

HYDROLOGICAL ANALYSIS REPORT

Analysis of Rainfall Patterns at TIA (2015–2024)

A Comprehensive Study of Seasonal Distribution and Engineering Implications in the Kathmandu Valley.

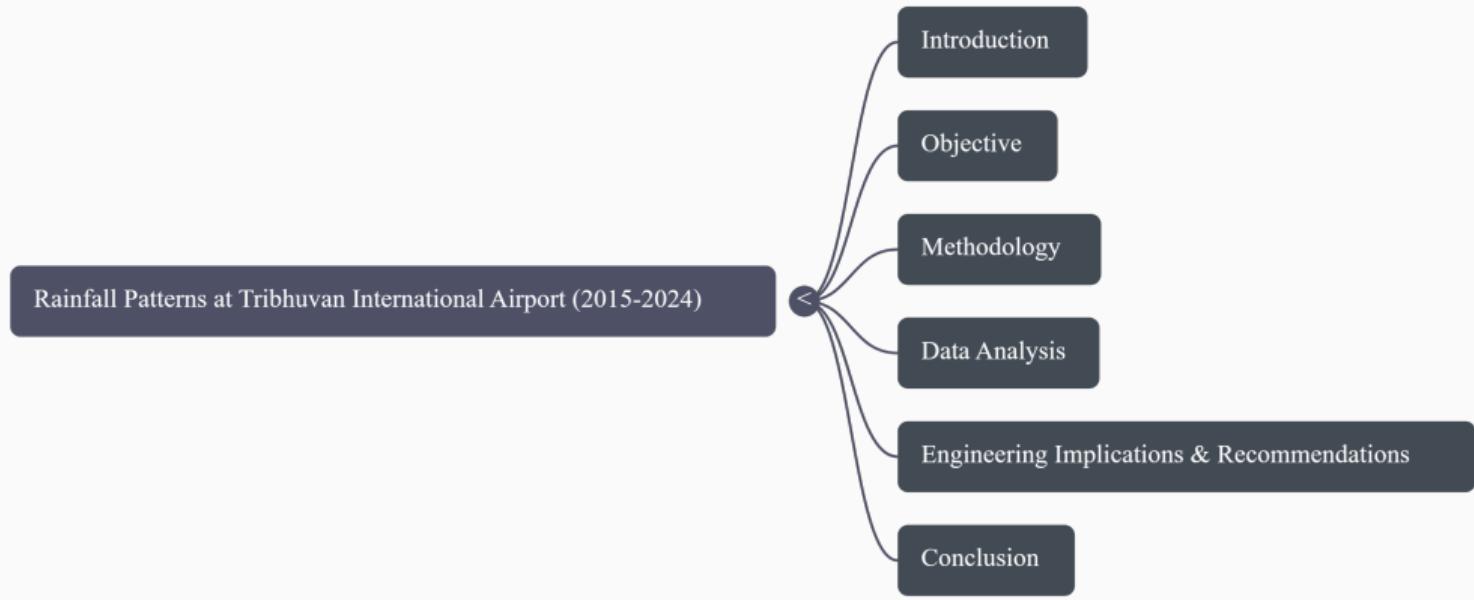


Figure 1: Rainfall Distribution at TIA (2015-2024)

Introduction: The Hydrological Context

- Rainfall analysis is an important part of civil and environmental engineering, especially in countries like Nepal where monsoon rainfall is dominant. Extreme rainfall events strongly affect urban drainage systems, flood risk, and infrastructure safety. Tribhuvan International Airport (TIA), located in the Kathmandu Valley, experiences irregular and high-intensity rainfall. These rainfall patterns create challenges for airport operations and nearby urban areas. This study analyzes daily rainfall data from 2015 to 2024 to understand rainfall intensity behavior and its implications for infrastructure design.

Study Scope

Location: Kathmandu Valley

Period: 2015–2024 [cite: 4]

Observations: 3,653 Days

Research Objectives

1. The main objective of this study is to analyze daily rainfall recorded at Tribhuvan International Airport using Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) rainfall classification standards. The study aims to evaluate the frequency and contribution of different rainfall intensity categories and to assess the importance of extreme rainfall events for drainage and infrastructure design.

Data Description

The dataset consists of daily rainfall measurements collected from the Tribhuvan International Airport meteorological station. The study covers a ten-year period from 2015 to 2024, including a total of 3,653 daily observations. The dataset includes both rainy days and dry days and was checked for completeness to ensure reliable analysis.

