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Sub: Depression over southeast Bay of Bengal intensified into a Deep Depression over the same region. Likely to intensify into a Cyclonic Storm: Pre-cyclone Watch for West Bengal and North Odisha coasts (Yellow Message).

The **depression** over Southeast Bay of Bengal and neighbourhood moved northwestwards with a speed of 5 kmph during past 06 hours, intensified into a Deep Depression and lay centred over the same region at 1430 hrs IST of today, the 16th May, 2020 near latitude 10.9°N and longitude 86.3°E, about 1040 km south of Paradip (Odisha), 1200 km south-southwest of Digha (West Bengal) and 1300 km south-southwest of Khepupara (Bangladesh). It is very likely to intensify into a Cyclonic Storm during next 12 hours and further into a Severe Cyclonic Storm during subsequent 24 hours and rapidly intensify into a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm by 18th morning. It is very likely to move north-northwestwards initially till 17th May and then re-curve north-northeastwards across northwest Bay of Bengal towards West Bengal and adjoining Odisha coasts during 18th to 20th May 2020.

Date/Time(IST) Position Maximum sustained surface Category of cyclonic (Lat. ⁰N/ long. ⁰E) wind speed (Kmph) disturbance 16.05.20/1430 Deep Depression 10.9/86.3 50-60 gusting to 70 16.05.20/1730 11.2/86.2 55-65 gusting to 75 Deep Depression 16.05.20/2330 Cyclonic Storm 11.8/86.1 60-70 gusting to 80 17.05.20/0530 12.3/86.0 80-90 gusting to 100 Cyclonic Storm 17.05.20/1130 12.8/86.0 100-110 gusting to 120 Severe Cyclonic Storm 105-115 gusting to 125 17.05.20/2330 Severe Cyclonic Storm 13.9/86.1 18.05.20/1130 14.9/86.1 120-130 gusting to 145 Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 18.05.20/2330 Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 16.0/86.2 135-145 gusting to 160 19.05.20/1130 17.4/86.5 155-165 gusting to 180 Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 170-180 gusting to 200 19.05.20/2330 19.0/87.0 Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm 20.05.20/1130 20.8/87.5 160-170 gusting to 190 20.05.20/2330 22.9/88.2 145-155 gusting to 170 Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 21.05.20/1130 25.0/88.7 110-120 gusting to 135 Severe Cyclonic Storm

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall (over Andaman & Nicobar Islands):

 Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy falls at isolated places is very likely over Andaman & Nicobar Islands on 16th May.

• Rainfall (over Odisha & Gangetic West Bengal)

Coastal Odisha is likely to experience light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy falls at isolated places from 18th May evening, heavy to very heavy rainfalls at a few places on 19th May and isolated heavy rainfall over northeast Odisha on 20th May 2020. Coastal districts of Gangetic West Bengal are likely to experience light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy falls at a few places on 19th May, heavy to very heavy falls at a few places over Gangetic West Bengal on 20th May.

(ii) Wind warning

- Squally wind speed reaching 45 to 55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely to commence along and off south Odisha coast from 18th evening, extent over to north Odisha coast from 19th morning and along and off West Bengal coast from 19th afternoon. The wind speed will gradually increase becoming gale wind speed reaching 75 to 85 kmph gusting to 95 kmph from 20th morning along and off north Odisha and West Bengal coast. It will gradually increase thereafter.
- Squally wind speed reaching 45 to 55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely over Andaman Sea during next 48 hours.
- Squally wind speed reaching 50 to 60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph is prevailing over southeast and adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal. It is likely to increase becoming 90-100 gusting to 110 kmph over eastcentral and adjoining west central Bay of Bengal by 17th morning, 120-130 gusting to 145 kmph over southern parts of central Bay of Bengal by 18th morning, 155-165 gusting to 180 kmph over northern parts of central Bay of Bengal and adjoining north Bay of Bengal on 19th, and 160-170 gusting to 190 kmph over north Bay of Bengal by 20th morning.

(iii) Sea condition

Sea condition will be rough to very rough over south & adjoining central Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea till 16th May evening. It will be High over southwest and adjoining central Bay of Bengal from the 16th May night, very high over the same region from 17th morning. It will become phenomenal over southern parts of central Bay of Bengal on 18th, over northern parts of central Bay of Bengal and adjoining north Bay of Bengal on 19th May and over north Bay of Bengal on 20th May 2020.

(iv) Fishermen Warning

- The fishermen are advised not to venture into south Bay of Bengal from 16th to 17th May, to central Bay of Bengal 17th to 18th May and north Bay of Bengal during 19 to 20th May 2020.
- Also, fishermen are advised not to venture into north Bay of Bengal along and off North Odisha, West Bengal and adjoining Bangladesh coast during 18th to 20th May 2020.

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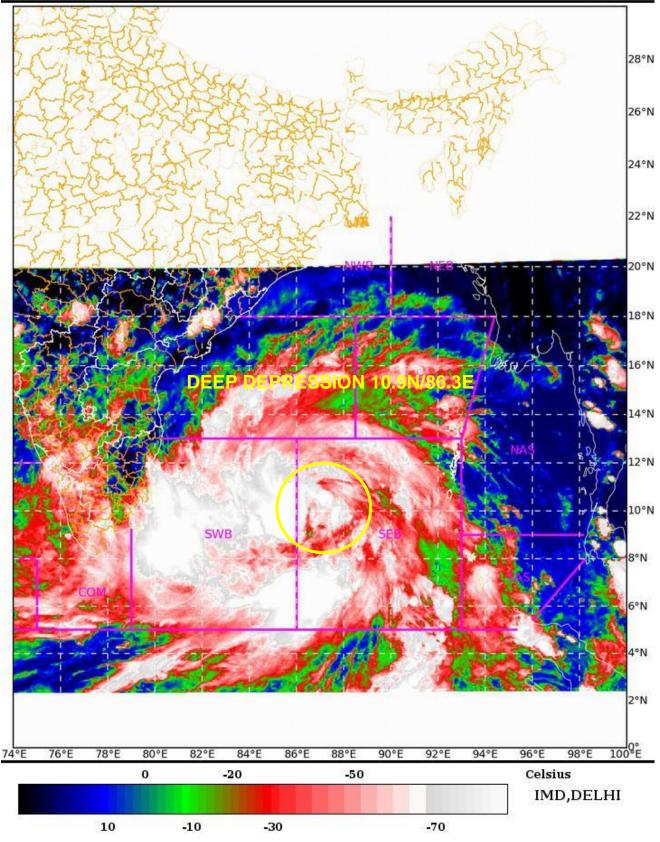
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L1C Mercator



Spatial rainfall distribution: Isolated: <25%, A few: 26-50%, Many: 51-75%, Most: 76-100% Rainfall amount (mm): Heavy rain: 64.5 – 115.5, Very heavy rain: 115.6 – 204.4, Extremely heavy rain: 204.5 or more.

