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Tropical Cyclone Forecast Programme Report Dated 19th October, 2023

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Synoptic features (based on 0300 UTC analysis):

- Yesterday's cyclonic circulation over southeast Bay of Bengal in lower tropospheric levels persisted over the same region at 0830 hours IST of today, 19th October, 2023. It is likely to move northwestwards and under its influence a low pressure area is likely to form over central parts of Bay of Bengal by 21st morning. Thereafter, it is likely to intensify further into a depression over westcentral Bay of Bengal around 23rd October.
- Yesterday's Low Pressure Area over Southeast & adjoining Eastcentral Arabian Sea moved nearly westwards and lay over Southeast & adjoining southwest Arabian Sea at 0830 hours IST of today, the 19th October, 2023.

It is likely to move nearly west-northwestwards and become Well Marked Low Pressure Area over southwest Arabian Sea during next 24 hours and intensify into a Depression over southwest & adjoining westcentral Arabian Sea around 21st October.

Dynamical and thermo-dynamical features

Parameter	Bay of Bengal (BoB)	Arabian Sea (AS)			
Sea Surface	28-30°C over entire BoB.	28-30°C over entire AS. 30-31°C			
Temperature (SST) °C		surrounding the LPA and some			
		parts of southwest and			
		westcentral AS.			
Tropical Cyclone	100-120 over eastcentral BoB.	50-80 over southeast and			
Heat Potential	60-80 over most parts of BOB.	adjoining eastcentral AS,			
(TCHP) kJ/cm ²	Less than 30 along Andhra	adjoining southwest AS			
	Pradesh and Tamil Nadu	Less than 30 along the west			
	coasts, adjoining sea areas,	coast of India and most parts of			
	over Gulf of Mannar	If of Mannar AS.			
Cyclonic Relative	Positive vorticity of 50-60 over	er Positive vorticity of 60-70 around			
vorticity (X10 ⁻⁶ s ⁻¹)	central parts of south BOB with	h the system with vertical extension			
	vertical extension upto 700 hpa	upto 500 hPa, and 50-60 over			
	levels.	most parts of south and central			
		AS.			
Low Level	5-10 over southwest BOB and	10 around the system and over			
convergence (X10 ⁻⁵ s ⁻	adjoining Equatorial Indian	southeast & adjoining			
¹)	Ocean (EIO).	Lakshadweep area. 5 over the			

		southwest and adjoining				
	westcentral AS.					
Upper Level	10-20 over southwest BOB, 05-	20 around the system and central				
divergence (X10 ⁻⁵ s ⁻¹)	10 over southeast and adjoining	parts of AS. 10 over the				
	Andaman Sea.	westcentral and adjoining				
	southwest AS, off Kerala coas					
Vertical Wind Shear	High (30-40) over southwest,	, 5 over the system and high (20-				
(VWS knots)	adjoining southeast BoB and 25) for the rest of AS.					
	North BoB. Moderate (10-15)					
	over central BoB.					
Wind Shear	Decreasing tendency over	Decreasing tendency over				
Tendency (knots)	central parts of BoB.	southeast & adjoining southwest				
	Increasing tendency over most	AS & parts of eastcentral AS.				
	parts of BoB.	Increasing tendency over				
		southwest and westcentral AS.				
Upper tropospheric	c Along 22.0°N/65°E over AS					
Ridge						

Satellite observations based on INSAT imagery (0300 UTC):

(a) Over the BoB & Andaman Sea:-

At 0300 UTC, Scattered to Broken low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over south Bay of Bengal. Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded moderate to intense convection lay over central Bay of Bengal, Andaman sea and isolated weak convection lay over Northwest Bay of Bengal.

(b) Over the Arabian Sea:-

At 0300 UTC, Scattered to broken low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over central and adjoining south Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep islands area. Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded moderate to intense convection lay over comorin area.

(c) Convection outside India:

Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded moderate to intense convection lay over Sri Lanka, gulf of Mannar, Maldives, Tibet, China, Yellow Sea, East China Sea, South Myanmar, Thailand, Gulf of Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Gulf of Tonkin, Hainan, Sumatra, Strait of Malacca, Malaysia, Borneo, South China Sea, Java Sea, Celebes Islands & Sea Philippines, Sulu Sea, South Madagascar, South Mozambique Channel and over Indian ocean between latitude 5.0N & 10.0S longitude 47.0E & 100.0E.

