Monthly Weather Summary in Thailand January 2020

In January 2020, the high pressure area from China which covered upper Thailand was weak and mainly covered the northeastern region and the South China Sea, causing cool weather throughout the month in the areas of the northern and northeastern parts and periodically cool weather in the central, eastern and southern parts. The average temperature during this month was higher than 1980-2010 normal in all regions especially in upper Thailand where temperatures was 2.0 °C above normal. However, the westerly wind in the upper level prevailed over the northern region in the middle of the month causing cold weather in many areas in the upper northern. In addition, during late month, the high pressure area from China continuously extended to cover upper Thailand and the South China Sea combined with westerly trough that moved through the northern and northeastern regions resulting in decreasing in temperature in all regions especially in the northern region where generally cold with very cold weather in some areas in the upper portion. For rainfall, there was scanty rainfall in the upper Thailand except for unusual rainfall was found in the northeastern region during late month due to the passage of the westerly trough over the northern and northeast regions. In southern part, the easterly wind prevailed over the southern part causing light to moderate rain mainly along the east coast during the middle and the end of the month. The monthly rainfall were below normal in all regions i.e. northern part 4.6 mm (100%), northeastern part 2.9 mm (60%), central part 5.3 mm (21%), eastern part 1.0 mm (6%), southern part (east coast) 46.7 mm (78%) and southern part (west coast) 20.2 mm (77%).

1-10 January: The rather active high pressure areas from China covered upper Thailand and the South China Sea during early period then relatively weakened and covering the northeastern region and the South China Sea during late period. In addition, the westerly wind in the upper level brought cold weather from Himalaya Mountain to cover the northern region of Thailand during late period. These caused generally cool in the northern and northeastern parts and cold weather in upper northern during late period. Cool weather in several areas for the rest parts. The minimum temperature of the period was 13.5 °C, at Umphang in Tak province on January 5. In the mountainous areas and mountain tops, temperature climbed down to 2.4 °C at Kew Mae Pan, Doi Inthanon, Chom Thong in Chiang Mai province on January 10. There was no rain in upper Thailand except for light to moderate rain along the coastal areas of eastern part on the last day of the period due to the prevailing of the southeasterly wind over lower central, eastern, Bangkok and vicinity. The maximum daily rainfall of 8.9 mm was measured at Ko Kut in Trat province on January 10. For southern Thailand, the active northeast monsoon prevailed over the Gulf of Thailand and southern part during early period after that the easterly wind blowing over southern part, isolated rain was observed along the east coast almost the period except for scattered rain on January 2 whereas isolate light rainfall was found along the west coast for few days. The maximum daily rainfall was 23.0 mm at Nopphitam in Nakhon Si Thammarat province on January 3.

11-20 January: The weak high pressure area covered the northeastern part and the South China Sea almost the period and the another moderate high pressure areas extended its ridge to covered upper northeastern and the South China Sea during late period. In addition, the westerly wind in the upper level prevailed over the northern part throughout the period. These conditions caused generally cool weather in the northern and northeastern parts throughout the period with cold weather in upper portion of the northern part whereas cool weather remained in several areas for the rest parts. The minimum temperature of the period was 9.7 °C at Umphang in Tak province on January 13. Minimum temperature dropped to 1.1 °C in the area of mountain top at Kew Mae Pan, Doi Inthanon, Chom Thong in Chiang Mai province on January 16. For rainfall, with the prevailing of the southeasterly wind over the eastern and central parts where found isolated rain with heavy rainfall in some areas with the maximum daily rainfall of 50.5 millimeter at Wat Praya Pla School Khet Nong Chok in Bangkok on January 12. In southern part, the easterly wind which prevailed over the southern part was strengthened during late period causing isolated rain along the east coast during early and mid-period then scattered rain with heavy rainfall in some areas during late period. Isolated light to moderate rain was reported along the west coast for few days. The highest daily rainfall was 40.0 millimeter at Chai Buri in Surat Thani province on January 19.

