



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

**DEMS-RSMC TROPICAL CYCLONES NEW DELHI DATED 30.01.2023** 

SPECIAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR NORTH INDIAN OCEAN (THE BAY OF BENGAL AND THE ARABIAN SEA) VALID FOR NEXT 120 HOURS ISSUED AT 0730 UTC OF 30.01.2023 BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 30.01.2023.

## **BAY OF BENGAL:**

THE WELL-MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA OVER SOUTHEAST BAY OF BENGAL (BOB) & ADJOINING EAST EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN (EIO) MOVED WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS, CONCENTRATED INTO A DEPRESSION AND LAY CENTERED AT 0300 UTC OF TODAY, THE 30TH JANUARY, 2023 OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL NEAR LATITUDE 7.7°N AND LONGITUDE 87.2°E, ABOUT 670 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF TRINCOMALEE (SRI LANKA, 43418) AND 880 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF KARAIKAL (INDIA, 43346).

IT IS VERY LIKELY TO MOVE WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 0900 UTC OF 31<sup>ST</sup>, RECURVE SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS THEREAFTER AND CROSS SRI LANKA COAST AROUND 0600 UTC OF 01ST FEBRUARY.

Forecast track and intensity are given below:

Date/Time(UTC)	Position (Lat. <sup>0</sup> N/ long. <sup>0</sup> E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
30.01.23/0300	7.7/87.2	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
30.01.23/1200	7.9/85.8	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
31.01.23/0000	8.1/84.6	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
31.01.23/1200	8.0/83.5	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
01.02.23/0000	7.3/82.3	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression
01.02.23/1200	6.5/81.5	40-50 gusting to 60	Depression

ASSOCIATED SCATTERED TO BROKEN LOW AND MEDIUM CLOUDS WITH EMBEDDED INTENSE TO VERY INTENSE CONVECTION LAY OVER SOUTH BAY OF BENGAL BETWEEN LAT 7.0N TO 12.0N LONG 83.0E TO 91.5E AND OVER SOUTH ANDAMAN SEA. MINIMUM CLOUD TOP TEMPERATURE IS MINUS 93 DEGREE C. SCATTERED LOW AND MEDIUM CLOUDS WITH EMBEDDED MODERATE TO INTENSE CONVECTION LAY OVER CENTRAL BAY OF BENGAL AND WEAK TO MODERATE CONVECTION LAY OVER NORTH BAY OF BENGAL & NORTH ANDAMAN SEA. MULTI SATELLITE BASED WINDS INDICATE STRONGER WINDS IN THE NORTHERN SECTOR.

ASSOCIATED MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED IS 25 KNOTS GUSTING TO 30 KNOTS. THE ESTIMATED CENTRAL PRESSURE IS 1006 HPA. SEA CONDITION IS ROUGH TO VERY ROUGH OVER SOUTHEAST AND ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BOB.

## **REMARKS:**

THE MADDEN JULIAN OSCILLATION (MJO) INDEX CURRENTLY LIES IN PHASE 3 WITH AMPLITUDE MORE THAN 1. IT WILL CONTINUE IN SAME PHASE WITH SIMILAR INCREASED AMPLITUDE DURING NEXT 7 DAYS. MJO INDEX IS THUS CONDUCIVE FOR ENHANCEMENT OF CONVECTIVE ACTIVITY OVER BAY OF BENGAL (BOB) AND INTENSIFICATION OF THE SYSTEM. THE CFS BASED FORECAST FOR EQUATORIAL WAVES INDICATE STRONG EASTERLY WINDS (5-7 MPS) OVER SOUTH BOB, STRONG WESTERLY WINDS (5-7 MPS) OVER EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN (EIO) AND ADJOINING SOUTH BOB ALONGWITH KELVIN WAVES, MJO AND EQUATORIAL ROSSBY WAVES OVER EIOO AND ADJOINING SOUTH BOB ON 30<sup>TH</sup> JANURAY. ALL THESE WAVES CONTRIBUTED TOWARDS ORGANIZATION OF CIRCULATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF CONVECTION OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BOB.

