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Subject: Cyclonic Storm Ditwah [Pronunciation: Ditwah] over coastal Sri Lanka & adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal: Cyclone Alert for north Tamil Nadu & Puducherry and adjoining south Andhra Pradesh coasts (Orange Message)

A low-pressure area formed over the Comorin and adjoining areas of southwest Bay of Bengal & Sri Lanka in the early morning hours (0530 hours IST) of 25th November, 2025. It lay as a well-marked low-pressure area over Southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining areas of Southeast Sri Lanka & Equatorial Indian Ocean in the early morning hours (0530 hours IST) of 26th November, 2025. It intensified into a **Depression** in the midnight (2330 hours IST) of 26th November 2025 over southwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining Sri Lanka coast. It moved north-northwestwards and intensified into a **deep depression** over the same region in the early morning hours (0530 hours IST) and into the **Cyclonic Storm Ditwah [Pronunciation: Ditwah]** in the noon (1130 hrs IST) of 27th November 2025 over the same region.

Moving further north-northwestwards, it lay centered at 1730 hrs IST of today, the 28th November 2025 over coastal Sri Lanka and adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal, near latitude 8.7°N and longitude 80.9°E, about 40 km west-northwest of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 140 km northwest of Batticaloa (Sri Lanka), 270 km south-southeast of Karaikal (India), 380 km south-southeast of Puducherry (India) and 490 km south of Chennai (India).

It is very likely to continue to move north-northwestwards across Sri Lanka coast & adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal and reach over southwest Bay of Bengal near North Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and adjoining south Andhra Pradesh coasts by early morning of 30th November.

Forecast track and intensity are given in Table below:

Date/Time (IST)	Position (Lat. °N/ Long. °E)	Maximum Sustained Surface Wind Speed (Kmph)	Category Of Cyclonic Disturbance
28.11.25/1730	8.7/80.9	65-75 gusting to 85	Cyclonic Storm
28.11.25/2330	9.0/80.8	65-75 gusting to 85	Cyclonic Storm
29.11.25/0530	9.4/80.7	70-80 gusting to 90	Cyclonic Storm
29.11.25/1130	9.8/80.6	70-80 gusting to 90	Cyclonic Storm
29.11.25/1730	10.2/80.5	70-80 gusting to 90	Cyclonic Storm
30.11.25/0530	11.1/80.3	60-70 gusting to 80	Cyclonic Storm
30.11.25/1730	12.1/80.3	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
01.12.25/0530	13.0/80.4	45-55 gusting to 65	Depression

(i) Rainfall Warning:

- ❖ **Tamil Nadu & Puducherry:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with **heavy to very heavy at many places & extremely heavy rainfall (>20 cm) at isolated places** over south coastal Tamil Nadu on 28th, over coastal Tamil Nadu on 29th and over north coastal Tamil Nadu & Puducherry on 30th November, 2025. Thereafter, rainfall would gradually decrease to light to moderate at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places on 1st December.
- ❖ **Coastal Andhra Pradesh-Yanam & Rayalaseema:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with **heavy to very rainfall** at isolated places on 29th November and **heavy to very heavy at a few places & extremely heavy rainfall (>20 cm) at isolated places on 30th November**. It would then decrease gradually becoming light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places on 1st December.
- ❖ **Kerala & Mahe:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely during 28th-29th November.
- ❖ **Telangana:** Light to moderate rainfall at a few places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely on 30th November.

(ii) Wind Warning:

(a) Southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar, Comorin area and along & off Sri Lanka coasts

Gale wind speed reaching 65-75 gusting to 85 kmph is prevailing. It would increase becoming 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph from night of 28th till 30th November morning. Thereafter it is likely to decrease gradually becoming squally wind speed reaching 55-65 gusting to 75 kmph by morning of 1st December.

(b) Along & off north Tamil Nadu & Puducherry Coasts

Squally wind speed reaching 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to increase becoming Gale wind speed reaching 60-70 gusting to 80 kmph is likely to prevail from evening of 28th November, 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph by 29th morning till 30th morning. Thereafter it is likely to decrease gradually becoming squally wind speed reaching 55-65 gusting to 75 kmph by 1st December morning.

(c) Along & off south Tamil Nadu coast

Squally wind speed reaching 55-65 gusting to 75 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to increase becoming Gale wind speed reaching 60-70 gusting to 80 kmph is likely to prevail along & off south Tamil Nadu from evening of 28th till 30th November. Thereafter it is likely to decrease gradually becoming squally wind speed reaching 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph by 1st December morning.

(d) Adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh coast:

Squally weather with wind speed reaching 35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph is prevailing. It is very likely to increase becoming squally winds speed reaching 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph from 28th evening and Gale wind speed reaching 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph from 29th evening till 30th morning. Thereafter, it is likely to decrease becoming squally wind speed reaching 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph on 01st December morning.

(d) Adjoining areas of Southeast Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep, Maldives and along & off Kerala coast:

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(iii) Sea Condition:

(a) Southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar, Comorin area and along & off Sri Lanka coasts

Very rough to high sea conditions are likely to prevail, it is likely to be high till 30th November. Thereafter it is likely to improve from 1st December morning.

(b) Along & off north Tamil Nadu & Puducherry Coasts

Rough to very rough sea conditions are prevailing. It is likely to become very rough to high sea conditions till 30th November. It is likely to improve gradually becoming very rough to rough from 1st December morning.

(c) Along & off south Tamil Nadu coast

Very rough to high sea condition are likely to prevail till 30th November midnight. It is likely to improve gradually becoming very rough to rough from 1st December morning.

(d) Adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh coast:

Moderate to rough sea conditions are prevailing and likely to become rough to very rough from 28th evening and high from 29th evening till 30th November. Thereafter, it is likely to improve gradually on 01st December morning.

(e) Adjoining areas of Southeast Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep, Maldives and along & off Kerala coast:

Rough to very rough sea conditions are likely during 28th-29th November.

Storm Surge Warning:

Storm surge of height about 1.0 to 1.5 m above the astronomical tide is likely to inundate the low-lying coastal areas of north Sri Lanka till 29th evening.

(iv) Fishermen Warning:

(a) Total suspension of fishing operations in coastal areas of Sri Lanka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh coasts till 01st December.

(b) Fishermen are advised not to venture into

- (i) Southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar, Comorin area and along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Sri Lanka coasts till 01st December.
- (ii) Adjoining areas of westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off Andhra Pradesh coast till 1st December.
- (iii) Adjoining areas of Southeast Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep, Maldives and along & off Kerala coast till 30th November.
- (c) Those out at sea should avoid southwest Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Mannar, Comorin area and along & off Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, south Andhra Pradesh & Sri Lanka coasts; adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal till 01st December and Southeast Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep, Maldives and along & off Kerala coast till 30th November.