Data & Methodology

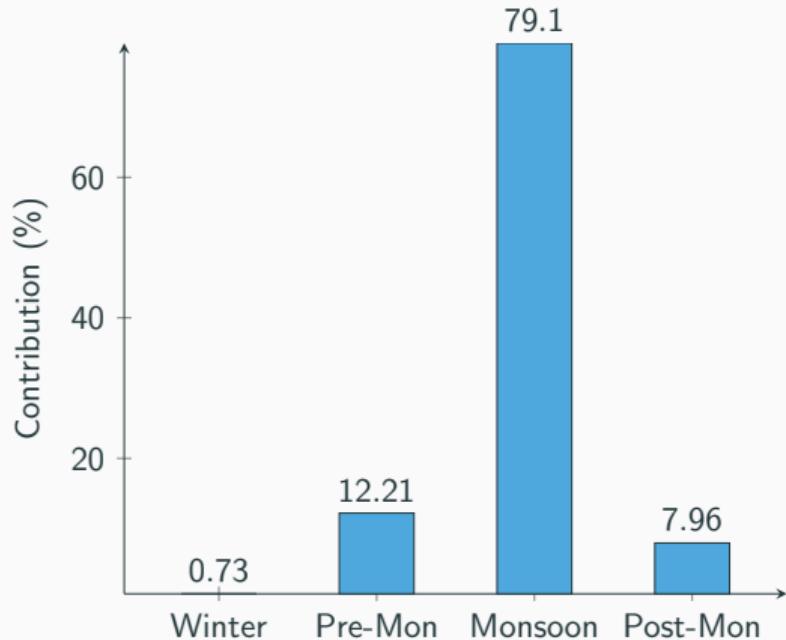
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Metric	Value / Approach
Dataset Size	3,653 daily records spanning 10 years.
Quality Check	Zero missing values; Unit consistency verified.
Source	Tribhuvan International Airport station.
Reliability	Values within expected physical bounds.

Rainfall Intensity Classification

The IMD rainfall classification system helps identify hydrologically significant rainfall events. Light and moderate rainfall events occur more frequently, while heavy and very heavy rainfall events occur less often but have a much greater impact on total rainfall and drainage system performance.

(Results and Discussion)



Statistical Insight

The monsoon season dominates the hydrologic cycle, accounting for **79.10%** of total annual precipitation.

Engineering Implications & Recommendations

The dominance of extreme rainfall events has important implications for infrastructure design. Drainage systems should be designed based on high-intensity rainfall thresholds rather than mean rainfall values. Percentile-based design rainfall provides better safety and reliability. Sustainable drainage measures such as retention ponds and storage systems can help reduce peak runoff and flood risk.

Critical Implications

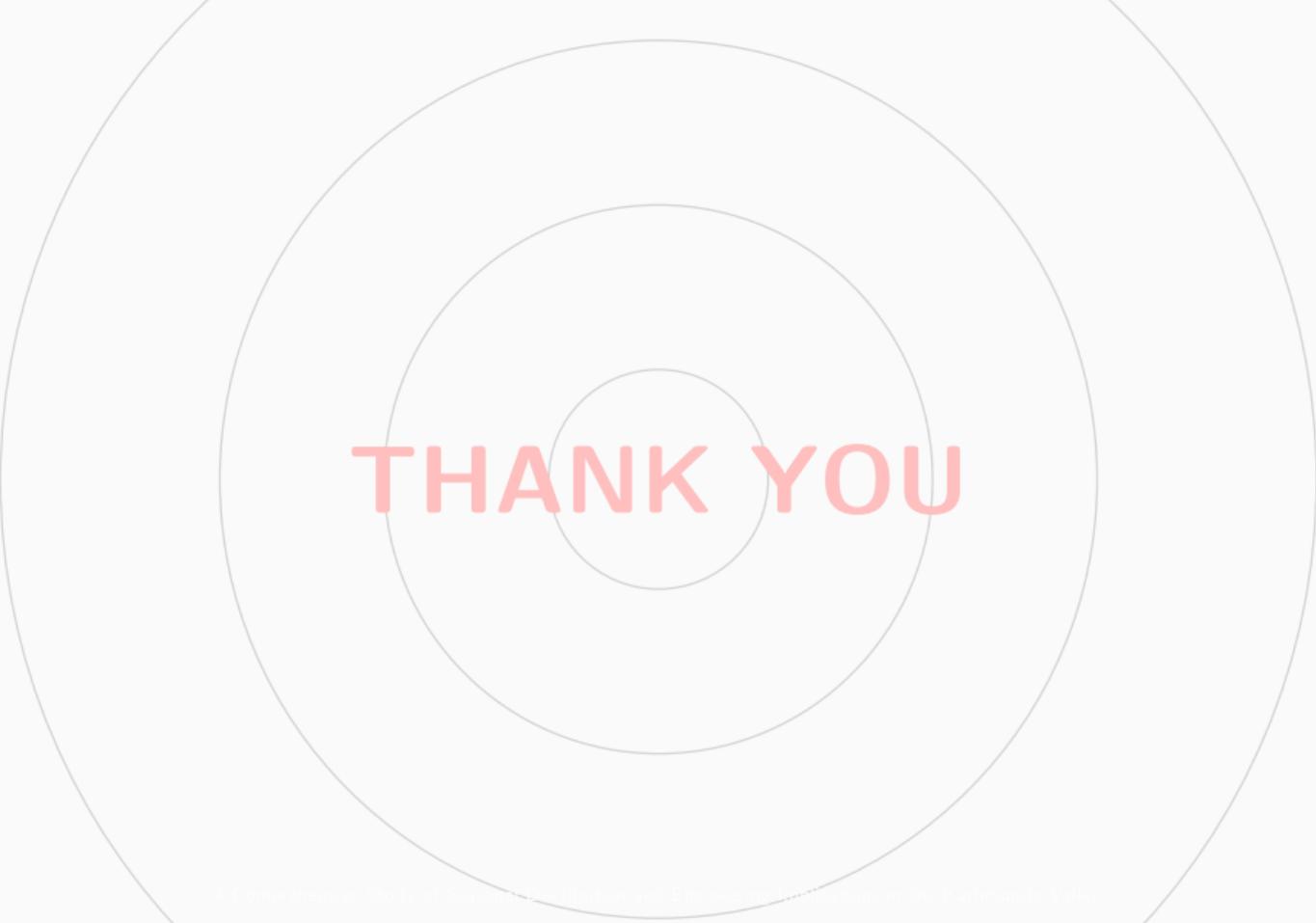
- **Drainage:** Peak loads during monsoon concentration[cite: 45].
- **Aviation:** Water-logging risks on airport infrastructure[cite: 44].

