# Monthly Weather Summary in Thailand February 2008

Mean temperatures of February 2008 were below normal in major areas of Thailand due to the continuation of high pressure area from China that extended its ridge to cover upper Thailand and South China Sea and caused cool weather remained over Thailand, particularly northern and northeastern parts where cold weather was experienced in several places. However, the confluence of southerly and southeasterly wind prevailing over upper Thailand for few days associated with the easterly wave covering Thailand during late February and also westerly trough moving through northern part of Thailand caused unseasonable rainfall. Monthly rainfall was above normal in almost areas i.e. northern part 14.1 mm (124%), central part 23.8 mm (192%), eastern part 37.0 mm (128%), southern part (east coast) 23.1 mm (64%) and southern part (west coast) 38.4 mm (134%) while it was inversely below normal in northeastern part 7.6 mm (43%).

1 – 10 February: Generally cool and cold weather persisted in northern and northeastern parts while central and eastern parts experienced cool weather in several areas. The minimum temperature of the period was 10.2 °C, at Umphang in Tak province on February 8 while that of the mountaintop was 3.5 °C at Doi Angkhang, Amphoe Fang in Chiang Mai province on February 6. During this period, there was unexpected rainfall, especially during February 1-4 because there was low pressure cell covering northern part and the confluence of southerly and southeasterly wind prevaling over upper Thailand. The highest daily rainfall of 124.7 mm was measured at Amphoe Muang in Kanchanaburi province on February 3. For southern Thailand, cool weather was measured in several places and rainfall was found during the beginning of the period. The maximum daily rainfall was 65.0 mm at King Amphoe Samroi Yod in Prachuap Khirikhan province on February 4.

11 – 20 February: Temperature was relatively decreased, especially in northeastern part that experienced cold weather in general. The lowest minimum temperature was 10.5 °C at Agrometeorological Station in Nakhon Phanom province on February 20 and the temperature in the area of mountaintop climbed down to 2.5 °C at Doi Angkhang, Amphoe Fang in Chiang Mai province on February 18. During this period, upper Thailand received isolated rain for few days mainly in central and eastern parts with the maximum daily rainfall of 47.6 mm at Pilot station in Samut Prakarn province on February 13 while southern Thailand experienced isolated rain with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas of the upper portion. The highest daily rainfall was 140.4 mm at Thap Sakae in Prachuap Khirikhan province on February 17.

21 – 29 February: Although high pressure area which covered upper Thailand was weakened, generally cool weather remained over Thailand during the beginning of the period. After that slightly warmer weather was found until the end of the period, the temperature became once again decreased. The lowest minimum temperature was 10.3 °C at Agrometeorological Station in Nakhon Phanom province on February 22 while that of the mountaintop was 5.0 °C at Doi Angkhang, Amphoe Fang in Chiang Mai province on the same day. For rainfall, during the end of the period, there was unseasonble rainfall over Thailand due to the effect of easterly wave covering Thailand and westerly trough moving through northern part. The maximum daily rainfall in upper Thailand was 94.5 mm at Kabin Buri in Prachinburi province on February 25 with the occurrence of gusty wind and hail at Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai province on February 28. Southern Thailand obtained scattered to almost widespread rain and isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall during the middle and the end of the period with the heaviest daily rainfall of 266.0 mm at Sri Sakorn Self-Help Settlement in Narathiwat province on February 28.

Note: Rainfall, temperatures and natural disasters in this report was updated up to March 10, 2008.

## Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall February 2008

#### Northern Thailand

|                | Temperature ( °c) |                             | Rainfall (mm) |                       | Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January |                             |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Station        | Mean              | Above<br>or below<br>normal | Actual        | Above or below normal | Actual                                     | Above<br>or below<br>normal |
| Chiang Rai     | 21.7              | 0.5                         | 46.4          | 34.2                  | 77.2                                       | 53.8                        |
| Mae Hong Son   | 22.5              | 0.3                         | 14.3          | 9.5                   | 89.7                                       | 77.2                        |
| Phayao         | 22.9              | -0.4                        | 42.6          | 31.3                  | 50.1                                       | 33.8                        |
| Chiang Mai     | 24.5              | 1.2                         | 13.8          | 4.6                   | 30.4                                       | 13.5                        |
| Tha Wang Pha   | 22.6              | 0.6                         | 36.3          | 24.2                  | 88.0                                       | 66.8                        |
| Nan            | 23.5              | 0.5                         | 35.8          | 22.7                  | 53.6                                       | 33.2                        |
| Lamphun        | 24.4              | 0.2                         | 18.6          | 12.7                  | 33.5                                       | 25.2                        |
| Lampang        | 24.8              | 0.9                         | 46.6          | 39.0                  | 56.0                                       | 42.8                        |
| Mae Sariang    | 22.5              | 0.1                         | 10.0          | 3.0                   | 24.2                                       | 10.2                        |
| Phrae          | 24.2              | 0.1                         | 29.7          | 20.0                  | 70.0                                       | 54.0                        |
| Uttaradit      | 25.5              | -0.3                        | 11.0          | -3.9                  | 36.0                                       | 13.7                        |
| Bhumibol Dam   | 25.6              | -1.4                        | 8.9           | 1.5                   | 11.0                                       | -0.8                        |
| Tak            | 26.2              | -0.7                        | 16.4          | 8.0                   | 16.4                                       | 3.8                         |
| Mae Sot        | 25.0              | 0.8                         | 19.3          | 11.3                  | 28.9                                       | 18.6                        |
| Umphang        | 22.8              | 1.8                         | 9.0           | -4.8                  | 9.0  | -12.3                       |
| Phitsanulok    | 26.0              | -0.7                        | 39.3          | 26.4                  | 39.4                                       | 21.4                        |
| Lom Sak        | 24.9              | -0.7                        | 35.1          | 11.7                  | 38.4                                       | 10.6                        |
| Phetchabun     | 25.3              | -0.9                        | 24.8          | 5.8                   | 28.4                                       | 3.8                         |
| Wichian Buri   | 26.3              | -1.0                        | 3.0           | -10.9                 | 3.8  | -17.0                       |
| Kamphaeng Phet | 25.8              | -0.9                        | 49.0          | 35.5                  | 49.0                                       | 33.7                        |
| Over the area  | 24.4              | 0.0                         | 25.5          | 14.1                  | 41.7                                       | 24.4                        |
|                |                   |                             |               | 124%                  |  | 141%                        |

#### 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         | 21.4             | -3.1     | 39.0          | 24.5     | 50.3                                       | 28.9     |
| Loei              | 21.8             | -2.1     | 42.6          | 25.8     | 65.0                                       | 42.3     |
| Udon Thani        | 21.6             | -3.3     | 31.1          | 10.1     | 55.5                                       | 29.3     |
| Nakhon Phanom     | 20.4             | -3.5     | 3.4           | -23.9    | 8.4  | -22.4    |
| Sakon Nakhon      | 20.3             | -4.0     | 7.7           | -18.0    | 15.0                                       | -14.8    |
| Mukdahan          | 20.8             | -4.0     | 0.1           | -18.6    | 2.1  | -21.2    |
| Khon Kaen         | 22.4             | -3.2     | 2.7           | -13.3    | 11.1                                       | -7.0     |
| Kosum Phisai      | 22.6             | -2.9     | 8.4           | -5.7     | 14.8                                       | -1.3     |
| Roi Et            | 22.4             | -2.9     | 9.0           | -12.0    | 9.6  | -15.9    |
| Chaiyaphum        | 24.1             | -2.3     | 8.3           | -10.4    | 9.8  | -12.2    |
| Ubon Ratchathani  | 23.2             | -2.9     | 1.1           | -15.4    | 1.1  | -16.6    |
| Tha Tum           | 23.3             | -2.7     | 1.1           | -14.9    | 1.1  | -16.5    |
| Surin             | 23.8             | -2.5     | 0.3           | -11.4    | 0.4  | -16.1    |
| Nakhon Ratchasima | 24.4             | -2.1     | 1.5           | -16.6    | 7.4  | -16.6    |
| Chok Chai         | 24.5             | -1.7     | 1.2           | -10.1    | 1.6  | -13.6    |
| Nang Rong         | 24.1             | -2.2     | 4.8           | -11.0    | 5.1  | -17.1    |
| Over the area     | 22.6             | -2.8     | 10.1          | -7.6     | 16.1                                       | -5.7     |
|                   |                  |          |               | -43%     |  | -26%     |

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# Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall February 2008