(v) Impact Expected and Action Suggested due to heavy rain and strong winds (Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh)

Impact Expected

- ❖ Damage to thatched houses. Thatched Roof tops may blow off.
- ❖ Damage to power and communication lines.

- ❖ Damage to Kutchha and some damage to Pucca roads. Flooding of escape routes.
- ❖ Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of small trees. Large-scale damage to banana and papaya trees. Dead limbs may blow from trees.
- ❖ Damage to paddy crops, horticultural and standing crops due to inundation & winds.
- ❖ Possibility of coastal flooding and coastal erosion is also very likely over coastal districts of Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Inundation of low-lying areas in coastal districts due to heavy rainfall and flash flood
- ❖ Localized Flooding of roads, water logging in low lying areas
- ❖ Riverine flooding in some river catchments
- ❖ Occasional reduction in visibility due to heavy rainfall.
- ❖ Disruption of traffic due to water logging and squally/gale winds
- ❖ Localized Landslides/Mudslides.

Action suggested:

- ❖ Total suspension of fishing operations.
- ❖ Coastal hutment dwellers to be moved to safer places. People in affected areas to remain indoors.
- ❖ Take safe shelters; do not take shelter under trees, as there could be lightning.
- ❖ Movement in motor boats unsafe.
- ❖ Judicious regulation of offshore/onshore operations
- ❖ People are advised to keep a watch on the weather for worsening conditions and be ready to move to safer places accordingly.
- ❖ In case of expected lightning, unplug electrical/ electronic appliances, immediately, get out of water bodies and keep away from all the objects that conduct electricity.
- ❖ Tourism and recreational activities to be regulated.
- ❖ Surface transport and helicopter services to be regulated.

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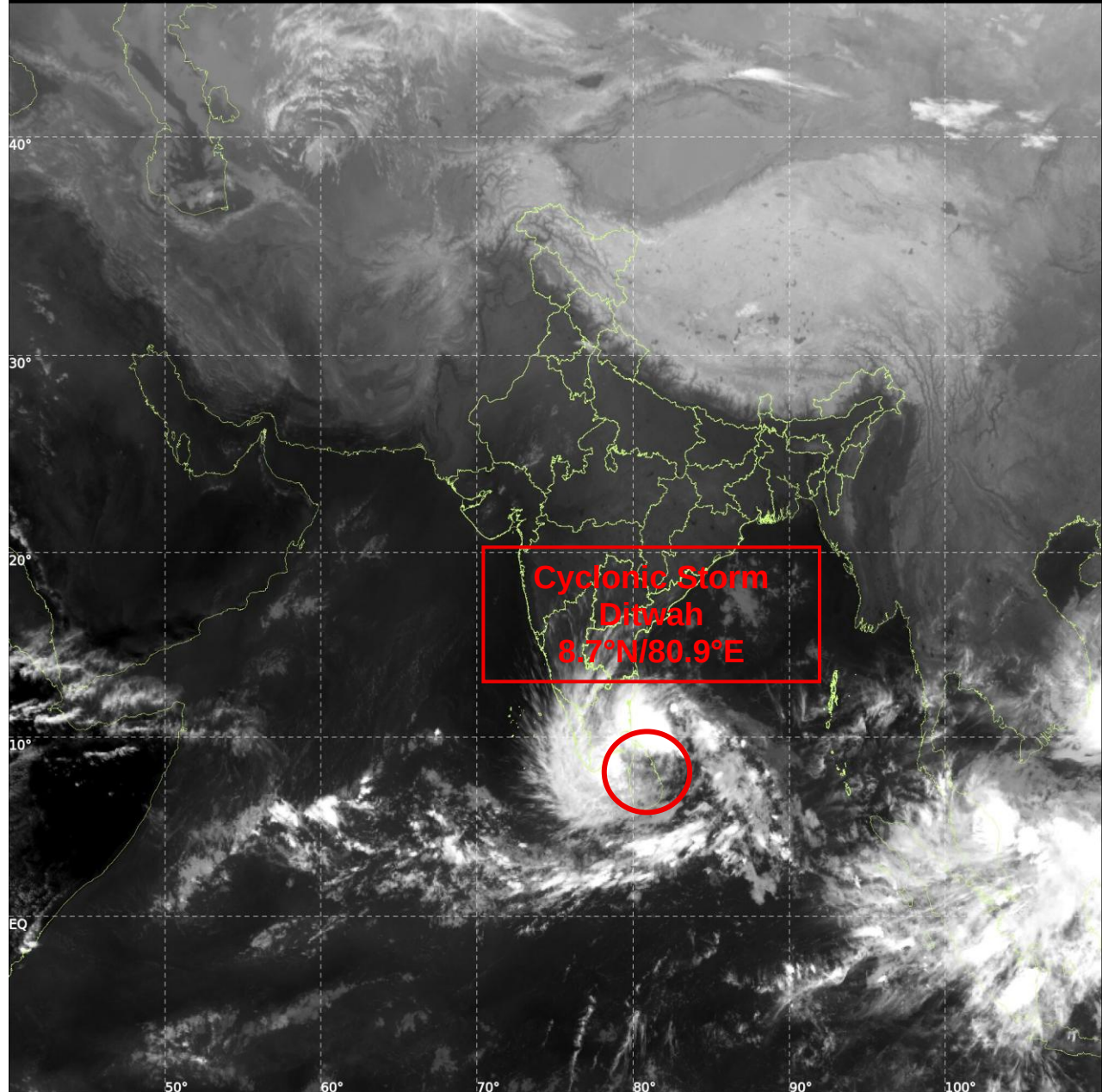
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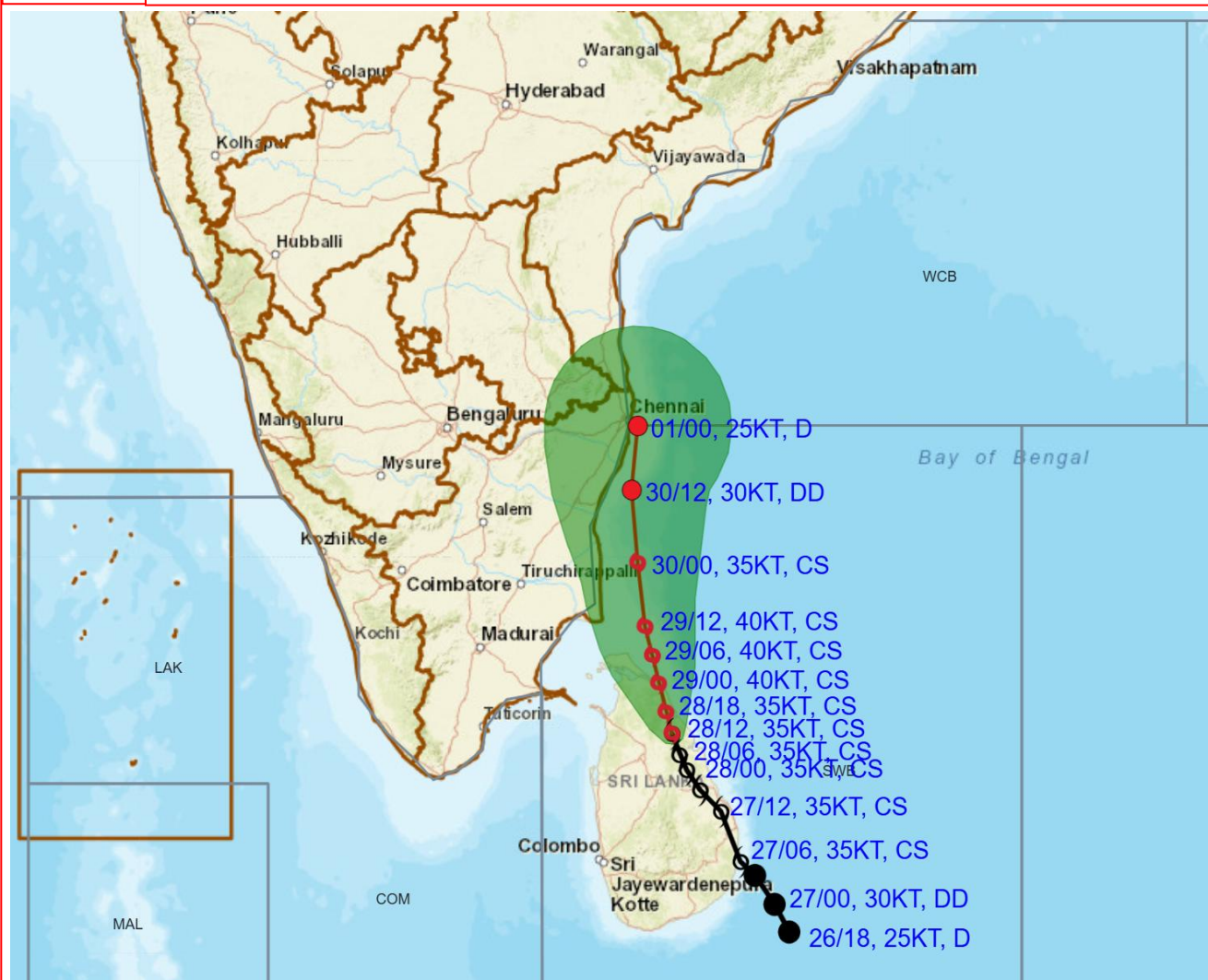
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**OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK OF CYCLONIC STORM “DITWAH”
OVER COASTAL SRI LANKA & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF
BENGAL BASED ON 1200 UTC (1730 Hrs. IST) OF 28TH NOVEMBER 2025**



