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Sub: Severe Cyclonic Storm “MICHAUNG” (pronounced as MIGJAUM) over Westcentral Bay of Bengal off south Andhra Pradesh coast (Cyclone Warning for Andhra Pradesh Coast: **Red Message)**

Yesterday's **Severe Cyclonic Storm “MICHAUNG”** (pronounced as MIGJAUM) over Westcentral & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal off south Andhra Pradesh and adjoining north Tamilnadu coasts moved north-northwestwards almost parallel and close to south Andhra Pradesh coast and lay centered at 0830 hours IST of today, the 5th December, 2023 over the same region near Latitude 15.2°N and Longitude 80.25°E, about 40 km northeast of Kavali, 80 km north-northeast of Nellore, 80 km south-southwest of Bapatla and 140 km south-southwest of Machilipatnam.

As the system is moving nearly northwards close to coast, some parts of the wall cloud region continues to lie over land. The system is likely to move nearly northwards parallel and close to south Andhra Pradesh coast and cross south Andhra Pradesh coast close to Bapatla during next 4 hours as a Severe Cyclonic Storm with a maximum sustained wind speed of 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph.

Track and Intensity Forecasts:

Date/Time (IST)	Position (Lat. °N/ long. °E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
05.12.23/0830	15.2/80.25	90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph	Severe Cyclonic Storm
05.12.23/1130	15.7/80.3	85-95 kmph gusting to 105 kmph	Severe Cyclonic Storm
05.12.23/1730	16.2/80.5	70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph	Cyclonic Storm
05.12.23/2330	16.6/80.8	55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph	Deep Depression
06.12.23/0530	17.3/81.6	40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph	Depression

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall Warning (graphics enclosed):

- **Coastal Andhra Pradesh:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places and **heavy to very heavy rainfall** at a few places with **extremely heavy falls** at isolated places over coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam on 5th December. **Exceptionally heavy rainfall** at one or two places is also likely over central districts of coastal Andhra Pradesh on 5th December. Isolated **heavy rainfall** is likely over north coastal Andhra Pradesh on 6th December.

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- **Telangana:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with isolated **heavy to extremely heavy rainfall** on 5th December.
- **Odisha and Chhattisgarh:** Light to moderate rainfall at most places with isolated **heavy to very heavy rainfall** is likely over south Chhattisgarh, south Coastal and adjoining south Interior Odisha on 5th and isolated **heavy rainfall** over the same region on 6th December.
- **Rayalaseema:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with isolated **heavy rainfall** on 5th December and decrease thereafter.
- **North Coastal Tamil Nadu & Puducherry:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with isolated **heavy rainfall** on 5th December and decrease thereafter.

(ii) Wind warning:

- **Southwest Bay of Bengal along & off north Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts:**
Squally wind speed reaching **30-40 kmph gusting to 50 kmph** is prevailing along and off north Tamilnadu coast (Chennai and to its north) and southwest Bay of Bengal. It would decrease gradually.

- **Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh Coast:**
Gale wind speed reaching **90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph** would prevail over westcentral Bay of Bengal around system centre during next 6 hours and gradually decreases thereafter.

Gale wind speed reaching **70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph** prevailing along and off Nellore district & **90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph** along and off remaining districts of south Andhra Pradesh coast till 5th December is likely to continue till forenoon and gradually decrease thereafter.

- **Along & off north Andhra Pradesh Coast:**

Squally wind speed reaching **50-60 kmph gusting to 65 kmph** is prevailing, it is likely to continue during next 12 hours. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

- **Along & off Odisha Coast:**

Squally wind speed reaching **35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph** is likely to prevail till afternoon of 5th and it is likely to gradually increase becoming **40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph** from 5th December evening for subsequent 12 hours. It would gradually decrease thereafter.

(iii) Sea Condition:

- **Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts:**
Very rough to rough sea condition is prevailing. It is likely to become rough to moderate by noon of 5th December and further improve thereafter.