M.J.O. Index:

MJO index is in Phase 1 with amplitude less than 1. It will continue in same phase during next 2 days with amplitude decreasing trend in amplitude. It will move to phase 8 from 22nd onwards.

Storms and Depression over South China Sea/ South Indian Ocean: Nil Input for FDP Cyclone based on 0000 UTC for the next 7 days

MODEL GUIDANCE	Bay of Bengal (BoB)	Arabian Sea (AS)		
IMD-GFS	LPA over southwest BOB adjoining	LPA over southwest and AS		
	southeast BOB (10N/86E) on 19th.	(9.5N/61.8E) on 19 th . WML/D over		
	extended low over westcentral and	southwest AS adjoining westcentral AS		

	adjoining eastcentral BOB (14N/85E) on 20 th , extended low over wstcentral and adjoining southwest BoB on 21 st till 23 rd , WML over westcentral BoB (15N/85E). Intensifies into Depression over westcentral BOB (19N/85.5E) along the coast of south Odisha on 25 th . WML over central parts of north BoB (20.5N/87E) along the coast of north Odisha on 27 th . System weakens to LPA further.	(10.5N/59.5E) on 20 th System intensifies to DD/CS over westcentral adjoining southwest AS (12N/57E) on 21 st Intensification to Cyclonic Storm over westcentral AS (13.5N/54E) on 22 nd . System weakens into DD over westcentral AS along the coast of Yemen (17.5N/53.5E) on 24 th . Crosses Yemen as LPA (18.5N/53E) on 25 ^{th.}
IMD-GEFS	LPA over central parts of BoB BoB (14N/89E) on 20 th , LPA over same region (14N/88E) on 21 st , becomes WML over westcentral BoB (14N/84E) on 22 nd , intensifies into D over westcentral BoB off Andhra Pradesh coast (15N/84E) on 23 rd , lay over westcentral & adjoining northwest BoB (19N/85E) on 24 th . It weakens as LPA over north BoB (22N/88E) thereafter.	WML over SW AS (10N/62E) on 19 th , D over same region (11N/60E) on 20 th . Further intensify into CS over westcentral AS on 21 st . SCS over westcentral AS (14N/54E) on 22 nd . To reach Oman coast (16N/55E) on 24 th with reduced intensity.
IMD-WRF	LPA over westcentral adjoining southeast BOB (13N/87.5E) on 19 th , extended low over westcentral adjoining eastcentral BOB (14N/87.5E) on 20 th , depression over the same region on 21 st .	LPA over southwest AS (11N/63E) on 19 th . WML over southwest AS (10N/57.5E) on 21 st . Intensifies into depression southwest adjoining westcentral AS (11N/54E) on 22 nd .
NCMRWF- NCUM	Cycir over southwest BoB adjoining southeast BoB (11N/86E) on 19 th . LPA over westcentral adjoining south BoB (13.5N/86.5E) on 21 st . WML/D over westcentral BoB (15N/87E) on 22 nd . Intensifies into Depression over westcentral BoB (17.8N/87.5E) on 23 rd . Further intensification to DD over northwest BoB (19N/90E) on 24 ^{th.} Gradually weakens into depression over northwest BoB (19.5N/90.5E), LPA over northwest BoB off Bangladesh coast (21N/92E) on 28 th	LPA over southwest AS adjoining southeast AS (10N/62.5E) on 19 th . LPA over southwest AS (11N/62E) on 20 th . WML over westcentral AS adjoining southwest AS (12.7N/59E) on 21 st . Intensifies into DD over westcentral AS
NCMRWF- NEPS	LPA over southeast BoB (13N/88E) on 21 st , becomes WML over westcentral BoB (14N/86E) on 22 nd . Intensify into D over same region (15N/88E) on 23 rd . Further intensification into DD in the evening of the same day (17N/88E). Further intensification into CS on 24 th over westcentral adjoining northwest BoB.	LPA over southwest AS (10N/61E) on 19 th , intensifies into D over southwest and adjoining westcentral AS (12N/58E) on 21 st , over westcentral AS (14N/54E) on 22 nd . Further intensifies into DD over same region (14N/52E) on 23 rd . Further intensification into CS over same region (14N/52E) in the evening of 23 rd . Starts weakening on 24 th over same region (14N/52E).
NCMRWF- UM (Regional) ECMWF	Cycir over southeast BOB adjoining southwest BOB (11N/87.5E) on 19 th . WML over central parts of BoB on 21 st . LPA over westcentral BoB (13.7N/85.5E)	Cycir over southwest AS (10N/62.5E) on 19 th . WML over southwest AS (10N/63.5E) on 20 th . LPA over southwest AS (10.2N/61.8E)
	on 21 st . Becomes WML over same region (14.5N/85.6E) on 22 nd . Remains WML over same region on 23 rd . To intensify into D over same region (16.6N/84.6E) on 23 rd	on 19 th , WML over southwest AS (9.7N/61.1E) over same region on 20 th . Remains WML over westcentral AS on 21 st . Intensifies into D over westcentral