21–31 January: The weak high pressure area covered the northeastern part and the South China Sea during early period and the another high pressure areas extended its ridge to covered the mentioned areas during mid-period and dominated upper Thailand and the South China Sea during late period accompanied with the passage of the westerly trough from Myanmar to cover the northern and northeastern part during early and mid-period. These cause decreasing in temperature in upper Thailand especially in the northern part where experienced cold weather in the upper portion with very cold weather in some areas and also in the northeastern part that had cold weather in almost areas during late period. For the central and eastern regions, the temperature dropped in the second half of the period with cold weather in some areas in the central region. The lowest temperature 6.8 °C was measured at Thung Chang in Nan province on January 27 and dropped to 0.4 °C at Kew Mae Pan, Doi Inthanon in Chiang Mai province on January 28. For rainfall, with the passage of the westerly trough over the northern and northeastern part and the prevailing of the southeasterly wind over the lower northeastern, central and eastern parts during mid-period, there was isolated rain with heavy rainfall in some areas in the northeastern and eastern parts during that time with the maximum daily rainfall of 85.0 millimeter at Klong Yai in Trat province on January 30. In southern part, cool weather in almost areas during the middle and the end of the period and isolated light to moderate rain was found for few days. The highest daily rainfall was 23.5 mm at Mueang in Satun province on January 29.

Note: 1. Rainfall, temperatures and natural disasters in this report were updated up to February 4, 2020.

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Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall January 2020

Northern 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
Chiang Rai	21.4	1.7	0.0	-7.5	0.0	-7.5
Mae Hong Son	20.8	0.2	0.0	-6.4	0.0	-6.4
Phayao	21.8	1.2	0.0	-5.7	0.0	-5.7
Chiang Mai	23.5	2.0	0.0	-4.2	0.0	-4.2
Tha Wang Pha	22.5	1.9	0.0	-7.0	0.0	-7.0
Nan	23.6	2.2	0.0	-4.4	0.0	-4.4
Lamphun	23.0	1.3	0.0	-2.8	0.0	-2.8
Lampang	24.1	1.9	0.1	-2.7	0.1	-2.7
Mae Sariang	21.2	0.8	0.0	-1.5	0.0	-1.5
Phrae	24.2	1.9	0.0	-5.8	0.0	-5.8
Uttaradit	26.2	2.1	0.0	-5.5	0.0	-5.5
Bhumibol Dam	26.3	2.6	0.0	-2.6	0.0	-2.6
Tak	26.6	2.5	0.0	-2.1	0.0	-2.1
Mae Sot	24.4	2.0	0.0	-1.7	0.0	-1.7
Umphang	22.1	1.9	0.0	-6.8	0.0	-6.8
Phitsanulok	26.6	1.8	0.3	-3.6	0.3	-3.6
Lom Sak	26.8	2.5	0.0	-4.8	0.0	-4.8
Phetchabun	27.1	3.0	0.0	-5.6	0.0	-5.6
Wichian Buri	27.4	2.1	0.0	-7.7	0.0	-7.7
Kamphaeng Phet	27.0	2.2	0.0	-2.3	0.0	-2.3
Over the area	24.3	1.9	0.0	-4.6	0.0	-4.6
				-100%		-100%

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	25.6	3.1	0.0	-8.3	0.0	-8.3
Loei	25.0	3.3	0.0	-6.2	0.0	-6.2
Udon Thani	25.0	2.2	0.0	-6.3	0.0	-6.3
Nakhon Phanom	25.0	2.8	0.5	-2.5	0.5	-2.5
Sakon Nakhon	24.5	2.4	20.9	16.2	20.9	16.2
Mukdahan	25.2	2.6	2.2	-1.5	2.2	-1.5
Khon Kaen	26.2	2.8	0.0	-4.0	0.0	-4.0
Kosum Phisai	26.0	2.3	2.9	-0.6	2.9	-0.6
Roi Et	26.0	2.7	3.3	-0.3	3.3	-0.3
Chaiyaphum	27.1	2.9	0.0	-4.5	0.0	-4.5
Ubon Ratchathani	26.1	1.9	0.9	-1.1	0.9	-1.1
Tha Tum	25.8	1.8	0.1	-5.0	0.1	-5.0
Surin	26.7	2.6	0.1	-5.5	0.1	-5.5
Nakhon Ratchasima	27.1	2.8	0.0	-8.2	0.0	-8.2
Chok Chai	26.7	2.3	0.0	-4.0	0.0	-4.0
Nang Rong	26.1	1.8	0.0	-4.7	0.0	-4.7
Over the area	25.9	2.5	1.9	-2.9	1.9	-2.9
				-60%		-60%

NOTES: 1) Mean temperature is the average of daily dry-bulb temperature 2) "T" is trace, rainfall amount less than 0.1 mm.