- **Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off south Andhra Pradesh Coast:**
High to very high sea condition is prevailing over the region. It is likely to continue till 5th December noon. It is likely to improve thereafter gradually becoming very rough by 5th evening and rough by 6th morning for subsequent 12 hours.

- **Along & off North Andhra Pradesh Coast:**

Rough to Very Rough to sea condition is likely till 6th December morning and further improve thereafter.

- **Along & off Odisha Coast:**

Rough to Very Rough to sea condition is likely till 6th December morning.

(iv) Fishermen Warning (graphics attached):

Fishermen are advised not to venture into:

- Southwest Bay of Bengal and along & off North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Coasts till 5th December noon.

- Westcentral Bay of Bengal and along & off Andhra Pradesh Coast till 6th December evening.
- Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off Odisha coast till 6th December morning.

(v) Storm Surge (Graphics enclosed):

Storm surge of about 1-1.5 meter above astronomical tide likely to inundate south Coastal Andhra Pradesh districts at the time of landfall.

(vi) Post landfall outlook:

After landfall while weakening gradually, the system will maintain the intensity of cyclonic storm for about 12 hours. The wind speed will gradually decrease to 75-85 kmph gusting to 95 kmph by evening of 5th December and further gradually decrease becoming 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph by 05th December midnight.

(vii) Damage Expected over coastal districts of South Andhra Pradesh (Nellore, Tirupati Prakasam, Bapatla, Guntur, Krishna and West Godavari) and adjoining coastal districts of North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry:

- Major damage to thatched houses/ huts. Roof tops may blow off. Unattached metal sheets may fly.
- Possibilities of damage to vulnerable structure.
- Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of large avenue trees. Major damage to banana and papaya trees. Large dead limbs blown from trees.
- Minor damage to power and communication lines due to breaking of branches and uprooting of trees.
- Major damage to Kutcha and minor damage to Pucca roads due to heavy rain.
- Damage to paddy crops, horticultural crops and orchards.
- Sea water inundation in low lying areas after erosion of Kutcha embankments
- Inundation of low lying areas in coastal districts due to heavy rainfall and flash flood
- Localized Flooding of roads and closure of underpasses mainly in urban areas of the above region.
- Occasional reduction in visibility due to heavy rainfall.
- Disruption of traffic due to water logging and squally winds
- Localized Landslides/Mudslides
- It may lead to riverine flooding in some river catchments (for riverine flooding please visit Web page of CWC)

(viii) Action Suggested for coastal districts of South Andhra Pradesh and adjoining coastal districts of North Tamil Nadu-Puducherry:

