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Synoptic features (based on 0900 UTC analysis):

- Yesterday's cyclonic circulation over Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off South Andhra Pradesh & North Tamilnadu coasts became less marked at 0300 UTC of today, the 16th October.
- A cyclonic circulation lies over southeast Arabian Sea & adjoining Kerala coast in lower tropospheric levels and a trough runs from this cyclonic circulation to southwest Bay of Bengal in lower tropospheric levels
- ✤ A fresh cyclonic circulation is likely to form over north Andaman Sea & neighbourhood around 18th October 2022. It would move west northwestwards towards westcentral and adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal becoming low pressure area around 20th October, 2022.

| Parameter | Bay of Bengal (BoB) | Arabian Sea (AS) | | |
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| Sea Surface | About 29-31°C over entire BoB | 28-29°C over extreme north AS, | | |
| Temperature (SST) | and Andaman Sea except over | southeast & adjoining eastcentral | | |
| °C | some parts of southwest BoB and | AS and off Maharashtra-South | | |
| | over Comorin Area. | Gujarat coasts. 26-28°C over | | |
| | | eastcentral, westcentral and | | |
| | | southwest BoB. Less than 26°C | | |
| | | off Oman & Somalia coast. | | |
| Tropical Cyclone | (a) 110-120 over eastcentral BoB | (a) 60-80 over eastcentral & and | | |
| Heat Potential | and Andaman Sea off | also along & off west coast of | | |
| (TCHP) kJ/cm ² | Myanmar-Thailand coasts & | India. | | |
| | Sumatra Islands. | | | |
| | (b) 60-80 over western parts of | | | |
| | BoB and parts of southeast | | | |
| | BoB. | | | |
| | (c) 30-40 over some parts of | | | |
| | westcentral & southwest BoB | | | |
| | off TamilNadu & Andhra | | | |
| | Pradesh coasts and Comorin | | | |
| | Area. | | | |
| Cyclonic Relative | (a) Positive vorticity of 30-40 | (a) Positive vorticity of 30-40 over | | |
| vorticity (X10 ⁻⁶ s ⁻¹) | south Andaman Sea and | central AS with vertical | | |
| | adjoining southeast BoB with | extension upto 500 hPa level. | | |
| | vertical extension upto 500 | (b) 30-40 over southwest AS off | | |
| | hPa level. | Oman-Yemen coasts. | | |

Dynamical and thermo-dynamical features

| | | (c) 20-30 over Comorin area, | | | |
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| | | Lakshadweep area and | | | |
| | | adjoining southeast AS | | | |
| Low Level | 5-10 over south Andaman Sea | Small zones of value 05 over | | | |
| convergence (X10 ⁻⁵ | and adjoining Gulf of Thailand | eastcentral AS off Karnataka | | | |
| s ⁻¹) | and off Sumatra Islands. | coast and others over eastcentral | | | |
| | Small zone of value 05 over | AS and southwest AS. | | | |
| | southwest BoB and another zone | | | | |
| | of 05 over Comorin Area. | | | | |
| Upper Level | Divergence has further organized | 05-10 over southeast & adjoining | | | |
| divergence (X10 ⁻⁵ s ⁻ | during past 24 hours. 05-20 over | r eastcentral AS off Kerala- | | | |
| 1) | south Andaman Sea and | Karnataka coasts. | | | |
| | southeast BoB. | Well organized 05-20 over | | | |
| | | southwest AS. | | | |
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| Vertical Wind Shear | 5-20 (favourable) over major | 5-20 (favourable) over central & | | | |
| (VWS knots) | parts of central BoB and north | adjoining south AS. 15-20 over | | | |
| | BoB. | westcentral & adjoining | | | |
| | 25-30 (unfavourable) over | southwest AS. | | | |
| | extreme south BoB & adjoining | 25-30 (unfavourable) over | | | |
| | EIO and off South Sri Lanka | Comorin and Maldives. | | | |
| | coast. | | | | |
| Wind Shear | Decreasing over south Andaman | Decreasing over westcentral & | | | |
| Tendency (knots) | Sea and southwest BoB off | adjoining southwest AS. | | | |
| | TamilNadu coast. | | | | |
| Upper tropospheric | Along 20 .0°N over the BoB. | Along 20.0°N over the AS. | | | |
| Ridge | | | | | |

Satellite observations based on INSAT imagery (0900 UTC):

(a) Over the BoB & Andaman Sea:-

At 0900 UTC, scattered to broken low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over south BoB and South Andaman Sea. Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded isolated moderate to intense convection lay over North BoB, eastcentral BoB and North Andaman Sea.

