

# **Thunderstorm: A Calamity of Thundering**

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## **Abstract**

Thunderstorm is a storm accompanied by thunder, lightning and rainfall. Thousands of people died every year for lightning. However, concern at Governemnt level and awareness of people is least for such disaster. Origin, general characteristics, types, life cycle of thunderstorm are discussed in this article. Moreover, its impact, predictability, factors contributing to vulnerability, possible risk reduction measures, typical post disaster needs, preparedness and safety measures are also summarised.

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