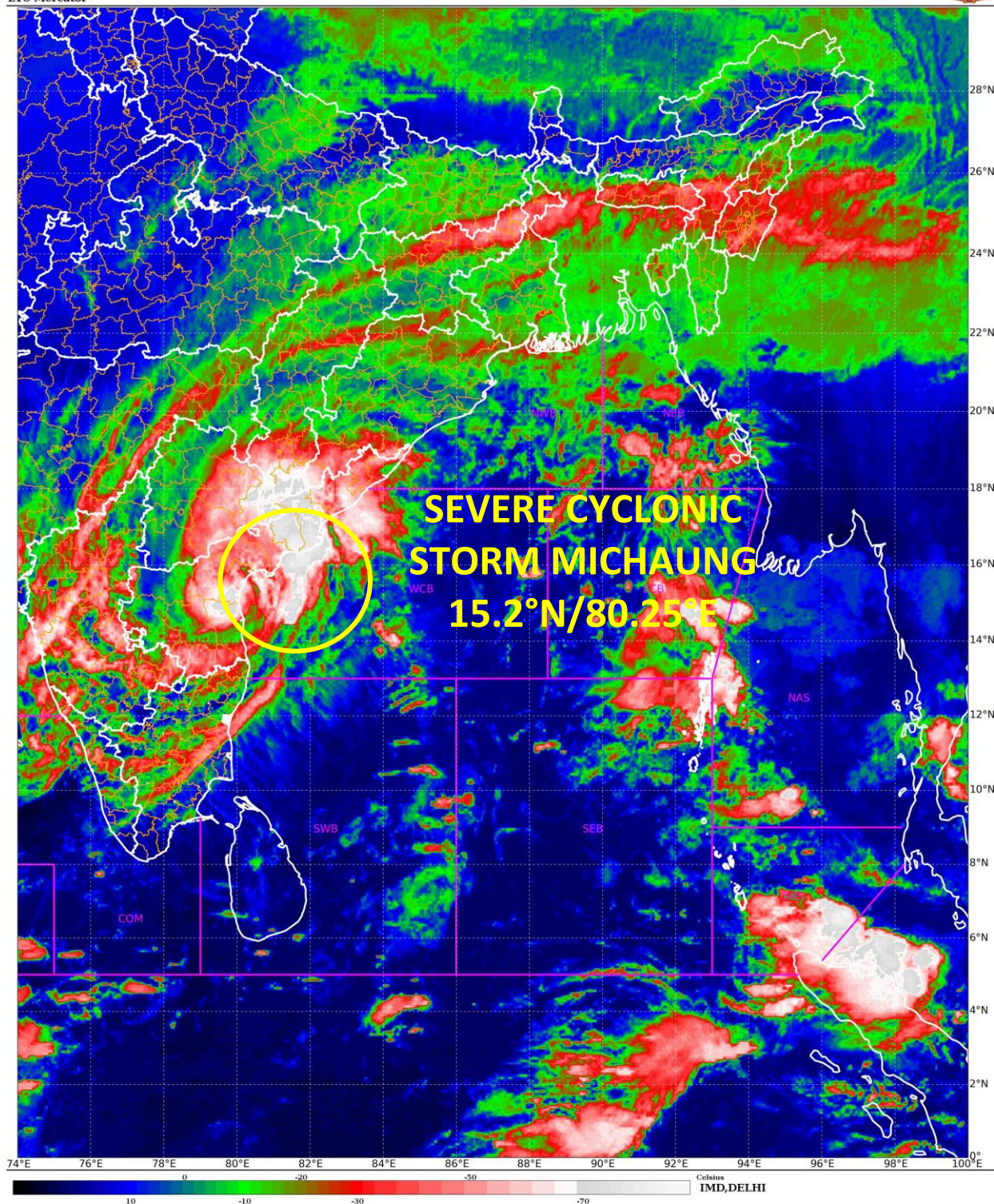
- Total suspension of fishing operations.
- Surface transport and shipping operations need to be regulated
- Onshore & Offshore operation need to be regulated as per guidelines
- Coastal hutment dwellers to be in safer places.
- People in affected areas to remain indoors.
- Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often.
- Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

The system is under continuous surveillance and the next Press Release will be issued at 1430 hours IST of 6th December, 2023.

