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HIGH SEA FORECAST FOR MET. AREA VIII (N)

AREA OF COVERAGE: AREA OF THE INDIAN OCEAN ENCLOSED BY LINES FROM THE INDO-PAKISTAN FRONTIER AT 23°45'N 68 DEG E TO 00 DEG N 6 DEG E, THENCE TO CAPE GARDAFUI; THE EAST AFRICAN COAST SOUTH TO THE EQUATOR, THENCE TO 95 DEG E, TO 6 DEG N, THENCE NORTH EASTWARDS TO MYANMAR/THAIL FRONTIER IN 10 DEG N 98 DEG 30'E NORTHWARDS COVERING ENTIRE BAY OF BENGAL.

VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.

PART-I STORM WARNING: NIL.

PART-II SYNOPTIC WEATHER SYSTEM AT 0300 UTC: SEASONAL WEATHER.

PART-III AREA FORECAST:

**AREA: ARB A1 (ARABIAN SEA)-EQUATOR TO 10 DEG N W OF 80 DEG E.**

**ARB A1-FORECAST VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE-LY 05/10 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.0 MTR.

III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 73 DEG E: SCATTERED RA/TS.

2) REST AREA: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 73 DEG E: MODERATE.

2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**ARB A1-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE/E-LY 05/10 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.0 MTR.

III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 72 DEG E: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.

2) REST AREA: ISOLATED RA/TS.

IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 72 DEG E: POOR.

2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**ARB A2-ARABIAN SEA: -23 DEG 45 MIN N 68 DEG E TO 00 DEG N 63 DEG E TO CAPE GARDAFUI TO N OF 10 DEG N. 55.**

**ARB A2-FORECAST VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/15 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.

III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 72 DEG E TO THE S OF 13 DEG N: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.

2) REST AREA: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 72 DEG E TO THE S OF 13 DEG N: POOR.

2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**ARB A2-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) W OF 70 DEG E: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/10 KTS.

2) REST AREA: N/NW-LY 05/15 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.

III) WEATHER: 1) S OF 13 DEG N: ISOLATED RA/TS.

2) REST AREA: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: 1) S OF 13 DEG N: GOOD.

2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**BOB A3-BAY OF BENGAL: EQUATOR TO 10 DEG N BETWEEN E OF 80 DEG E WEST OF 10**

**DEG N/98 DEG 30 MIN E TO 6 DEG N/95 DEG E THENCE S-WARDS TO EQUATOR.**  
**BOB A3-FORECAST VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) N OF 5 DEG N: NE-LY 10/15 KTS.  
2) REST AREA: SE/E-LY 05/10 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: SCATTERED RA/TS.
- IV) VISIBILITY: MODERATE.

**BOB A3-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) N OF 5 DEG N: NE/E-LY 05/10 KTS.  
2) REST AREA: S/SE-LY 05/10 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.1-1.0 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: WIDESPREAD RA/TS.
- IV) VISIBILITY: VERY POOR.

**BOB: A4: BAY OF BENGAL N OF 10 DEG N E OF 80 DEG E.**

**BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) S OF 14 DEG N: SCATTERED RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) S OF 14 DEG N: MODERATE.  
2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) W OF 87 DEG E TO THE S OF 16 DEG N: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) W OF 87 DEG E TO THE S OF 16 DEG N: POOR.  
2) REST AREA: GOOD.

ADVISORY: PLEASE BE AWARE. WIND WAVE FORECASTS ARE AVERAGES. WIND GUSTS CAN BE 40 PER CENT STRONGER THAN THE FORECAST. MAXIMUM WAVE HEIGHT CAN BE TWICE THE FORECAST WAVE HEIGHT.

NEXT FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 17/1700 UTC.

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