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Subject: Depression crossed northeast Sri Lanka coast close to Mullaitivu

The depression over southwest Bay of Bengal off northeast Sri Lanka coast moved west-northwestwards with a speed of 8 kmph during past 6 hours and crossed northeast Sri Lanka coast close to Mullaitivu near latitude 9.3°N and longitude 80.8°E between 1530 & 1630 hrs IST as a depression and lay centered near 9.4N/80.6E at 1730 hrs IST of today, the 10th January, 2025 about 30 km west-northwest of Mullaitivu (Sri Lanka), 70 km east-southeast of Jaffna (Sri Lanka), 90 km east-northeast of Mannar (Sri Lanka), 190 km south-southeast of Karaikal (Puducherry) and 400 km south-southeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu).

It is likely to move nearly westwards and weaken gradually into a well marked low pressure area during next 12 hours.

Warning:

(i) Rainfall Warning:

Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karaikal: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with **heavy to very heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely over coastal Tamil Nadu on 10th January, 2026. Rainfall activity would gradually decrease with light to moderate rainfall at many places and **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely over Tamil Nadu on 11th January, 2026.

(ii) Wind Warning:

(a) Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off Sri Lanka coast, Gulf of Mannar and adjoining Comorin Area:

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting to 65 kmph is currently prevailing over the region. It would gradually decrease becoming 30-40 gusting to 50 kmph by early hours of tomorrow, the 11th January, 2026.

(b) Along & off Tamil Nadu-Puducherry coasts

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40–50 gusting to 60 kmph is very likely to prevail till early hours of tomorrow, the 11th January, 2026. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 30-40 gusting to 50 kmph is very likely to prevail along and off North Tamil Nadu & Puducherry coasts till early hours of tomorrow, the 11th January, 2026 and decrease gradually thereafter.

(iii) Sea Condition:

- ❖ Sea condition is very likely to be rough to moderate over southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar & adjoining Comorin area and along & off Sri Lanka coast till 11th January.
- ❖ Sea condition is very likely to be rough to moderate along & off Tamil Nadu-Puducherry coasts till 11th January.

(iv) Fishermen Warning:

Fishermen are advised not to venture into southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar and adjoining Comorin area and along & off Sri Lanka & Tamil Nadu-Puducherry coasts till early hours of tomorrow, the 11th January, 2026.

(v) Impact Expected over south coastal Tamil Nadu and Karaikal due to heavy rainfall

- ❖ Localized Flooding of roads, 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 city areas and roadways due to water logging in roads and poor visibility due to heavy rain leading to increased travel time and incidents
- ❖ Likely disruption of marine and inland water transportation like small boats and trawlers.
- ❖ Damage to horticulture and standing crops in some areas due to inundation.

(vi) Action Suggested for coastal Tamil Nadu-Puducherry and Karaikal

- Judicious regulation of Port and maritime activities.
- Judicious regulation of tourism activities in coastal areas.
- Judicious regulation of surface transports including railways and roadways.
- Avoid going to areas that often face the water logging problems.

Next bulletin will be issued at 0230 hours IST of tomorrow, the 11th January, 2026.