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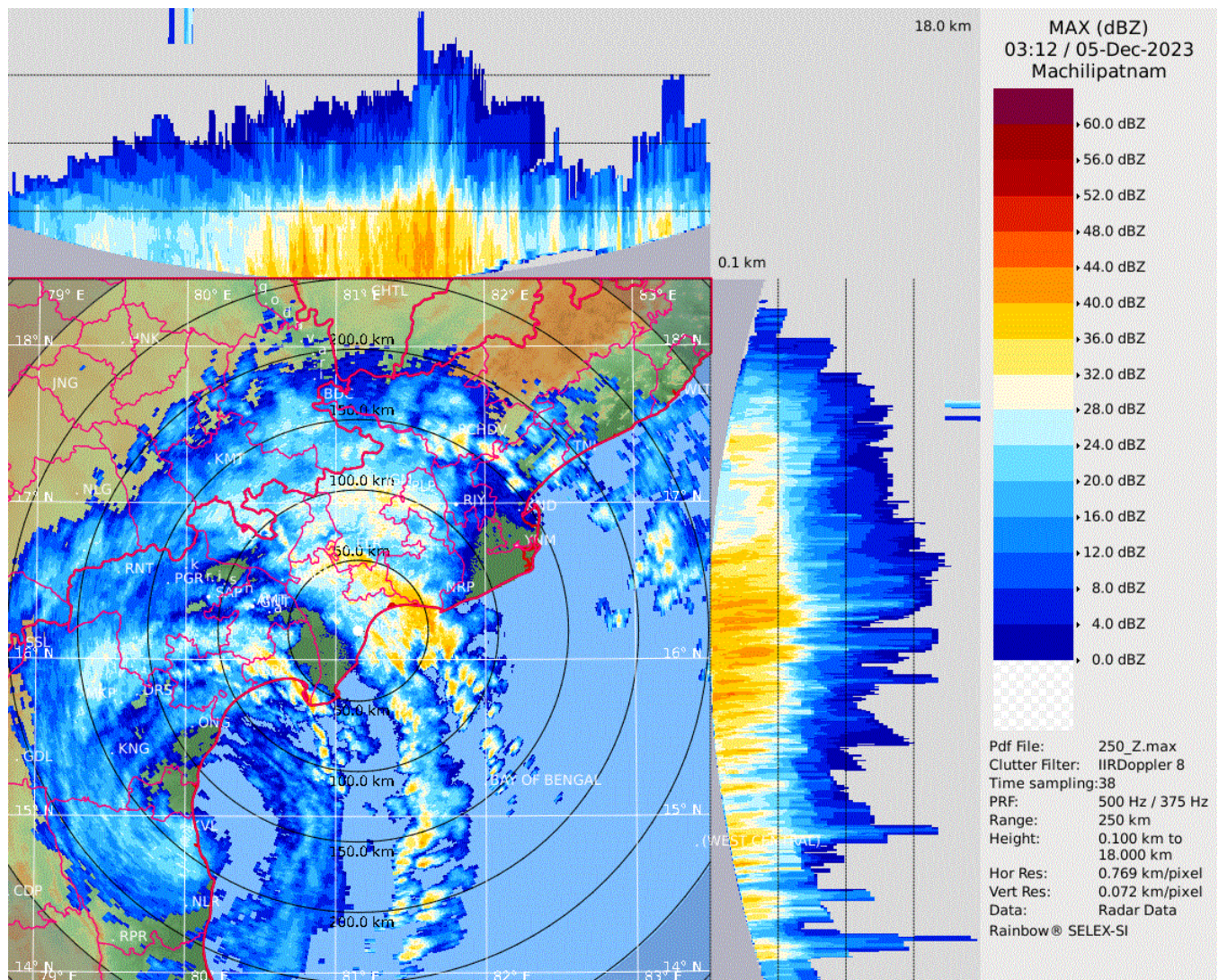
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● LESS THAN 34 KT

○ 34-47 KT

● \geq 48 KT

— OBSERVED TRACK

— FORECAST TRACK

▲ CONE OF UNCERTAINTY

Forecast	DISTANCE (KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS			
Date and Time (UTC)	NELLORE	BAPATLA	MACHILIPATNAM/ FRANCHPET	MO PONDICHER RY
05.12.23/0300	90, NNE	90, SSW	140, SW	370, N
06.12.23/0600	370, NNE	200, NE	140, NNE	630, NNE