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	/1800 UTC. To intensify into DD over same region (18N/84.6E) on 24 th /1800UTC.	AS (12.6N/56.2E) in evening of 21 st /1800UTC. Further intensifies into DD over same region (13N/55E) on 22 nd . Further intensification into CS over same region (13.2N/54.4E) on 22 ^{nd/} 0600UTC. Starts moving towards Yemen (14N/52.7E) on 22 nd /1800UTC. To cross Yemen and weaken over the same region (15.6N/51.2E) on 23 rd .	
NCEP-GFS	LPA on 20 th over central BoB (12.9N/88.5E), becomes WML over westcentral BoB (13.6N/87.0E) on 22 nd . To intensify as D over westcentral BoB (16.5N/88.2E) on 23 rd /1800 UTC. To move northwestwards remaining D over northwest BoB (19.1N/88.7E) on 25 th /0000 UTC. To intensify into DD over northwest and adjoining northeast BoB (19.1N/89.5E). To weaken as LPA over northeast BoB of Myanmar coast (20.2N/92.0E) on 26 th /0600 UTC.	LPA over southwest AS (10.7N/64.3E) on 19 th . Becomes WML over same region (10N/63E) on 20 th /0600 UTC. To intensify into D over same region (9.8N/62.7E) on 20 th /1200UTC. To further intensify into DD over southwest and adjoining westcentral AS (10.4N/62.2E) on 20 th /1800UTC. To further intensify into CS over same region (10.5N/62.3E) on 21 st	
IMD- Genesis Potential Parameter	A Potential zone for cyclogenesis over central parts of BoB on 19 th and westcentral BoB from 20 th -23 rd , over northwest and adjoining westcentral BoB on 24 th .	A potential zone for cyclogenesis over southwest AS on 19 th & 20 ^{th,} westcentral and adjoining southwest AS on 21 st and westcentral AS on 22 nd , 23 rd and 24 th .	

Summary and conclusion:

1. For the Bay of Bengal:

Over the Bay of Bengal, all the models including IMD GFS, GEFS, IMD WRF, NCUM(G), NEPS, ECMWF and NCEP GFS are indicating formation of a low pressure area over central parts of BoB by 21st October. Most of the models except GEFS are indicating further intensification of the system into a depression. Most of the models (except IMD GFS) are indicating likely northwestwards movement initially towards North Andhra Pradesh-Odisha coasts and then gradual northeastwards recurvature towards South Bangladesh-Myanmar coasts. Further intensification of this system is not indicating by various models.

Hence, it is inferred that there is high probability of formation of low pressure area over central parts of Bay of Bengal by 21st morning. Thereafter, it is likely to intensify further into a depression over westcentral Bay of Bengal around 23rd October.

Probability of cyclogenesis (formation of depression and above intensity systems) over the BAY OF BENGAL 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	Low	Moderate	HIGH	-

2. For the Arabian Sea:

Over the Arabian Sea, all the models (IMD GFS, IMD GEFS, NUM (G), NCUM (R), NEPS, ECMWF, NCEP GFS, IMD MME) are indicating formation of depression over southwest and adjoining westcentral Arabian Sea during 21st to 23rd October with NCUM group indicating depression slightly late and other models slightly earlier. All the models are indicating movement towards Oman-Yemen coasts. Models are also indicating slight weakening prior to landfall. NCUM group of models are indicating movement towards Gulf of Aden. IMD MME is indicating movement towards Oman-Yemen coasts, peak intensity of severe cyclonic storm (50-55 kts) and weakening before landfall. GPP is also indicating potential zone for cyclogenesis on 21st over southeast AS with gradual northwestwards movement towards Oman-Yemen coasts.