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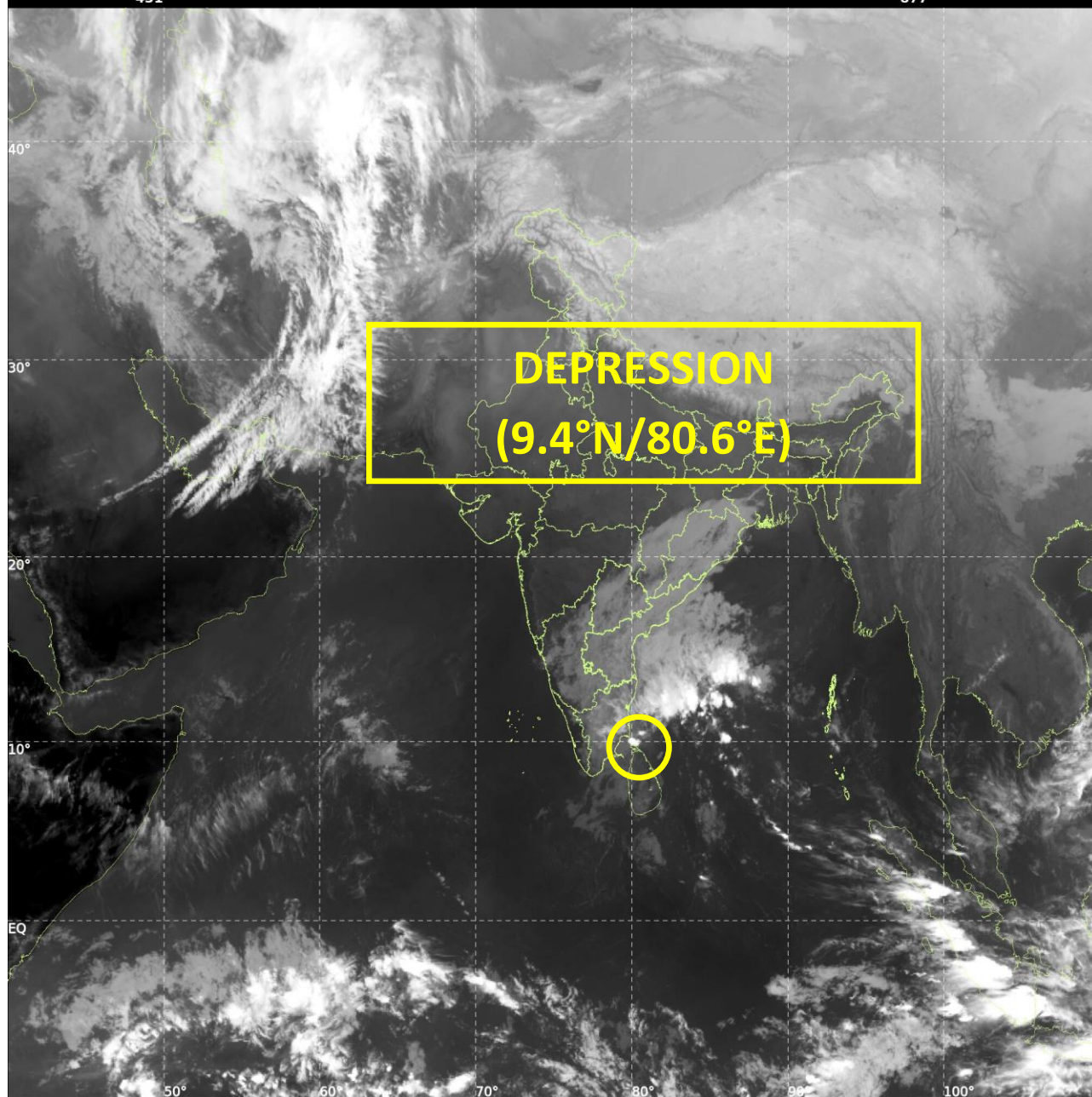
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INSAT-3DS IMG, Thermal Infrared1 Count @ 10.83 μm
GMT:10-01-2026/(1200-1227) IST:10-01-2026/(1730-1757)
L1C MERCATOR (LINEAR STRETCH: 1%)

