



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

DEMS-RSMC TROPICAL CYCLONES NEW DELHI DATED 25.11.2024

SPECIAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR THE NORTH INDIAN OCEAN (THE BAY OF BENGAL AND THE ARABIAN SEA) VALID FOR THE NEXT 120 HOURS ISSUED AT 1500 UTC OF 25.11.2024 BASED ON 1200 UTC OF 25.11.2024.

Sub: Depression over Southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean

The Depression over Southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean moved west-northwestwards with a speed of 18 kmph during past 6 hours and lay centred at 1200 UTC of today, the 25th November 2024 over the same region near latitude 5.2°N and longitude 83.5°E, about 450 km south-southeast of Trincomalee, 740 km south-southeast of Nagappattinam, 860 km south-southeast of Puducherry and 940 km south-southeast of Chennai.

It is likely to move nearly northwestwards and intensify into a deep depression during next 12 hours. Thereafter, it is likely to move north-northwestwards towards Sri Lanka - Tamil Nadu coasts during subsequent 2 days.

Estimated Central Pressure in association with the system is 1003 hPa and associated maximum sustained wind speed is 25-30 kts gusting to 35 kts. Sea condition is likely to be rough to very rough over southwest BoB & adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean (EIO) and along & off East Sri Lanka & Tamil Nadu coasts.

As per latest satellite imagery, intensity of the system is characterized as T1.5. It shows shear pattern. The convective cloud mass is sheared to the northwest of system area. Associated scattered to broken low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over south Bay of Bengal and adjoining EIO between latitude 3.0N to 12.0N and longitude 80.0E to 90.0E. Minimum cloud top temperature is minus 80-93°C. The multi-satellite based winds indicate stronger winds in the northern sector.

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

Date/Time (UTC)	Position (Lat. °N/ Long. °E)	Maximum Sustained Surface Wind Speed (Kmph)	Category Of Cyclonic Disturbance
25.11.24/1200	5.2/83.5	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
26.11.24/0000	6.0/82.7	50-60 gusting to 70	Depression
26.11.24/1200	7.1/82.2	50-60 gusting to 70	Deep Depression
27.11.24/0000	8.3/81.1	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
27.11.24/1200	9.4/81.4	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
28.11.24/0000	10.2/81.1	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
28.11.24/1200	11.0/80.8	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression

Environmental features:

Sea surface temperature is more than 28-30°C over south Bay of Bengal (BoB) with an intense patch of higher SST about 30°C (6-10°N and 84-88°E). It is indicating the system to show marginal intensification for a short period over southwest BoB. However, SST is relatively lesser along the coast and may thus lead to slight weakening of the system before landfall. Tropical cyclone heat potential is more than 100 KJ/cm² over south BoB & adjoining EIO. It is less 40-60 KJ/cm² over southwest & adjoining eastcentral BoB and along & off Sri Lanka/Tamil Nadu/ Andhra Pradesh coasts. The barrier layer depth over the southwest BoB has increased upto 50 m which is unfavourable for intensification. Total precipitable water imagery indicate warm moist air incursion into the core. Near to coast it is indicating cold dry air incursion. Madden Julian Oscillation (MJO) is in phase 3 with amplitude more than 1 and would move across phases 3 & 4 during next 7 days with amplitude remaining more than 1. CFS-NCICS model forecast indicates presence of Equatorial Rossby Waves over South Andaman Sea and south BoB during 25th-30th. Strong westerly wind anomaly over south BoB and easterly wind anomaly to its north over South & adjoining central BoB is indicated during 25th - 30th November. During this period other waves including MJO, low frequency background waves, ERW are also likely over south BoB.

Low level winds indicate broad scale circulation over south and adjoining EIO. Low level positive cyclonic vorticity at 850 hpa level is around 100-120x10⁻⁵ s⁻¹ over southwest BoB & adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean. The zone of the maximum vorticity has become more organized and is extending upto 500 hPa level. The low level convergence is around 20 x10⁻⁵ s⁻¹ over southwest BoB and adjoining East EIO to the west of system centre. Upper level divergence is around 30x10⁻⁵ s⁻¹ over the same region. The vertical wind shear is low to moderate (10-15 knots) over south BoB & adjoining EIO. Upper tropospheric ridge is near 10°N to the north of system. The southeasterly winds prevailing over the system area are likely to steer the system northwesterly.