Hence, it is inferred that the low-pressure area over southeast & adjoining eastcentral Arabian Sea is likely to move west-northwestwards and become well marked low pressure area over eastcentral & adjoining southeast Arabian sea during next 24-hours and intensify into a depression over central Arabian sea around 21st October.

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	LOW	Moderate	High	-	-	-

"-"indicate that Cyclogenesis has already occurred. The above table indicates probability of cyclogenesis (formation of depression).

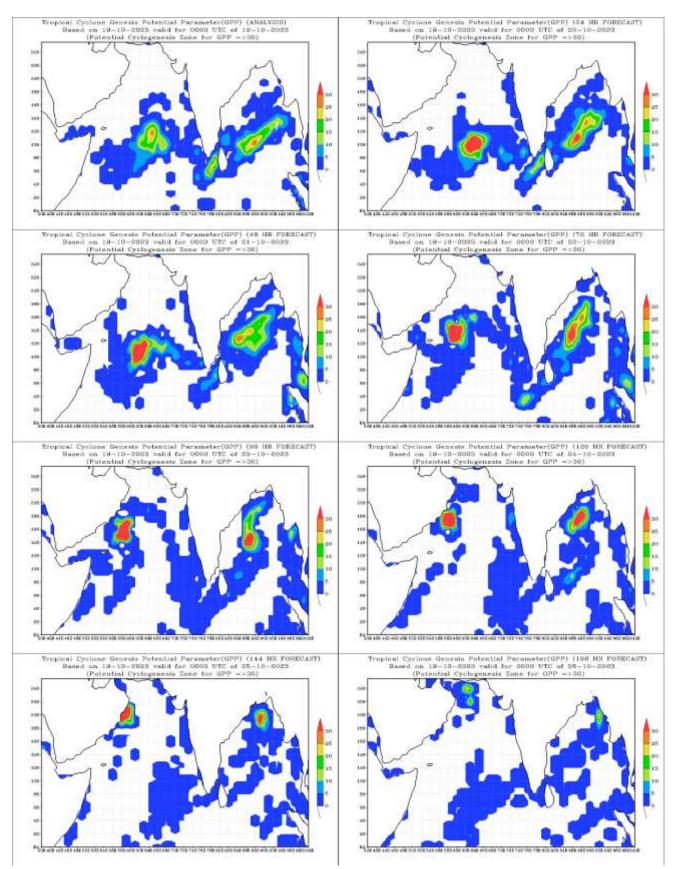
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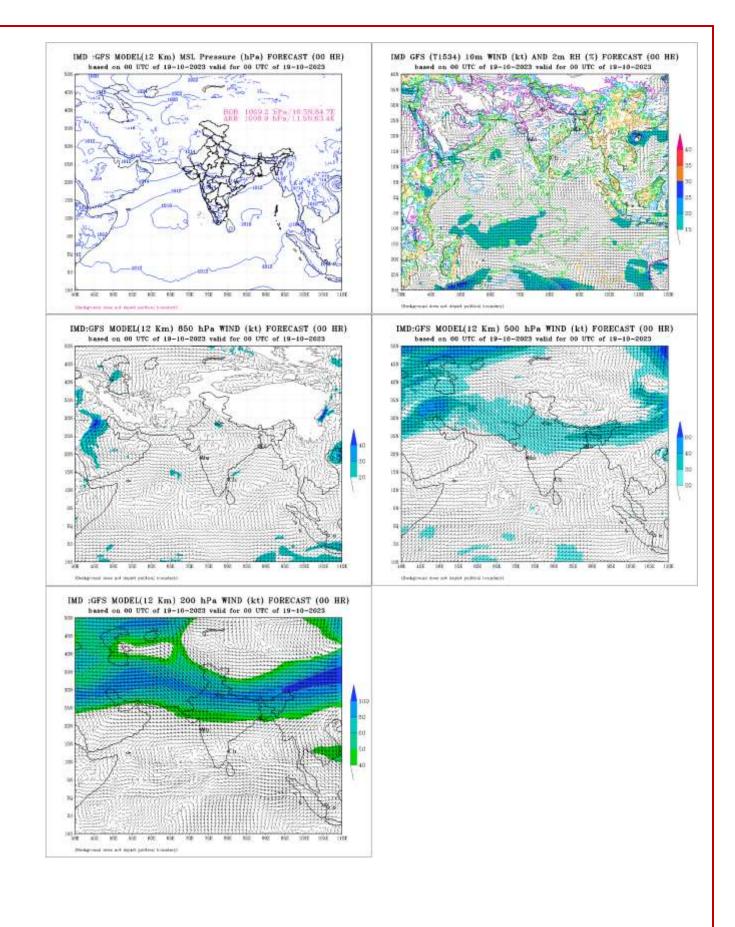
Both the cyclonic disturbances over the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal are under continuous watch and being monitored regularly. Fishermen are advised not to venture into following areas (Warning Graphics are placed in Annexure):

