

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET November 21 – 27, 2019

Temperatures:

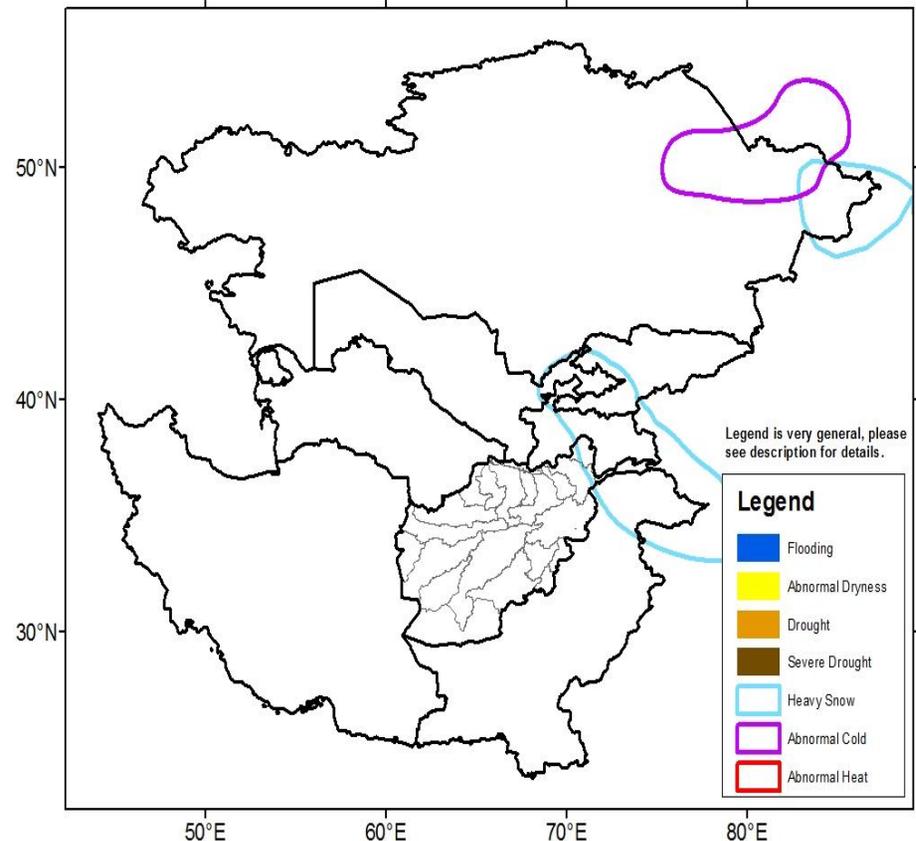
Last week, the temperature across Central Asia have been average with some slightly warmer than average areas in the northeastern Kazakhstan and slightly colder than average across Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan borders. The coldest minimum temperature, below 5 degree Celsius, was relegated to western Tajikistan. Below freezing temperatures were observed only in northern Kazakhstan and the higher elevations of Afghanistan, Tajikistan.

A north-south gradient of temperatures is expected during the next week. Minimum temperatures may dip to 8 or more degrees below normal along the northern Kazakhstan, strong negative temperature are expected over eastern Kazakhstan. Meanwhile, a warmer than average lows are expected in southwestern Kazakhstan and southeastern Central Asia. Colder to freezing temperatures has to be expected over the higher areas of northern Pakistan, northern Afghanistan, Tajikistan and Kirghizstan.

Precipitation

During the past week, moderate to heavy rainfall has been recorded over northern Pakistan. Light to moderate rainfall has been recorded over several local areas over northern Kazakhstan. Local areas over Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kirgizstan and Uzbekistan have registered light rainfall.

For the coming week, GFS total snowfall predicts heavy snow over Tajikistan, northern Pakistan, northern Afghanistan, southern Kirgizstan and local area in the northeastern Kazakhstan for the coming week. Heavy snows have been forecast over the eastern Kazakhstan, and over the high mountains of Tajikistan, southern Kyrgyzstan, a small northern Afghanistan and northern Pakistan. Moderate to heavy snowfall are expected over several local area of central Afghanistan.



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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