Monthly Weather Summary in Thailand December 2018

Mean temperature in December was 26.4 °C, 2.2 °C above the normal and a mean total rainfall recorded in the month was 31.0 mm (64%) above the normal. Affected by a pattern of high pressure area from China which extending to cover upper Thailand mainly propagated eastward to the South China Sea almost the month and it was occasionally strengthen mainly during the second half of the month. These caused cool weather in northern and northeastern parts throughout the month with cold weather in some areas mainly during the second half of the month and cool weather presented in some areas during the first half of the month then cool weather in several areas for the rest of the parts. For rainfall, under the combined effect of southeasterly wind over northern part during early month and passage of westerly trough through the northern part during early and last month causing unusual rainfall in upper Thailand mainly during early and late month. In southern part, under the influence of the moderate to rather active northeast monsoon which prevailed over the Gulf of Thailand and southern past resulted in plentiful of rain especially during early month and mid-month that scattered to fairly widespread rain and flash flood occurred in some place during the mentioned period. Monthly rainfall was above normal in all parts i.e., northern part 5.9 mm (72%), northeastern part 5.5 mm (157%), central part 40.0 mm (769%), eastern part 11.9 mm (147%), southern part (east coast) 116.4 mm (49%) and southern part (west coast) 42.9 mm (57%).

1 – 10 December: The high pressure area covered the upper Thailand and the South China Sea throughout the period and the another ridge of rather active high pressure area extended to cover the northeastern part and the South China Sea during the second half of the period. Moreover, the southeasterly wind prevailed over northern part during the first half of the period coupled with the westerly trough moved through the mentioned areas on December 7-9. These conditions caused cool weather nearly the whole areas in the northern and northeastern parts with cold weather in some areas of the northern part for few days while the central and eastern parts experienced cool weather in some areas in upper portion. The lowest minimum temperature was 14.7 °C at Amphoe Thung Chang in Nan province on December 9. In the mountainous areas and mountaintops, the weather was cold to very cold and temperature climbed down to 6.0 °C at Doi Intanon in Chiang Mai province on December 1. For rainfall, scanty rainfall was found in upper Thailand with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall except for scattered to fairly widespread rain and heavy rainfall in some areas on December 7-8. The maximum daily rainfall in upper Thailand was 105.2 mm at Pakchong Agrometeorological Station in Nakhon Ratchasima on December 2. In southern part, under the influence of the northeast monsoon which prevailed over the southern part and the Gulf of Thailand strengthened during the second half of the period brought scattered to fairly widespread rain with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas mainly along east coast and flash flood were reported at Nakhon Si Thammarat province on December 9. The highest daily rainfall was 200.0 mm at Amphoe Pak Phanang in Nakhon Si Thammarat on December 8.

11 - 20 December: Under the ridge of active high pressure areas covered upper Thailand during early period and mid-period and later weakened associated with the upper-level westerly wind blew into the northern part on the last day of the period. Moreover, the moderate to rather active northeast monsoon which prevailed over The Gulf of Thailand and southern Thailand and strengthen on December 15-16. These caused temperature was lower than the last period almost the whole Thailand with generally cool weather in northern and northeastern parts nearly the whole period and cold weather in the upper portion during mid-period and late period while cool weather was present several areas of central and eastern parts mainly in the upper portion. The lowest minimum temperature was 13.0 °C at Agrometeorological Station in Nakhon Phanom on December 18 and 5.9 °C over the area of mountaintop at Doi Inthanon in Chiang Mai province on December 15. For rainfall, isolated light to moderate rain was observed in upper Thailand mainly during early and late period. The maximum daily rainfall of 32.0 mm at Amphoe Ban Khai in Rayong province on December 11. In southern part, fairly widespread rain with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas especially heavy to very heavy rainfall in several areas on December 15-16. The maximum daily rainfall was 290.0 mm at Amphoe Chian Yai in Nakhon Si Thammarat province on December 15.

21 - 31 December: Under the influence of high pressure area covering upper Thailand and the another ridge of active high pressure area from China extending to cover the mentioned areas during the second half of the period. These caused temperature obviously deceased and it was the period of lowest temperature of the month with cool and cold weather in northern and northeastern parts especially generally cold weather in upper portion of northern part during midperiod while other parts experienced cool weather in several areas. The lowest minimum temperature was 11.3 °C at Amphoe Umphang in Tak province on December 26 and 1.6 °C over the area of mountaintop at Kew Mare Pan, Chom Thong in Chiang Mai province on December 28. Frost occurred at Kew Mae Pan, Chom Thong in Chiang Mai province on December 23-28. For rainfall, with the passage of the westerly trough over northern part coupled with the weak northeast monsoon over the Gulf of Thailand and southern part. These conditions caused scattered to fairly widespread rain over upper Thailand with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas during late period and the maximum daily rainfall of 93.2 mm at Bangkok Airport, Don Mueang in Bangkok on December 29 while southern part obtained decreasing in rainfall from last period and isolated to scattered rain nearly the whole period with heavy to very heavy rainfall in some areas. The maximum daily rainfall was 118.0 mm Agrometeorological Station in Yala province on December 22.

