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

The depression over southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean moved northwestwards and lay centered at 0830 hrs IST of today, the 3rd March 2022, over the same region near latitude 5.6°N and longitude 83.7°E, about 420 km south-southeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 760 km south-southeast of Nagappattinam (Tamil Nadu), 820 km south-southeast of Puducherry (Tamil Nadu) and about 900 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
03.03.22/0830	5.6/83.7	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 likely over coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal.
- **4th March** Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at many places with isolated heavy rainfall likely over coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal. Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at a few places likely over south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema.
- **5th & 6th March** Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places very likely over north coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal. Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at many places with isolated heavy falls very likely over south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema.
- **7th March:** Light to moderate rainfall/thunder shower at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places very likely over north Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and isolated heavy falls very likely over south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema.

(ii) Wind warning

- ▶ 3rd March: Squally winds speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph are very likely to prevail over Southwest & adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar and along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry coasts. Squally winds speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph are very likely over Equatorial Indian Ocean.
- ▶ 4th and 5th March: Squally winds speed would gradually increase becoming 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph over Southwest & adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar and along & off north Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & South Andhra Pradesh coasts.
- ▶ 6th March: Squally winds speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph are very likely to prevail over Westcentral & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh coasts.

(iii) Sea condition

➤ Sea condition will be rough to very rough over Southwest & adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar and Comorin area and along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & south Andhra Pradesh coasts during 3rd – 6th March. Sea condition will be rough to very rough over adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean on 3rd March.

(iv) Fishermen Warning (Graphics enclosed)

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

(v) EXPECTED IMPACT & ACTION SUGGESTED due to heavy/very heavy rain over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and adjoining areas of south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema during 4th - 6th 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 1430 hrs IST of today, the 3rd March, 2022.

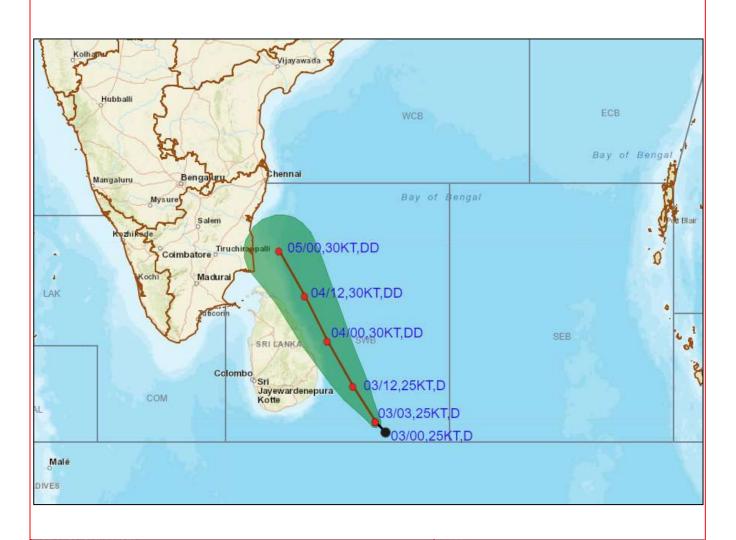
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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL AND ADJOINING **EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 3RD MARCH, 2022**



DATE/TIME IN UTC IST=UTC + 0530

L: LOW PRESSURE AREA

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D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT)

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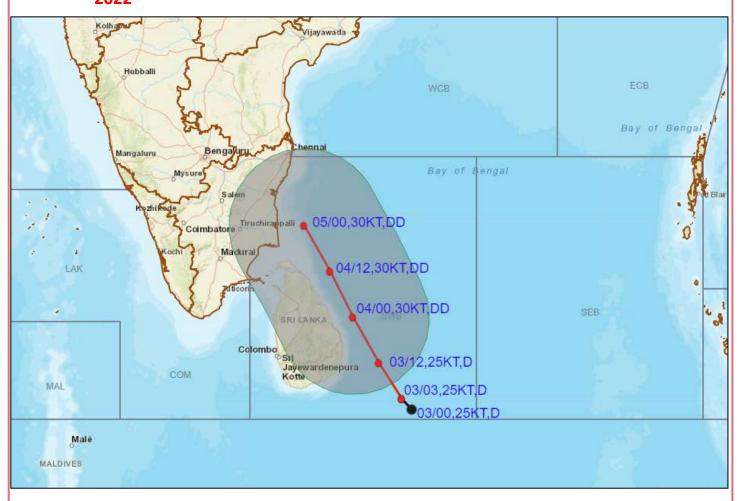
ESCS: EXTREMELY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (90-119 KT)

SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (≥ 120 KT)





OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL AND ADJOINING EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 3RD MARCH, 2022



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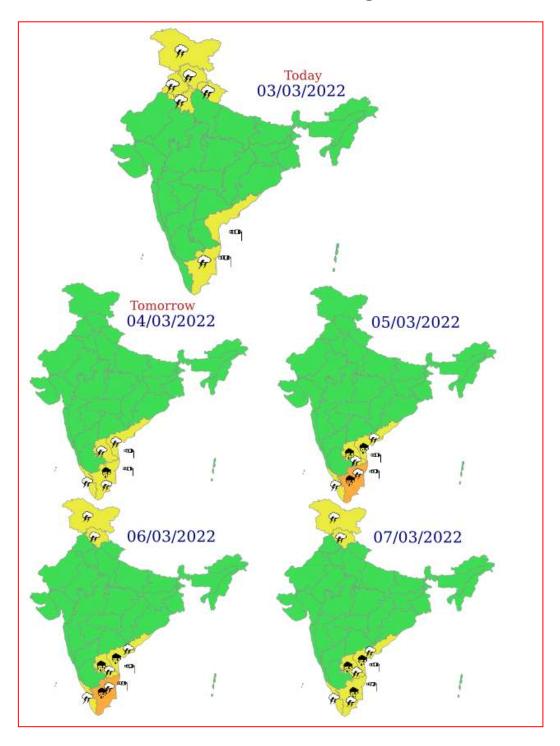
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•	LESS THAN 34 KT
6	34.47 KT
6	≥ 48 KT
	OBSERVED TRACK
	FORECAST TRACK
	CONE OF UNCERTAINTY
AREA	OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:
(1)	28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)
	34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)
	50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)
	□ ≥ 64 KT (≥118 KMPH)

IMPACT OVER THE SEA				
MSW (knot/kmph)	Impact	act 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







Fishermen Warning for North Indian Ocean