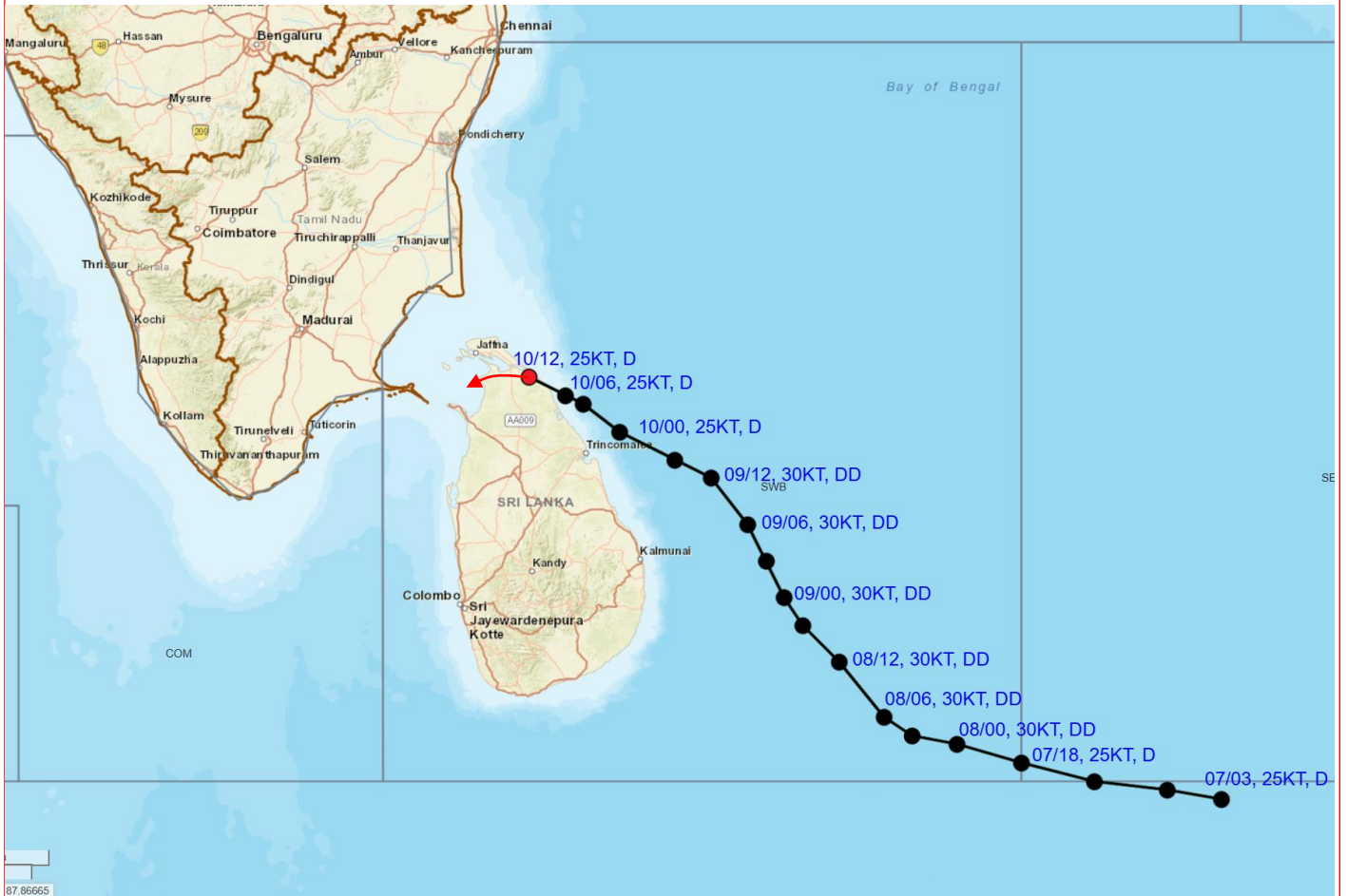
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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK OF DEPRESSION OVER NORTH COASTAL SRI LANKA BASED ON 1200 UTC (1730 Hrs. IST) OF 10TH JANUARY 2026.



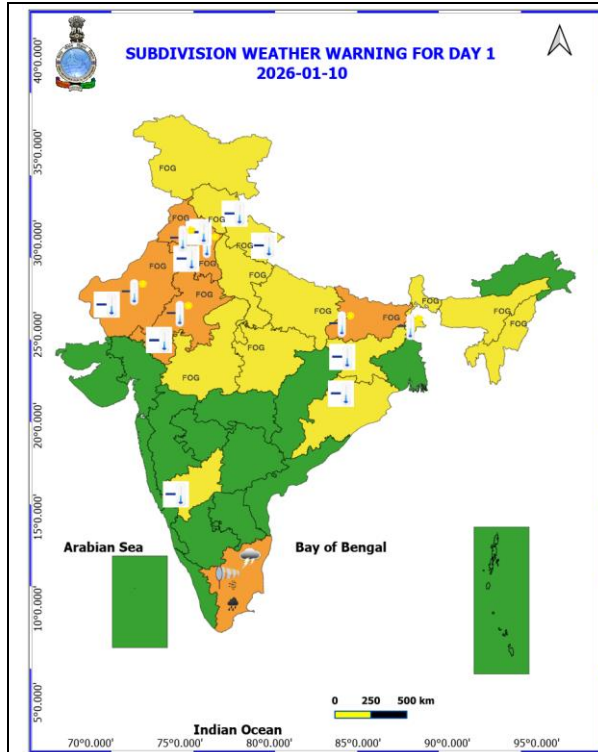
DATE/TIME IN UTC
IST=UTC + 0530
L: LOW PRESSURE AREA
WML: WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA
D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT)
DD: DEEP DEPRESSION (28-33 KT)
CS: CYCLONIC STORM (34-47 KT)
SCS: SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (48-63KT)
VSCS: VERY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (64-89 KT)
ESCS: EXTREMELY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (90-119 KT)
SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (≥ 120 KT)



