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Sub: Depression over southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean

The Well Marked Low Pressure Area over central parts of south Bay of Bengal and adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean moved west-northwestwards and concentrated into a Depression and lay centered at 0530 hrs IST of today, the 3rd March 2022, over southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining equatorial Indian Ocean near latitude 5.3°N and longitude 84.0°E, about 470 km south-southeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 760 km south-southeast of Nagapattinam (Tamil Nadu) and 870 km south-southeast of Puducherry (Tamil Nadu) and about 950 km south-southeast of Chennai(Tamil Nadu).

It is likely to intensify further into a Deep Depression during next 24 hours. It is likely to move northwestwards along and off east coast of Sri Lanka towards north Tamil Nadu Coast during next 48 hours.

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. ⁰N/ long. ⁰E	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
03.03.22/0530	5.3/84.0	40-50 gusting to 60	Depression
03.03.22/1730	6.7/83.0	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
04.03.22/0530	8.1/82.2	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression
04.03.22/1730	9.5/81.5	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression
05.03.22/0530	10.9/80.7	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall (warning graphics enclosed)

3rd March– Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at a few places with isolated heavy rainfall likely over coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.

4th March– Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at a few places with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall likely over coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.

5th March– Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at many places with heavy to very heavy rainfall and extremely heavy falls at isolated places very likely over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal. Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at a few places with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall very likely over south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema.

(ii) Wind warning

- Squally winds speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph are very likely to prevail over Southwest & adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal, along & off Tamil Nadu, Gulf of Mannar during next 24 hours and gradually becomes 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph for subsequent 36 hours over the region till evening of 5th March. Squally winds speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph are very likely over Equatorial Indian Ocean during next 24 hours.
- Squally winds speed reaching 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph is very likely to prevail over Westcentral & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal, along & off north Tamil Nadu-Andhra Pradesh coasts from evening of 5th till morning of 6th March. Strong winds speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph are very likely to prevail over north Tamil Nadu- south Andhra Pradesh coasts on 6th March.

(iii) Sea condition

Sea condition will be rough over Southwest & adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal. Gulf of Mannar and Comorin area during next 24 hours and rough to very rough for subsequent 36 hours over the region till evening of 5th March. Rough to very rough sea conditions along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & south Andhra Pradesh coasts during 5th – 6th March. Sea condition will be rough over Equatorial Indian Ocean during next 24 hours.

(iv) Fishermen Warning (Graphics enclosed)

Fishermen are advised not to venture into Southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean, Gulf of Mannar and Comorin area, along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry till 4th March and over westcentral & adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & south Andhra Pradesh coasts on 5th & 6th March.

(v) EXPECTED IMPACT & ACTION SUGGESTED due to very heavy/extremely heavy rain over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and adjoining areas of south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema on 5th March.

A. Impact Expected

- Localized Flooding of roads, inundation and water logging in low lying areas and closure of underpasses mainly in urban areas of the above region.
- Occasional reduction in visibility due to heavy rainfall.

- Disruption of traffic in major cities due to water logging in roads leading to increased travel time.
- Minor damage to kutcha roads.
- Possibilities of damage to vulnerable structure.
- Localized Landslides/Mudslides
- Damage to horticulture and standing crops in some areas due to squally wind and inundation.