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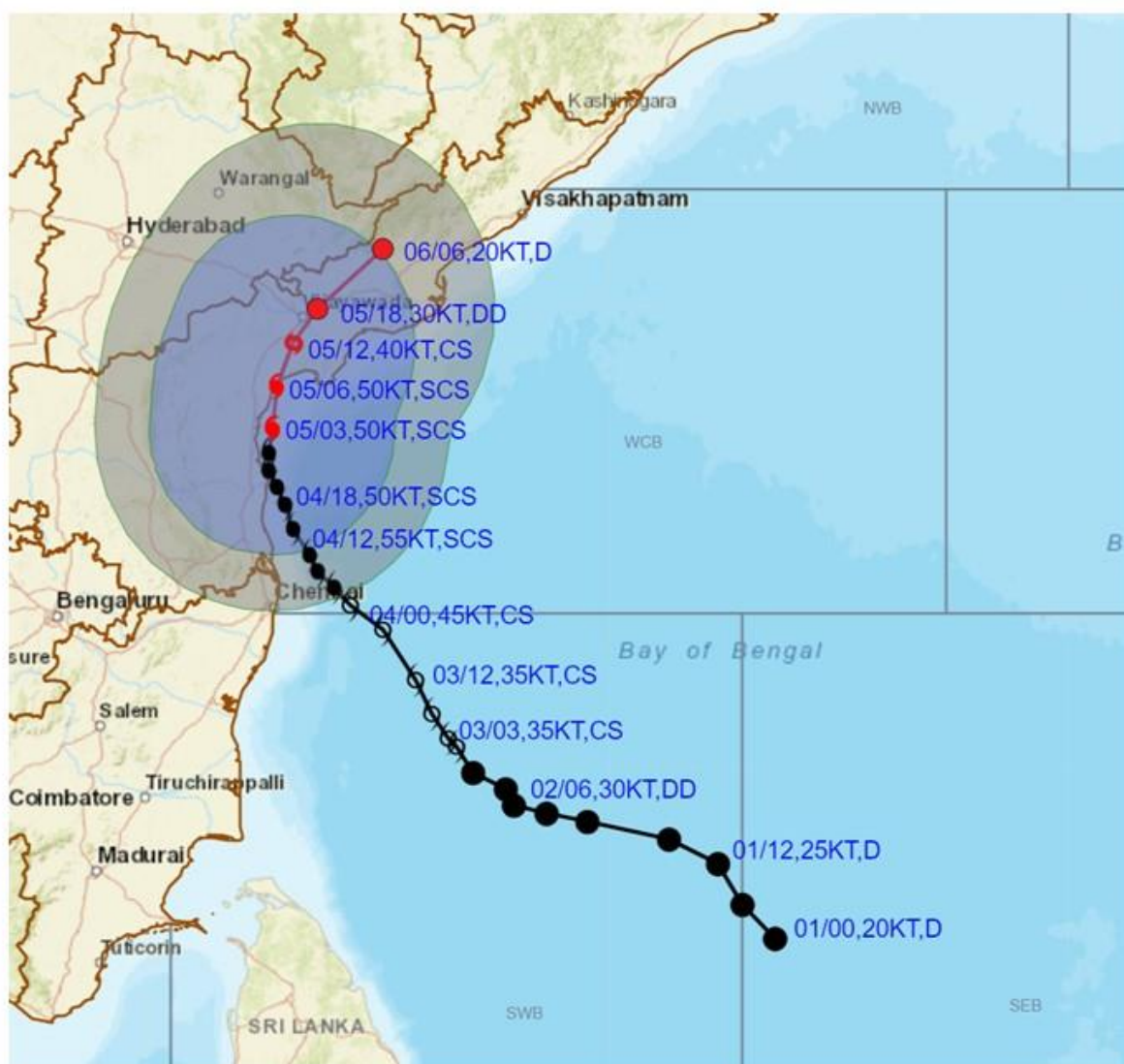
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— OBSERVED TRACK

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AREA OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:

28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)

34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)

50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)

≥ 64 KT (≥ 118 KMPH)

IMPACT OVER THE SEA

MSW (knot/kmph)	Impact	Action
28-33 (52-61)	Very rough seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
34-49 (62-91)	High to very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
50-63 (92-117)	Very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
≥ 64 (≥ 118)	Phenomenal	Total suspension of fishing operations

