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Sub: Depression over Southwest Bay of Bengal (Pre-Cyclone Watch for Andhra Pradesh and North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts: Yellow Message)

The depression over Southeast and adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal moved west-northwestwards with a speed of 11 kmph during past 06 hours and lay centered at 1730 hours IST of today, the 01st December, 2023 over southwest Bay of Bengal near Latitude 10.0°N and Longitude 85.7°E, about 680 km east-southeast of Puducherry, 680 km east-southeast of Chennai, 790 km southeast of Nellore, 860 km south-southeast of Bapatla and 850 km south-southeast of Machilipatnam.

It is likely to move west-northwestwards, intensify into a Deep Depression by 2nd December and further into a Cyclonic Storm over Southwest Bay of Bengal around 3rd December. Thereafter, it would move northwestwards and reach near south Andhra Pradesh and adjoining north Tamilnadu coasts by 4th December forenoon. Thereafter, it would move nearly northwards almost parallel and close to south Andhra Pradesh coast and cross South Andhra Pradesh between Nellore and Machilipatnam during forenoon of 5th December as a **Cyclonic Storm** with a maximum sustained wind speed of 80-90 kmph gusting to 100 kmph.

Track and Intensity Forecasts:

Date/Time (IST)	Position (Lat. ⁰ N/ long. ⁰ E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
01.12.23/1730	10.0/85.7	45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph	Depression
02.12.23/0530	10.6/84.9	50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph	Deep Depression
02.12.23/1730	11.2/83.7	55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph	Deep Depression
03.12.23/0530	11.9/82.5	60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
03.12.23/1730	12.6/81.5	70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
04.12.23/0530	13.5/80.8	75-85 kmph gusting to 95 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
04.12.23/1730	14.4/80.4	80-90 kmph gusting to 100 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
05.12.23/0530	15.4/80.4	80-90 kmph gusting to 100 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
05.12.23/1730	16.3/80.9	65-75 kmph gusting to 85 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
06.12.23/0530	17.4/81.9	55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph	Deep Depression
06.12.23/1730	18.5/83.4	45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph	Depression

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall Warning (graphics enclosed):

- Light to moderate rainfall at most places with **isolated heavy rainfall** is likely over Andaman & Nicobar Islands on 1st December.
- North Coastal Tamil Nadu & Puducherry: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with isolated heavy rainfall is very likely on 2nd December. The rainfall intensity would increase from 3rd December with rainfall at most places and heavy to very heavy rainfall at few places and isolated extremely heavy rainfall. Rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places likely on 4th December and decrease thereafter.
- Coastal Andhra Pradesh: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places and extremely heavy rainfall at isolated places on 3rd and 4th December. Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely over south coastal Andhra Pradesh and heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places and extremely heavy rainfall at isolated places likely over North coastal Andhra Pradesh on 5th December.
- Rayalaseema: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall on 3rd & 4th December.
- Odisha: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with **isolated heavy rainfall** is likely over south Coastal and adjoining south Interior Odisha on 4th and **isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall** over the same region on 5th December.

(ii) Wind warning:

Southeast Bay of Bengal:

Squally weather with wind speed reaching **45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph** is likely to prevail over Southeast Bay of Bengal during 1st & 2nd December and likely to decrease thereafter.

• Southwest Bay of Bengal along & off north Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts:

Squally wind speed reaching **45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph** is prevailing over Southwest Bay of Bengal. It is likely to gradually increase becoming **50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph** from 2nd December morning. It would increase further becoming **Gale Wind** speed reaching **60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph** from 3rd December morning **and 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph** from 3rd evening for subsequent 24 hours.

• Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh Coast:

Squally wind speed reaching **35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph is** likely to prevail over westcentral Bay of Bengal from 2nd December evening. It is likely to gradually increase becoming **55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph** from 3rd December morning. It is likely to increase further becoming **Gale Wind** speed reaching **70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph from** 3rd evening **and 80-90 kmph gusting to 100 kmph** from 4th evening for subsequent 12 hours. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

Along & off north Andhra Pradesh Coast:

Squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph likely from 4th December evening, likely to gradually increase becoming 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph from 5th December evening for subsequent 12 hours. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

Along & off South Odisha Coast:

Squally wind speed reaching **35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph** likely from 4th December evening, likely to gradually increase becoming 40-**50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph** from 5th December evening for subsequent 12 hours. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

(iii) Sea Condition:

Southeast Bay of Bengal:

Rough to very Rough Sea condition is likely over Southeast Bay of Bengal during 01st-02nd December and would improve thereafter.

- Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts:
- **Rough to Very Rough sea condition is** prevailing over the region. It is likely to become **very rough to high** from 3rd December morning for subsequent 24 hours and improver thereafter gradually.
- Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh Coast:

Rough to Very Rough to sea condition is likely from 2nd December evening, becoming very rough to high from 3rd December morning till 5th December.

• Along & off North Andhra Pradesh Coast:

Rough to Very Rough to sea condition is likely from 4th December evening till 5th December.

Along & off South Odisha Coast:

Rough to Very Rough to sea condition is likely from 4th December evening till 5th December.

(iv) Fishermen Warning (graphics attached):

Fishermen are advised not to venture into:

- Southeast Bay of Bengal during 1st to 2nd December.
- Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts during 1st to 4th December.
- Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off Andhra Pradesh Coast from 2nd December morning to 5th December.
- Along & off South Odisha coast from 4th December evening till 5th December

The Fishermen out at sea are advised to return to coast by 1st December.

(v) Storm Surge (Graphics enclosed):

Storm surge of about 1-1.5 meter above astronomical tide likely to inundate south Coastal Andhra Pradesh districts at the time of landfall.

(vi) Damage Expected over coastal districts of South Andhra Pradesh and adjoining coastal districts of North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry:

- Damage to thatched huts.
- Possibilities of damage to vulnerable structure.
- Breaking of tree branches and uprooting of small & medium sized trees.
- Minor damage to power and communication lines due to breaking of branches and uprooting of trees.
- Major damage to Kutcha and minor damage to Pucca roads due to heavy rain.
- Damage to paddy crops, horticultural crops and orchards.
- Sea water inundation in low lying areas after erosion of Kutcha embankments
- Inundation of low lying areas in coastal districts due to heavy rainfall and flash flood

- Localized Flooding of roads and closure of underpasses mainly in urban areas of the above region.
- Occasional reduction in visibility due to heavy rainfall.
- Disruption of traffic due to water logging and squally winds
- Localized Landslides/Mudslides
- It may lead to riverine flooding in some river catchments (for riverine flooding please visit Web page of CWC)

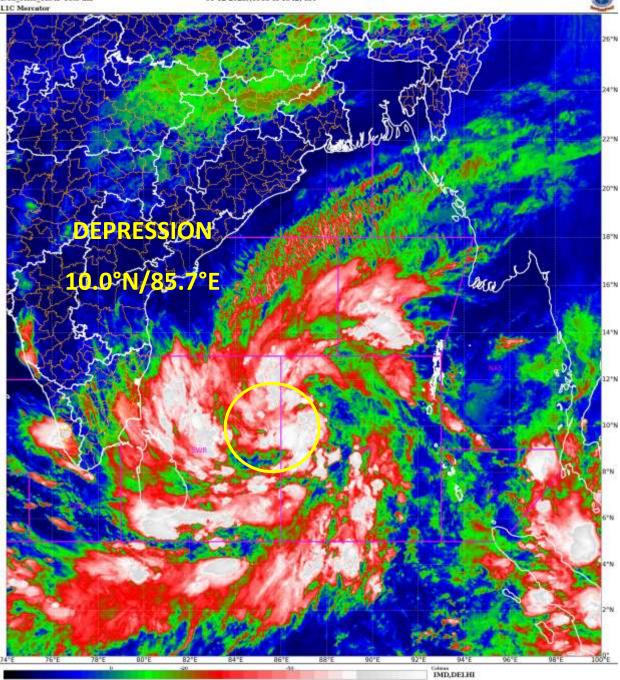
(vi) Action Suggested for coastal districts of South Andhra Pradesh and adjoining coastal districts of North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry:

- Total suspension of fishing operations.
- Fishermen out at sea are advised to return to coast by 1st December
- Surface transport and shipping operations need to be regulated
- Onshore & Offshore operation need to be regulated as per guidelines
- Coastal hutment dwellers to be in safer places.
- People in affected areas to remain indoors.
- Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often.
- Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

The system is under continuous surveillance and the next message will be issued at 0230 hours IST of tomorrow, the 02nd December, 2023.

