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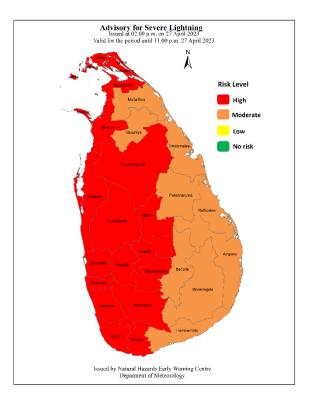
Advisory for Severe Lightning

Issued by the natural hazards early warning center Issued at 02.00 p.m. 27 April 2023 for the period until 11.00 p.m. 27 April 2023

PLEASE BE AWARE:

Thundershowers accompanied by severe lightning are likely to occur at several places in Western, Sabaragamuwa, Central and North-Western provinces and in Jaffna, Killinochchi, Mannar, Anuradhapura, Galle and Matara districts during the evening or night. Fairly heavy showers **above 75mm** are likely at some places.

There may be temporary localized strong winds during thundershowers. General public is kindly requested to take adequate precautions to minimize damages caused by lightning activity.



ACTION REQUIRED:

The Department of Meteorology advises that people should:

- Seek shelter, preferably indoors and never under trees.
- Avoid open areas such as paddy fields, tea plantations and open water bodies during thunderstorms.
- Avoid using wired telephones and connected electric appliances during thunderstorms.
- Avoid using open vehicles, such as bicycles, tractors and boats etc.
- Beware of fallen trees and power lines.
- For emergency assistance contact the local disaster management authorities.

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