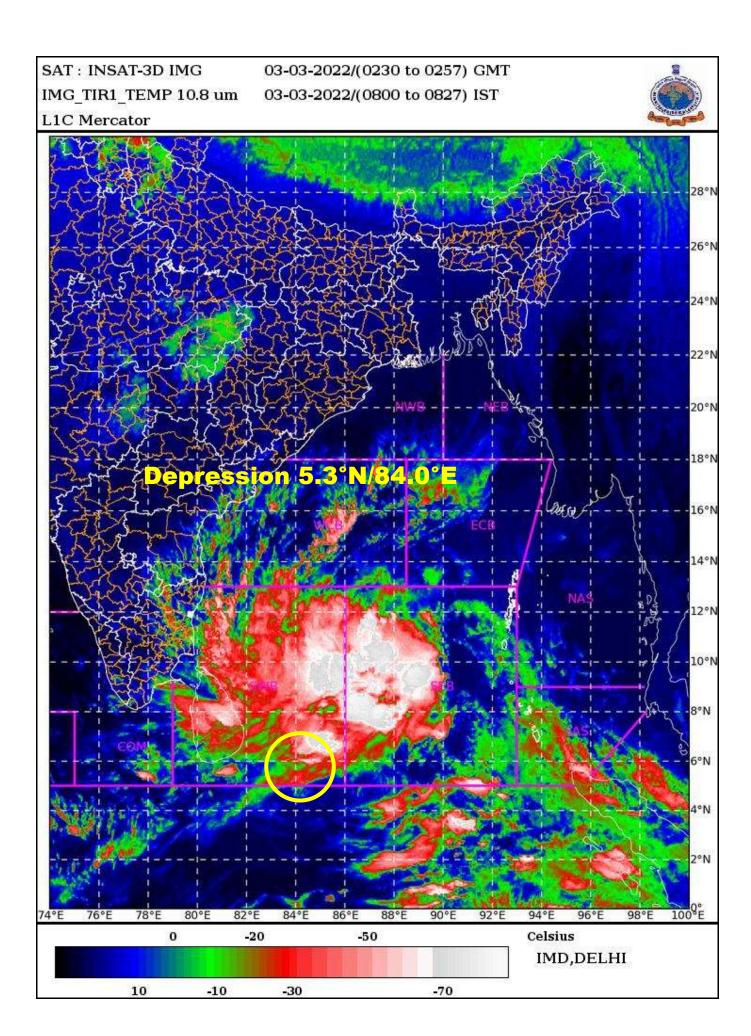
B. Action Suggested

- > Check for traffic congestion on your route before leaving for your destination.
- Follow any traffic advisories that are issued in this regard.
- > Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often.
- > Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

The next bulletin will be issued at 1130 hrs IST of today, the 3rd March, 2022.

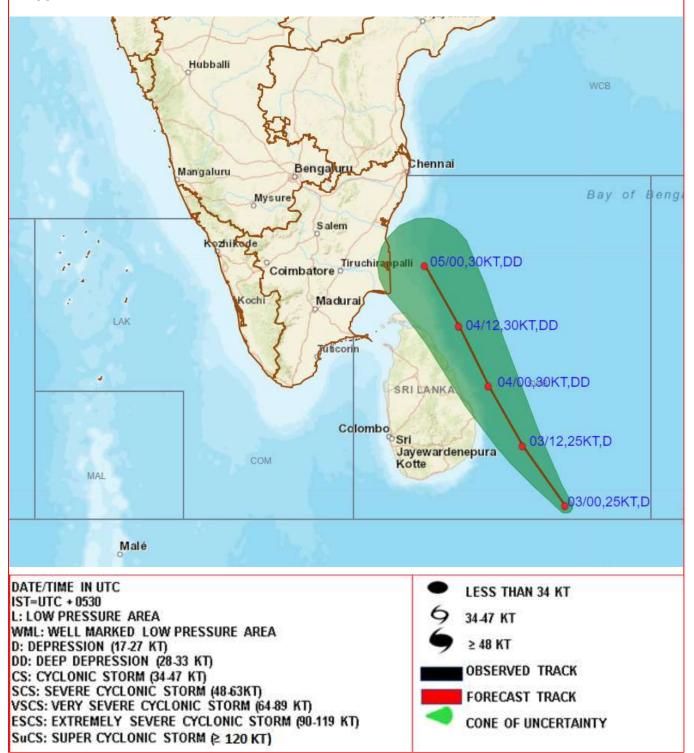
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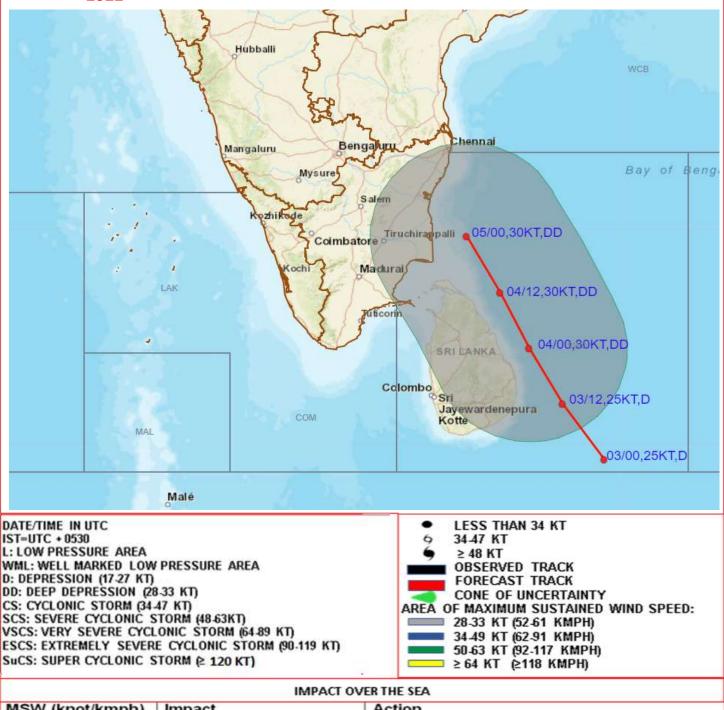


