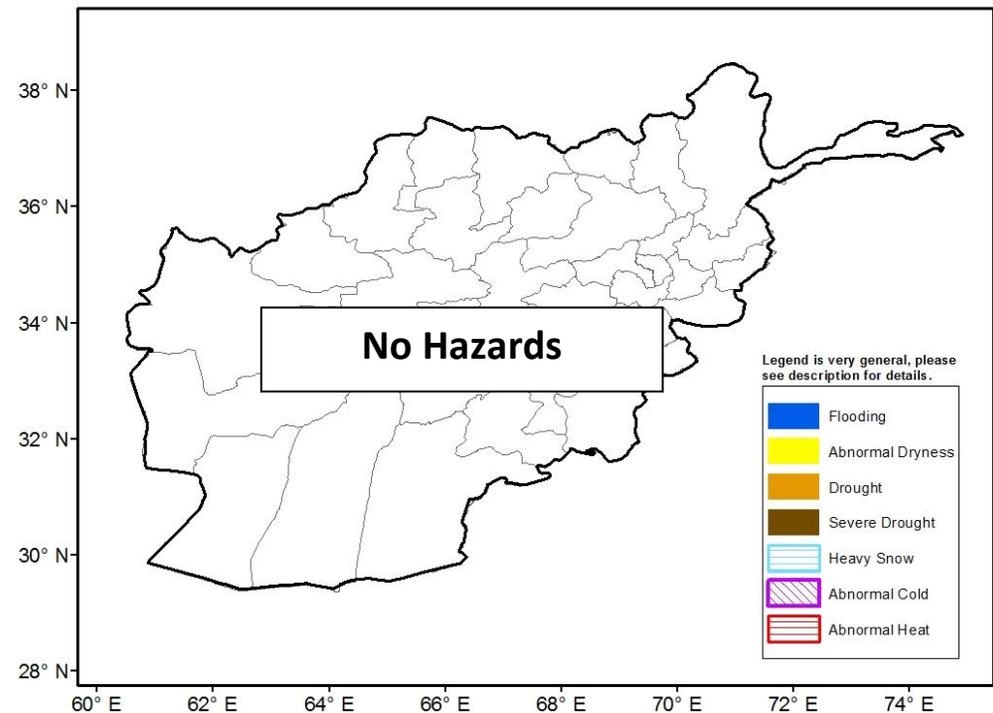
Temperatures:

During the past week, mean maximum temperatures were near average, except for northeast Afghanistan where they were slightly below average. With the presence of cloud cover, minimum temperatures were well-above average by as much as 10°C. Maximum temperatures topped out in the low to middle 30s degrees C across southern and western provinces. Weekly minimum temperatures hovered around freezing for many interior and mountainous provinces.

Some general upper level ridging will be in place over the region for much of the week keeping temperatures near or above average. Temperatures are expected to be as much as 2-6 degrees above average. The ridge breaks down at the end of the outlook period reducing temperatures somewhat. Maximum temperatures reaching the lower 30s degrees C are still likely across many low elevation regions.

Precipitation:

During the past week, the first major storm of the fall impacted the country. Heavy snow occurred across the higher elevations of northeast Afghanistan with accumulations up to 70 cm reported in the southern portion of Salang Pass. Moderate to locally heavy rains were recorded at lower elevations in the northeast. Elsewhere, mostly dry weather prevailed. During the outlook period, a return to calm and dry conditions is forecasted across the country.



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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