### 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       | 26.9             | -1.3     | 21.0          | 8.5      | 39.6                                       | 21.7     |
| Bua Chum           | 25.8             | -1.4     | 6.5           | -2.6     | 8.4  | -5.5     |
| Lop Buri           | 27.7             | -0.3     | 5.7           | -5.9     | 5.7  | -10.6    |
| Suphan Buri        | 27.1             | -0.1     | 4.5           | -2.8     | 4.5  | -9.3     |
| Thong Pha Phum     | 27.4             | 1.2      | 4.5           | -11.4    | 4.5  | -16.7    |
| Kanchanaburi       | 27.3             | -0.6     | 161.3         | 149.9    | 162.2                                      | 145.6    |
| Bangkok Airport    | 27.7             | 0.0      | 16.7          | 5.1      | 21.7                                       | 1.2      |
| Bangkok Metropolis | 27.9             | 0.2      | 69.3          | 49.7     | 131.4                                      | 102.7    |
| Over the area      | 27.2             | -0.3     | 36.2          | 23.8     | 47.3                                       | 28.7     |
|                    |                  |          |               | 192%     |  | 154%     |

### 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  | 27.4             | -0.8     | 18.5          | 1.4      | 18.5                                       | -6.3     |
| Kabin Buri    | 26.7             | -1.0     | 132.8         | 111.1    | 142.6                                      | 114.0    |
| Aranyaprathet | 27.0             | -0.8     | 52.5          | 29.3     | 62.2                                       | 32.4     |
| Chon Buri     | 27.7             | 0.1      | 34.3          | 17.6     | 34.3                                       | 6.7      |
| Ko Sichang    | 27.4             | -0.1     | 44.4          | 25.1     | 44.4                                       | 16.7     |
| Pattaya       | 27.0             | -0.2     | 25.9          | 13.7     | 25.9                                       | -0.2     |
| Sattahip      | 26.6             | -0.7     | 121.9         | 93.6     | 123.4                                      | 72.8     |
| Rayong        | 27.0             | -0.8     | 58.5          | 19.8     | 62.2                                       | 3.9      |
| Chanthaburi   | 27.0             | 0.2      | 91.5          | 55.1     | 134.5                                      | 85.7     |
| Khlong Yai    | 27.1             | -0.2     | 79.2          | 3.1      | 80.0                                       | -34.4    |
| Over the area | 27.1             | -0.4     | 66.0          | 37.0     | 72.8                                       | 29.1     |
|               |                  |          |               | 128%     |  | 67%      |

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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         | 27.5              | 0.4      | 8.0           | 3.6      | 8.0  | -5.1     |
| Hua Hin             | 27.1              | 0.2      | 18.5          | -0.2     | 19.3                                       | -8.9     |
| Prachuap Khiri Khan | 26.7              | 0.6      | 57.8          | 25.5     | 85.0                                       | 25.7     |
| Chumphon            | 26.7              | 0.3      | 154.3         | 94.7     | 214.3                                      | 80.0     |
| Surat Thani         | 26.3              | -0.4     | 10.2          | -14.7    | 101.5                                      | 42.9     |
| Ko Samui            | 27.1              | -0.2     | 59.2          | 3.0      | 132.7                                      | -54.1    |
| Nakhon Si Thammarat | 26.4              | 0.1      | 88.5          | 28.6     | 544.3                                      | 337.5    |
| Songkhla            | 27.0              | -0.7     | 55.1          | 18.1     | 158.1                                      | 66.5     |
| Hat Yai Airport     | 26.3              | -0.3     | 71.3          | 50.6     | 163.4                                      | 94.5     |
| Pattani Airport     | 26.2              | 0.0      | 30.1          | -1.1     | 126.0                                      | 46.9     |
| Narathiwat          | 26.2              | -0.5     | 97.7          | 45.2     | 193.0                                      | 62.1     |
| Over the area       | 26.7              | 0.0      | 59.2          | 23.1     | 158.7                                      | 62.6     |
|                     |                   |          |               | 64%      |  | 65%      |

#### 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         | 27.7             | 0.6      | 33.3          | 16.8     | 34.5                                       | 5.8      |
| Takua Pa       | 26.7             | -0.3     | 139.6         | 100.9    | 176.3                                      | 102.4    |
| Phuket         | 28.4             | -0.2     | 35.7          | 5.4      | 169.3                                      | 117.3    |
| Phuket Airport | 27.4             | 0.0      | 128.0         | 95.4     | 185.0                                      | 116.5    |
| Ko Lanta       | 27.9             | -0.3     | 16.6          | -3.2     | 18.8                                       | -8.3     |
| Trang Airport  | 27.0             | -0.4     | 38.3          | 14.6     | 61.2                                       | 1.6      |
| Satun          | 27.8             | -0.1     | 78.3          | 38.8     | 106.9                                      | 55.1     |
| Over the area  | 27.6             | -0.1     | 67.1          | 38.4     | 107.4                                      | 55.8     |
|                |                  |          |               | 134%     |  | 108%     |

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