DATE/TIME IN UTC

IST=UTC + 0530

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○ 34-47 KT

● ≥ 48 KT

— OBSERVED TRACK

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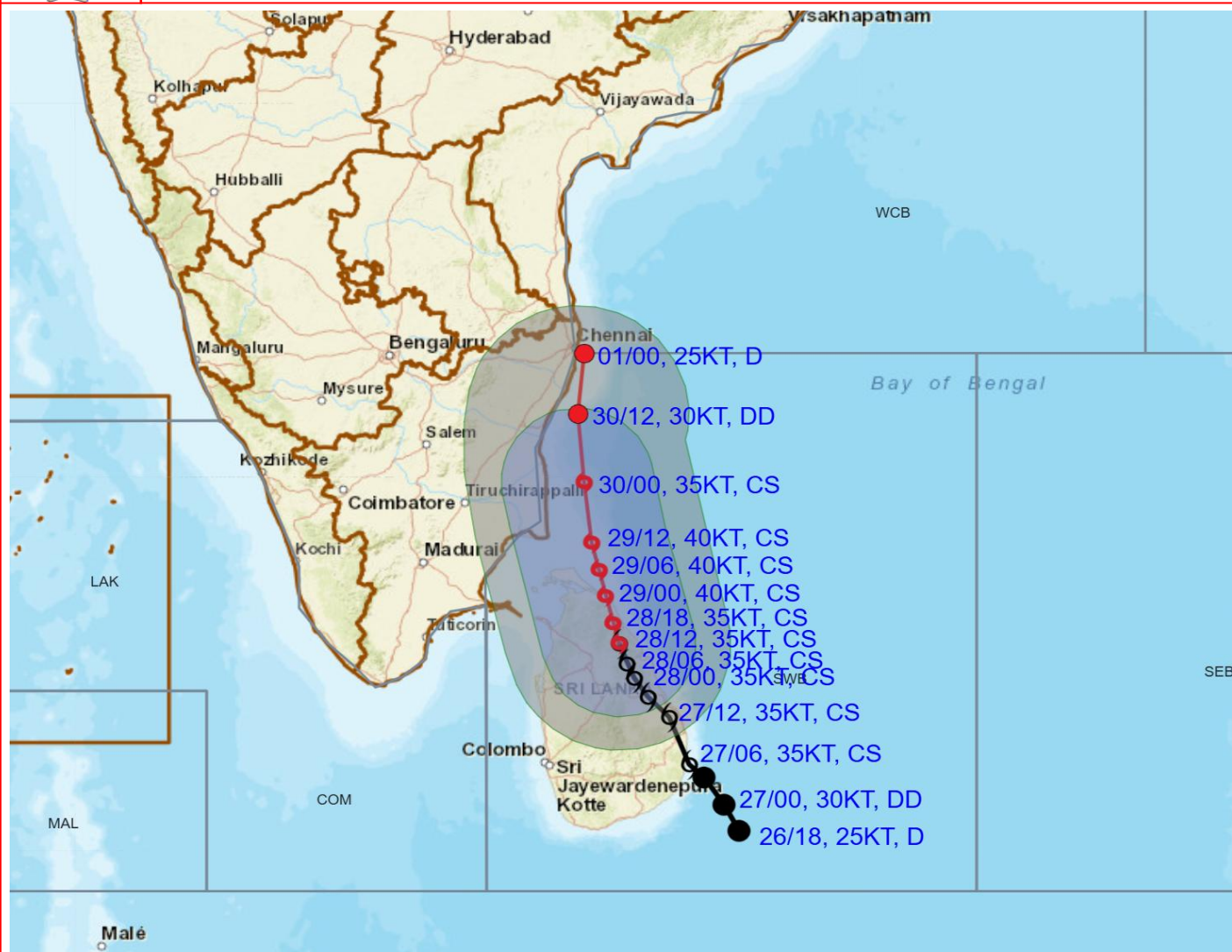
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Rainfall amount (mm): Heavy rain: 64.5 – 115.5, Very heavy rain: 115.6 – 204.4, Extremely heavy rain: 204.5 or more.



OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION OF CYCLONIC STORM "DITWAH" OVER COASTAL SRI LANKA & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 1200 UTC (1730 Hrs. IST) OF 28th NOVEMBER 2025



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AREA OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:

■ 28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)

■ 34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)

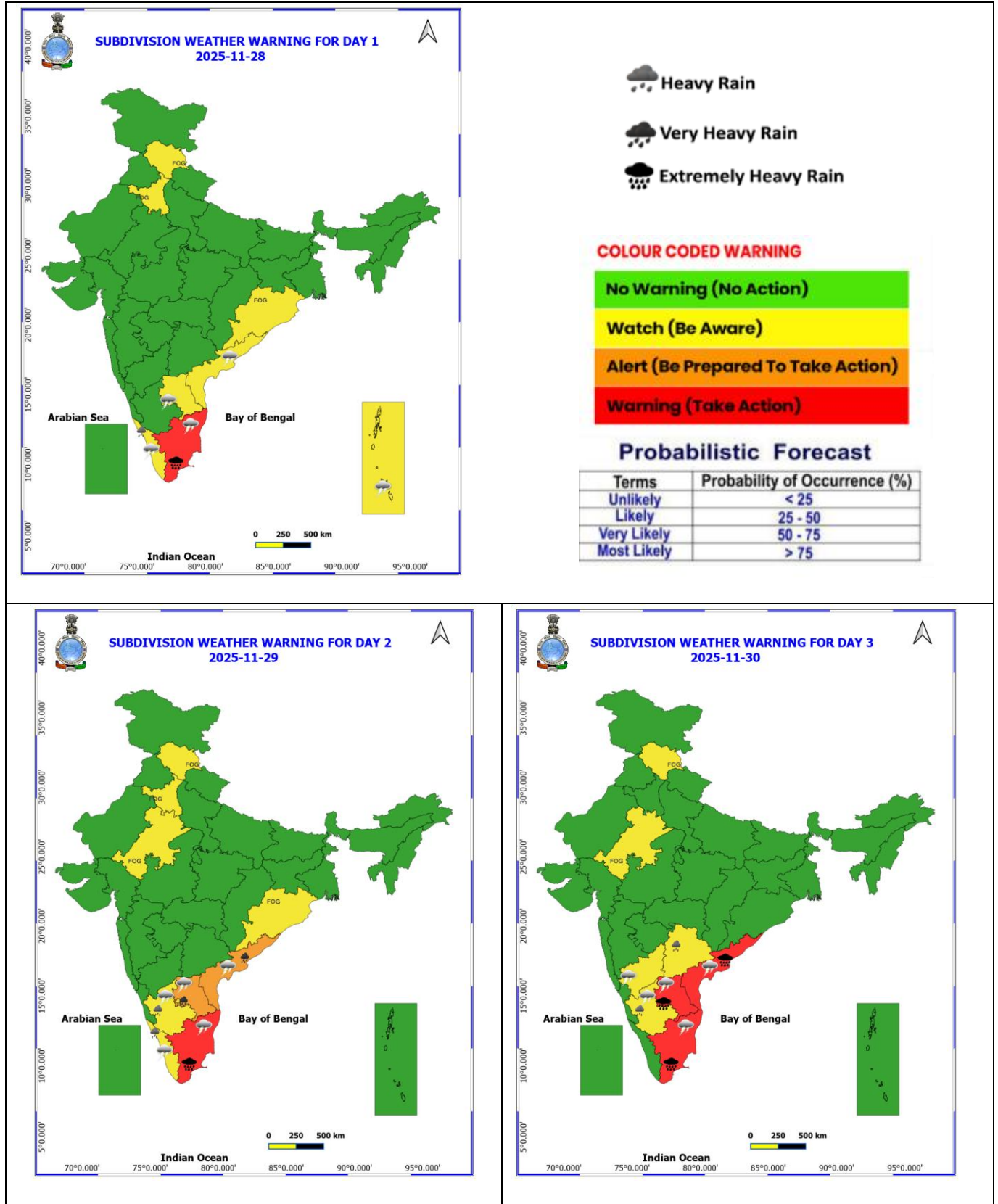
■ 50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)

