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# Sub: The Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Yaas' (pronounced as 'Yass') over northwest Bay of Bengal, crossed north Odisha coast – (Cyclone Warning for Odisha – West Bengal coasts- Red Message)

The Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Yaas' (pronounced as 'Yass') over northwest Bay of Bengal moved north-northwestwards with a speed of about 24 kmph during past 6 hours, crossed north Odisha coast around Latitude 21.35°N and Longitude 86.95°E, about 20 km to the south of Balasore as a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm with a maximum sustained wind speed of 130 -140 kmph gusting to 155 kmph between1030 & 1130 hrs IST of today, the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021. It lay centred at 1130 hrs IST of today, the 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 over north coastal Odisha, near latitude 21.4°N and longitude 86.9°E, about 15 km south-southwest of Balasore (Odisha).

The system is very likely to move northwestwards across interior districts of Odisha and weaken gradually into a Severe Cyclonic Storm during next 3 hours and into a Cyclonic Storm during the subsequent 6 hours.

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. <sup>0</sup> N/ long. <sup>0</sup> E	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
26.05.21/1130	21.4/86.9	120-130 gusting to 145	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm
26.05.21/1730	21.8/86.6	90-100 gusting to 110	Severe Cyclonic Storm
26.05.21/2330	22.3 /86.2	60-70 gusting to 80	Cyclonic Storm
27.05.21/0530	22.9/85.6	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression

# <u>Warnings:</u>

# (i) Rainfall:

**Odisha:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall and **extremely heavy rainfall (\geq 20 cm)** at isolated places in Mayurbhanj, Keonjhargarh, Dhenkanal, Jajpur, isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall over Balasore, Bhadrak, Kendrapara, Jagatsinghpur, Deogarh, Sundergarh and Angul on 26<sup>th</sup> and heavy falls at isolated places in north interior Odisha on 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**West Bengal:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places on 26<sup>th</sup> May and heavy rain at isolated places on 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**Jharkhand:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places and **extremely heavy falls** at isolated places on 26<sup>th</sup> and heavy to very heavy rainfall and **extremely heavy falls** at isolated places 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**Bihar:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall and **extremely heavy falls** at isolated places on 27<sup>th</sup> May.

### (ii) Wind warning:

- Gale wind speed reaching 120-130 kmph gusting 145 kmph is prevailing over Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Odisha coast and adjoining West Bengal coast including Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara, Bhadrak, Balasore districts of Odisha and Gale wind speed reaching 90-100 kmph gusting 110 kmph is prevailing along & off West Bengal coast including east Medinipur and south 24 Parganas districts of West Bengal. It is very likely to reduce gradually becoming 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph from today evening and reduce gradually fro tonight.
- Gale wind speed reaching 80-90 kmph gusting 100 kmph would prevail over Ganjam, Khurda, Jajpur & Mayurbhanj Districts of Odisha and Howrah, Hooghly, north 24 Parganas Districts of West Bengal till 26<sup>th</sup> afternoon and reduce gradually from tonight.
- Gale wind speed reaching 60-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph would prevail over Puri, Cuttack, Khurda, Nayagarh, Dhenkanal and Keonjhar districts of Odisha till 26<sup>th</sup> noon. The wind speed reaching 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph would prevail over remaining interior districts of north Odisha and Bankura, Purulia, Howrah, Hooghly, Nadia & Burdhaman districts of West Bengal till today evening and reduce grasually from tonight.
- Squally wind speed reaching 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph would prevail over Angul, Deogarh & Sundergarh districts of Odisha, Birbhum & Murshidabad districts of West Bengal till today evening and start reducing gradually from tonight.
- Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting 60 kmph is very likely to prevail over south Jharkhand during next 6 hours and increase gradually becoming 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph over southeast Jharkhand and 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph over southwest Jharkhand during 26<sup>th</sup> night to 27<sup>th</sup> forenoon.

## (iii) Sea condition

 Sea condition would be High to very High over northwest Bay of Bengal along & off Odisha–West Bengal coasts till 26<sup>th</sup> evening.

# (iv) Fishermen Warning

• The fishermen are advised not to venture into north Bay of Bengal and along & off north Odisha-West Bengal coasts during next 24 hours.

# (v) Storm surge warning.

Tidal waves of height 1-2 meters above astronomical tide are likely to inundate low lying areas of Balasore, Bhadrak, Medinipur, South 24 Parganas, Districts during next 2-3 hours. <u>Damage Expected for coastal districts of North Odisha, West Bengal and adjoining</u> <u>interior districts of these states</u>:

- Total destruction of thatched houses/ extensive damage to kutcha houses. Some damage to pucca houses.
- Potential threat from flying objects.
- Bending/ uprooting of power and communication poles.
- Major damage to Kutcha and and Pucca roads.
- Flooding of escape routes.
- Disruption of railways, overhead power lines and signalling systems.
- Widespread damage to standing crops, plantations, orchards, falling of green coconuts and tearing of palm fronds.
- Blowing down of bushy trees like mango.
- Visibility severely affected

# Action Suggested for coastal districts of North Odisha, West Bengal and adjoining interior districts of these states:

- > Suspension of fishing operation and movement of ships in disturbed areas.
- > Ports along the east coast of India may take necessary pre-cautions.
- Naval base operations may maintain necessary pre-cautions
- > Tourism activities may be restricted over these areas.
- > Mobilise evacuation from coastal areas of West Bengal & North Odisha.
- > Judicious regulation of rail and road traffic.
- > People in affected areas to remain indoors.