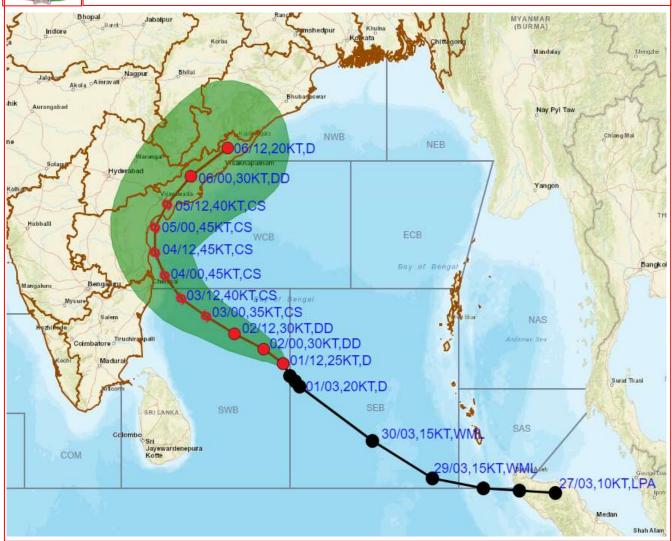
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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINITY IN **ASSOCIATION WITH DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 1200** UTC (1730 IST) OF 01ST DECEMBER 2023.



DATE/TIME IN UTC IST=UTC + 0530

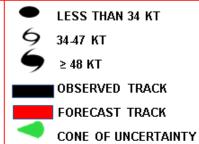
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WML: WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA

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)

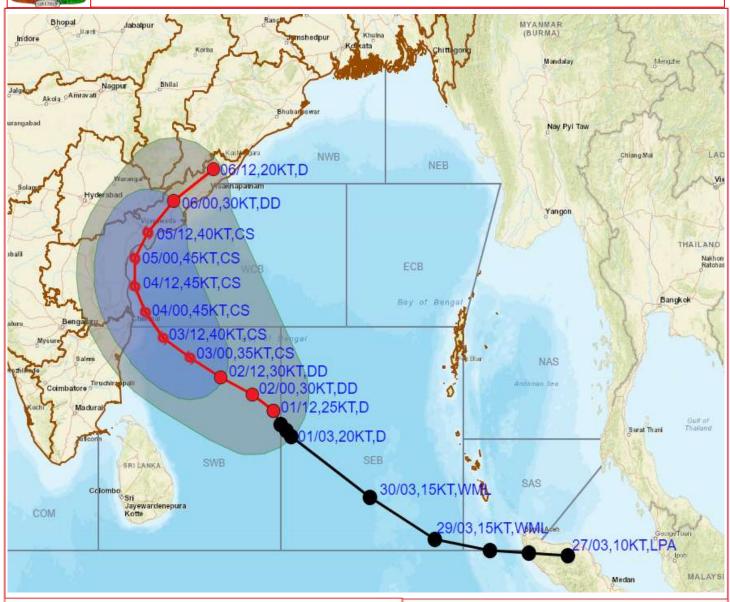
ESCS: EXTREMELY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (90-119 KT)
SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM 2 120 KT)



Forecast	DISTANCE (KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS				
Date and Time (UTC)	MO PONDICHERRY	CHENNAI/MINAMBAKKAM	NELLORE	BAPATLA	MACHILIPATNAM/ FRANCHPET
01.12.23/1200	670, ESE	680, ESE	790, SE	860, SE	840, SE
02.12.23/1200	430, E	430, ESE	540, SE	620, SE	620, SSE
03.12.23/1200	200, ENE	150, ESE	260, SE	380, SSE	400, S
04.12.23/1200	280, NNE	160, N	50, E	160, S	210, SSW
05.12.23/1200	500, NNE	380, NNE	230, NNE	70, NE	30, WNW
06.12.23/1200	820, NNE	700, NNE	570, NE	420, NE	350, NE



OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONG WITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION IN ASSOCIATION WITH DEPRESSSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 1200 UTC (1730 IST) OF 01ST DECEMBER 2023.