Various environmental features (higher SST, warm moist air incursion into the core, high ocean thermal energy) are indicating favourable environment for further intensification of system till 26th/1200 UTC.

Discussion of major models:

ECMWF: is indicating peak intensification upto depression stage. It is further indicating crossing over North Tamil Nadu coast as a low pressure area/cyclonic circulation around 02 Dec/0000 UTC.

NCUM: is indicating a cyclonic circulation over southwest BoB and adjoining EIO on 25/0000 UTC. It is indicated to move north-northwestwards, intensify into a depression around 27/0000 and further into a marginal cyclonic storm around 28/1200 UTC. Thereafter it is indicated to cross Tamil Nadu coast close to Chennai as a deep depression around 29/1200 UTC.

IMD GFS: is indicating likely deep depression over southwest Bay of Bengal at 0000 UTC of 25th November. It is indicated to move north-northwestwards, cross Sri Lanka coast on 26/0000 UTC. It is indicated to move further north-northwestwards and weaken gradually into a depression around 29/0000 UTC and further into a low pressure area on 30/0000 UTC. The system is not indicated to cross land.

IMD MME: is indicating the depression over EIO and adjoining southwest BoB to move north-northwestwards, intensify into a deep depression on 26/0000 UTC and cross Tamil Nadu coast near Chennai around 29/2200 UTC.

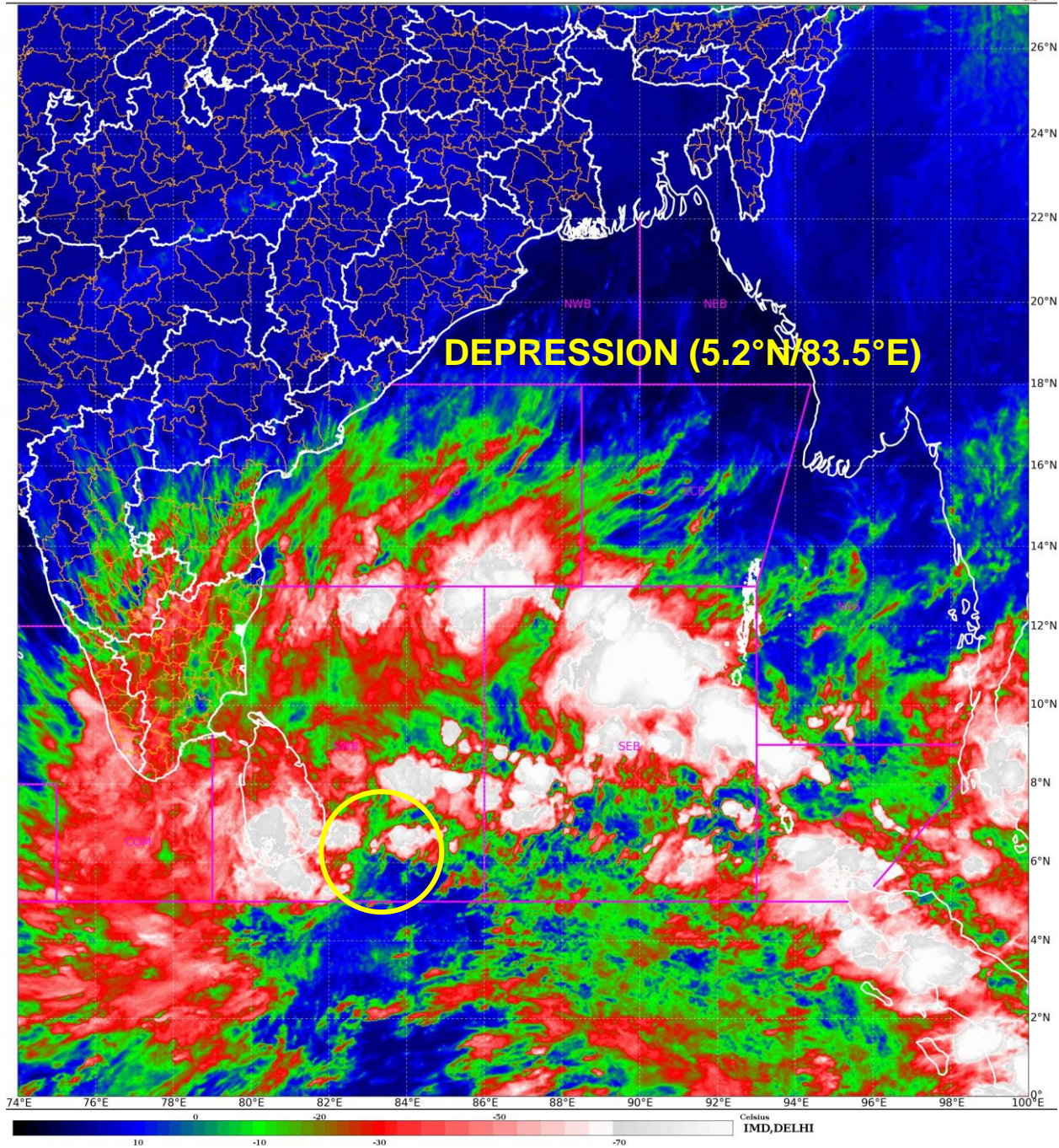
There is still variation among various models wrt track, intensification and landfall of system. Peak intensification is varying from depression to marginal cyclonic storm stage. Some of the the models are indicating the system to make landfall over the Tamil Nadu coast (NCUM & MME) and weaken slightly prior to landfall and some are not indicating (ECMWF & GFS).

