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Sub: Depression over Southwest and adjoining southeast Bay of Bengal

Latest observations indicate that yesterday's Well Marked Low Pressure Area over southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean moved north-northwestwards and concentrated into a depression at 0830 hours IST of today, the 22nd December over southwest and adjoining southeast Bay of Bengal near latitude 9.0°N and longitude 85.0°E about 420 km east-northeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 600 km south-southeast of Nagappattinam (Tamil Nadu) and 690 km southeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu).

It is likely to continue to move north-northwestwards during next 24 hours and thereafter gradually recurve west-southwestwards towards Comorin Area across Sri Lanka during subsequent 48 hours.

Warnings:

Rainfall warning (Graphics enclosed)

- Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy rainfall at isolated places is likely over south coastal Tamil Nadu on 25th & 26th December 2022.
- Light to moderate rainfall at a few places with heavy rainfall at isolated places is likely over south Kerala on 26th December 2022.

Wind warning (Graphics enclosed):

Southwest Bay of Bengal along & off Tamil Nadu and Sri Lanka coasts:

Squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely to prevail till 25th December morning becoming 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph till 26th morning and decrease thereafter.

Adjoining areas of southeast & westcentral Bay of Bengal:

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is likely to prevail till 24th December morning and decrease thereafter.

Gulf of Mannar and Comorin Area along & off south Tamil Nadu & west Sri Lanka coasts:

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is likely to prevail on 24th December becoming squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph during 25th and 26th December.

Sea condition:

Southwest Bay of Bengal along & off Tamil Nadu and Sri Lanka coasts:

Sea condition is likely to be rough to very rough till 26th December morning and improve thereafter.

Adjoining areas of southeast & westcentral Bay of Bengal:

Sea condition is likely to be rough till 24th December morning and improve thereafter.

Gulf of Mannar and Comorin Area along & off south Tamil Nadu & west Sri Lanka coasts:

Sea condition is likely to be rough to very rough during 25th and 26th December.

Fishermen are advised not to venture into

- (b) Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off Sri Lanka coast during $22^{nd} 25^{th}$ December.
- (c) Gulf of Mannar and Comorin Area along & off south Tamil Nadu and west Sri Lanka coasts during 23rd-26th December.

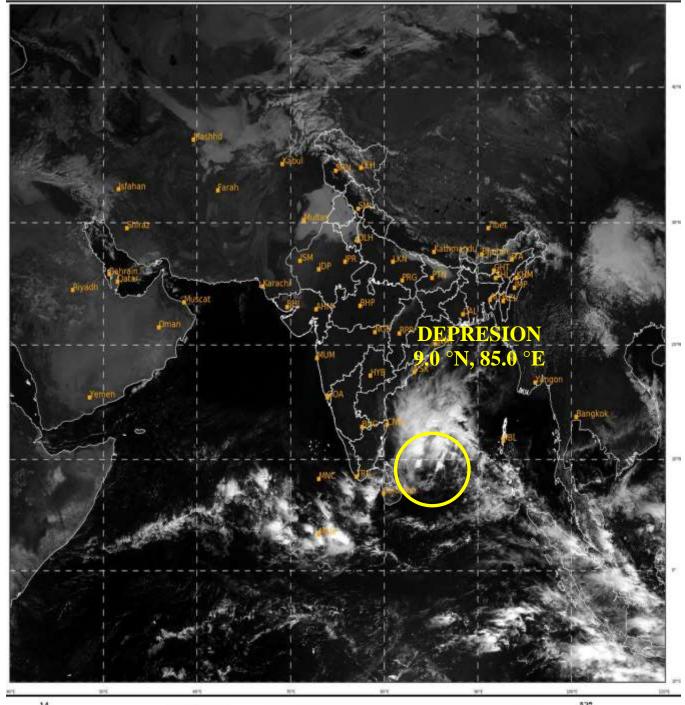
The System is continuously monitored and next bulletin will be issued at 1430 hours IST of today, the 22^{nd} December, 2022.

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LEGEND: Heavy Rainfall: 64.5 to 115.5mm, Very Heavy Rainfall: 115.6 to 204.4mm Most Places: more than 76% of total stations, Isolated Places: Less than 25% of total







OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST AND ADJOINING SOUTHEAST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 25^{TH} DECEMBER, 2022



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 (2 120 KT)

