

## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET January 30 – February 5, 2020

### Temperatures:

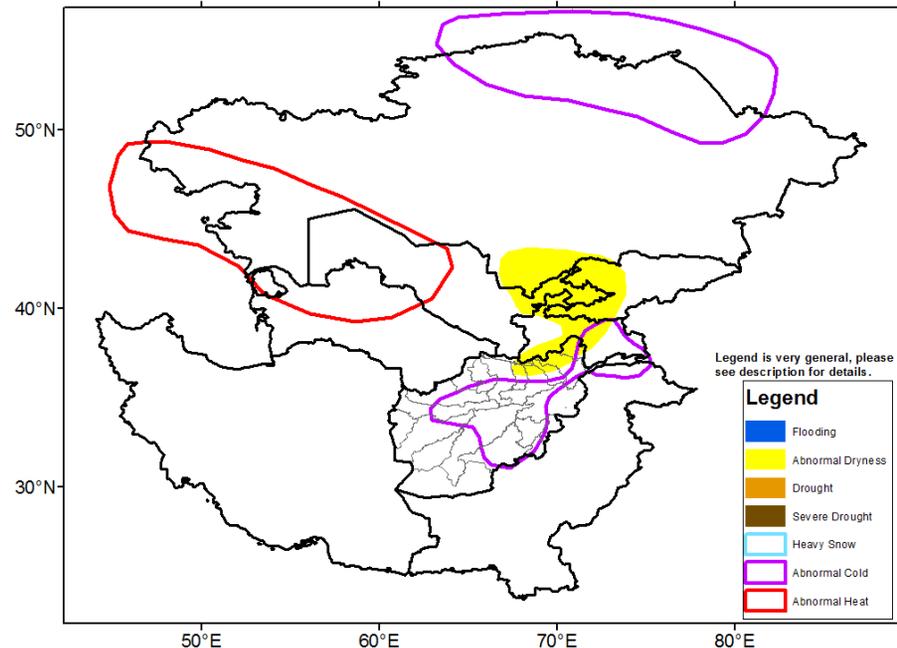
During the past week, mean temperatures averaged above-normal over northern Central Asia, particularly northern Kazakhstan, where maximum temperature exceeded 8 degrees Celsius above normal. In contrast, farther south, near to below-normal temperatures prevailed over central and northeastern Afghanistan.

During the next week, above-normal mean temperatures are forecast over southwestern Kazakhstan and parts of Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan. Meanwhile, below-normal temperatures are expected in northern Kazakhstan and the central and northeastern portions of Afghanistan.

### Precipitation

During the past week, moderate to locally heavy precipitation was received in northern Kazakhstan, northeastern Iran, southern Turkmenistan, southern Uzbekistan, southern Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, northern and northeastern Afghanistan. While some increase in precipitation over the past few weeks has kept snow water volume at or above-average over many basins of the region, short and long-term precipitation and snow water equivalent deficits have remained over certain areas of central Central Asia.

During the next week, scattered moderate precipitation is forecast over central Afghanistan and drier weather elsewhere. The forecast reduced precipitation may strengthen precipitation and snow water equivalent deficits over the dry portions of the region.



**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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