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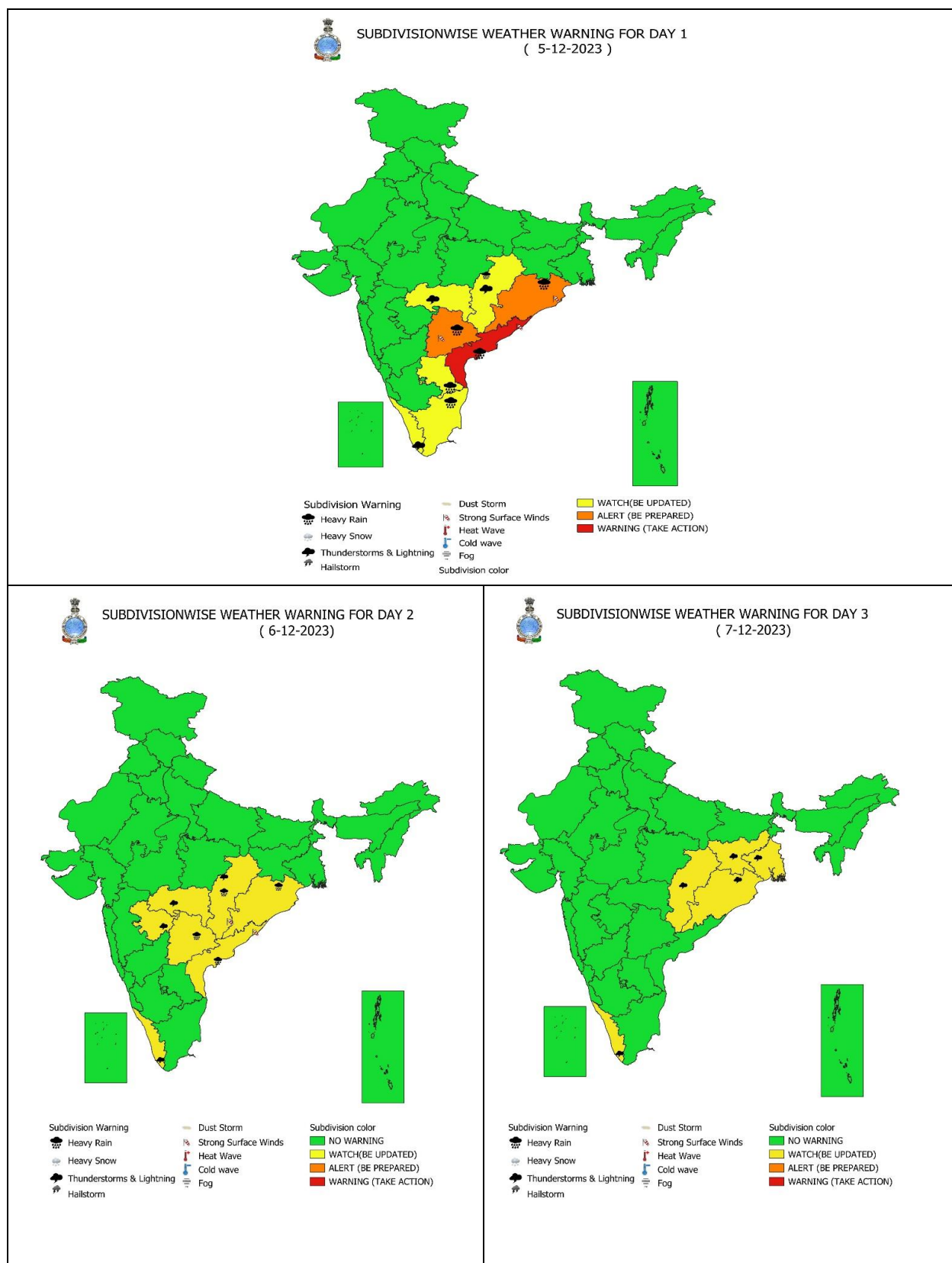
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Weather Warning Graphics