■ ≥ 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

WEATHER WARNING GRAPHICS

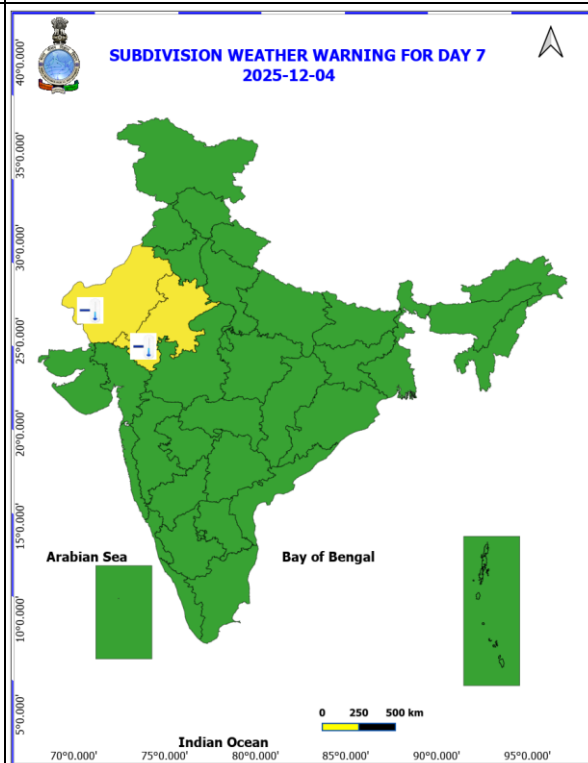
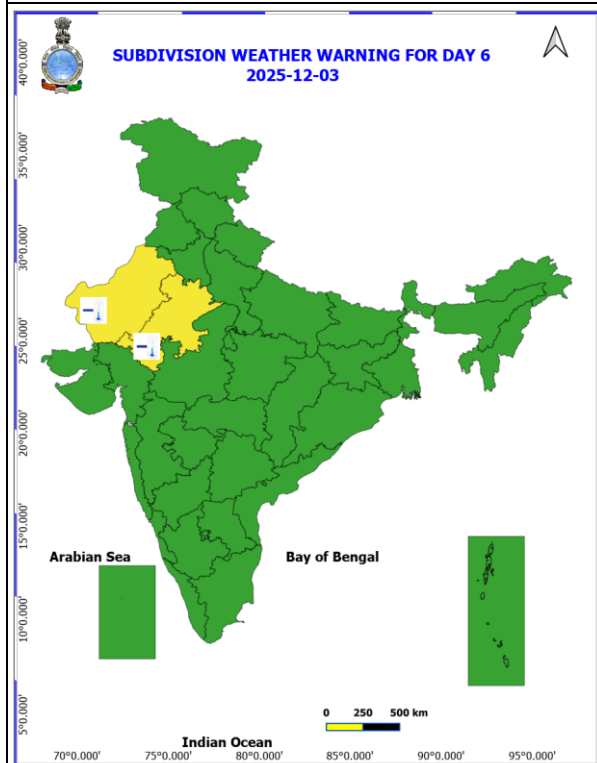
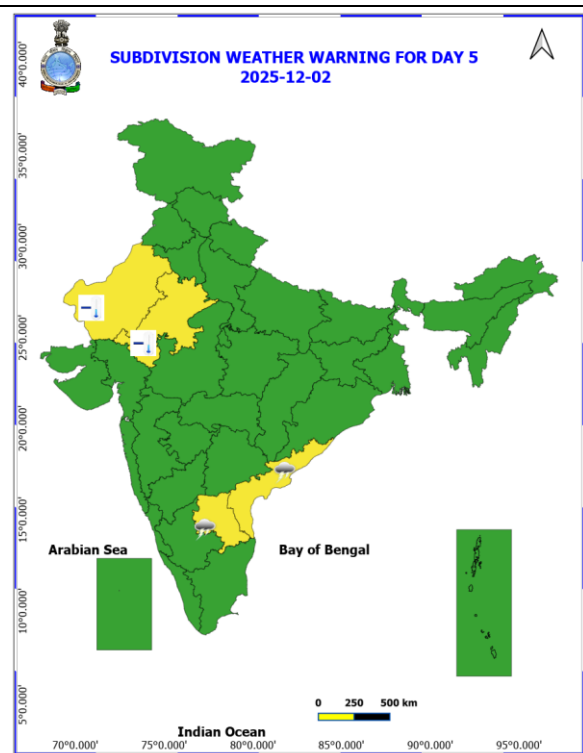
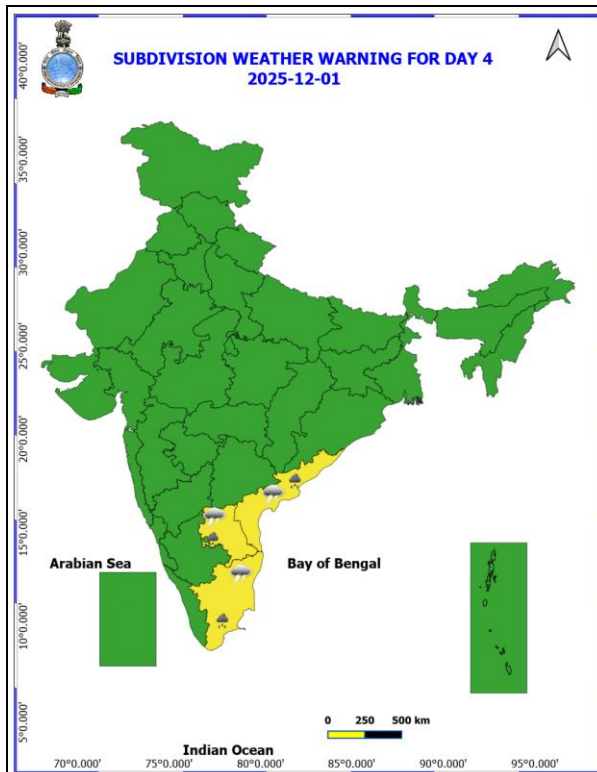


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- Action may be taken based on **ORANGE AND RED** COLOUR warnings.
- Vulnerable regions likely urban and hilly areas action may be initiated for heavy rainfall warning.
- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases.

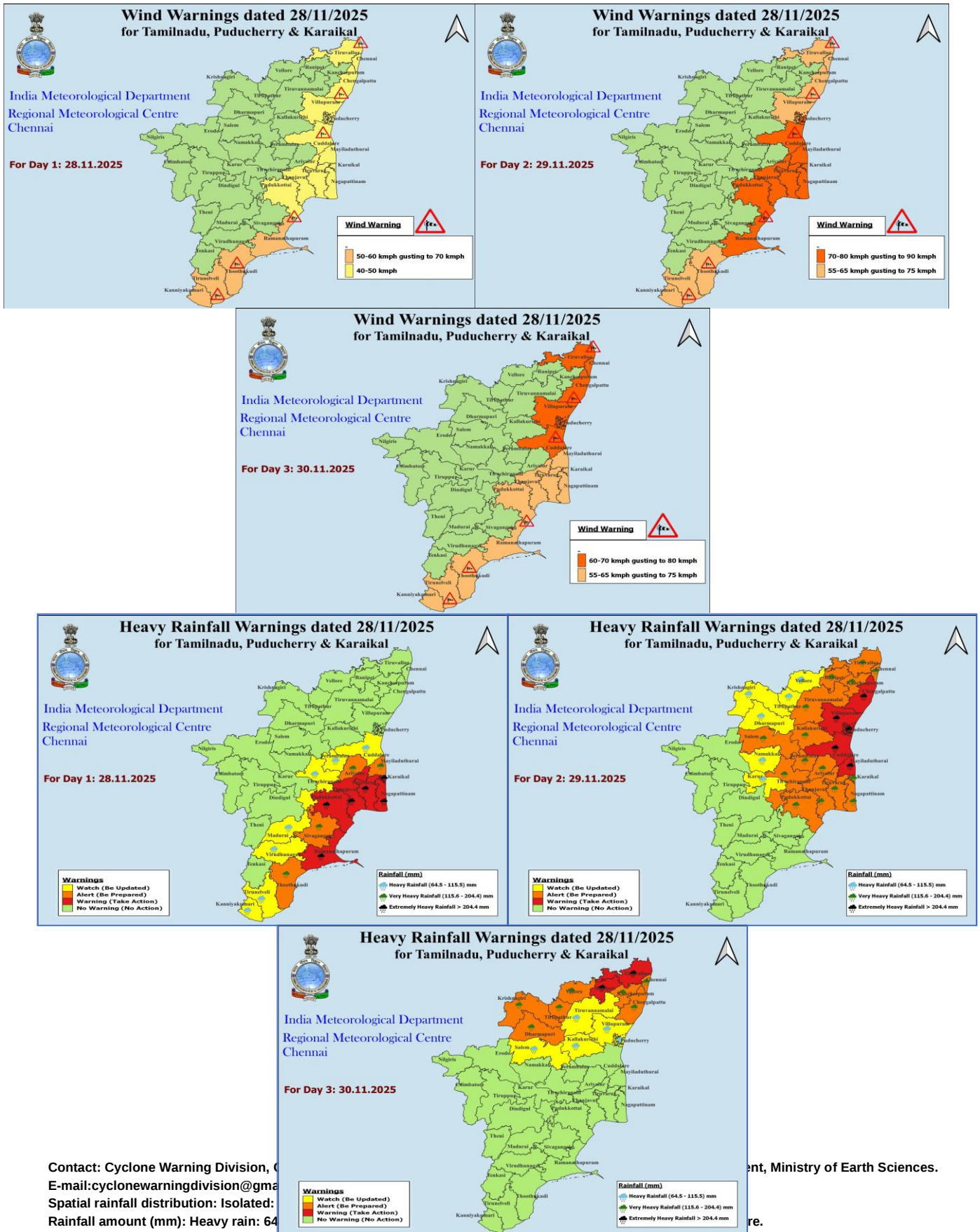
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District-wise Warning Graphics for Tamil Nadu & Puducherry



