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Subject: Cyclonic Storm "Tauktae" (pronounced as Tau'Te) over Saurashtra & adjoining Gujarat region

The **Cyclonic Storm "Tauktae" (pronounced as Tau'Te)** over Saurashtra moved north-northeastwards with a speed of about 18 kmph during past 06 hours, and lay centred at 1430 hours IST of today, the 18th May, 2021 over Saurashtra & adjoining Gujarat region near latitude 22.5°N and longitude 71.8°E, about 190 km south-southwest of Deesa (Gujarat), and 105 km south-southwest of Ahmedabad and 35 km southwest of Surendranagar (Gujarat).

It is very likely to move north-northeastwards and weaken gradually into a Deep Depression during next 03 hours and into a Depression during the subsequent 06 hours. The remnant of the system is very likely to move north-eastwards across Rajasthan to west Uttar Pradesh during 19th & 20th May.

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. ⁰ N/ long. ⁰ E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
18.05.21/1430	22.5/71.8	80-90 gusting to 100	Cyclonic Storm
18.05.21/1730	23.2/72.2	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
18.05.21/2330	23.8/72.6	40-50 gusting to 60	Depression
19.05.21/0530	24.5/73.1	35-45 gusting to 55	Depression

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall:

- **Gujarat:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy falls isolated places very likely over Gujarat region and Saurashtra on 18th May.
- Rajasthan: Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy to very heavy falls at isolated places very likely over south Rajasthan on 18th & heavy falls at isolated places over north Rajasthan on 19th May.

(ii) Wind warning

- Gale wind speed reaching 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph is likely to prevail over Gulf of Khambhat and adjoining northeast Arabian Sea during next 06 hours. It is likely to reduce gradually thereafter.
- Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph along & off extreme north Maharashtra coast during next 06 hours.
- Gale winds speed reaching 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph likely to prevail over Amreli, Bhavnagar, Botad, 80-90 kmph gusting to 100 kmph over Surendranagar, Rajkot, Anand, South Ahmedabad: 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph over Diu, Gir Somnath, Junagarh, Kheda, Bharuch, Jamnagar, Porbandar & Morbi during next 06 hours and gradually decrease thereafter.
 - Squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph likely to prevail along and off Dadra, Nagar Haveli, Daman, Valsad, Navsari, Surat, districts and 35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph over Devbhoomi Dwarka & Kutch during next 06 hours and gradually decrease thereafter.
- Squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely to prevail over south Rajasthan from the evening of 18th till 19th early morning.

(iii) Sea condition

- Sea conditions will be very rough to High over Gulf of Khambhat and adjoining northeast Arabian Sea and along & off south Gujarat, Daman, Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli coasts during next 06 hours and improve gradually thereafter.
- Sea conditions will be rough to very rough along & off north Maharashtra coast during next 06 hours and improve thereafter.

(iv) Storm surge warning

Tidal wave **about 0.5 - 1 meter (m)** above astronomical tide is likely to inundate low lying areas **of Anand & Amreli, Gir Somnath, Diu, Bhavnagar**, Bharuch, southern parts of Ahmedabad, Surat, Navsari, Valsad during next 03 hours,.

(v) Fishermen Warning

- The fishermen are advised not to venture into northeast & adjoining eastcentral Arabian Sea along & off north Maharashtra, south Gujarat, Daman, Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli coasts till the evening of 18th May.
- (vi) (A) Damage Expected over Amreli Junagarh, Gir Somnath, Botad, Bhavnagar Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Bharuch, Anand, Kheda districts of Gujarat:
- Damage to thatched houses/ huts.
- Minor damage to power and communication lines.
- Major damage to Kutcha and some damage to Pucca roads.
- ➤ Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of trees. Moderate damage to banana and papaya trees. Large dead limbs blown from trees.

(vi) (B) Damage expected over interior districts of Gujarat (Districts apart from those mentioned under warning) and over southern districts of Rajasthan on 18th May 2021.

(i) Minor damage to power and communication lines. (ii) Damage to Kutcha Roads. (iii) Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of small trees. (iv) Damage to banana and papaya trees.

