

GLOBAL MARITIME 162230 IST

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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 18 UTC OF 16TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 18TH MARCH 2026.

PART-I STORM WARNING: NIL.

PART-II SYNOPTIC WEATHER SYSTEM AT 1200 UTC:

THE UPPER AIR CYCLONIC CIRCULATION OVER SOUTHEAST ARABIAN SEA ALONG & OFF LAKSHADWEEP AREA AT 3.1 KM ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL PERSISTS.

PART-III AREA FORECAST:

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

ARB A1-FORECAST VALID FROM 18 UTC OF 16TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026.

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE-LY 05/15 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.

III) WEATHER: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: GOOD.

ARB A1-FORECAST VALID FROM 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 18TH 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 71 DEG E: SCATTERED RA/TS.

2) REST AREA: ISOLATED RA/TS.

IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 71 DEG E: MODERATE.

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 18 UTC OF 16TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026.

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) W OF 70 DEG E: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/15 KTS.

2) REST AREA: NW/N-LY 10/15 KTS.

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.

III) WEATHER: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: GOOD.

ARB A2-FORECAST VALID FROM 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 18TH MARCH 2026.

I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) W OF 70 DEG E TO THE S OF 20 DEG N:

ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/10 KTS.

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

II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.

III) WEATHER: FAIR.

IV) VISIBILITY: 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 18 UTC OF 16TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026.

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE-LY 05/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.1-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: SCATTERED RA/TS.
- IV) VISIBILITY: MODERATE.

BOB A3-FORECAST VALID FROM 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 18TH MARCH 2026.

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

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

BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 18 UTC OF 16TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026.

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) S OF 20 DEG N: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/15 KTS.
2) REST AREA: S/SW-LY 10/20 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-2.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) S OF 13 DEG N: SCATTERED RA/TS.
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) S OF 13 DEG N: MODERATE.
2) REST AREA: GOOD.

BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 12 UTC OF 17TH MARCH 2026 TO 12 UTC OF 18TH MARCH 2026.

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) E OF 85 DEG E: ANTI-CYCLONIC 05/10 KTS.
2) REST AREA: E/SE-LY 05/10 KTS BEC S/SW-LY 10/20 KTS
TO THE N OF 15 DEG N.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-2.5 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.

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 17/0800 UTC.

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