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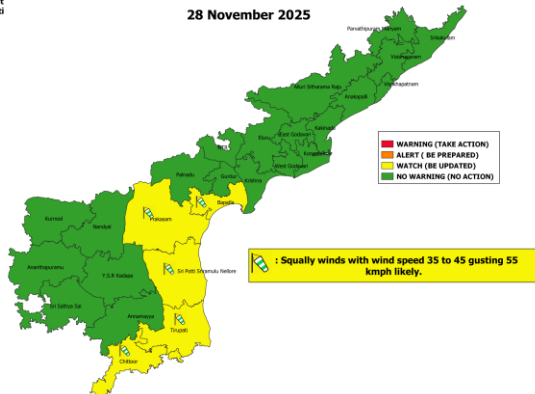
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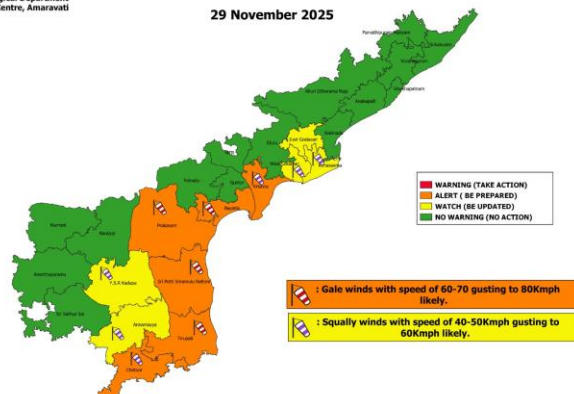
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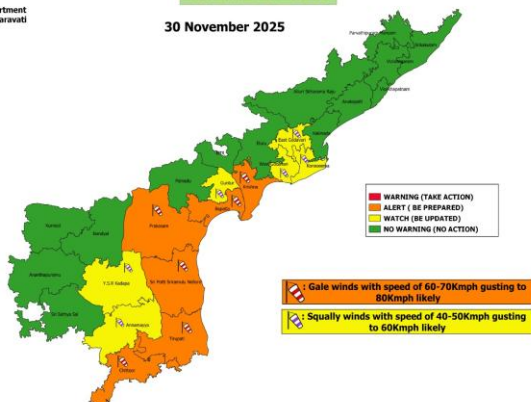
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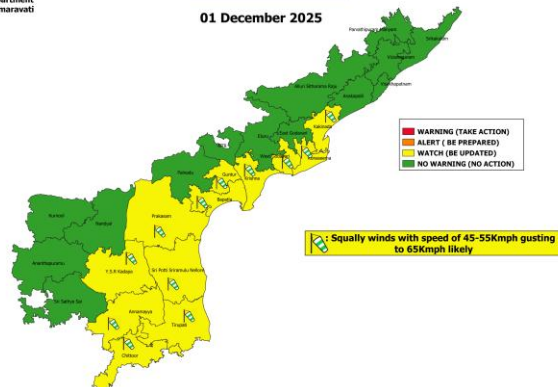
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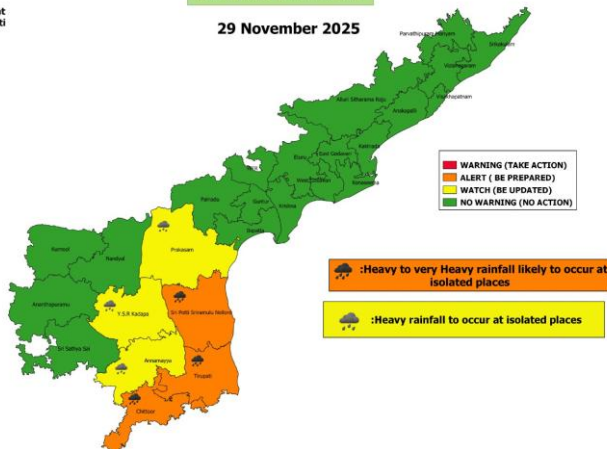
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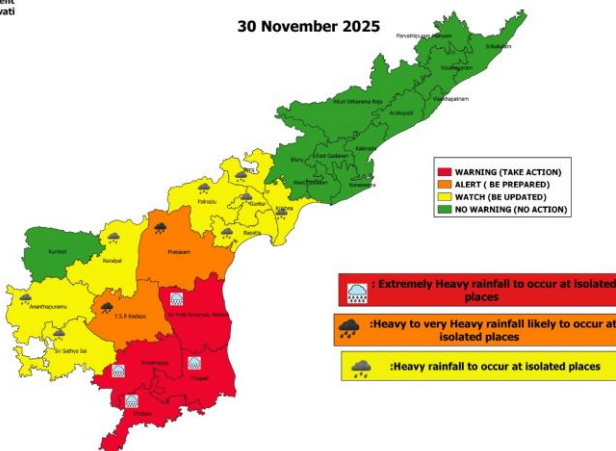
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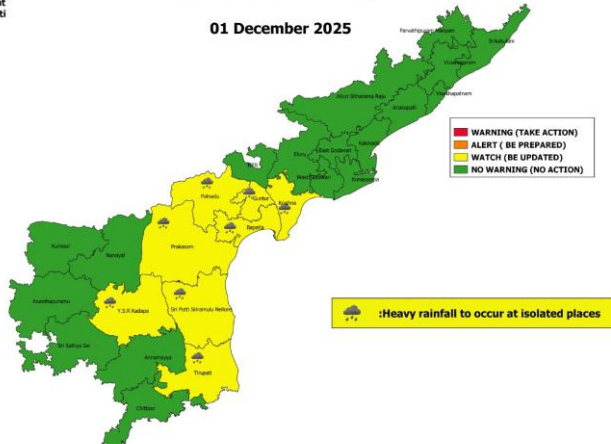
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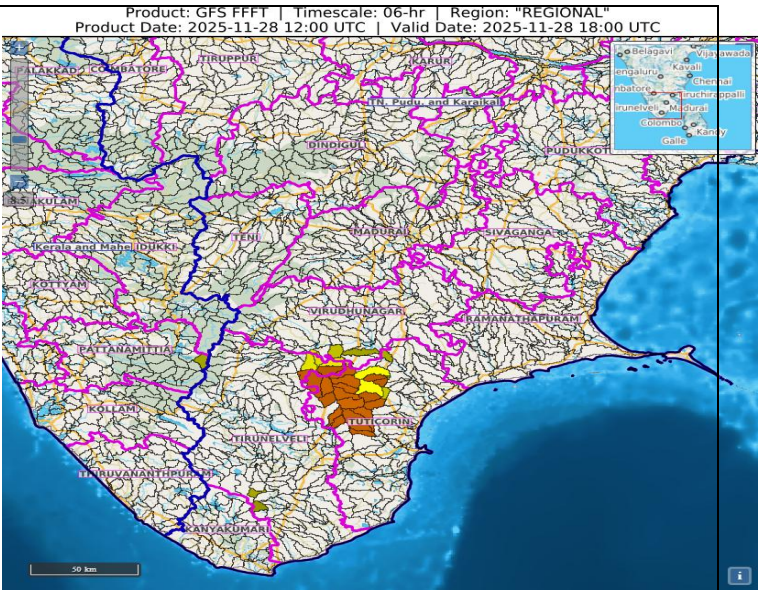
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Flash Flood Guidance