(vii) Action Suggested:

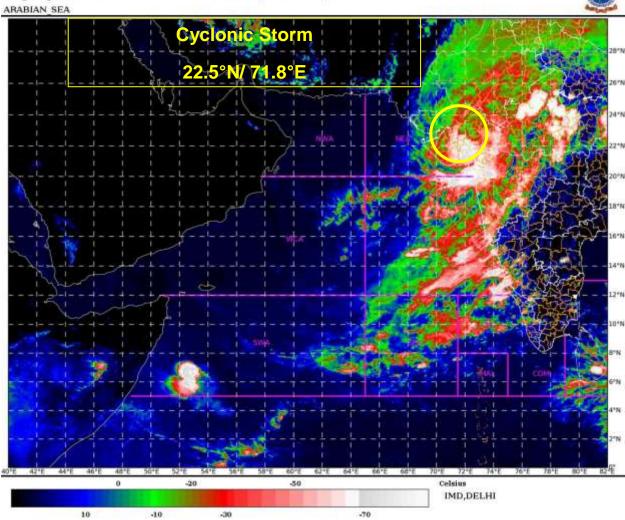
- Judicious regulation of rail and road traffic.
- > People in affected areas to remain indoors.

The next bulletin will be issued at 2030 hrs IST of 18th May, 2021.

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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF CYCLONIC STORM "TAUKTAE" OVER SAURASHTRA & ADJOINING GUJARAT REGION BASED ON 0900 UTC OF 18TH MAY, 2021



IST=UTC + 0530

L: LOW PRESSURE AREA

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D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT)

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SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (2 120 KT)

LESS THAN 34 KT
34.47 KT

≥ 48 KT

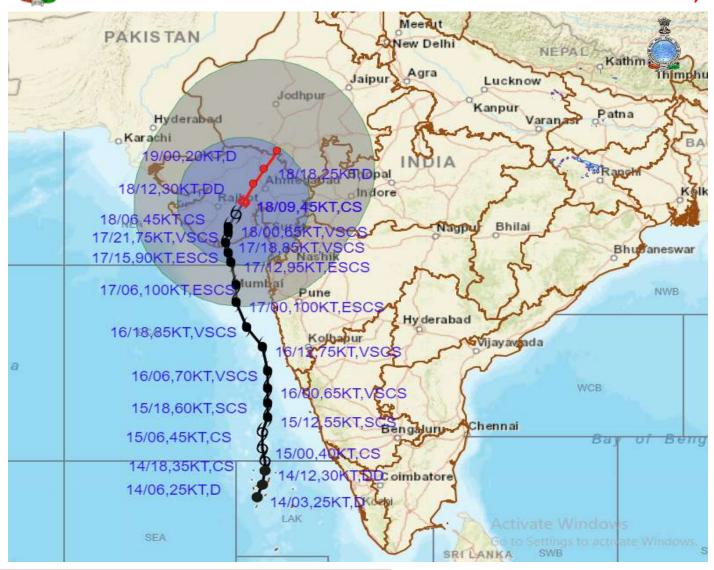
OBSERVED TRACK

FORECAST TRACK

CONE OF UNCERTAINTY



OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION OF CYCLONIC STORM "TAUKTAE" OVER SAURASHTRA & ADJOINING GUJARAT REGION BASED ON 0900 UTC OF 18TH MAY.



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OBSERVED TRACK
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AREA OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:

28.33 KT (52.61 KMPH)

34.49 KT (62.91 KMPH)

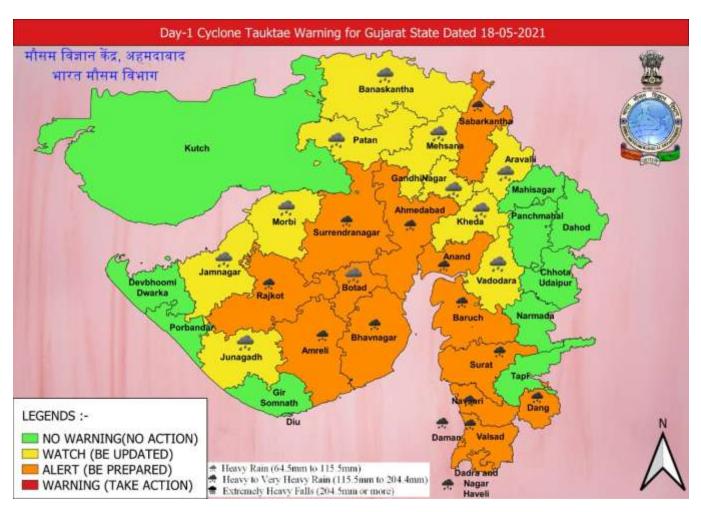
50.63 KT (92.117 KMPH)

≥ 64 KT (≥118 KMPH)

IMPACT OVER THE SEA

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

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING FOR GUJARAT STATE TILL 0830 HOURS IST OF 19TH MAY



HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING FOR GUJARAT STATE FROM 0830 HOURS IST OF 18^{TH} TO 0830 HOURS IST OF 19^{TH} MAY

WIND WARNING FOR GUJARAT STATE FOR NEXT 06 HOURS

