

Rain lashes Capital; Met says more in store as mercury dips



A man walks in pouring rain on Kartavya Path in New Delhi on Thursday. SHIV KUMAR PUSHPAKAR

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With most parts of the city witnessing rain during the day, the maximum temperature dropped to 28 degrees Celsius on Thursday, which is seven degrees lower than the normal for this time of the year, as per the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

The city received 5.6 mm of rainfall in the 24 hours ending at 8.30 a.m. on Thursday and 31.2 mm during the day till 5.30 p.m., as per the IMD.

Palam recorded the highest rainfall - 56.5 mm - during the day while Mun-

geshpur recorded the lowest rainfall of 1 mm during the same time.

The continuous downpour through the day caused a chock-a-block situation on various intersections and key stretches of the city, sending the traffic haywire.

The weather department has issued a 'yellow' alert for Friday, cautioning people about moderate rain at most of the places in the city.

The mercury is likely to remain below 30 degrees Celsius till Monday and gradually climb up to 35 degrees Celsius by Wednesday.