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Synoptic features (based on 0300 UTC analysis):

- There is likelihood of emergence of a cyclonic circulation over South Andaman Sea and neighbourhood around 26th November. Under its influence, a low pressure area is likely to form over South Andaman Sea and adjoining southeast Bay of Bengal around 27th November. It is likely to move west-northwestwards and intensify into a depression over southeast Bay of Bengal around 29th November.
- 2. A Cyclonic Circulation lies over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Arabian Sea & extends upto 1.5km above mean sea level.

Dynamical and thermo-dynamical features

Parameter	Bay of Bengal (BoB)	Arabian Sea (AS)			
Sea Surface	28-30 over major parts of BoB. 26-28°C over	29-30 over southeast, adjoining			
Temperature	parts of westcentral and north BoB.	southwest and eastcentral AS			
(SST) ⁰C		and north AS. 26-28 over most			
		parts of central adjoining AS.			
Tropical Cyclone	70-90 over Andaman Sea and parts of	100-110 over parts of south			
Heat Potential	eastcentral BoB. 90-100 over southwest	and eastcentral AS.			
(TCHP) kJ/cm ²	BoB.				
Cyclonic Relative	50 -60 over east equatorial region and	10-20 over South and			
vorticity (X10 ⁻⁶ s ⁻¹)	adjoining southeast BoB.10-20 over parts of	Eastcentral AS. 30-40 over			
	south BoB and south Andaman Sea. 40-50	Southwest AS off Somalia. 30-			
	over Bangladesh coast. 60-80 over Gulf of	40 over west EIO adjoining			
	Thailand at 850Hpa with vertical extension	southwest BoB.			
	upto 500 Hpa.				
Low Level	Extended zone of 5 over south Andaman	Zone of 10-15 over comorin			
convergence	Sea. 5 over southwest BoB.15-20 over gulf	area adjoining southeast AS. 5			
(X10⁻⁵ s⁻¹)	of Thailand	over southeast and adjoining			
		Eastcentral AS. Extended zone			
		of 5-15 over southwest			
		adjoining west EIO. 5 along			
		north Maharashtra Coast.			
Upper Level	Extended zone of 10 over Andaman Sea	10-20 over southwest adjoining			
divergence (X10 ⁻⁵	adjoining southeast BoB.10-20 over Gulf of	west EIO. 5-10 over southeast			
S⁻¹)		adjoining eastcentral AS along			

	Thailand and adjoining Andaman Sea.	Karnataka coast.				
Vertical Wind	5-15 knots over south Andaman Sea. 5-10	5-15 over the south AS, High				
Shear (VWS	over south BoB. 20 knots over parts of	of (>20 knots) over the central				
knots)	central BoB and north Andaman Sea. High	and North AS.				
Low: 05-10 knots	(>20knots) over central & north BoB. Low 5-					
Moderate:10-20	10 over Gulf of Thailand and adjoining					
knots	Andaman Sea.					
High: >20 knots						
Wind Shear	Decreasing over southwest BoB adjoining	Decreasing over Comorin area,				
Tendency (knots)	east EIO. Increasing over southeast and	northwest adjoining northeast				
	northwest BoB. Negative over gulf of	AS, along the coast of Yemen,				
	Thailand.	over southwest adjoining				
		southeast AS.				
Upper	Along 12°N over BoB.	Along 10 ⁰ N over AS.				
Tropospheric						
Ridge						

Satellite observations based on INSAT imagery (0600 UTC):

(a) Over the Bay of Bengal & Andaman Sea:-

Scattered Low and Medium Clouds with Embedded Moderate to Intense Convection lay over Westcentral Bay of Bengal adjoining South Coastal Andhra Pradesh, Southeast Bay of Bengal adjoining South Andaman Sea.

(b) Over the Arabian Sea:-

Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over eastcentral Arabian Sea adjoining south Karnataka coast. Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded moderate to intense convection lay over southeast Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep islands area and comorin area.

(c) Convection outside India:-

Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded moderate to intense convection lay over Gulf of Mannar Maldives north Tibet adjoining china gulf of Thailand Cambodia south Vietnam Sumatra strait of Malacca Malaysia Borneo south china sea java islands & sea Celebes islands & sea Philippines sulu sea north Madagascar north Mozambique channel and over Indian ocean between latitude 5.0N to 10.0S longitude 40.0E to 110.0E and between latitude 10.0S to 20.0S longitude 50.0E to 80.0E.

M.J.O. Index:

MJO index is currently in Phase 2 with amplitude greater than 1. It will remain in same phase till 28th Nov with amplitude greater than 1. It will enter phase 3 on 29th Nov with amplitude greater than 1, it will remain in phase 3 but amplitude will reduce to less than 1 on 3rd December. It will remain in phase 3 with amplitude less than 1 till 7th Dec.

Storms and Depression over South China Sea/ South Indian Ocean:

A low pressure area is centered near latitude 4.1N and longitude 107.8E at 0600 UTC of 14th November. Associated maximum sustained wind speed is 10-15 knots.