Persistent Flash Flood Threat (PFFT) till 2330 IST of 28-11-2025 :

Low to Moderate flash flood threat likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of following Met Sub-divisions during next 6 hours.

Tamil Nadu - Puducherry & Karaikal - Tirunelveli, Tuticorin and Virudhunagar districts.



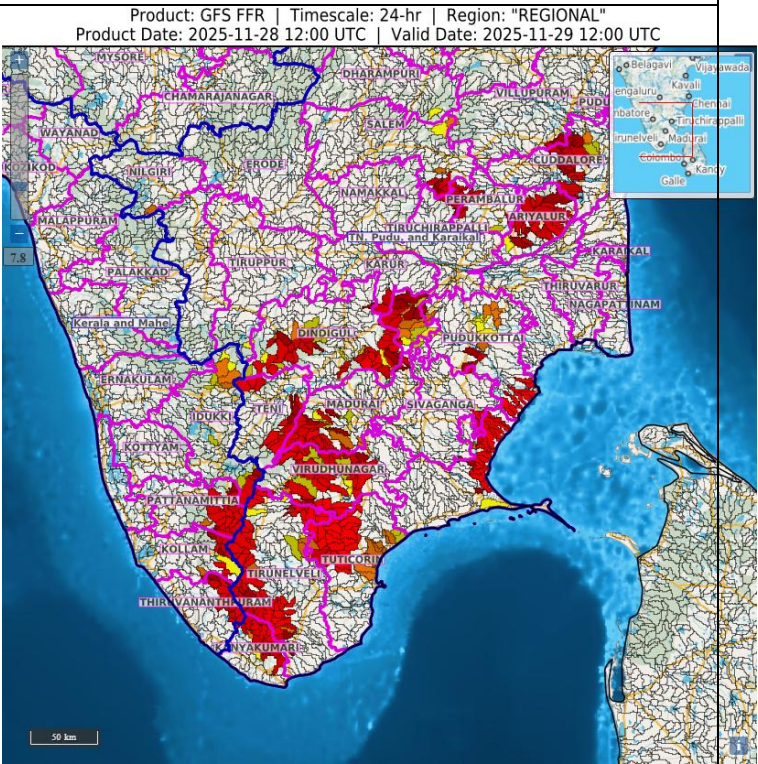
24 hours Outlook for the Flash Flood Risk (FFR) till 1730 IST of 29-11-2025 :

Moderate flash flood risk likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of following Met Sub-divisions during next 24 hours.

Kerala & Mahe - Idukki, Kollam, Pattanamittia and Thiruvananthpuram districts.

Tamil Nadu - Puducherry & Karaikal - Ariyalur, Cuddalore, Perambalur, Coimbatore, Dindigul, Kanyakumari, Karur, Madurai, Nagapattinam, Pudukkottai, Ramanathapuram, Salem, Sivaganga, Teni, Tiruchirappalli, Tirunelveli, Tiruppur, Tuticorin and Virudhunagar districts.

Surface runoff/ Inundation may occur at some fully saturated soils & low-lying areas over Area of Concern (AoC) as shown in map due to expected rainfall occurrence in next 24 hours.