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

Forecast distance (km) and direction of the centre from nearest 5 coastal stations

Forecast Date and Time	Lead Period	Lat	Lon	Station 1	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4	Station 5
10.01.26/1200	0	9.4	80.6	MULLAITTIVU 1) (28,WNW)	JAFFNA (70,ESE)	VAVUNIYA (73,N)	KANKASANTURAI 1) (74,SE)	MANNAR (88,ENE)

WARNING GRAPHICS



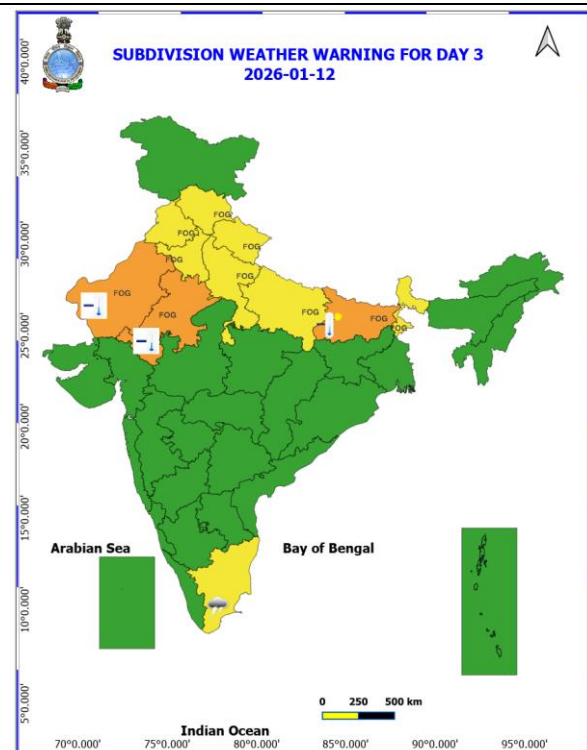
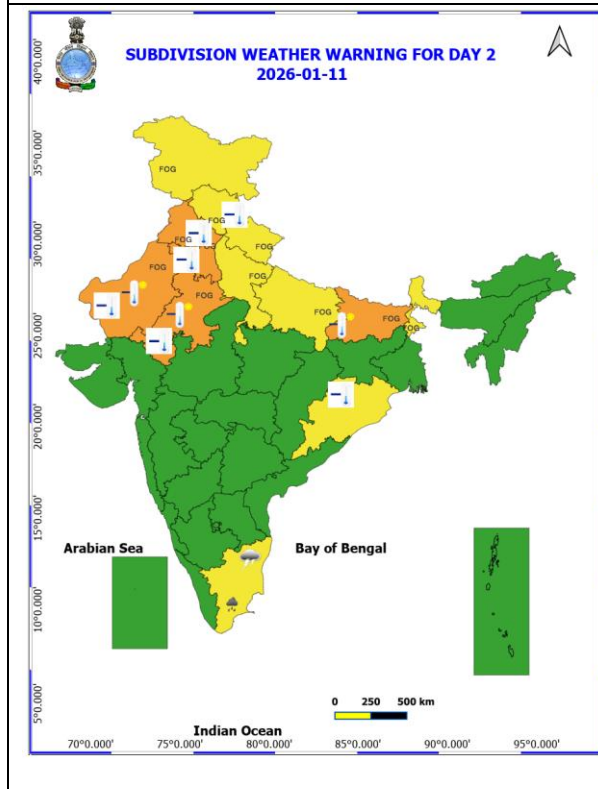
-  Heavy Rain
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-  Extremely Heavy Rain

