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Sub: Depression over southwest Bay of Bengal

The depression over southwest Bay of Bengal moved north-northwestwards with a speed of about 19 kmph during last 06 hours and lay centered at 1730 hrs IST of today, the 3rd March 2022, over the same region near latitude 7.1°N and longitude 83.2°E, about 270 km south-southeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 610 km south-southeast of Nagappattinam (Tamil Nadu), 650 km south-southeast of Puducherry (Tamil Nadu) and about 730 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. ⁰ N/ long. ⁰ E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
03.03.22/1730	7.1/83.2	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
04.03.22/0530	8.6/82.5	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression
04.03.22/1730	9.9/81.9	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression
05.03.22/0530	11.2/81.3	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
05.03.22/1730	12.0/81.0	40-50 gusting to 60	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.

(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

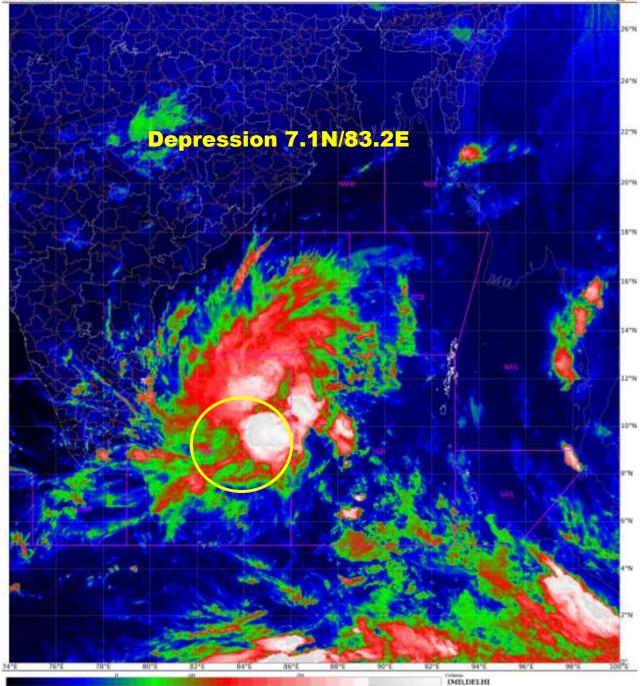
- Check for traffic congestion on your route before leaving for your destination.
- Follow any traffic advisories that are issued in this regard.
- Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often.
- Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

The next bulletin will be issued at 0230 hrs IST of today, the 4th March, 2022.

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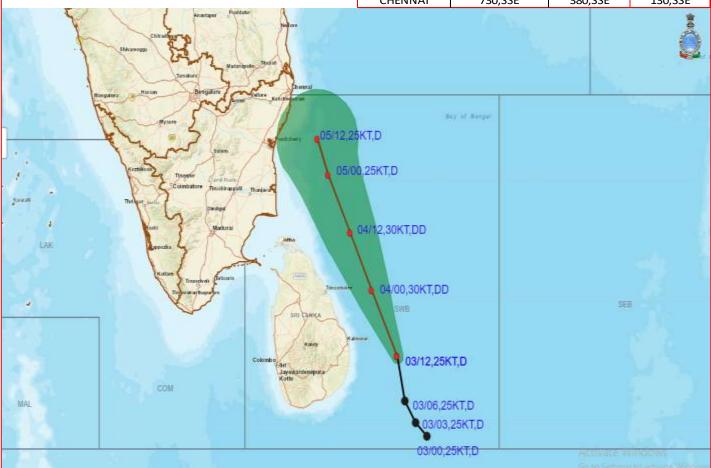




OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 1200 UTC OF 3RD

MARCH, 2022

STATIONS	DISTANCE(KM) AN	TANCE(KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS			
STATIONS	03.03.22/1200	04.03.22/1200	05.03.22/1200		
TRINCOMALEE	270,SSE	160,NNE	380,N		
NAGAPATTINAM	610,SSE	320,SE	250,NE		
PUDUCHERRY	650,SSE	320,SE	130,E		
CHENNAI	730,SSE	380,SSE	130,SSE		



DATE/TIME IN UTC IST=UTC + 0530

L: LOW PRESSURE AREA

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D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT)

DD: DEEP DEPRESSION (28-33 KT) CS: CYCLONIC STORM (34-47 KT)

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

SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (≥ 120 KT)





FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH OBSERVED AND QUADRANT **WIND** DISTRIBUTION OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 1200 UTC OF 3RD MARCH, 2022



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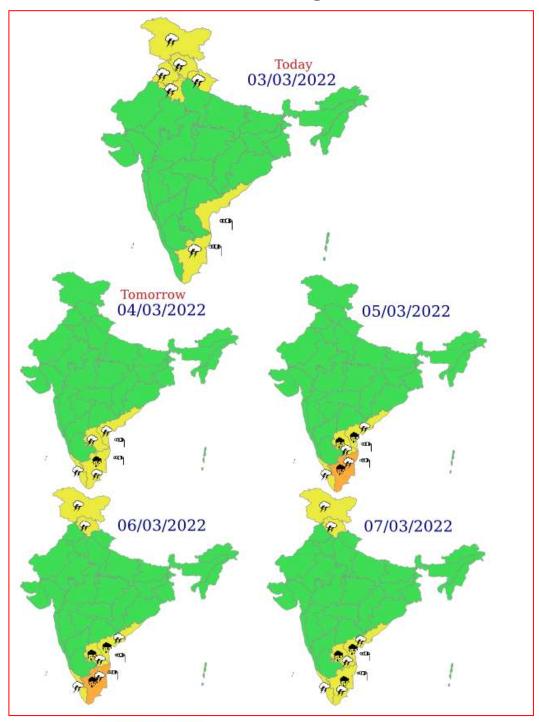
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•	LESS THAN 34 KT
6	34-47 KT
6	≥ 48 KT
	■ OBSERVED TRACK
	FORECAST TRACK
	CONE OF UNCERTAINTY
AREA	OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:
46	■ 28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)
15	34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)
17	50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)
	□ ≥ 64 KT (≥118 KMPH)

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		

Weather Warning for India



WARNING

WARNING (TAKE ACTION)

ALERT (BE PREPARED)

WATCH (BE UPDATED)

NO WARNING (NO ACTION)



Fishermen Warning for North Indian Ocean

INDIA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT FISHERMAN WARNING FOR BAY OF BENGAL AND ARABIAN SEA