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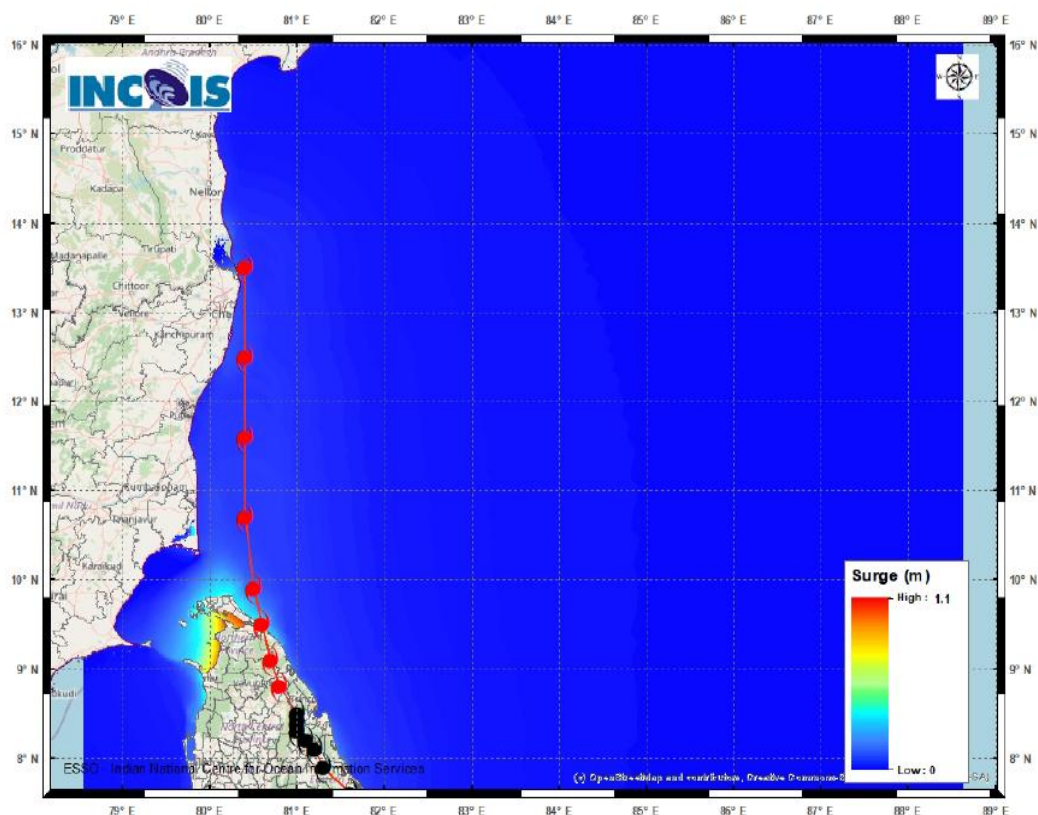
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Storm Surge Guidance

STORM SURGE HEIGHT INFORMATION:

* The below listed surge heights are over and above astronomical tide.

MANDAL/TALUK	DISTRICT	STATE / UNION TERRITORY	NEAREST PLACE OF HABITATION	STORM SURGE (m) *	EXPECTED INUNDATION EXTENT (km)
Chengalpattu	Kancheepuram	Tamil Nadu	Muthukadu	0.3-0.5	Upto 0.12
Ponneri	Thiruvallur	Tamil Nadu	Karimanal	0.2-0.4	Upto 0.15



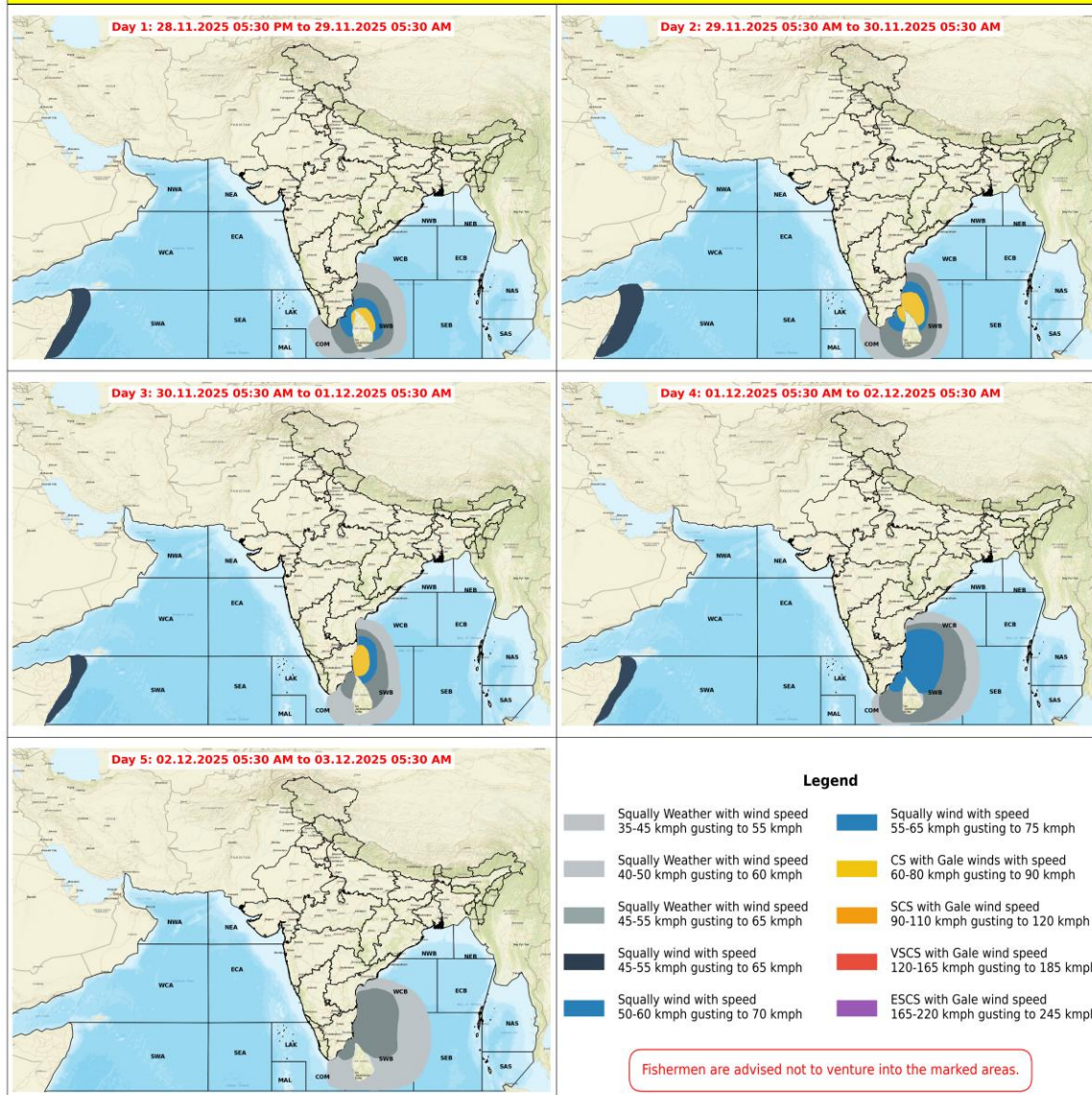
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