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CENTRAL WATER COMMISSION

Excess rain, bumper crop An above average southwest monsoon so far has come as a boon for farmers during the kharif sowing season. Until July 14, the country received 11% more rainfall than normal, resulting in reservoir levels rising to 2.7 times the usual levels. This encouraged sowing activity, taking the total sown area to a six-year high. By The Hindu Data Team ■ POURING DOWN | The map shows the % difference in rainfall ■ BRIMMING LEVELS | The chart depicts the % difference in received across States between June 1 and July 14 this year and the storage levels of 123 reservoirs as of July 9 from the average long period average rainfall (LPA)* for the period level in the last 10 years U.P. Most States have received normal Gujarat rainfall, with a few receiving excess. Jharkhand Most agriculture intensive States Madhya Pradesh have recorded optimum rainfall Maharashtra Chhattisgarh Punjab Andhra Pradesh 12% Sikkim Uttarakhand Rajasthan U.P. 101% Telangana -16% 24% West Bengal Rajasthan A.P and Telangana Overall, the current year's Nagaland storage is nearly Tripura Himachal Pradesh **167%** more Karnataka than last year's Odisha storage Punjab 29% LARGE DEFICIENT LPA* Kerala **DEFICIENT LPA** 25 50 75 NORMAL LPA Maharashtra **EXCESS LPA** 15% % CHANGE FROM AVERAGE STORAGE IN LAST 10 YEARS LARGE EXCESS LPA 2020 2019 PREVIOUS YEARS ■ LARGE COVERAGE Kerala The chart depicts the **OILSEEDS** 24% total sown area of COTTON various kharif crops RICE as of mid-July in the *LPA IS THE AVERAGE RAINFALL **PULSES** RECEIVED BY THE COUNTRY AS A last six years. 2020 COARSE CEREALS recorded the highest WHOLE DURING THE SOUTHWEST MONSOON FOR THE PERIOD 1961-2010. SUGARCANE area coverage for kharif THE CURRENT LPA IS 88 CM. crops in the last six

years as of mid-July

0

20

40

60

AREA SOWN (IN LAKH HECTARE)

80

100

120

140