Hence it is inferred that the depression over Southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining East Equatorial Indian Ocean, it is likely to move nearly northwestwards and intensify into a deep depression during next 12 hours. Thereafter, it is likely to move north-northwestwards towards Sri Lanka - Tamil Nadu coasts during subsequent 2 days.

A continuous watch is being maintained for further intensification and movement of system towards Tamil Nadu - Sri Lanka coasts.

Next bulletin will be issued at 2100 UTC of today, the 25th November, 2024.

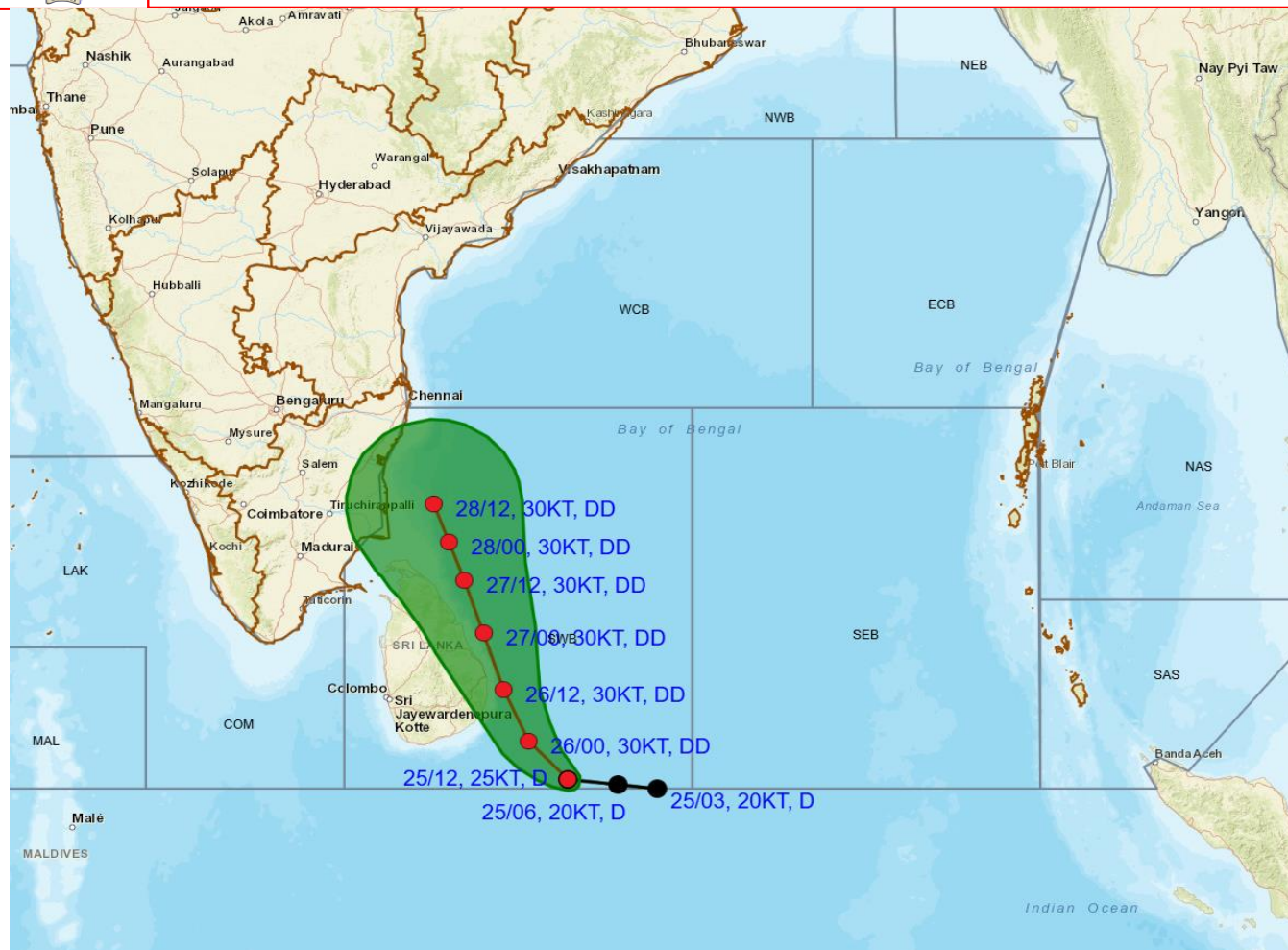
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Cloud distribution: (a) Isolated: <25%, Scattered:25-50%, Broken: 51-75%, Solid:>75%, Convection Intensity: (a) Weak: Cloud Top Temperature (CTT) >-25°C, (b) Moderate: CTT: - 25°C to -40°C, (c) Intense: CTT: - 41°C to -70°C and (d) Very Intense: : Less than -70°C
PROBABILITY OF CYCLOGENESIS (FORMATION OF DEPRESSION):NIL: 0%, LOW: 1-33%, , MODERATE: 34-66% AND HIGH: 67-100%
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OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONG WITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL AND ADJOINING EAST EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN BASED ON 1200 UTC (1730 HRS. IST) OF 25TH NOVEMBER, 2024