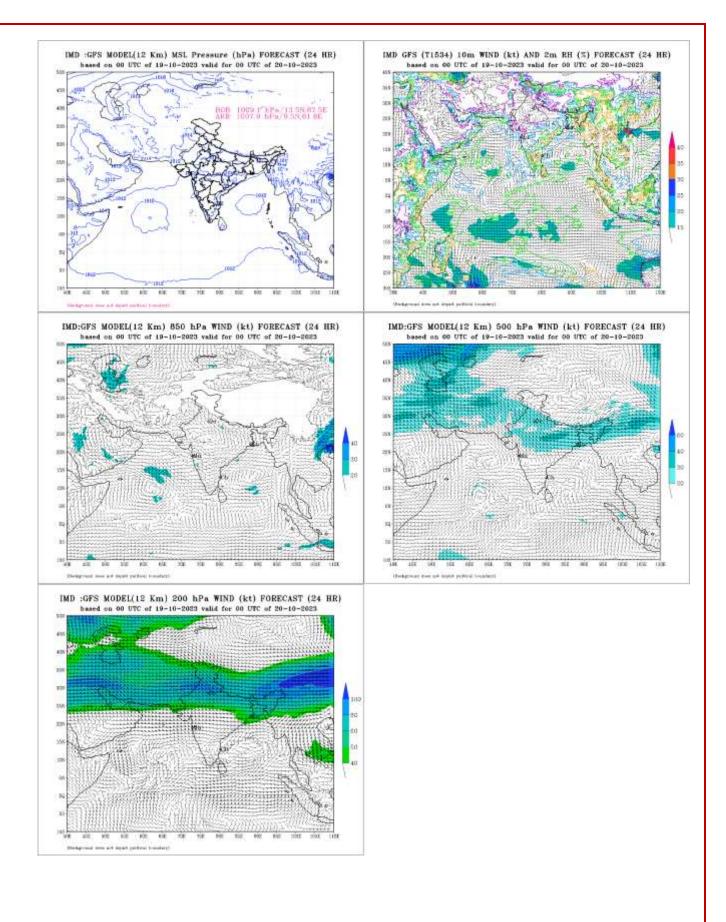
- Eastcentral Arabian Sea & Lakshadweep Area on 19th October.
- Southeast Arabian Sea on 19th & 20th October.
- Southwest Arabian Sea from 19th to 23rd October.
- Westcentral Arabian Sea from 20th to 23rd October.
- Southwest and adjoining southeast Bay of Bengal from 20th to 23rd October.
- Westcentral Bay of Bengal from 21st October onwards.