- 3) "blank" is incomplete data.
- 4) Temperature and rainfall are preliminary data.

Monthly Current Report Rainfall and Accumulative Rainfall January 2020

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	28.2	2.7	0.0	-4.3	0.0	-4.3
Bua Chum	27.3	2.3	0.0	-6.7	0.0	-6.7
Lop Buri	28.8	2.4	0.0	-5.7	0.0	-5.7
Suphan Buri	28.3	2.6	0.0	-3.7	0.0	-3.7
Thong Pha Phum	26.4	1.6	0.0	-5.4	0.0	-5.4
Kanchanaburi	28.4	2.4	0.0	-3.3	0.0	-3.3
Bangkok Airport	28.9	1.9	19.6	8.2	19.6	8.2
Bangkok Metropolis	29.1	2.1	22.7	9.4	22.7	9.4
Over the area	28.2	2.3	5.3	-1.4	5.3	-1.4
				-21%		-21%

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	29.1	2.3	0.0	-7.7	0.0	-7.7
Kabin Buri	27.3	1.0	5.6	-3.4	5.6	-3.4
Aranyaprathet	28.5	2.4	0.0	-5.4	0.0	-5.4
Chon Buri	29.0	2.1	7.0	-2.9	7.0	-2.9
Ko Sichang	28.5	2.0	0.0	-10.9	0.0	-10.9
Pattaya	28.0	1.7	0.8	-14.8	0.8	-14.8
Sattahip	27.7	1.5	12.5	-13.1	12.5	-13.1
Rayong	28.0	1.8	2.3	-18.4	2.3	-18.4
Chanthaburi	28.3	1.9	33.7	15.0	33.7	15.0
Khlong Yai	27.9	1.4	88.8	51.6	88.8	51.6
Over the area	28.2	1.8	15.1	-1.0	15.1	-1.0
				-6%		-6%

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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	28.1	2.3	0.0	-11.4	0.0	-11.4
Hua Hin	27.8	1.8	0.5	-11.3	0.5	-11.3
Prachuap Khiri Khan	27.1	1.7	7.9	-16.5	7.9	-16.5
Chumphon	27.1	1.4	63.5	4.1	63.5	4.1
Surat Thani	26.6	1.0	0.0	-36.8	0.0	-36.8
Ko Samui	27.7	0.9	9.1	-77.1	9.1	-77.1
Nakhon Si Thammarat	27.0	1.0	31.1	-114.3	31.1	-114.3
Songkhla	27.9	0.8	1.9	-72.9	1.9	-72.9
Hat Yai Airport	27.3	1.3	1.0	-52.8	1.0	-52.8
Pattani Airport	27.2	1.2	0.2	-50.7	0.2	-50.7
Narathiwat	27.2	1.1	27.4	-74.2	27.4	-74.2
Over the area	27.4	1.4	13.0	-46.7	13.0	-46.7
				-78%		-78%

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	1.0	7.9	-2.1	7.9	-2.1
Takua Pa	27.2	0.8	2.6	-36.8	2.6	-36.8
Phuket	29.6	1.5	0.0	-30.3	0.0	-30.3
Phuket Airport	28.3	1.3	2.8	-33.4	2.8	-33.4
Ko Lanta	28.6	1.0	0.4	-14.5	0.4	-14.5
Trang Airport	28.2	1.4	4.7	-27.8	4.7	-27.8
Satun	28.7	1.2	25.3	4.1	25.3	4.1
Over the area	28.3	1.1	6.2	-20.2	6.2	-20.2
				-77%		-77%

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