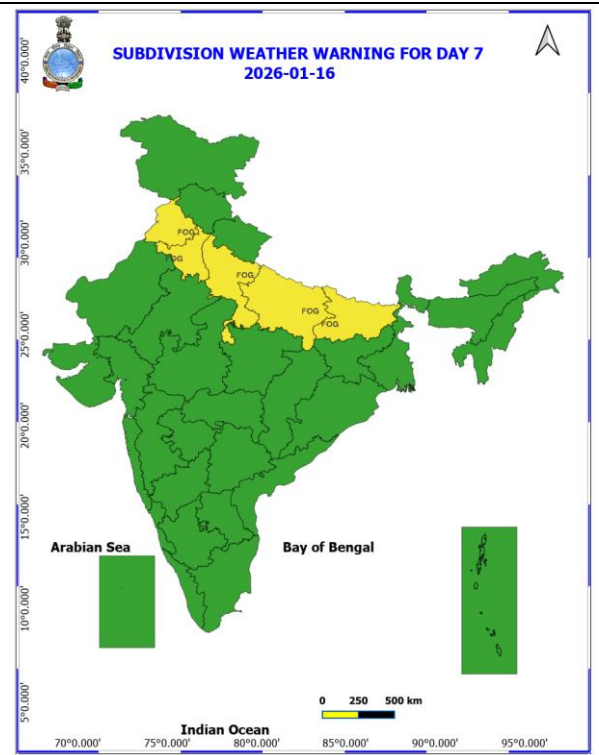
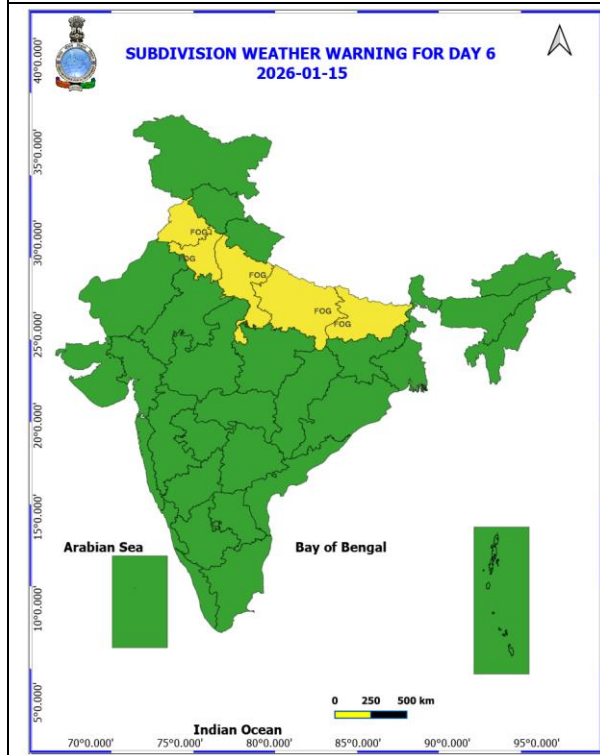
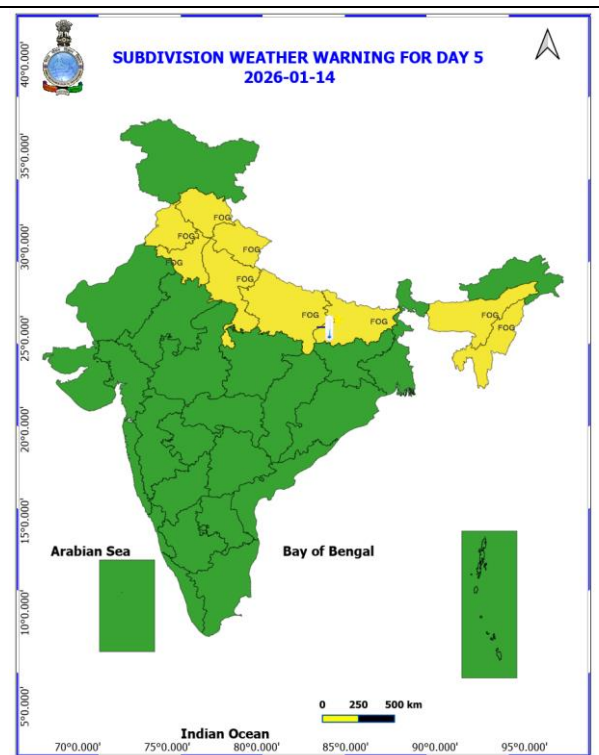
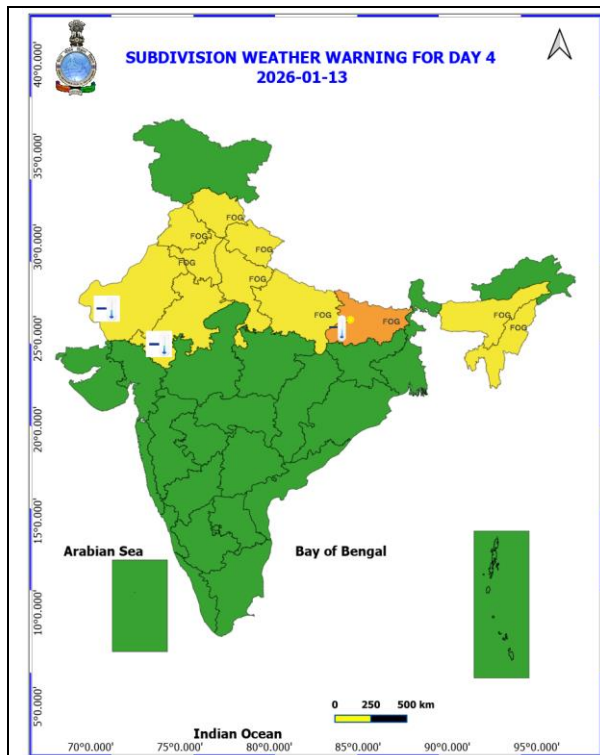
COLOUR CODED WARNING