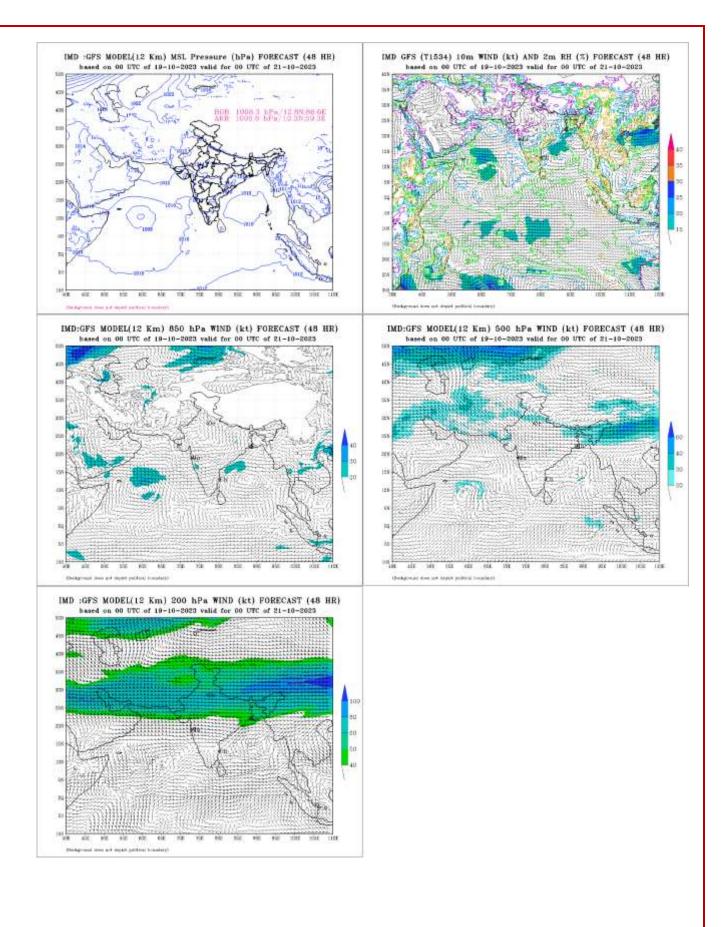
Intense Observation Period (IOP) is suggested for Oman and Yemen coasts on 24th and 25th October.

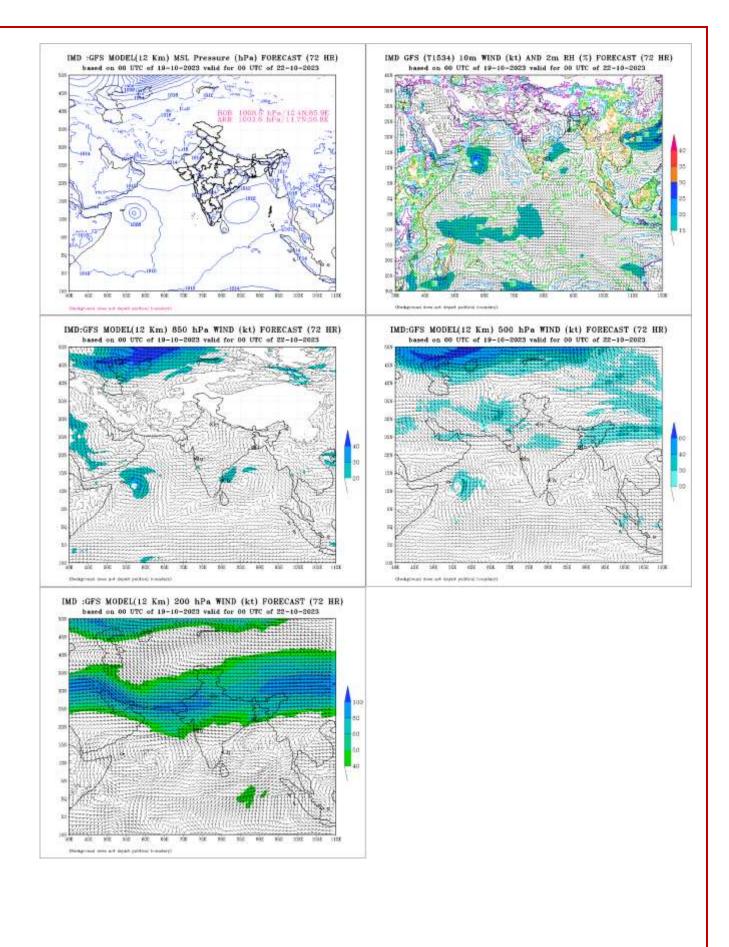
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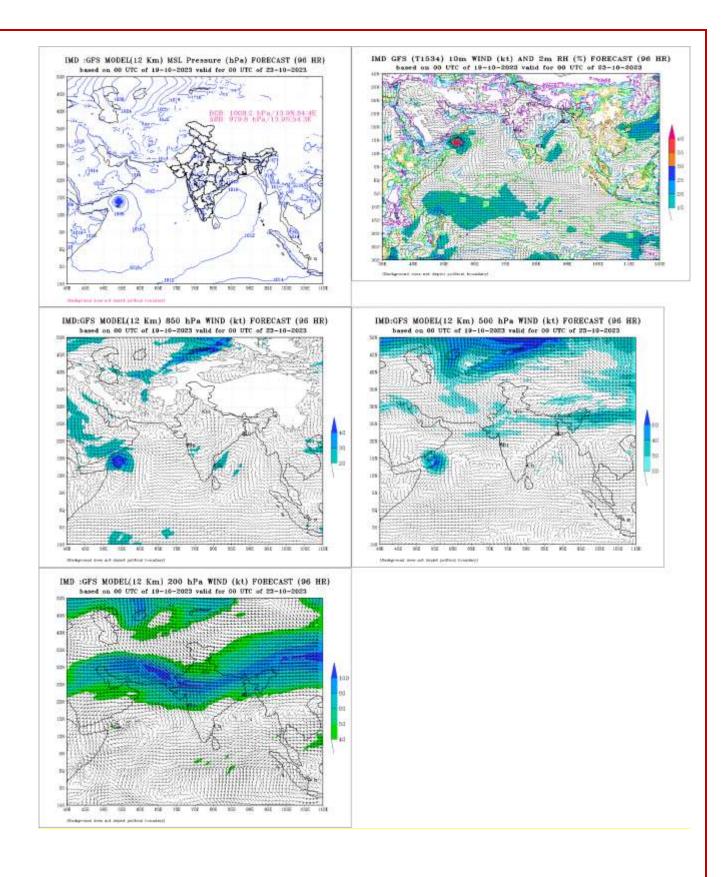


