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Sub: Cyclonic Storm "Midhili" (pronounced as "Midhili") over Northwest and adjoining Northeast Bay of Bengal

The cyclonic storm "Midhili" (pronounced as "Midhili") over Northwest and adjoining Northeast Bay of Bengal moved north-northeastwards with a speed of 26 kmph during past 6 hours and lay centered at 1130 hours IST of today, the 17th November over Northwest and adjoining Northeast Bay of Bengal near latitude 21.2°N and longitude 89.5°E, about 210 km east-southeast of Digha (West Bengal), 110 km southwest of Khepupara (Bangladesh) and 270 km west-southwest of Chittagong (Bangladesh).

It is likely to continue to move north-northeastwards and cross Bangladesh coast close to Khepupara with wind speed of 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph during evening and night of 17th November, 2023.

Forecast track and intensity are given below:

Date/Time (IST)	Position (Lat. ⁰ N/ long. ⁰ E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
17.11.23/1130	21.2/89.5	70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
17.11.23/1730	22.1/90.2	60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
17.11.23/2330	22.9/90.8	55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph	Deep Depression
18.11.23/0530	23.7/91.5	40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph	Depression

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall Warning (graphics enclosed):

- Light to moderate rainfall at many places with isolated heavy rainfall is likely over coastal districts of West Bengal (North 24 Parganas) till evening of 17th November.
- Light to moderate rainfall at most places with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely over Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura on 17th & 18th November with **extremely heavy** rainfall at isolated places over Mizoram & Tripura on 17th November.
- Light to moderate rainfall at many places with isolated heavy rainfall is likely over south Assam and east Meghalaya on 17th & 18th November.

(ii) Wind warning (graphics enclosed):

- North Bay of Bengal and along & off Bangladesh coast: Gale wind speed reaching 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph is prevailing and would decrease gradually thereafter becoming 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph from 17th evening to night (during landfall). After landfall, Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph till morning of 18th November and it would decrease thereafter.
- Along & off West Bengal Coast: Squally wind speed reaching 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph is prevailing and would continue till night of 17th and decrease thereafter.
- **Strong wind** speed reaching **30-40 kmph gusting to 50 kmph** is likely over Tripura, Mizoram, Manipur and south Assam till 18th November evening.

(iii) Sea Condition:

- High sea condition is prevailing over North Bay of Bengal and along & off Bangladesh coast and is likely to continue till night of 17th November, very rough to rough thereafter till morning of 18th November and improve thereafter.
- Rough to very rough sea condition is likely along & off West Bengal coast till night of 17th November.

(iv) Fishermen Warning:

Fishermen are advised not to venture into

- North Bay of Bengal and along & off Bangladesh coast till morning of 18th November.
- Along & off West Bengal coast till 17th November night.

(v) Damage Expected & Action Suggested for coastal areas of West Bengal (North 24 Parganas) during next 12 hours:

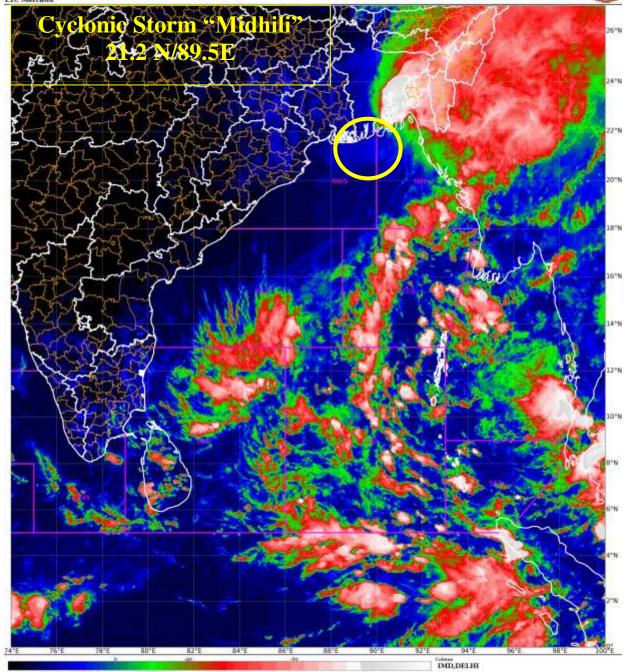
- Damage to thatched huts and loose/unsecured structures...
- Minor damage to power and communication lines due to breaking of branches.
- Major damage to Kutcha and minor damage to Pucca roads.
- Some damage to paddy crops, banana, papaya & drumstick trees and orchards.
- Sea water inundation in low lying areas after erosion of Kutcha embankments.
- Partial Damage to standing crops in coastal areas of west Bengal.
- Damages to Kutcha embankments.

