

Table 1.10: Drought years in India

Year	Area affected (million sq. km.)	% area of the country affected	Category	Ranking
1876	0.49	15.8	Slight	34
1877	2.03	64.7	Calamitous	2
1883	1.03	32.8	Moderate	13
1884	0.70	22.2	Slight	26
1885	0.48	15.4	Slight	35
1891	1.15	36.7	Moderate	9
1896	0.68	21.7	Slight	27
1899	1.99	63.4	Calamitous	3
1901	0.89	28.5	Moderate	20
1902	0.54	17.1	Slight	33
1904	0.98	31.1	Moderate	16
1905	1.09	34.7	Moderate	10
1907	0.85	27.2	Slight	22
1911	0.97	30.8	Moderate	17
1913	0.70	22.3	Slight	25
1915	0.63	20.2	Slight	30
1918	2.16	68.7	Calamitous	1
1920	1.22	38.8	Moderate	8
1925	0.80	25.5	Slight	24
1928	0.67	21.4	Slight	28
1936	0.86	27.6	Slight	21
1941	1.01	32.3	Moderate	15
1951	1.04	33.2	Moderate	11
1952	0.81	25.8	Slight	23
1965	1.35	42.9	Moderate	6
1966	1.01	32.3	Moderate	14
1968	0.45	20.6	Slight	29
1969	0.62	19.9	Slight	31
1971	0.42	13.3	Slight	36
1972	1.39	44.4	Severe	5
1974	0.92	29.3	Moderate	19
1979	1.24	39.4	Moderate	7
1982	1.04	33.1	Moderate	12
1985	0.95	30.1	Moderate	18
1986	0.60	19.0	Slight	32
1987	1.55	49.2	Severe	4
2002	N.A.	N.A.	Severe	N.A.
2009	N.A.	N.A.	Severe	N.A.

Note : N.A.: Not Available.

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