(b) Over the Arabian Sea:-

At 0900 UTC, scattered low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over central AS and Lakshadweep Islands. Scattered low and medium clouds with embedded weak to moderate convection lay over southwest AS and Comorin area.

M.J.O. Index:

MJO index is currently in Phase 6 with amplitude greater than 1. It will continue in same phase for next 7 days with amplitude remaining greater than 1.

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

Vortex (NESAT) over South China Sea and neighbourhood near 19.7N / 120.0E with intensity T.No./C.I. No. 4.0/4.0 at 0600 UTC. Associated broken low and medium clouds with embedded intense to very intense convection lay over area between latitude 17.0N & 22.5N and longitude 115.0E & 123.0E, North Philipines and Taiwan.

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

| MODEL GUIDANCE | ВоВ | AS |
|-------------------|---|---|
| IMD-GFS | Cyclonic circulation (Cycir) over southwest BoB, on 16 th becoming less marked over North Tamil Nadu on 17 th . A fresh cycir likely to form over North Andaman Sea and adjoining eastcentral BoB on 17 th . It is likely to move nearly westwards and lie over southeast BoB as a cycir during 18 th to 20 th , as low on 21 st & 22 nd over southwest BoB, depression over southwest BoB on 23rd & 24 th , low over southwest BoB on 25 th and less marked on 26 th . | A cycir lies over central parts of south AS with near westwards movement till 18 th . |
| | 22 nd . Lies as a low (low pressure area) over North Andaman Sea on 23 rd , cyclonic storm (CS) over westcentral & adjoining northwest BoB on 24 ^{th,} severe cyclonic storm (SCS) over central parts of North BoB on 25 th and less marked on 26 th . | |
| IMD-GEFS | Extended circulation over central & adjoining south BoB during 17 th to 20 th . Lies as a low over southwest BoB on 21 st , westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB on 22 nd , well marked low pressure area (WML) over same region on 23 rd , depression over central parts of BoB on 24 ^{th.} | A cycir lies over southeast AS on 16 ^{th.} Moving nearly westwards lies over southwest & adjoining southeast AS on 17 th , southwest AS on 18 th , becoming less marked on 19 th . A fresh cycir over eastcentral AS off Maharashtra-Goa coasts during 17 th - 19 th . |
| IMD-WRF | Cycir over interior TamilNadu on 16 th becoming less marked thereafter. Another cycir over south Andaman Sea on 16 th . Lies as a cycir over central parts of Andaman Islands on 17 th , over eastcentral BoB on 18 th & westcentral BoB on 19 th with gradual west-northwestwards movement. | A cycir lies over southeast AS on 17 th , lies over central & adjoining south AS on 18 th , becoming less marked on 19 ^{th.} Another cycir over eastcentral AS off Maharashtra-Goa coasts on 17 th , lies as a cycir over eastentral AS on 18 th & 19 th . |
| NCMRWF- NCUM | A cycir likely to form over North Andaman Sea on 16 th & 17 ^{th.} It is likely to move west-northwestwards and lie over central BoB on 18 th , as a low over westcentral BoB on 19 th , as a WML over westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB on 20 th , as a depression over southwest & adjoining westcentral BoB on 21 st , Cyclonic Storm over southwest & adjoining westcentral BoB off Chennai coast on 22 nd and as depression over North interior TamilNadu on 23 rd , WML over Karnatak coast on 24 th , WML over | A cycir lies over central AS on 16 th , lies as LPA over southwest AS on 17 th & 18 th with gradual southwestwards movement and less marked thereafter. Fresh cycir over |