Note: Rainfall, temperatures and natural disasters in this report were updated up to January 8, 2019.

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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 | 22.5 | 3.1 | 45.2 | 31.2 | 1919.4 | 228.9 |
| Mae Hong Son | 23.0 | 2.1 | 33.9 | 23.5 | 1193.3 | -99.1 |
| Phayao | 22.5 | 2.5 | 25.0 | 14.1 | 1485.8 | 348.8 |
| Chiang Mai | 24.4 | 3.0 | 24.7 | 8.8 | 984.2 | -146.4 |
| Tha Wang Pha | 23.1 | 2.6 | 2.3 | -8.7 | 1839.7 | 431.6 |
| Nan | 24.2 | 3.2 | 5.1 | -3.5 | 1117.0 | -117.1 |
| Lamphun | 24.1 | 2.8 | 16.8 | 9.4 | 1125.7 | 121.9 |
| Lampang | 24.4 | 2.8 | 17.6 | 10.6 | 1186.5 | 141.0 |
| Mae Sariang | 23.8 | 2.9 | 4.7 | -2.9 | 1513.8 | 378.0 |
| Phrae | 24.9 | 3.1 | 3.4 | -4.4 | 1052.0 | -62.8 |
| Uttaradit | 26.3 | 2.6 | 7.7 | 2.7 | 1384.1 | 12.5 |
| Bhumibol Dam | 24.8 | 2.1 | 19.2 | 12.0 | 1060.7 | 17.3 |
| Tak | 25.8 | 2.8 | 11.8 | 6.7 | 930.7 | -130.4 |
| Mae Sot | 25.3 | 3.3 | 6.3 | 0.4 | 1807.5 | 339.9 |
| Umphang | 22.7 | 2.9 | 1.8 | -3.3 | 1278.9 | -182.4 |
| Phitsanulok | 26.7 | 2.4 | 11.9 | 0.8 | 1189.1 | -127.9 |
| Lom Sak | 26.5 | 2.7 | 30.9 | 26.4 | 911.2 | -131.9 |
| Phetchabun | 26.9 | 3.4 | 2.9 | -4.9 | 1032.8 | -100.6 |
| Wichian Buri | 27.1 | 2.3 | 6.7 | 2.4 | 1336.3 | 115.7 |
| Kamphaeng Phet | 26.7 | 2.6 | 4.0 | -2.7 | 1136.9 | -167.7 |
| Over the area | 24.8 | 2.8 | 14.1 | 5.9 | 1274.3 | 43.4 |
| | | | | 72% | | 4% |

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 | 25.4 | 3.3 | 43.8 | 39.5 | 1787.2 | 179.0 |
| Loei | 24.2 | 3.1 | 4.0 | -4.7 | 1186.7 | -54.2 |
| Udon Thani | 24.9 | 2.5 | 35.9 | 33.0 | 1440.8 | 22.4 |
| Nakhon Phanom | 25.0 | 3.0 | 0.7 | -4.1 | 2792.1 | 445.3 |
| Sakon Nakhon | 24.7 | 2.8 | 0.6 | -5.0 | 1575.6 | -69.4 |
| Mukdahan | 25.1 | 2.9 | 21.2 | 18.6 | 1953.2 | 473.2 |
| Khon Kaen | 25.8 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 1298.2 | 51.4 |
| Kosum Phisai | 26.1 | 2.6 | 0.0 | -3.1 | 1233.5 | -30.2 |
| Roi Et | 26.2 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 1226.7 | -115.3 |
| Chaiyaphum | 26.7 | 2.9 | 12.8 | 8.7 | 915.1 | -222.1 |
| Ubon Ratchathani | 26.8 | 3.1 | 0.9 | -0.1 | 1735.0 | 153.3 |
| Tha Tum | 26.8 | 3.1 | 0.0 | -1.0 | 1094.4 | -293.5 |
| Surin | 26.7 | 3.1 | 4.3 | 2.4 | 1139.8 | -292.4 |
| Nakhon Ratchasima | 26.7 | 3.1 | 4.1 | 1.4 | 1021.7 | -49.8 |
| Chok Chai | 26.4 | 2.8 | 7.9 | 4.7 | 924.8 | -150.0 |
| Nang Rong | 26.3 | 2.7 | 0.8 | -2.6 | 773.5 | -420.4 |
| Over the area | 25.9 | 3.0 | 9.0 | 5.5 | 1381.1 | -23.4 |
| | | | | 157% | | -2% |