-  No Warning (No Action)
-  Watch (Be Aware)
-  Alert (Be Prepared To Take Action)
-  Warning (Take Action)

Probabilistic Forecast

Terms	Probability of Occurrence (%)
Unlikely	< 25
Likely	25 - 50
Very Likely	50 - 75
Most Likely	> 75

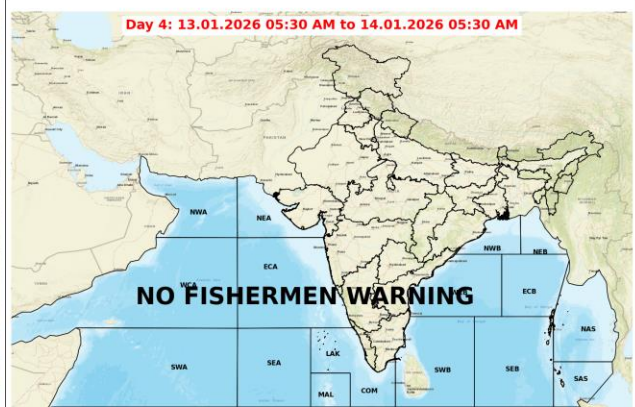
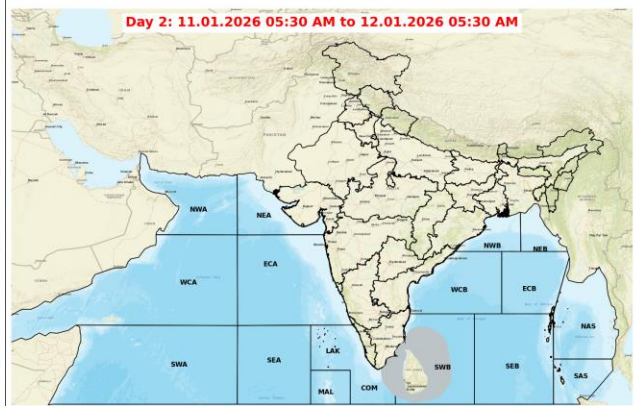
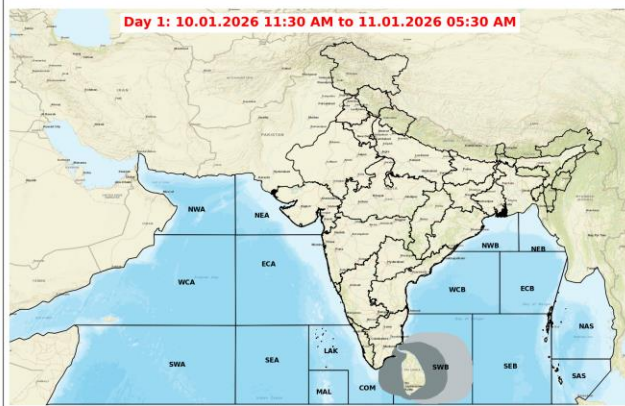




Action may be taken based on ORANGE AND RED COLOUR warnings.

- Vulnerable regions likely urban and hilly areas action may be initiated for heavy rainfall warning.
- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases.

Fishermen Warning Graphics



Legend

	Squally Weather with wind speed 35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph		Squally wind with speed 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph
	Squally Weather with wind speed 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph		CS with Gale winds with speed 60-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph
	Squally Weather with wind speed 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph		SCS with Gale wind speed 90-110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph
	Squally wind with speed 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph		VSCS with Gale wind speed 120-165 kmph gusting to 185 kmph
	Squally wind with speed 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph		ESCS with Gale wind speed 165-220 kmph gusting to 245 kmph

Fishermen are advised not to venture into the marked areas.