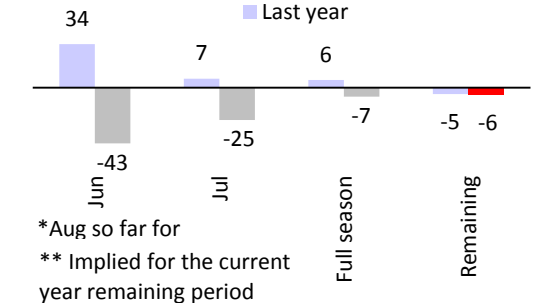


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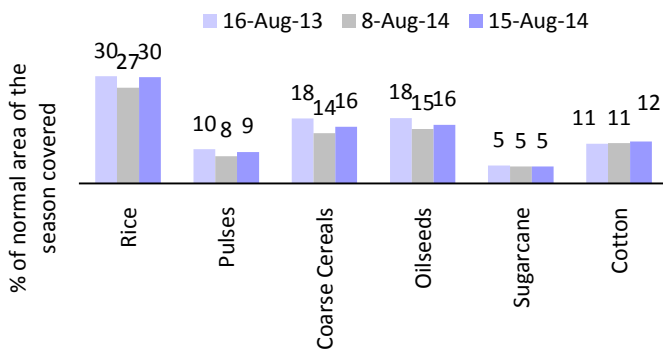


## Monsoon Watch: Rains lessen; sowing continues

### Deficit stays at 17%, sowing progresses to 83%

- Rainfall lost its momentum a bit with 20% deficit last week. Yet, cumulative rainfall deficiency stayed at 17%, i.e., the same a week back. However, parts of south, east and whole of Rajasthan received either normal or excess rainfall.
- Meanwhile IMD has revised its rainfall forecast to 13% deficit for the whole season from 7% predicted earlier. This target can be met even if rainfall is 6% deficit for the remaining season.
- Nearly 60% of the country now have received normal/surplus rainfall vs. just 20% till mid-July. Still, rainfall remains deficient in all regions, the most being North-West India. Most days since mid-July received near or above normal rainfall.
- Sowing is catching up fast covering 83% of normal area; rapid improvement from 76% last week; still somewhat below 88% of last year this time.

### Sowing catches up to cover 83% of total area (m hectare)



Source: Government, MOSL

### Cumulative rainfall upto August 15, 2014

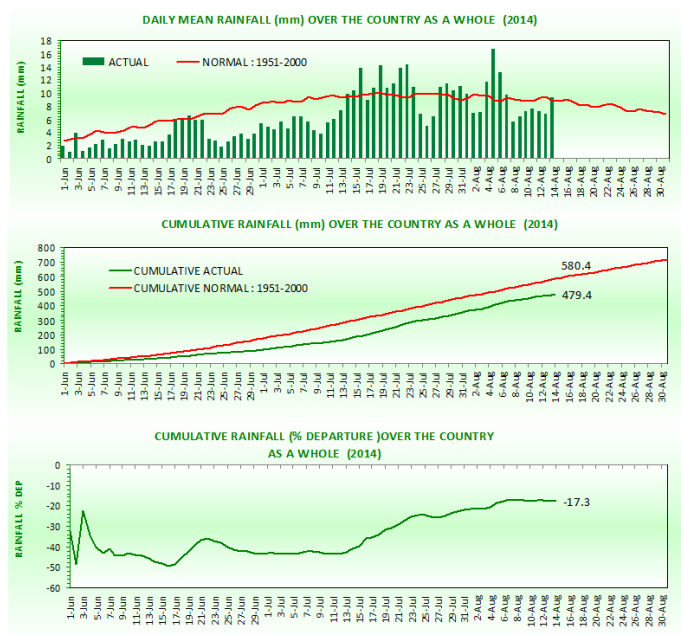
Rainfall in mm	Actual rainfall	Normal rainfall	% Departure
Country as a whole	206	318	-35%
North-West India	97	180	-46%
Central India	183	336	-45%
South Peninsula	203	276	-26%
East and North-East Ind	467	600	-22%

Category	No. of Subdivisions	% area of country	Range (% Dep from LPA)
Excess	0	0%	-
Normal	9	20%	-18% to 10%
Deficient	22	68%	-25% to -59%
Scanty	5	12%	-60% to -82%

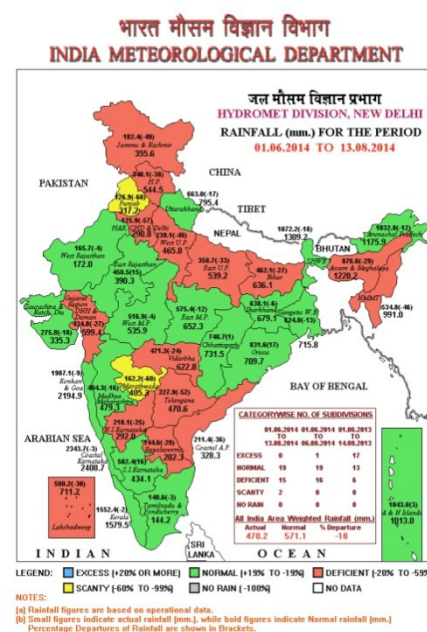
Source: IMD, MOSL

### Near normal rainfall during most days since mid-July



Source: IMD, MOSL

### By now many parts of the country has seen normal rainfall



Source: IMD, MOSL

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