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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 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.

PART-I STORM WARNING: NIL.

PART-II SYNOPTIC WEATHER SYSTEM AT 0300 UTC:

THE LOW PRESSURE AREA OVER EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN & ADJOINING SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL PERSISTS OVER THE SAME REGION AT 0300 UTC OF TODAY, THE 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026. THE ASSOCIATED UPPER AIR CYCLONIC CIRCULATION EXTENDS UPTO 5.8 KM ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL. IT IS LIKELY TO MOVE WEST-NORTHWESTWARDS TOWARDS SRI LANKA AND BECOME MORE MARKED OVER SOUTHWEST BAY OF BENGAL & ADJOINING EQUATORIAL INDIAN OCEAN DURING NEXT 24 HOURS.

THE UPPER AIR CYCLONIC CIRCULATION OVER SOUTHEAST ARABIAN SEA OFF SOUTH KERALA COAST AND EXTENDS UPTO 0.9 KM ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL HAS BECOME LESS MARKED.

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 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) E OF 75 DEG E: NE/N-LY 10/20 KTS  
BEC N/NW-LY 10/15 KTS TO THE S OF 4 DEG N.  
2) REST AREA: NE/N-LY 10/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-2.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 76 DEG E: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.  
2) W OF 62 DEG E: SCATTERED RA/TS.  
3) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 76 DEG E: POOR.  
2) W OF 62 DEG E: MODERATE.  
3) REST AREA: GOOD.

**ARB A1-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: 1) E OF 70 DEG E: NE-LY 10/20 KTS  
BEC N/NW-LY 10/15 KTS TO THE S OF 3 DEG N.  
2) REST AREA: N/NE-LY 10/20 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-2.0 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 75 DEG E: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.  
2) W OF 60 DEG E: SCATTERED RA/TS.  
3) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 75 DEG E: POOR.  
2) W OF 60 DEG E: MODERATE.  
3) 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 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: N/NE-LY 05/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: GOOD.

**ARB A2-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NW/N-LY 05/10 KTS BEC N/NE-LY 10/15 KTS TO THE S OF 20 DEG N.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) W OF 62 DEG E: ISOLATED RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) W OF 62 DEG E: 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 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE/E-LY 10/25 KTS BEC CYCLONIC 10/20 KTS AT 82 DEG E AND 5 DEG N.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-3.0 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: WIDESPREAD RA/TS.
- IV) VISIBILITY: VERY POOR.

**BOB A3-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: E/NE-LY 10/20 KTS BEC CYCLONIC 10/15 KTS AT 81 DEG E AND 3 DEG N.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 1.5-2.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) W OF 95 DEG E: WIDESPREAD RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: ISOLATED RA/TS.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) W OF 95 DEG E: VERY POOR.  
2) REST AREA: GOOD.

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

**BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 09 UTC OF 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: NE/N-LY 10/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-2.0 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) E OF 86 DEG E TO THE S OF 14 DEG N: ISOLATED RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) E OF 86 DEG E TO THE S OF 14 DEG N: GOOD.  
2) REST AREA: GOOD.

**BOB A4-FORECAST VALID FROM 00 UTC OF 19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026 TO 00 UTC OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2026.**

- I) WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED: N/NE-LY 05/15 KTS.
- II) WAVE HEIGHT: 0.5-1.5 MTR.
- III) WEATHER: 1) S OF 14 DEG N: FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RA/TS.  
2) REST AREA: FAIR.
- IV) VISIBILITY: 1) S OF 14 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 18/1700 UTC.

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