



REGIONAL SPECIALISED METEOROLOGICAL CENTRE-TROPICAL CYCLONES, NEW DELHI SPECIAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK

DEMS-RSMC TROPICAL CYCLONES NEW DELHI DATED 30.01.2023

SPECIAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NORTH INDIAN OCEAN (THE BAY OF BENGAL AND THE ARABIAN SEA) VALID FOR NEXT 120 HOURS ISSUED AT 1500 UTC OF 30.01.2023 BASED ON 1200 UTC OF 30.01.2023.

SUB: DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST AND ADJOINING SOUTHEAST BAY OF BENGAL

THE DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL MOVED NEARLY WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS WITH A SPEED OF 13 KMPH DURING PAST 6 HOURS AND LAY CENTERED AT 1200 UTC OF TODAY, THE 30TH JANUARY, 2023 OVER SOUTHWEST & ADJOINING SOUTHEAST BAY OF BENGAL NEAR LATITUDE 8.0°N AND LONGITUDE 86.0°E, ABOUT 530 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF TRINCOMALEE (SRI LANKA, 43418) AND 750 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF KARAIKAL (INDIA, 43346).

IT IS VERY LIKELY TO MOVE WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 0900 UTC OF 31ST JANUARY THEN RECURVE GRADUALLY SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS AND CROSS SRI LANKA COAST AROUND 0600 UTC OF 01ST FEBRUARY 2023.

| Date/Time(UTC) | Position | Maximum sustained surface | Category of cyclonic |
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| | (Lat. ^o N/ long. ^o E) | wind speed (Kmph) | disturbance |
| 30.01.23/1200 | 8.0/86.0 | 45-55 gusting to 65 | Depression |
| 31.01.23/0000 | 8.2/84.6 | 45-55 gusting to 65 | Depression |
| 31.01.23/1200 | 8.0/83.4 | 45-55 gusting to 65 | Depression |
| 01.02.23/0000 | 7.3/82.3 | 45-55 gusting to 65 | Depression |
| 01.02.23/1200 | 6.5/81.4 | 40-50 gusting to 60 | Depression |

Forecast track and intensity are given below:

INTENSITY OF THE SYSTEM IS CHARACTERISED AS T 1.5. ASSOCIATED SCATTERED TO BROKEN LOW AND MEDIUM CLOUDS WITH EMBEDDED INTENSE TO VERY INTENSE CONVECTION LAY OVER SOUTH BAY OF BENGAL BETWEEN LAT 7.0N TO 13.0N AND LONG 82.5E TO 89.0E. MINIMUM CLOUD TOP TEMPERATURE IS MINUS 93 DEGREE C. MULTI SATELLITE BASED WINDS INDICATE STRONGER WINDS IN THE NORTHERN SECTOR.

ASSOCIATED MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED IS 25 KNOTS GUSTING TO 35 KNOTS. THE ESTIMATED CENTRAL PRESSURE IS 1004 HPA. SEA CONDITION IS ROUGH TO VERY ROUGH OVER SOUTHWEST AND ADJOINING SOUTHEAST BOB.

REMARKS:

THE MADDEN JULIAN OSCILLATION (MJO) INDEX CURRENTLY LIES IN PHASE 3 WITH AMPLITUDE MORE THAN 1. IT WILL CONTINUE IN SAME PHASE WITH SIMILAR INCREASED

AMPLITUDE DURING NEXT 7 DAYS. MJO INDEX IS THUS CONDUCIVE FOR ENHANCEMENT OF CONVECTIVE ACTIVITY OVER BAY OF BENGAL (BOB) AND INTENSIFICATION OF THE SYSTEM. THE CFS BASED FORECAST FOR EQUATORIAL WAVES INDICATE STRONG EASTERLY WINDS (5-7 MPS) OVER SOUTH BOB, STRONG WESTERLY WINDS (5-7 MPS) OVER EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN (EIO) AND LOW TO ADJOINING SOUTH BOB ALONGWITH KELVIN WAVES, MJO AND EQUATORIAL ROSSBY WAVES OVER EIO AND ADJOINING SOUTH BOB ON 30TH JANURAY. ALL THESE WAVES CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS ORGANIZATION OF CIRCULATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF CONVECTION OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BOB.

