# Monthly Weather Summary in Thailand August 2011

The rather active monsoon trough lay across upper Thailand almost the whole month accompanied with the moderate to rather active southwest monsoon prevailed over the Andaman Sea, Thailand and the Gulf of Thailand. These conditions brought abundant rainfall to upper Thailand that caused flooding in northern and northeastern parts. In southern part, rainfall was mainly observed in middle and late month especially during late month, the active southwest monsoon produced torrential rainfall with flash flood and mudslide along the west coast. August rainfall was above normal i.e. northern part 49.2 mm (22%), northeastern part 66.0 mm (26%), central part 27.9 mm (15%), eastern part 22.2 mm (7%), southern part (east coast) 29.4 mm (23%) and southern part (west coast) 57.2 mm (14%). Mean temperatures were slightly above normal in most parts except for slightly below normal in northeastern part.

- 1 10 August: The moderate monsoon trough lay over the northern and northeastern parts to the low pressure cell which located in the Gulf of Tonkin and upper Vietnam in addition with the southwest monsoon prevailed over the Andaman Sea, Thailand and the Gulf of Thailand. Moreover, the remnant of the tropical storm "NOCK–TEN" covered northern part on the first day of the period. Under these influences, upper Thailand experienced abundant rainfall especially in the northern and northeastern parts and flash flooding continued in the northern part at Mae Hong Son, Lampang, Uttaradit, Phrae, Sukhothai, Phitsanulok and Phichit provinces. There were also reports of flooding in central part at Nakhon Sawan, Phra Nakhon Si Ayutthaya and Ang Thong provinces as well. The maximum daily rainfall in upper Thailand was 190.0 mm at Ban Phaeng in Nakhon Phanom province on August 2. Southern Thailand received sparse rain, isolated to widely scattered rain was found with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas. The highest amount of rainfall was 104.7 mm at Su-ngai Kolok in Narathiwat province on August 7.
- 11 20 August: Under the influence of the rather active monsoon trough lying over upper Thailand during the second half of the period, the moderate southwest monsoon prevailing over Andaman Sea, Thailand and The Gulf of Thailand and the passage of easterly wave over upper Thailand on August 15 resulted in increasing of rainfall over Thailand particularly during the middle and the end of the period. Flooding remained in the northern part at Uttaradit, Phrae, Sukhothai and Phitsanulok provinces. Flash floods occurred at Loei and Udon Thani provinces on August 17 and at Chiang Rai province on August 20 and water overflowing bank affected Chiang Mai and Phicit provinces on August 19. The highest daily rainfall was 170.0 mm at Sam Chai in Kalasin province on August 15. In southern part, rainfall was relatively increased to scattered to fairly widespread rain and isolated heavy rainfall with the maximum daily rainfall of 87.0 mm at Amphoe Mueang Surat Thani on August 14 and also mudslide at Surat Thani province on August 16.
- 21 31 August: The monsoon trough which lay across the northern and upper northeastern parts during early period strengthened and moved southward to the lower northern, central and eastern parts. This caused abundant rainfall in upper Thailand mainly during the middle and the end of the period. The highest daily rainfall of 135.0 mm was measured at Khao Wong in Kalasin province on August 30. Phitsanulok and Sukhothai provinces remain inundated as well as Chaiyaphum and Pichit provinces experienced flooding on August 25 and August 30, respectively. Flash floods occurred at Chiang Rai province on August 20, at Mae Hong Son and Chiang Mai provinces on August 27 and also at Chanthaburi province on August 29. Gusty wind was reported at Bangkok Metropolis on August 25. Besides, the southwest monsoon was

strengthened during the middle of the period causing plentiful rainfall in southern part especially along the west coast where consecutive of very heavy rainfall was found in several places with the maximum daily rainfall, 211.9 mm at Phuket Airport on August 25. Floods occurred at Phuket and Phang-nga provinces on August 25 with flash flood and mudslide at Ranong province on August 28. Gusty wind was reported at Satun province on August 27 and at Phattalung on the following day.

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**Note**: Rainfall, temperatures and natural disasters in this report were updated up to September 2, 2011.

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#### Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall August 2011

