

Kolhapur & other districts experience rise in temperature

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Kolhapur: The districts of Kolhapur, Sangli, Satara and Solapur have witnessed a rise of 6 degrees Celsius in minimum temperatures with the citizens feeling the heat in winter months.

The maximum temperatures in Sangli, Kolhapur and Solapur districts have been fluctuating around 32 degrees Celsius while the minimum temperatures, too, has gone above 22 degree Celsius.

The Radhanagari region witnessed rainfall on Sunday with the skyline over Kolhapur city staying dark and cloudy in the evening session since the last three days. On Monday evening, a thunderstorm alert was issued by the India Meteorological Department (IMD) for Kolhapur with the probability of thunderstorm accompanied by lightning and light to moderate spells of rain with 30-40kmph gusty winds very likely to occur at isolated places.

Meanwhile, the sudden rise in maximum and minimum temperature has taken

a toll on businesses selling winter accessories. Darshan Shah, a shopkeeper on Mahadwar road, said, "The winter season started late due to extended monsoon and now when only four to five days of cold winter nights were experienced, the temperature has again changed. The city is witnessing humidity with cloud cover. Due to sudden the increase in temperature, the footfall at our shop to purchase winter accessories like sweaters, jackets, mufflers, monkey caps, etc. has dropped."

According to the forecast by IMD, the maximum temperature in Kolhapur on Monday was 30.6 degrees Celsius while the minimum stayed at 22.1 degrees Celsius. In Sangli district, the temperature was maximum 30.6 degrees Celsius and minimum 21.3 degrees Celsius. In Satara district, it was 28.6 degrees maximum and 21.3 degrees minimum while in Solapur it was 32.4 degrees maximum and 20 degrees minimum. All these districts recorded a sharp increase of around 6 degrees Celsius in minimum temperature.