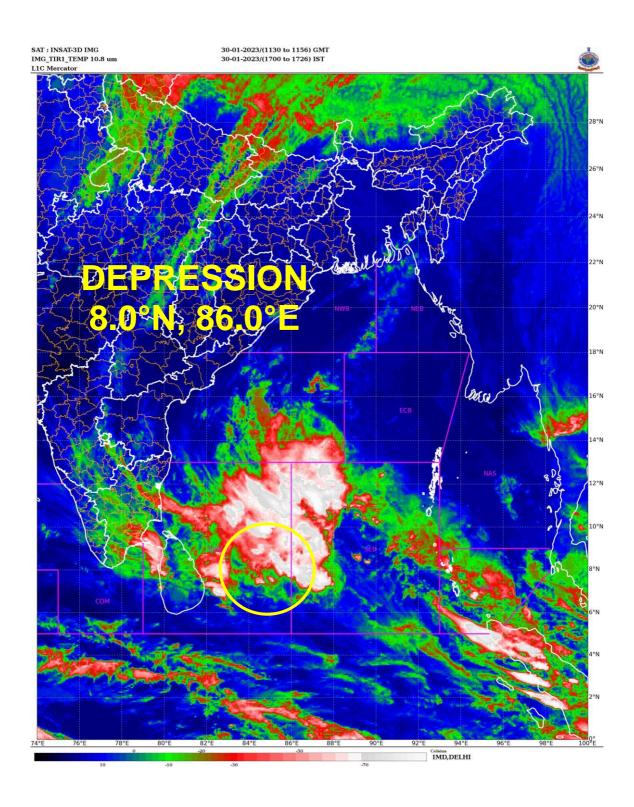
SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE (SST) IS AROUND 27-28°C OVER SOUTH BOB AND ADJOINING EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN (EIO). TOTAL PRECIPITABLE WATER IMAGERY INDICATES WARM MOIST AIR INCURSION INTO THE CORE OF THE SYSTEM. LOW LEVEL VORTICITY IS 50 X10-6 S⁻¹ TO THE SOUTHWEST OF SYSTEM CENTER. LOW LEVEL CONVERGENCE IS AROUND 05 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE NORTHWEST OF THE SYSTEM CENTER AND ANOTHER ZONE OF 05 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE SOUTHEAST OF SYSTEM CENTRE. UPPER LEVEL DIVERGENCE HAS INCREASED AND IS AROUND 20 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE NORTHEAST OF THE SYSTEM CENTER. WIND SHEAR IS LOW TO MODERATE (10-20 KNOTS) AROUND SYSTEM CENTRE OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL. THE UPPER TROPOSPHERIC RIDGE IS SEEN ALONG 15.0°N OVER THE BOB. THE SYSTEM IS LIKELY TO BE STEERED WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF EAST-SOUTHEASTERLY WINDS ALONG THE PERIPHERY OF RIDGE TILL 1200 UTC OF 31ST JANUARY. AS THE SYSTEM WOULD REACH NEAR COAST, DRY COLD AIR WOULD INTRUDE INTO THE SYSTEM AREA FROM SOUTH AND EASTERLY WIND SHEAR WOULD LEAD TO WEAKENING OF THE SYSTEM. THEREAFTER, THE STEERING LEVEL WOULD CHANGE AND THE SYSTEM WILL BE SHEARED SOUTHWESTWARDS.

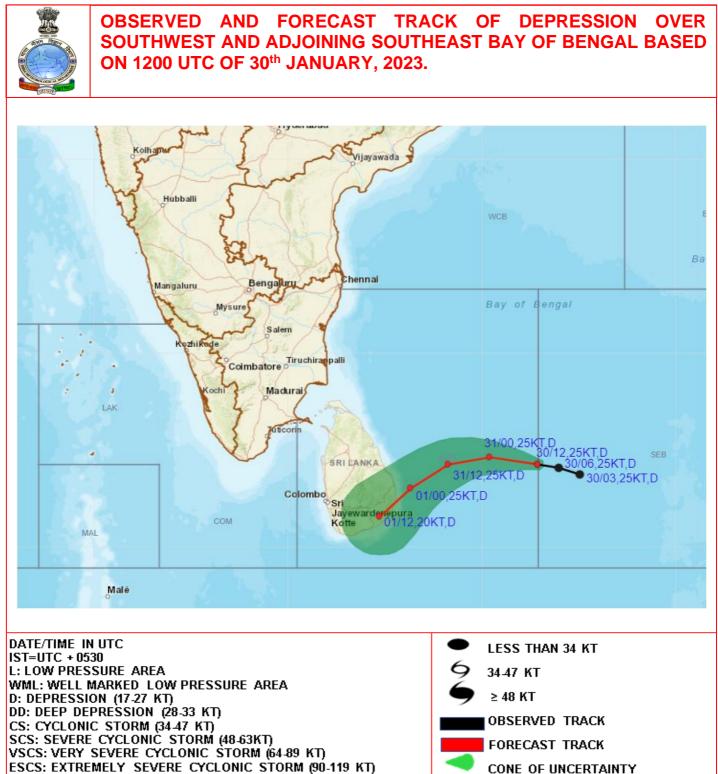
MOST OF THE MODELS INCLUDING GFS, NCUM AND ECMWF ARE INDICATING INITIAL WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS MOVEMENT OF THE SYSTEM FOLLOWED BY SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS RECURVATURE TOWARDS SRI LANKA COAST. IMD GFS IS INDICATING CROSSING OVER SOUTH SRI LANKA, NCUM IS INDICATING WEAKENING OVER SEA AND ECMWF IS INDICATING THE SYSTEM TO RECURVE SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS TOWARDS THE SOUTH OF SRI LANKA COAST. IMD MME IS INDICATING CROSSING OVER SRI LANKA AROUND 0900 UTC OF 1ST FEBRUARY.

IN VIEW OF ALL THE ABOVE, THE SYSTEM IS LIKELY TO MAINTAIN THE INTENSITY OF DEPRESSION TILL CROSSING. FURTHER, IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 0900 UTC OF 31ST, RECURVE SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS THEREAFTER AND CROSS SRI LANKA COAST AROUND 0600 UTC OF 01ST FEBRUARY.

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Cloud distribution: (a) Isolated: <25%, Scattered:25-50%, Broken: 51-75%, Solid:>75%, Convection Intensity: (a) Weak: Cloud Top Temperature (CTT) >-25°C, (b) Moderate: CTT: - 25°C to -40°C, (c) Intense: CTT: - 41°C to -70°C and (d) Very Intense: : Less than -70°C PROBABILITY OF CYCLOGENESIS (FORMATION OF DEPRESSION): NIL: 0%, LOW: 1-33%, , MODERATE: 34-66% AND HIGH: 67-100% This is a guidance Bulletin for WMO/ESCAP Panel Member countries. Visit respective National websites for Country specific Bulletins





SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (2 120 KT)