#### Northern Thailand

|                | Temperature ( °c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|----------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station        |                   | Above    |               | Above    | 23333                                      | Above    |
|                | Mean              | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|                |                   | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Chiang Rai     | 26.3              | 0.1      | 590.0         | 212.3    | 1679.4                                     | 454.2    |
| Mae Hong Son   | 27.1              | 0.5      | 311.7         | 57.9     | 1268.3                                     | 357.1    |
| Phayao         | 26.6              | -0.1     | 181.5         | -8.8     | 1116.3                                     | 382.4    |
| Chiang Mai     | 26.9              | 0.2      | 260.5         | 36.1     | 1117.6                                     | 372.1    |
| Tha Wang Pha   | 26.8              | -0.1     | 315.1         | 19.6     | 1440.7                                     | 343.7    |
| Nan            | 27.1              | 0.1      | 302.2         | 31.3     | 1541.8                                     | 606.8    |
| Lamphun        | 27.0              | -0.3     | 249.3         | 96.1     | 1239.6                                     | 634.3    |
| Lampang        | 27.2              | 0.0      | 306.7         | 113.3    | 1310.4                                     | 609.0    |
| Mae Sariang    | 26.2              | 0.1      | 371.0         | 145.7    | 1237.7                                     | 411.4    |
| Phrae          | 27.1              | -0.1     | 254.9         | 42.5     | 1216.7                                     | 439.3    |
| Uttaradit      | 27.7              | -0.1     | 410.1         | 146.5    | 1452.7                                     | 456.3    |
| Bhumibol Dam   | 27.5              | -0.5     | 92.7          | -21.7    | 875.5                                      | 320.6    |
| Tak            | 27.8              | 0.2      | 104.9         | -23.0    | 888.4                                      | 313.4    |
| Mae Sot        | 26.0              | 0.6      | 355.5         | 22.2     | 1574.1                                     | 466.4    |
| Umphang        | 24.5              | 0.4      | 277.5         | 24.9     | 1461.3                                     | 470.8    |
| Phitsanulok    | 27.9              | -0.1     | 368.2         | 111.5    | 1314.9                                     | 409.1    |
| Lom Sak        | 27.3              | 0.1      | 167.7         | -23.4    | 655.7                                      | -102.1   |
| Phetchabun     | 27.3              | 0.1      | 232.0         | 42.7     | 1153.3                                     | 379.0    |
| Wichian Buri   | 28.1              | 0.1      | 230.6         | 23.7     | 1112.9                                     | 292.5    |
| Kamphaeng Phet | 27.8              | 0.1      | 108.7         | -65.1    | 973.8                                      | 208.2    |
| Over the area  | 27.0              | 0.1      | 274.5         | 49.2     | 1231.6                                     | 391.4    |
|                |                   |          |               | 22%      |  | 47%      |

#### Northeastern Thailand

|                   | Temperature (°c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|-------------------|------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station           |                  | Above    |               | Above    |  | Above    |
|                   | Mean             | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|                   |                  | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Nong Khai         | 27.6             | 0.3      | 349.0         | 28.4     | 1645.1                                     | 439.9    |
| Loei              | 26.7             | -0.3     | 440.0         | 264.7    | 1317.4                                     | 439.2    |
| Udon Thani        | 27.5             | -0.2     | 333.6         | 52.5     | 1182.1                                     | 109.1    |
| Nakhon Phanom     | 27.2             | 0.4      | 640.2         | 61.4     | 2116.0                                     | 232.0    |
| Sakon Nakhon      | 27.2             | -0.1     | 458.1         | 90.4     | 1468.8                                     | 166.1    |
| Mukdahan          | 27.3             | 0.1      | 532.4         | 184.8    | 1470.0                                     | 305.1    |
| Khon Kaen         | 27.2             | -0.4     | 222.8         | 15.5     | 820.7                                      | -23.7    |
| Kosum Phisai      | 28.0             | 0.0      | 167.5         | -40.3    | 909.5                                      | 48.6     |
| Roi Et            | 27.6             | -0.1     | 314.6         | 55.5     | 862.3                                      | -121.7   |
| Chaiyaphum        | 27.2             | -0.2     | 325.8         | 163.4    | 886.9                                      | 152.0    |
| Ubon Ratchathani  | 27.3             | -0.1     | 449.1         | 140.8    | 1294.3                                     | 134.6    |
| Tha Tum           | 28.0             | -0.1     | 277.7         | 55.8     | 939.7                                      | -26.7    |
| Surin             | 27.4             | -0.1     | 240.9         | 16.3     | 1202.6                                     | 272.3    |
| Nakhon Ratchasima | 27.8             | -0.1     | 159.0         | 12.8     | 852.9                                      | 216.0    |
| Chok Chai         | 27.6             | -0.1     | 122.4         | -25.2    | 581.7                                      | -89.2    |
| Nang Rong         | 27.3             | -0.4     | 163.1         | -20.8    | 856.1                                      | 82.2     |
| Over the area     | 27.4             | -0.1     | 324.8         | 66.0     | 1150.4                                     | 145.9    |
|                   |                  |          |               | 26%      |  | 15%      |

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# Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall August 2011

### Central Thailand

|                    | Temperature (°c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|--------------------|------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station            |                  | Above    |               | Above    |  | Above    |
|                    | Mean             | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|                    |                  | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Nakhon Sawan       | 28.3             | 0.0      | 292.2         | 107.2    | 1164.2                                     | 473.0    |
| Bua Chum           | 27.9             | 0.1      | 131.0         | -45.0    | 603.9                                      | -79.2    |
| Lop Buri           | 28.2             | 0.0      | 116.7         | -49.5    | 722.0                                      | 52.3     |
| Suphan Buri        | 28.5             | 0.1      | 66.2          | -61.0    | 575.6                                      | 30.4     |
| Thong Pha Phum     | 26.3             | 0.1      | 334.9         | 5.4      | 1588.3                                     | 271.4    |
| Kanchanaburi       | 28.7             | 0.5      | 145.0         | 36.0     | 779.4                                      | 230.1    |
| Bangkok Airport    | 28.5             | 0.1      | 311.0         | 146.7    | 1511.1                                     | 774.7    |
| Bangkok Metropolis | 28.5             | 0.1      | 297.0         | 83.4     | 1653.1                                     | 775.1    |
| Over the area      | 28.1             | 0.1      | 211.8         | 27.9     | 1074.7                                     | 316.0    |
|                    |                  |          |               | 15%      |  | 42%      |