The system is under continuous surveillance and the next message will be issued at 1730 hours IST of today, the 17th November, 2023.

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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK AND INTENSITY ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY IN ASSOCIATION WITH CYCLONIC STORM MIDHILI OVER NORTHWEST AND ADJOINING NORTHEAST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0600 UTC (1130 HRS IST) OF 17TH NOVEMBER 2023



DATE/TIME IN UTC IST=UTC + 0530

L: LOW PRESSURE AREA

WML: WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA

D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT) DD: DEEP DEPRESSION (28-33 KT)

CS: CYCLONIC STORM (34.47 KT)
SCS: SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (48.63KT)
VSCS: VERY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (64.89 KT)

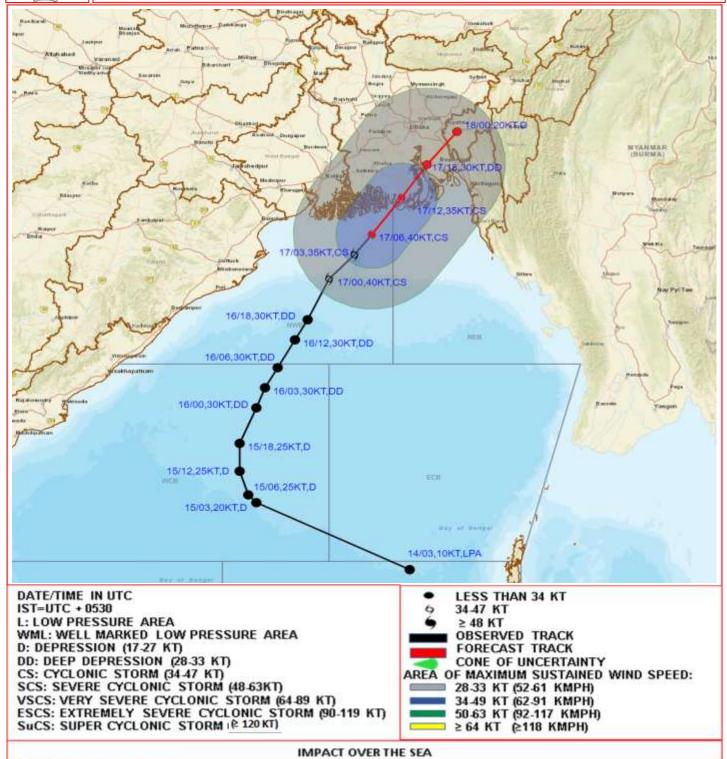
ESCS: EXTREMELY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (90-119 KT)
SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (20 KT)

LESS THAN 34 KT 34-47 KT ≥ 48 KT OBSERVED TRACK FORECAST TRACK CONE OF UNCERTAINTY

Forecast	DISTANCE (KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS			
Date and Time	DIGHA	ZHEDHDADA	CHITTAGONG	
(UTC)	DIGNA	KHEPUPARA	(AMBAGAN)	
17.11.23/0600	210, ESE	110, SW	270, WSW	
17.11.23/1200	290, ENE	10, N	220, SW	