Input for FDP Cyclone based on 0000 UTC for the next 7 days

MODEL GUIDANCE	Bay of Bengal (BoB)	Arabian Sea (AS)		
IMD-GFS	Well marked low pressure area (WML) over South Andaman Sea on 26 th Nov, Moving northwestwards and becomes deep depression (DD) over southeast BoB and adjoining Andaman sea on 27 th Nov, It would cross Andaman and Nicobar island as DD/CS around 27 th /1200 UTC. Cyclonic storm (CS) over (10N/91E) southeast BoB on the 28 th Nov. It would move west-northwestwards with further intensification till 30 th Nov, thereafter it would move northwestwards with gradual weakening towards Westcentral Bay till 4 th Dec.	No significant system during next 7 days.		
IMD-GEFS	Low pressure area (LPA) over South Andaman Sea and adjoining Southeast BoB on 26 th Nov. It would move in west-northwestward and intensify into a depression over southeast BoB and adjoining Andaman Sea on 27 th Nov, deep depression (DD) over Southeast adjoining Eastcentral BoB on 28 th Nov. It would then move northward and intensify into CS over (15N/88E) Westcentral BoB on 29 th Nov. It would weakens over Eastcentral adjoining Northeast BoB as WML on 30 th Nov.	No significant system during next 7 days.		
IMD-WRF	No significant system during next 3 days.	No significant system during next 3 days.		
NCMRWF- NCUM	LPA over Southeast BoB on 1 st Dec. Depression over Southwest BoB on 3 rd Dec. Northwestwards movement towards Tamil Nadu coast is indicated as a depression. Fresh cycir over South Andaman sea on 1 st Dec. Low pressure area over Southeast BoB on 4 th Dec.	Cycir over Southwest AS on 25 th Nov. To move slowly westwards and intensify into LPA over Southwest AS on 1 st Dec, Depression over southwest AS on 3 rd Dec. DD over Southwest and adjoining		
NCMRWF- NEPS	Similar to NCUM Global	Similar to NCUM Global		
NCMRWF-UM (Regional)	No significant system during next 3 days.	No significant system during next 7 days.		
ECMWF	LPA over southeast BoB on 29 th Nov. WML over southeat & adjoining southwest BoB on 30 th Dec and Depression over the southwest on 1 st Dec. To move West-northwestward thereafter. Depression over southwest & adjoining westcentral BoB on 3 rd Dec.	No significant system during next 7 days.		
ECMM	ECMM is indicating formation of depression around 28 th Nov over South Bay of Bengal. Some of the ensemble members are indicating movement towards Tamil Nadu-Andhra Pradesh coasts and some members are indicating northeastwards recurvature towards Bangladesh coast.	No significant system during next 7 days.		
NCEP-GFS	LPA over South Andaman Sea on 27 th Nov, Depression over Southeast BoB adjoining Andaman Sea on 28 th Nov. To move west-northwestwards and intensify into a CS on 30 th Nov over southeast	No significant system.		

	BoB. Severe Cyclonic Storm (SCS) over Eastcentral	
	BoB on 1 st Dec. Weakening is indicated after 2 nd	
	December. WML near Bangladesh Coast on 3rd	
	Dec.	
IMD-Genesis	Potential zone over South Andaman Sea on 27th	Potential zone over
Potential	and 28 th Nov, over southeast BoB and adjoining	Southwest AS on 30 th Nov,
Parameter	Andaman Sea on 29th Nov, over southeast and	over Southwest adjoining
	adjoining eastcentral BoB on 30 th Nov over	westcentral AS on 1 st Dec.
	Eastcentral BoB on 1 st Dec.	

Summary and conclusion:

1. For Bay of Bengal:

Most of the models are indicating formation of depression over Bay of Bengal during 29th - 30th November. However, there is large variation among various models wrt area of formation, time of formation and peak intensification. IMD GFS and NCEP GFS are indicating likely emergence of a cyclonic circulation into south Andaman Sea around 26th with formation of low pressure area around 27th over south Andaman Sea. GFS group of models are indicating formation of depression around 28th, with further intensification into cyclonic storm and above intensity storm. These models are indicating initial west-northwestwards movement till 1st December, followed by north-northeastwards movement thereafter. However, gradual weakening is indicated from 3rd December over westcentral BoB. NCUM is showing very delayed formation of cyclonic circulation over southeast BoB on 29th, low pressure area on 1st December and depression over southeast BoB on 28th and intensification into depression on 30th November.

In view of all the above, it is inferred that there is likelihood of emergence of a cyclonic circulation over South Andaman Sea and neighbourhood around 26th November. Under its influence, a low pressure area is likely to form over South Andaman Sea and adjoining southeast Bay of Bengal around 27th November. It is likely to move west-northwestwards and intensify into a depression over southeast Bay of Bengal around 29th November.

Probability of Cyclogenesis (formation of depression and above intensity systems) over Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea during next 168 hours:

24	24-48	48-72	72-96	96-120	120-144	144-168
HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	LOW	MOD	HIGH

Every 24 hour forecast is valid upto 0300 of next day.

2. For the Arabian Sea:

Most of the models are indicating that there will be no significant system for the next seven days.

Probability of Cyclogenesis (formation of depression and above intensity systems) over the Arabian Sea during next 168 hours:

24	24-48	48-72	72-96	96-120	120-144	144-168
HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS	HOURS
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

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IOP: IOP for Andaman & Nicobar Islands for 27th and 28th.

ANNEXURE

















