



REGIONAL SPECIALISED METEOROLOGICAL CENTRE-TROPICALCYCLONES, NEWDELHI TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK

DEMS-RSMC SPECIAL TROPICAL CYCLONES NEW DELHI DATED 16.03.2022

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NORTH INDIAN OCEAN (THE BAY OF BENGAL AND ARABIAN SEA) VALID FOR NEXT 120 HOURS ISSUED AT 0600 UTC OF 16.03.2022 BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 16.03.2022.

BAY OF BENGAL:

A LOW PRESSURE AREA FORMED OVER EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN AND ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL (BOB) IN THE EVENING OF 15TH MARCH. IT LAY OVER CENTRAL PARTS OF SOUTH BAY OF BENGAL AT 0300 UTC OF TODAY, THE 16TH MARCH, 2022. IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE EAST-NORTHEASTWARDS AND BECOME A WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA OVER SOUTHEAST BOB AND ADJOINING SOUTH ANDAMAN SEA AROUND 0000 UTC OF 19TH MARCH. THEREAFTER, IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS INITIALLY ALONG & OFF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS, INTENSIFY INTO A DEPRESSION AROUND 0000 UTC OF 20TH MARCH AND INTO A CYCLONIC STORM AROUND 21ST MARCH. IT WOULD THEN CONTINUE TO MOVE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 22ND MARCH. THEREAFTER, IT WILL MOVE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS AND REACH NEAR BANGLADESH AND ADJOINING NORTH MYANMAR COAST AROUND 0000 UTC OF 23RD MARCH.

SCATTERED TO BROKEN LOW AND MEDIUM CLOUDS WITH EMBEDDED INTENSE TO VERY INTENSE CONVECTION OVER EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN AND ADJOINING CENTRAL PARTS OF SOUTH BOB OVER AREA BETWEEN LATITUDE 2.5N & 9.0N AND LONGITUDE 82.0E & 89.0E IN ASSOCIATION WITH LOW PRESSURE AREA. MINIMUM CLOUD TOP TEMPERATURE IS - 93°C.

PROBABILITY OF CYCLOGENESIS (FORMATION OF DEPRESSION) DURING NEXT 120 HRS:

24 HOURS	24-48 HOURS	48-72 HOURS	72-96 HOURS	96-120 HOURS
NIL	NIL	NIL	LOW	MODERATE

ARABIAN SEA:

SCATTERED LOW AND MEDIUM CLOUDS WITH EMBEDDED INTENSE TO VERY INTENSE CONVECTION OVER SOUTHEAST ARABIAN SEA AND MODERATE TO INTENSE CONVECTION OVER COMORIN AREA.

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NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

PROBABILITY OF CYCLOGENESIS (FORMATION OF DEPRESSION):NIL: 0%, LOW: 1-33%, , MODERATE: 34-66% AND HIGH: 67-100% This is a guidance Bulletin for the WMO/ESCAP Panel Member countries,. Please visit respective National websites for Country specific Bulletins

REMARKS:

SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE IS AROUND 29-30⁰C OVER SOUTHEAST AND ADJOINING EASTCENTRAL BAY OF BENGAL (BOB). TROPICAL CYCLONE HEAT POTENTIAL IS AROUND 60-80 KJ/CM² OVER THE SAME REGION BECOMING LESS THAN 50 KJ/CM² OVER NORTH BOB. THE MADDEN JULIAN INDEX (MJO) CURRENTLY LIES IN PHASE 3 WITH AMPLITUDE MORE THAN 1. IT WILL CONTINUE IN SAME PHASE FOR NEXT 3 DAYS AND MOVE TO PHASE 4 WITH AMPLITUDE REMAINING MORE THAN 1 THEREAFTER. THE PHASE OF MJO IS CONDUCIVE FOR ENHANCED CONVECTION OVER THE BOB DURING NEXT 7 DAYS. FEEBLE WESTERLIES (1-3 MPS) AND EQUATORIAL ROSSBY WAVES ARE LIKELY TO PREVAIL OVER SOUTH BOB DURING NEXT 1 WEEK.

LOW LEVEL VORTICITY IS 50 X10⁻⁶ S⁻¹ AROUND SYSTEM CENTRE. VERTICALLY IT IS EXTENDING UPTO 500 HPA LEVEL. LOW LEVEL CONVERGENCE IS 10 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE NORTHWEST OF SYSTEM CENTRE AND 20 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE SOUTHEAST OF SYSTEM CENTRE. UPPER LEVEL DIVERGENCE IS AROUND 30 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ TO THE NORTHWEST OF SYSTEM CENTRE. A LARGE ZONE OF POSITIVE DIVERGENCE 05-20 X10⁻⁵ S⁻¹ IS ALSO PREVAILING OVER SOUTHEAST BOB. WIND SHEAR IS MODERATE (15-20 KNOTS) AROUND THE SYSTEM CENTRE WITH DECREASING TREND (BECOMING 05-10 KNOTS) OVER SOUTH AND ADJOINING CENTRAL BOB.

NUMERICAL MODELS INCLUDING IMD GFS, ECMWF AND ECMWF ENSEMBLE ARE INDICATING LIKELIHOOD OF FORMATION OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHEAST BOB & ADJOINING SOUTH ANDAMAN SEA BY 0000 UTC OF 20TH MARCH WITH SUBSEQUENT INTENSIFICATION INTO A CYCLONIC STORM AROUND 21ST MARCH. HOWEVER, THERE IS VARIATION AMONG THESE MODELS W.R.T. PEAK INTENSITY WITH IMD GFS INDICATING HIGHER INTENSITY AND ECMWF INDICATING INTENSIFICATION UPTO MARGINAL CYCLONIC STORM ONLY. THERE IS GOOD CONSENSUS AMONG THESE MODELS W.R.T. MOVEMENT OF SYSTEM TOWARDS THE BANGLADESH & ADJOINING MYANMAR COAST.

IN VIEW OF ALL THE ABOVE, IT IS INFERRED THAT THE LOW PRESSURE AREA OVER CENTRAL PARTS OF SOUTH BOB IS LIKELY TO MOVE EAST-NORTHEASTWARDS AND BECOME A WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA ON 19TH. THEREAFTER, IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS INITIALLY ALONG & OFF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AND INTENSIFY INTO A DEPRESSION BY 0000 UTC OF 20TH & INTO A CYCLONIC STORM AROUND 21ST MARCH. IT WOULD THEN CONTINUE TO MOVE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 22ND MARCH, GRADUALLY RECURVE NORTH-NORTHEASTWARDS AND REACH NEAR BANGLADESH AND ADJOINING NORTH MYANMAR COAST ON 23RD MARCH. SAT : INSAT-3D IMG IMG_TIR1 10.8 um L1C Mercator 16-03-2022/(0300 to 0327) GMT 16-03-2022/(0830 to 0857) IST



LPA: LOW PRESSURE AREA

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

DAY-1:16.03.2022/0600 UTC TO 17.03.2022/0600 UTC



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