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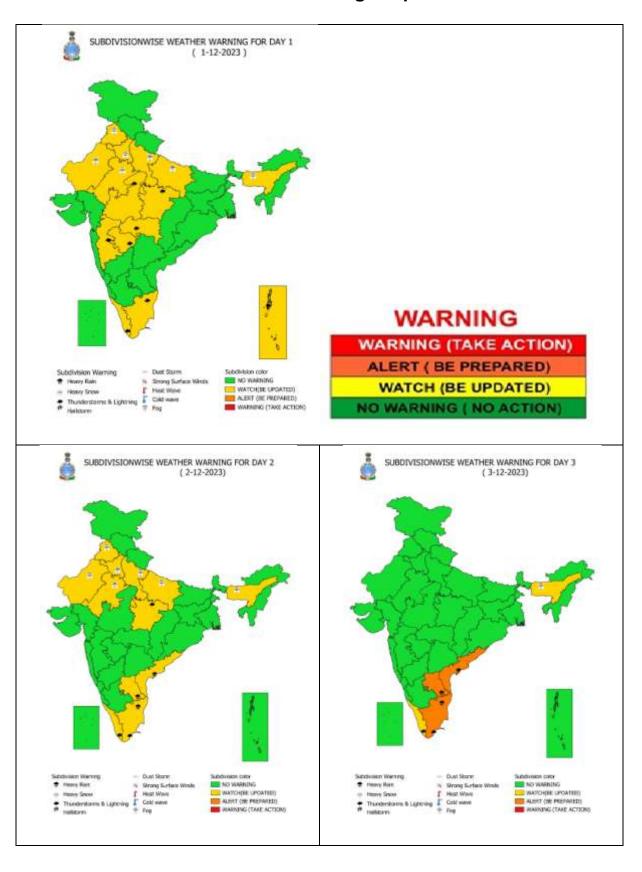
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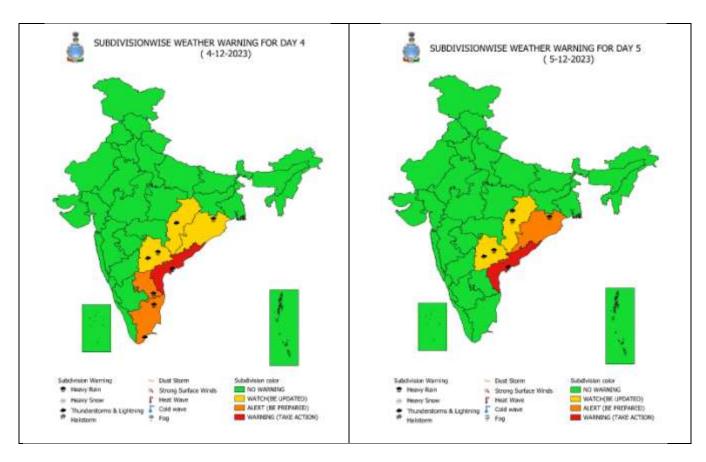
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1	•	LESS THAN 34 KT
	6	34-47 KT
	6	≥ 48 KT
		OBSERVED TRACK
		FORECAST TRACK
		CONE OF UNCERTAINTY
	AREA	OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:
		28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)
	L S	34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)
		50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)
		≥ 64 KT (≥118 KMPH)

	IMPACT O	VER 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 Graphics







Heavy Rain



Strong Winds



Frost



Heavy Snow



Wisibility





Cold Wave



Thunderstorm



Cyclone



+ Heat Wave



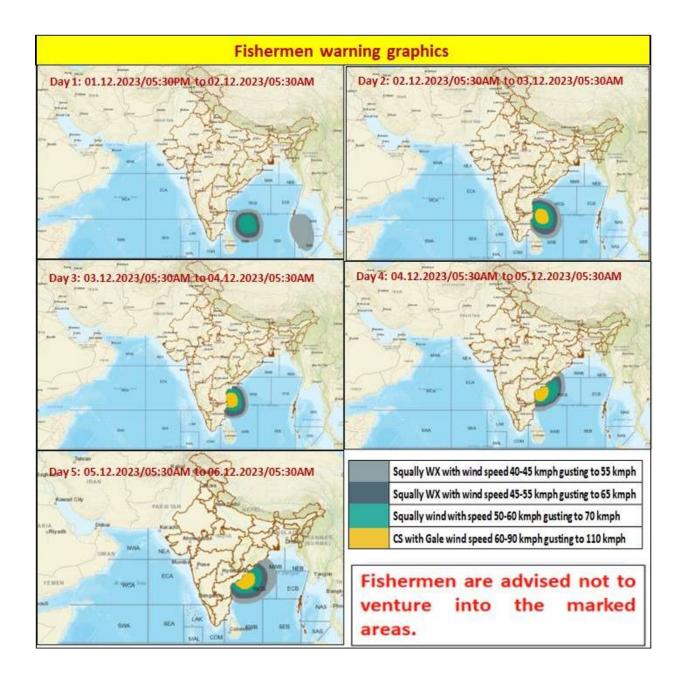
Dust Storm



Squall/ Hail



Sea State



Storm Surge Warning Graphics based on Forecast Track