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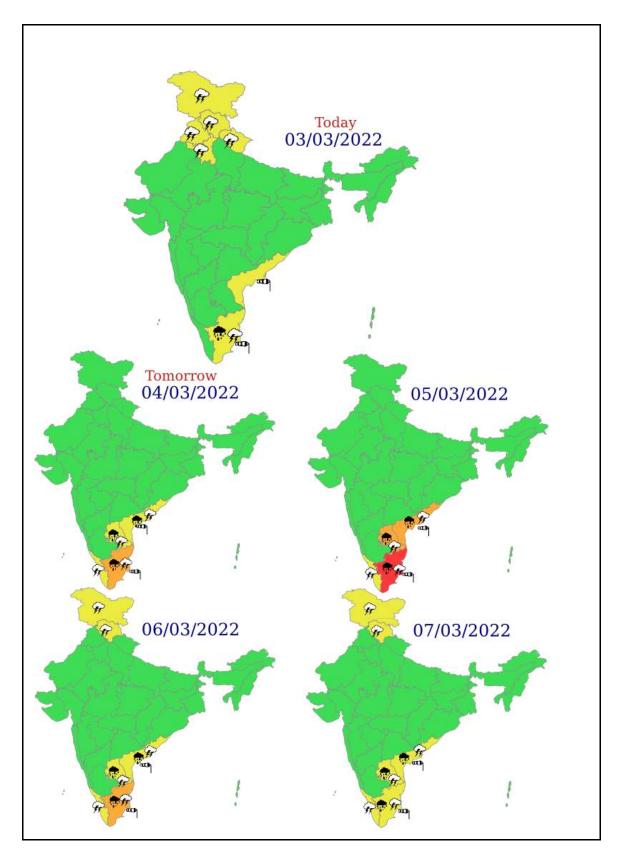




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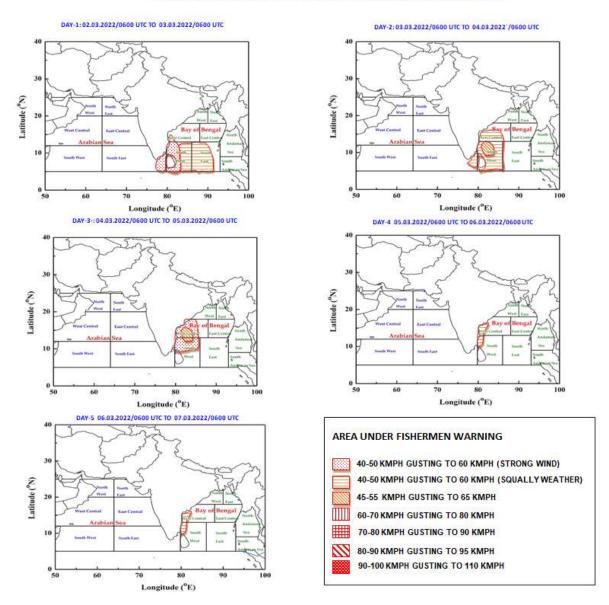


MSW (knot/kmph)	Impact	Action
28-33 (52-61)	Very rough seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
34-49 (62-91)	High to very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
50-63 (92-117)	Very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
≥ 64 (≥118)	Phenomenal	Total suspension of fishing operations



Weather Warning for India

INDIA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT FISHERMAN WARNING FOR BAY OF BENGAL AND ARABIAN SEA



Fishermen Warning for North Indian Ocean