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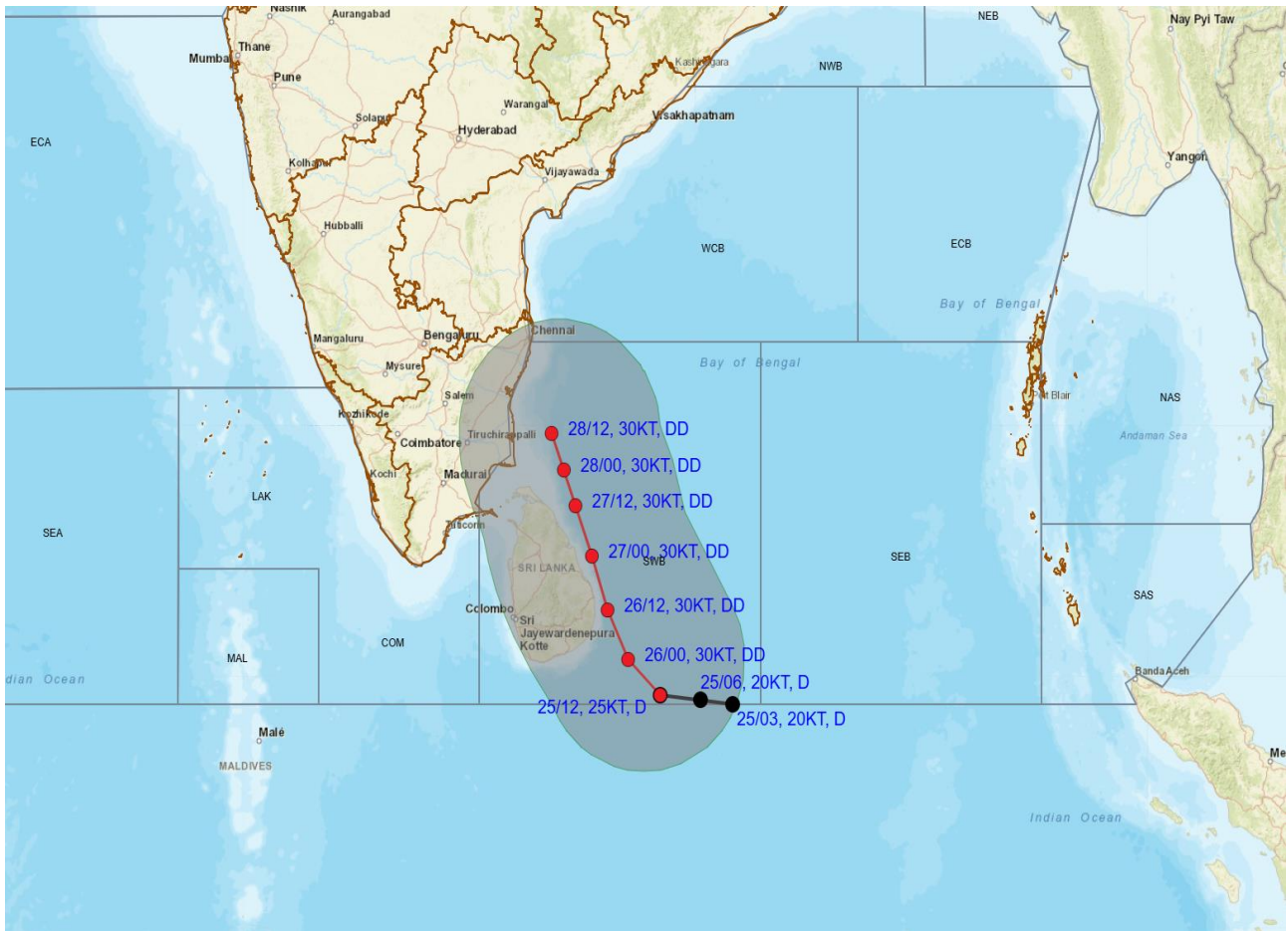
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 ≥ 48 KT
 OBSERVED TRACK
 FORECAST TRACK
 CONE OF UNCERTAINTY

Forecast	DISTANCE (KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS				
	BATTICALOA	TRINCOMALEE	NAGAPPATTINAM	PUDUCHERRY	CHENNAI/MINAMBAKKAM
25.11.24/1200	340, SE	450, SSE	740, SSE	860, SSE	940, SSE
26.11.24/1200	110, SE	200, SE	490, SE	610, SSE	700, SSE
27.11.24/1200	190, N	100, NNE	230, SE	330, SSE	420, SSE
28.11.24/1200	380, NNW	280, N	130, ENE	170, SE	240, SSE

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 ○ 34-47 KT
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 — OBSERVED TRACK
 — FORECAST TRACK
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AREA OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:
 ■ 28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)
 ■ 34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)
 ■ 50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)
 ■ ≥ 64 KT (≥ 118 KMPH)

IMPACT OVER 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

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