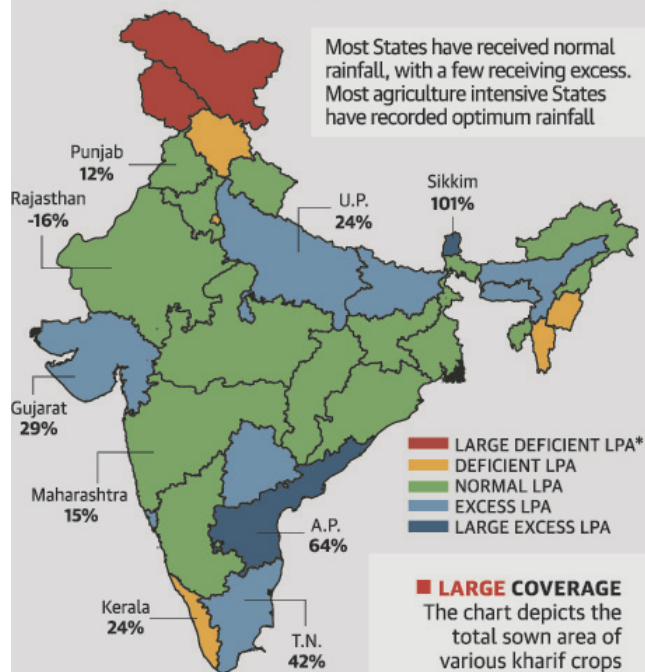


## Excess rain, bumper crop

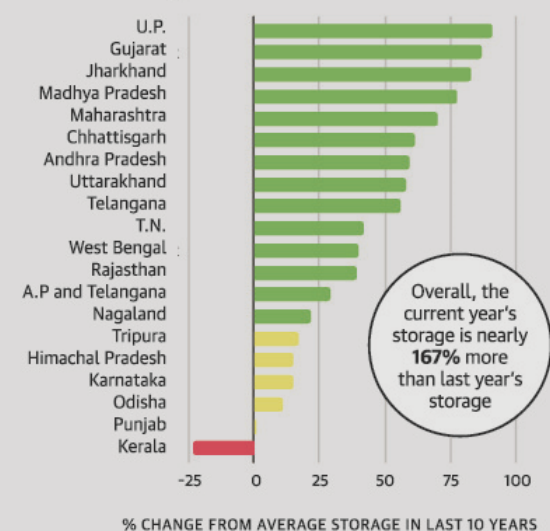
An above average southwest monsoon so far has come as a boon for farmers during the kharif sowing season. Until July 14, the country received 11% more rainfall than normal, resulting in reservoir levels rising to 2.7 times the usual levels. This encouraged sowing activity, taking the total sown area to a six-year high. By **The Hindu Data Team**

■ **POURING DOWN** | The map shows the % difference in rainfall received across States between June 1 and July 14 this year and the long period average rainfall (LPA)\* for the period



\*LPA IS THE AVERAGE RAINFALL RECEIVED BY THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE DURING THE SOUTHWEST MONSOON FOR THE PERIOD 1961-2010. THE CURRENT LPA IS 88 CM. SOURCE: AGRICOOP, IMD, CENTRAL WATER COMMISSION

■ **BRIMMING LEVELS** | The chart depicts the % difference in storage levels of 123 reservoirs as of July 9 from the average level in the last 10 years



### ■ LARGE COVERAGE

The chart depicts the total sown area of various kharif crops as of mid-July in the last six years. 2020 recorded the highest area coverage for kharif crops in the last six years as of mid-July