Damage expected over north interior districts of Odisha and interior districts of Gangetic West Bengal adjoining Odisha:

- Major damage to thatched houses/ huts. Roof tops may blow off. Unattached metal sheets may fly.
- > Minor damage to power and communication lines.
- > Major damage to Kutcha and some damage to Pucca roads. Flooding of escape routes.
- Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of trees. Damage to banana and papaya trees. Dead limbs blown from trees.
- > Major damage to coastal crops.

The next bulletin will be issued at 1730 hrs IST of today, the 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

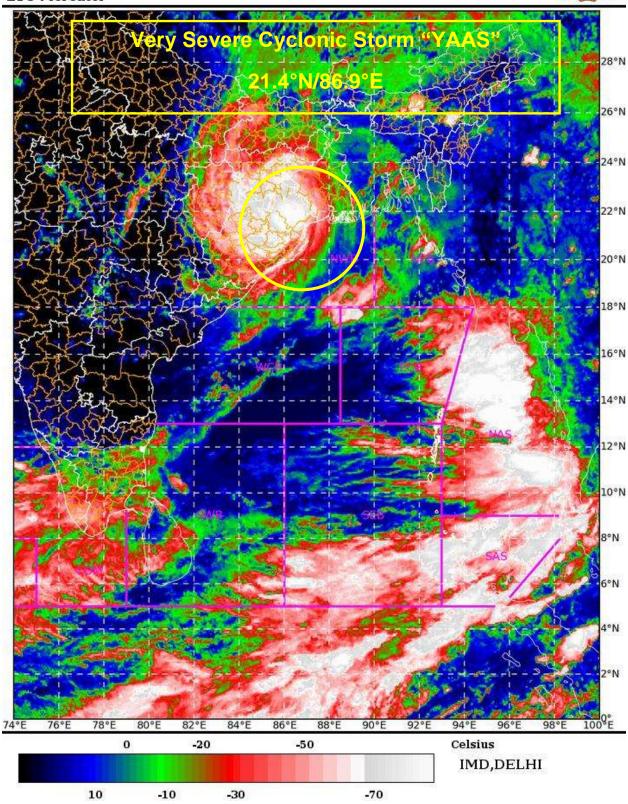
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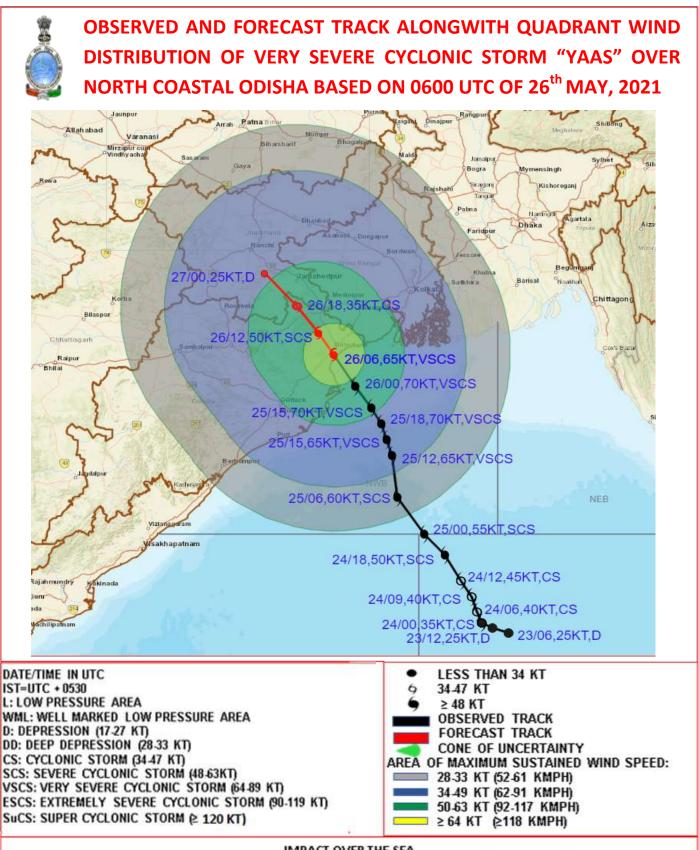


**OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINITY** OF VERY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM "YAAS" OVER NORTH COASTAL ODISHA BASED ON 0600 UTC OF 26th MAY, 2021



SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (≥ 120 KT)

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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		