| NCMRWF- NEPS | Maharashtra-Goa coast on 25 th and less marked thereafter. A cycir likely to form over central parts of BoB on 17 ^{th.} It is likely to move west-northwestwards and lie as a low over westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB on 18 th , WML over southwest & adjoining westcentral BoB on 19 th & depression over same region on 20 th , as a deep depression over southwest & adjoining westcentral BoB on 21 st , SCS over Chennai on 22 nd and depression over | eastcentral AS on 18 th off Maharashtra coast, extended circulation over eastcentral AS upto southwest AS on 19 th , low over central AS on 20 th and less marked thereafter. A cycir lies over southeast & adjoining eastcentral AS during 16 th – 18 th , low over eastcentral AS on 19 th , cycir over central AS on 20 th becoming |
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| | Karnataka on 24 th , WML over same region on 25 th and less marked thereafter. | |
| NCMRWF- UM (Regional) | Cycir lies over eastcentral BoB on 16 th and 17 th ., LPA over eastcentral BoB on 18 th becoming more marked on 19 th over the same region. | A cycir lies over southeast & adjoining eastcentral AS, persist over same region on 17 th , lies over central & adjoining south AS on 18 th , becoming less marked on 19 th |
| ECMWF | A cycir over central Andaman Sea on 16 th & over eastcentral BoB on17 th & 18 th & westcentral BoB on 19 th , westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB on 20 th , low over south & adjoining central BoB on 21 st , WML/ depression over westcentral BoB on 22 nd and depression over westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB on 23 rd , deep depression over westcentral BoB on 24 th and cyclonic storm over North Andhra Pradesh & adjoining South Odisha on 25 th , WML over North Odisha on 26 th . | A cycir lies over southeast & adjoining eastcentral AS, on 16 th , lies over westcentral AS on 17 th , low over westcentral AS on 18 th weakening thereafter |
| ECMWF- EPS | Not available | |
| NCEP-GFS | Cyclonic circulation (Cycir) over southwest BoB, on 16 th becoming less marked over North Tamil Nadu on 17 th . A fresh cycir likely to form over North Andaman Sea and adjoining eastcentral BoB on 17 th . It is likely to move nearly westwards and lie over southeast BoB as a cycir on 18 th , as low over eastcentral BoB on 19 th , depression over eastcentral BoB on 20 th , deep depression over westcentral BoB on 21 st , cyclonic storm over westcentral BoB on 23 rd , crossing North Andhra Pradesh-South Odisha coast as a VSCS on 24 th . | A cycir lies over central parts of south AS with near westwards movement till 18 th . |
| IMD- Genesis Potential Parameter | A Potential zone over South Andaman Sea & adjoining Gulf of Thailand on 17 th & 18 th , another zone over eascentral BoB on 18 th . Two potential zones over North Andaman Sea & eastcentral BoB on 19 th , merger of two zones into a single consolidated zone over North | Potential zone over southeast AS during 19 th – 20 th , over eastcentral AS on 21 st off Karnataka coast, |
| | Andaman Sea & adjoining eastcentral BoB, single | consolidated single |

| consolidated circular zone over central parts of BoB on | zone over eastcentral |
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| 21 st , slight weakening of potential zone over westcentral | AS on 22 nd & 23 rd , |
| BoB on 22 nd , consolidated zone over westcentral BoB | |
| on 23 rd | |

Summary and conclusion:

1. For the Bay of Bengal:

There is large variation among various models w.r.t. development of fresh cycir over Andaman Sea and it's movement & intensification. Most of the models are indicating development of cycir over Andaman Sea during 16th-18th. However, NCUM group is indicating it's intensification into low around 18th, while GFS group & ECMWF are indicating formation of low around 20th. Similarly NCUM group is indicating depression around 21st and GFS & ECMWF around 23rd. There is also variation among various models wrt track of the system. NCUM group is indicating nearly westwards movement towards North Tamil Nadu. GFS & ECMWF are indicating nearly north-northwestwards movement towards North Andhra Pradesh-south Odisha. However, most of the models are indicating intensification of the system into a cyclonic storm.

Hence, it is inferred that, a fresh cycir is likely to form over central and adjoining North Andaman Sea around 17th/ 18th. It is likely to move west-northwestwards, become a low around 19th/20th over eastcentral & adjoining southeast BoB and concentrate into a depression over westcentral & adjoining southwest BoB around 22nd. Further intensification needs to be monitored.

The environmental conditions like SST and ocean thermal energy are favourable over south & central BoB for formation of low/depression. The La Nina conditions supported with negative IOD conditions will support the movement of remnant circulations from South China Sea to Andaman Sea with possible further intensification. However, MJO being in phase 6 with amplitude more than 1, will not be supportive for amplification of convection and hence the system.

2. For the Arabian Sea:

The cycir over southeast & adjoining Kerala coast is likely to persist over same region during 16th & 17th, lie over central & adjoining south AS on 18th and become less marked thereafter. **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 | NIL | NIL | LOW | MODERATE |

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| NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |

Advisory:

The intensification & movement of cycir likely to form over Andaman Sea around 17th/18th need to be monitored.

IOP is suggested for Andaman & Nicobar Islands on 19th.

Annexure

