# Eastern Thailand

|               | Temperature ( °c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station       |                   | Above    |               | Above    |  | Above    |
|               | Mean              | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|               |                   | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Prachin Buri  | 28.2              | 0.1      | 367.3         | -10.4    | 1542.5                                     | 225.8    |
| Kabin Buri    | 27.5              | -0.1     | 175.3         | -139.2   | 811.3                                      | -350.0   |
| Aranyaprathet | 28.0              | 0.6      | 269.0         | 61.7     | 918.0                                      | 21.0     |
| Chon Buri     | 28.9              | 0.3      | 509.5         | 346.6    | 1197.8                                     | 453.6    |
| Ko Sichang    | 28.5              | -0.2     | 169.4         | 29.1     | 679.9                                      | 21.4     |
| Pattaya       | 28.2              | -0.1     | 111.3         | 19.3     | 736.7                                      | 158.5    |
| Sattahip      | 28.5              | -0.1     | 169.4         | 57.4     | 919.2                                      | 234.1    |
| Rayong        | 28.1              | -0.6     | 288.0         | 156.2    | 1062.3                                     | 199.1    |
| Chanthaburi   | 27.7              | 0.5      | 563.0         | 57.7     | 2137.6                                     | 126.8    |
| Khlong Yai    | 27.0              | 0.1      | 712.3         | -359.1   | 3380.2                                     | -259.7   |
| Over the area | 28.1              | 0.1      | 333.5         | 22.0     | 1338.6                                     | 83.0     |
|               |                   |          |               | 7%       |  | 7%       |

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# Southern Thailand, east coast

|                     | Temperature ( °c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station             |                   | Above    |               | Above    |  | Above    |
|                     | Mean              | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|                     |                   | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Phetchaburi         | 28.5              | 0.0      | 125.1         | 23.8     | 654.1                                      | 229.9    |
| Hua Hin             | 28.5              | 0.2      | 65.9          | -15.8    | 462.3                                      | 8.9      |
| Prachuap Khiri Khan | 27.8              | 0.2      | 72.0          | -30.4    | 704.7                                      | 133.9    |
| Chumphon            | 27.7              | 0.8      | 135.4         | -82.1    | 1302.3                                     | 277.7    |
| Surat Thani         | 27.4              | 0.6      | 159.4         | 13.3     | 1464.4                                     | 763.8    |
| Ko Samui            | 28.4              | 0.3      | 152.5         | 31.1     | 2066.3                                     | 1242.0   |
| Nakhon Si Thammarat | 27.6              | 0.0      | 194.1         | 78.4     | 2830.1                                     | 1956.7   |
| Songkhla            | 27.8              | -0.7     | 222.2         | 110.8    | 1442.8                                     | 817.7    |
| Hat Yai Airport     | 26.9              | -0.3     | 221.3         | 109.2    | 1050.2                                     | 323.9    |
| Pattani Airport     | 27.3              | 0.0      | 144.5         | 7.7      | 1104.5                                     | 413.3    |
| Narathiwat          | 27.5              | 0.0      | 241.5         | 77.8     | 1919.2                                     | 1050.2   |
| Over the area       | 27.8              | 0.1      | 157.6         | 29.4     | 1363.7                                     | 656.1    |
|                     |                   |          |               | 23%      |  | 93%      |

# Southern Thailand, west coast

|                | Temperature (°c) |          | Rainfall (mm) |          | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|---------------|----------|--|----------|
| Station        |                  | Above    |               | Above    |  | Above    |
|                | Mean             | or below | Actual        | or below | Actual                                     | or below |
|                |                  | normal   |               | normal   |  | normal   |
| Ranong         | 27.1             | 0.7      | 561.0         | -253.7   | 2969.4                                     | 135.2    |
| Takua Pa       | 27.2             | -0.1     | 772.9         | 224.2    | 2948.6                                     | 745.5    |
| Phuket         | 28.4             | 0.5      | 346.6         | 53.1     | 1423.6                                     | 73.4     |
| Phuket Airport | 28.0             | 0.3      | 554.1         | 245.8    | 1919.5                                     | 461.0    |
| Ko Lanta       | 27.7             | -0.3     | 395.2         | 80.1     | 1344.0                                     | 47.2     |
| Trang Airport  | 26.9             | 0.1      | 208.5         | -85.5    | 1499.0                                     | 231.9    |
| Satun          | 27.2             | -0.1     | 391.1         | 136.9    | 1531.4                                     | 217.0    |
| Over the area  | 27.5             | 0.2      | 461.3         | 57.2     | 1947.9                                     | 273.1    |
|                |                  |          |               | 14%      |  | 16%      |

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