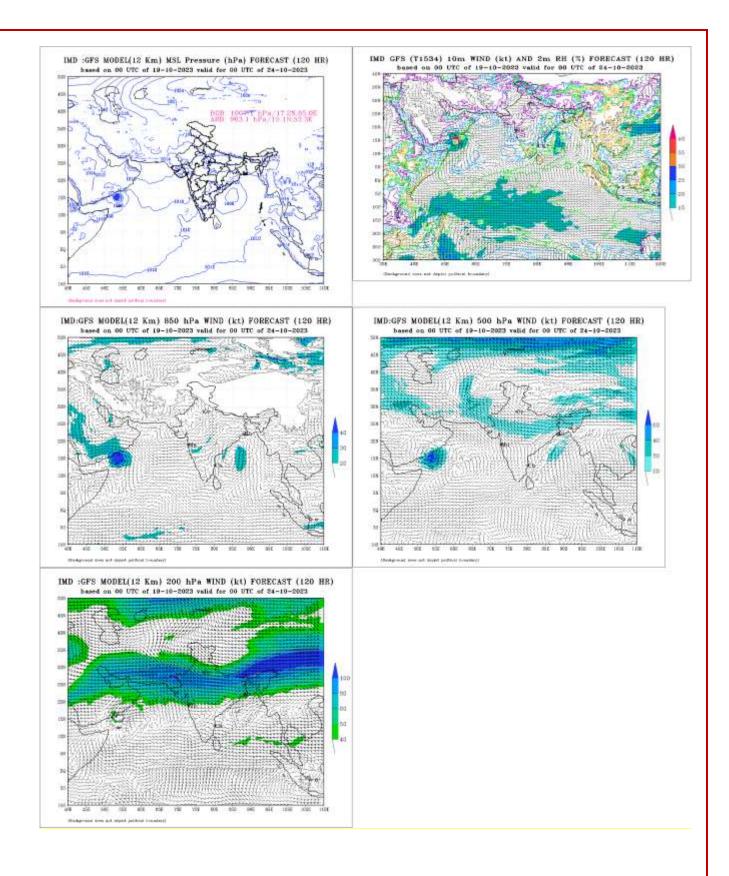


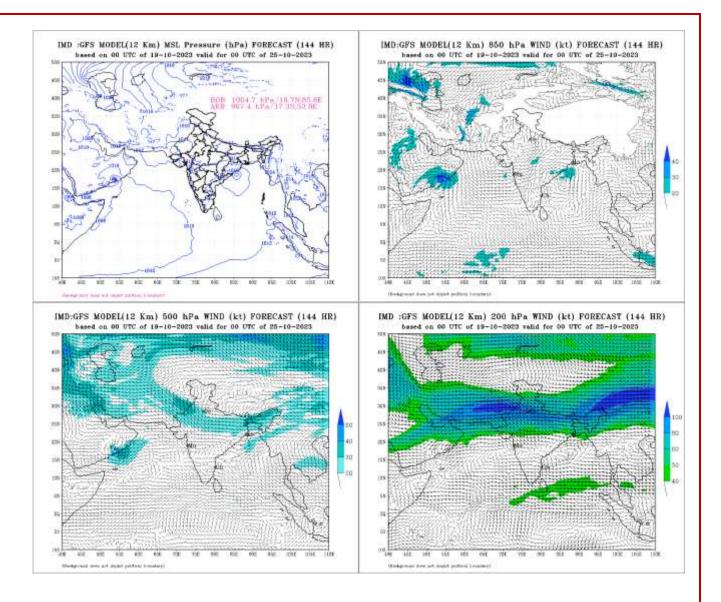


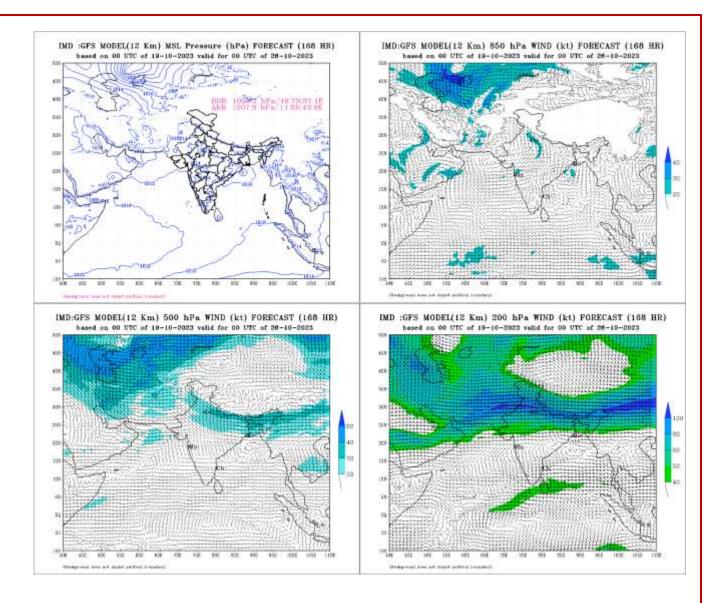