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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 | 27.4 | 2.8 | 16.2 | 11.6 | 911.2 | -238.5 |
| Bua Chum | 26.7 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 1644.6 | 559.3 |
| Lop Buri | 28.1 | 2.3 | 64.3 | 59.8 | 1283.0 | 157.9 |
| Suphan Buri | 27.7 | 2.7 | 18.1 | 11.4 | 901.9 | -73.5 |
| Thong Pha Phum | 26.2 | 2.3 | 28.4 | 23.7 | 1925.7 | 139.2 |
| Kanchanaburi | 27.8 | 2.9 | 31.7 | 25.5 | 769.2 | -287.2 |
| Bangkok Airport | 28.5 | 2.1 | 131.9 | 125.8 | 1747.9 | 373.0 |
| Bangkok Metropolis | 28.8 | 2.3 | 67.2 | 60.9 | 1859.9 | 211.7 |
| Over the area | 27.7 | 2.5 | 45.2 | 40.0 | 1380.4 | 105.2 |
| | | | | 769% | | 8% |

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 | 28.8 | 2.6 | 13.5 | 8.5 | 1979.9 | 156.6 |
| Kabin Buri | 27.4 | 1.8 | 5.4 | 1.5 | 2268.4 | 671.6 |
| Aranyaprathet | 28.4 | 3.1 | 42.4 | 37.6 | 1452.1 | 107.3 |
| Chon Buri | 29.1 | 2.6 | 11.1 | 5.6 | 1335.0 | 39.4 |
| Ko Sichang | 28.3 | 2.1 | 17.9 | 9.4 | 1158.1 | -60.8 |
| Pattaya | 28.1 | 2.2 | 13.1 | 4.8 | 1163.3 | 52.6 |
| Sattahip | 27.6 | 1.6 | 24.1 | 13.6 | 1611.9 | 345.3 |
| Rayong | 27.9 | 1.9 | 2.6 | -3.3 | 1008.1 | -375.1 |
| Chanthaburi | 28.5 | 2.5 | 16.9 | 10.1 | 2402.2 | -592.0 |
| Khlong Ya | 28.1 | 1.3 | 53.4 | 32.1 | 4885.0 | 39.2 |
| Over the area | 28.2 | 2.1 | 20.0 | 11.9 | 1926.4 | 38.2 |
| | | | | 147% | | 2% |

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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 | 27.6 | 2.2 | 28.2 | 16.6 | 1047.5 | 60.2 |
| Hua Hin | 27.8 | 2.0 | 112.2 | 104.3 | 1387.3 | 432.2 |
| Prachuap Khiri Khan | 26.9 | 1.4 | 96.1 | 81.1 | 1443.6 | 351.8 |
| Chumphon | 26.8 | 1.5 | 214.9 | 91.6 | 2095.2 | 222.5 |
| Surat Thani | 26.3 | 0.8 | 283.6 | 154.2 | 1727.4 | 105.4 |
| Ko Samui | 27.0 | 0.4 | 664.6 | 454.3 | 2462.8 | 502.7 |
| Nakhon Si Thammarat | 26.7 | 1.0 | 704.2 | 252.5 | 2778.3 | 281.8 |
| Songkhla | 27.6 | 0.8 | 392.8 | -51.9 | 2142.2 | 75.5 |
| Hat Yai Airport | 26.7 | 1.1 | 296.2 | 28.5 | 1446.8 | -279.5 |
| Pattani Airport | 26.8 | 0.9 | 393.5 | 15.2 | 2038.3 | 173.2 |
| Narathiwat | 26.3 | 0.4 | 700.1 | 134.5 | 2984.3 | 523.6 |
| Over the area | 27.0 | 1.2 | 353.3 | 116.4 | 1959.4 | 222.5 |
| | | | | 49% | | 13% |

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 | 26.9 | 0.6 | 88.1 | 42.6 | 4955.3 | 886.9 |
| Takua Pa | 27.1 | 0.7 | 135.0 | 73.3 | 3854.2 | 196.6 |
| Phuket | 28.6 | 1.0 | 56.0 | -16.4 | 2171.3 | -48.2 |
| Phuket Airport | 27.6 | 0.9 | 100.9 | 33.5 | 2625.3 | 150.3 |
| Ko Lanta | 27.5 | 0.6 | 117.2 | 61.6 | 1946.1 | -230.5 |
| Trang Airport | 27.3 | 1.1 | 154.2 | 28.8 | 2207.8 | 59.3 |
| Satun | 27.5 | 0.5 | 174.0 | 77.1 | 2286.5 | -3.4 |
| Over the area | 27.5 | 0.8 | 117.9 | 42.9 | 2863.8 | 144.5 |
| | | | | 57% | | 5% |

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