Recommendations

- **Urban Planning:** Design systems for high-intensity events[cite: 40].
- **Water Management:** Strategic planning for winter scarcity.

Conclusion

This study demonstrates that extreme rainfall events play a critical role in the hydrology of the Kathmandu Valley despite their low frequency. Heavy and very heavy rainfall events govern drainage design requirements and flood risk at Tribhuvan International Airport. The findings emphasize the importance of using historical extremes and percentile-based rainfall values to ensure resilient and safe infrastructure planning. The 10-year analysis confirms a highly uneven distribution. With **79.1%** rainfall in monsoon and only **0.73%** in winter, the Kathmandu Valley requires resilient infrastructure design and strategic water management.



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Latex code:

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\documentclass[10pt, aspectratio=169]{beamer}

% --- Essential Packages ---

\usetheme{metropolis}

\usepackage{tcolorbox}

\usepackage{booktabs}

\usepackage{tikz}

\usepackage{pgfplots}

\pgfplotsset{compat=1.18}

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the Kathmandu Valley. \hfill \insertframenumber / \inserttotalframenumber

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% 1. ATTRACTIVE COVER PAGE

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\begin{tikzpicture}[remember picture,overlay]

% Graphic elements: stylized rainfall lines

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% 2. Content

\begin{figure}

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\includegraphics[width=1.\textwidth, height=1\textheight, keepaspectratio]{1.png}

\caption{Rainfall Distribution at TIA (2015-2024)}

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% 2. INTRODUCTION

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\textbf{Period:} 2015--2024 [cite: 4]\\
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\textbf{Observations:} 3,653 Days
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% 3. OBJECTIVES

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% 4. DATA & METHODOLOGY

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% 5. VISUAL FINDINGS (BAR GRAPH)

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Results and Discussion)}

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\begin{tikzpicture}[scale=0.85]

\begin{axis}[
ybar,
symbolic x coords={Winter, Pre-Mon, Monsoon, Post-Mon},
xtick=data,
nodes near coords,
nodes near coords align={vertical},
ylabel={Contribution (\%)},
ylim={0,95},
bar width=22pt,
axis x line=bottom,
axis y line=left,
enlarge x limits=0.2,
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\addplot[fill=SkyBlue] coordinates {(Winter, 0.73) (Pre-Mon, 12.21) (Monsoon, 79.10) (Post-Mon, 7.96)};

\end{axis}

\end{tikzpicture}

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% 6. ENGINEERING IMPLICATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

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        \item \textbf{Drainage:} Peak loads during monsoon concentration[cite: 45].  
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% 7. CONCLUSION

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% 8. HIGHLY GRAPHIC THANK YOU PAGE

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\begin{tikzpicture}[remember picture,overlay]

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}

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% Mandatory Footer

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\end{tikzpicture}

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