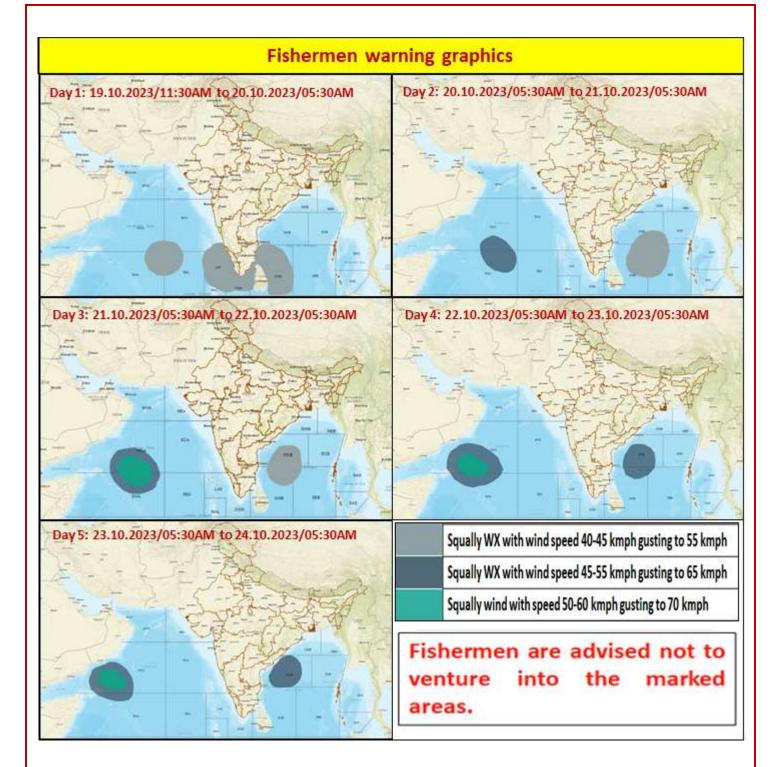












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