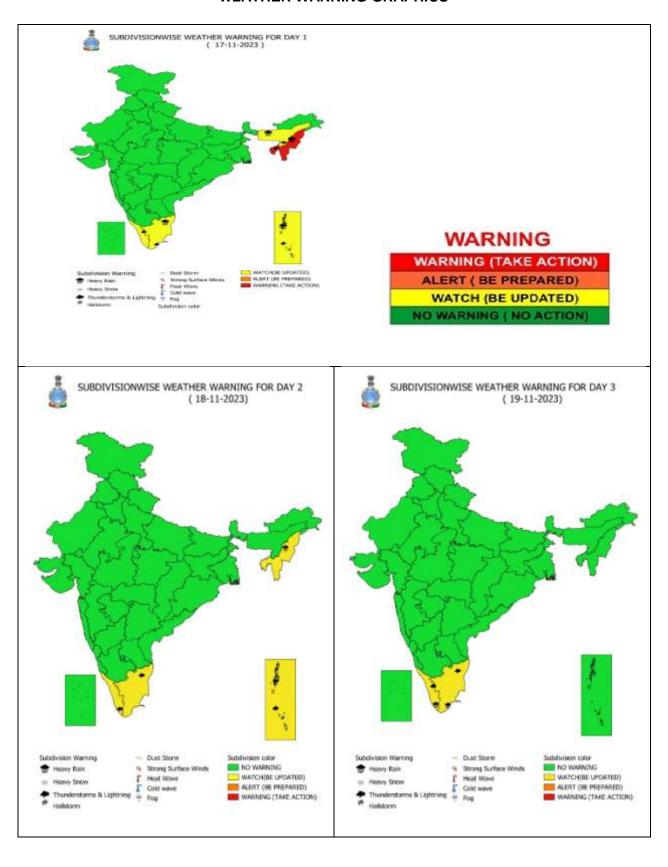


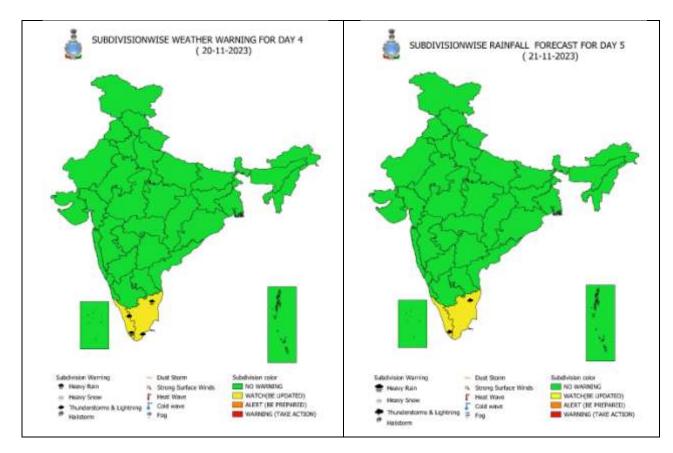
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IMPACT OVER THE SEA				
MSW (knot/kmph)	Impact	Action		
28-33 (52-61)	Very rough seas	Total suspension of fishing operations		
34-49 (62-91)	High to very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations		
50-63 (92-117)	Very high seas	Total suspension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

WEATHER WARNING GRAPHICS







Heavy Rain



Strong Winds





Heavy Snow



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Heat Wave



Dust Storm

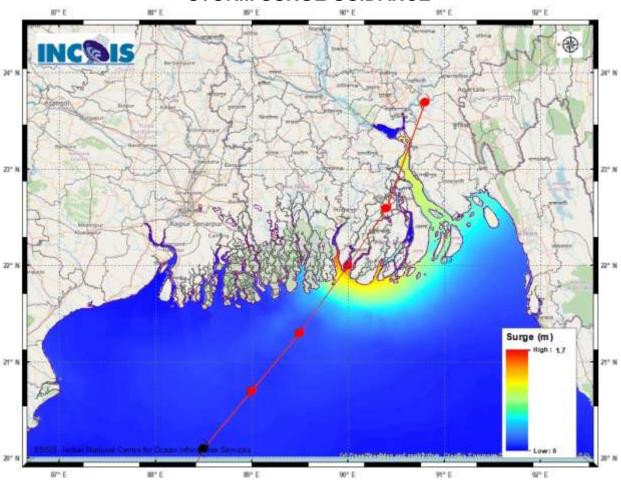


Squall/ Hail



Sea State

STORM SURGE GUIDANCE

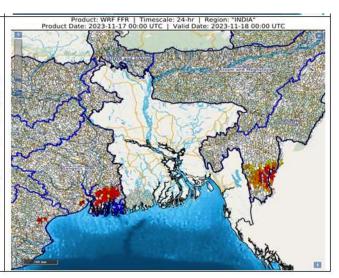


FLASH FLOOD GUIDANCE

24 hours Outlook for the Flash Flood Risk (FFR) till 0530 IST of 18-11-2023:

Moderate flash flood risk likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of NMMT and Gangetic West Bengal Met Sub-divisions during next 24 hours.

Surface runoff/ Inundation may occur at some fully saturated soils & low-lying areas over AoC as shown in map due to expected rainfall occurrence in next 24 hours.



24 hours Flash Flood Risk Outlook till 00 UTC of 18.11.2023:

Moderate flash flood risk likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of Southern parts of Bangladesh for next 24 hours.

Surface runoff/ Inundation may occur at some fully saturated soils & low-lying areas over AoC as shown in map due to expected rainfall occurrence in next 24 hours.