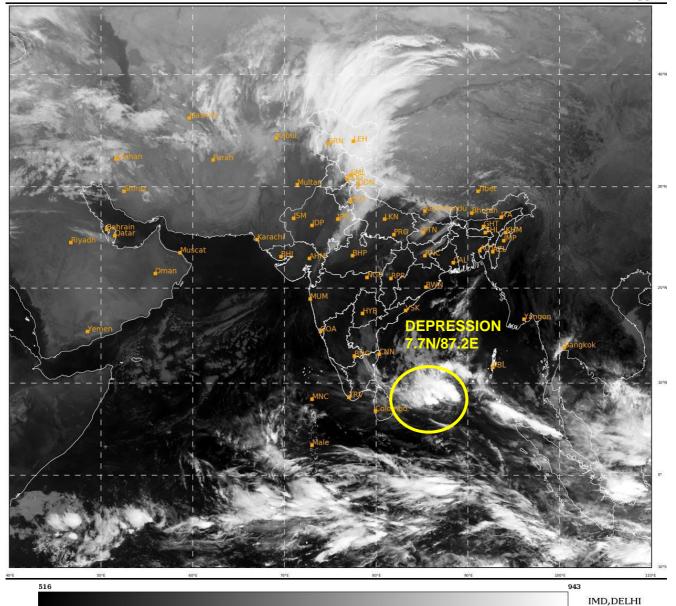
SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURE (SST) IS AROUND 27-28°C OVER SOUTH BOB AND ADJOINING EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN (EIO. TOTAL PRECIPITABLE WATER IMAGERY INDICATES WARM MOIST AIR INCURSION INTO THE CORE OF THE SYSTEM. LOW LEVEL VORTICITY OF 100 X10-6 S-1 LIES AROUND THE SYSTEM CENTER. LOW LEVEL CONVERGENCE IS AROUND 5 X10-5 S-1 TO THE NORTHEAST OF THE SYSTEM CENTER. UPPER LEVEL DIVERGENCE OF 10 X10-5 S-1 TO THE NORTHWEST OF THE SYSTEM CENTER. WIND SHEAR IS LOW TO MODERATE (10-15 KNOTS) OVER SOUTHEAST & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL. THE UPPER TROPOSPHERIC RIDGE IS SEEN ALONG 15.0°N OVER THE BOB. THE SYSTEM IS LIKELY TO BE STEERED WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF EAST-SOUTHEASTERLY WINDS AT MIDDLE & LOWER TROPOSPHERIC LEVEL TILL 1200 UTC OF 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY.

MOST OF THE MODELS INCLUDING GFS, NCUM AND ECMWF ARE INDICATING INITIAL WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS MOVEMENT OF THE SYSTEM FOLLOWED BY SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS RECURVATURE TOWARDS SRI LANKA COAST. IMD GFS IS INDICATING CROSSING OVER SOUTH SRI LANKA, NCUM IS INDICATING WEAKENING OVER SEA AND ECMWF IS INDICATING THE SYSTEM TO RECURVE SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS TOWARDS THE SOUTH OF SRI LANKA COAST. IMD MME IS INDICATING CROSSING OVER SRI LANKA AROUND 0900 UTC OF 1ST FEBRUARY.

IN VIEW OF ALL THE ABOVE, THE SYSTEM IS LIKELY TO MAINTAIN THE INTENSITY OF DEPRESSION TILL CROSSING. FURTHER, IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS TILL 0900 UTC OF 31<sup>ST</sup>, RECURVE SOUTH-SOUTHWESTWARDS THEREAFTER AND CROSS SRI LANKA COAST AROUND 0600 UTC OF 01ST FEBRUARY.

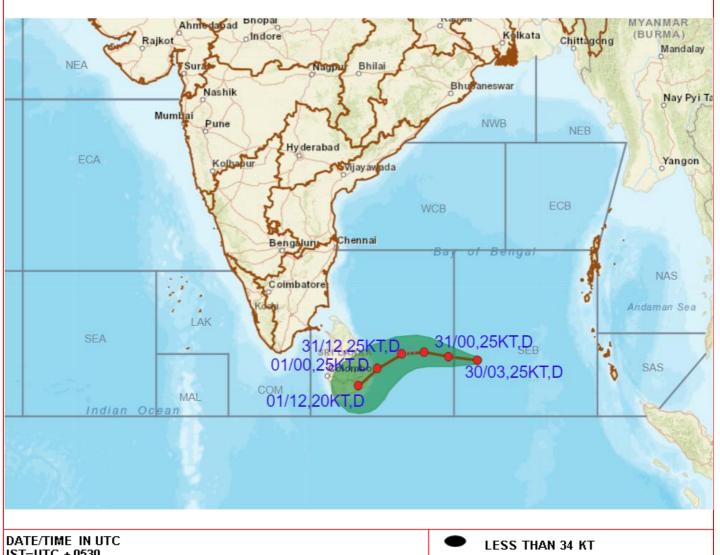
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## OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK OF DEPRESSION OVER SOUTHEAST AND ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0300 UTC OF 30th JANUARY, 2023.



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)