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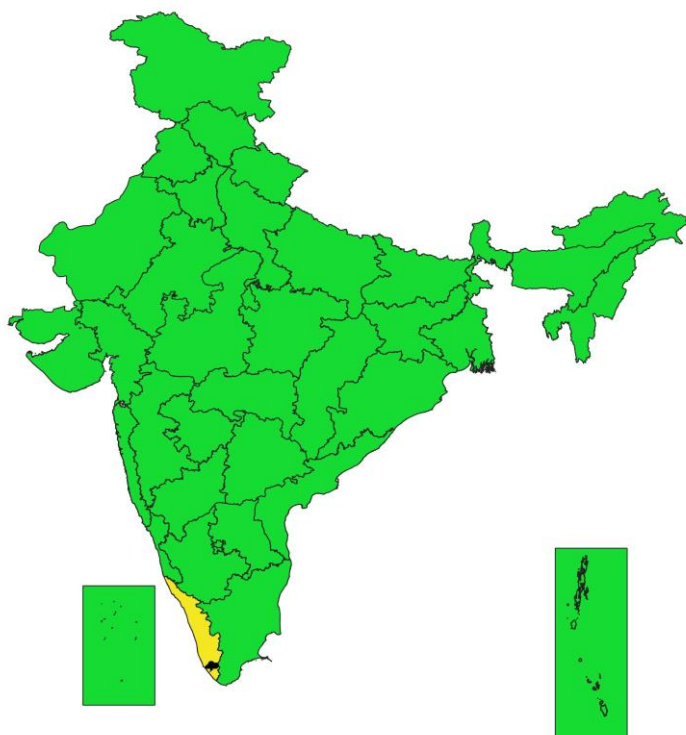
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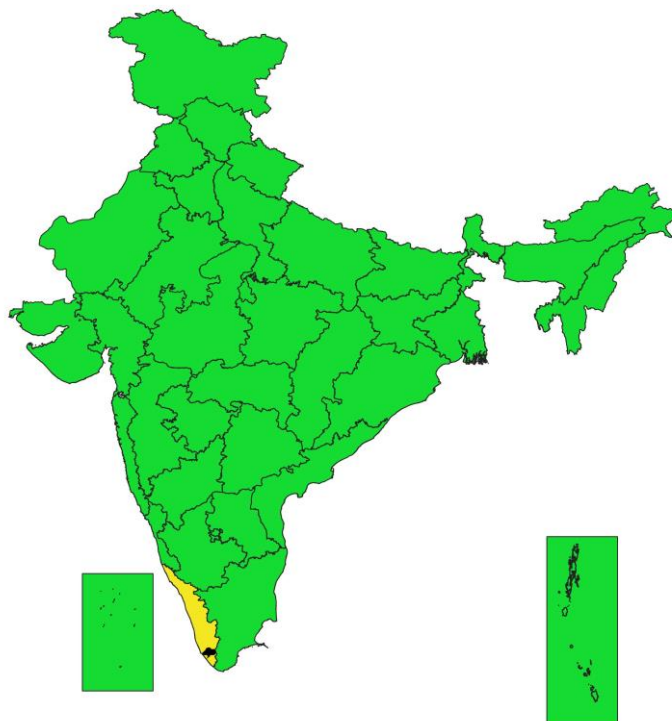
SUBDIVISIONWISE WEATHER WARNING FOR DAY 4 (8-12-2023)



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| ❄ Heavy Snow | 🔥 Heat Wave | 🟡 WATCH (BE UPDATED) |
| ⚡ Thunderstorms & Lightning | ❄ Cold wave | 🟠 ALERT (BE PREPARED) |
| 🌧 Hailstorm | 🌫 Fog | 🔴 WARNING (TAKE ACTION) |



SUBDIVISIONWISE RAINFALL FORECAST FOR DAY 5 (9-12-2023)



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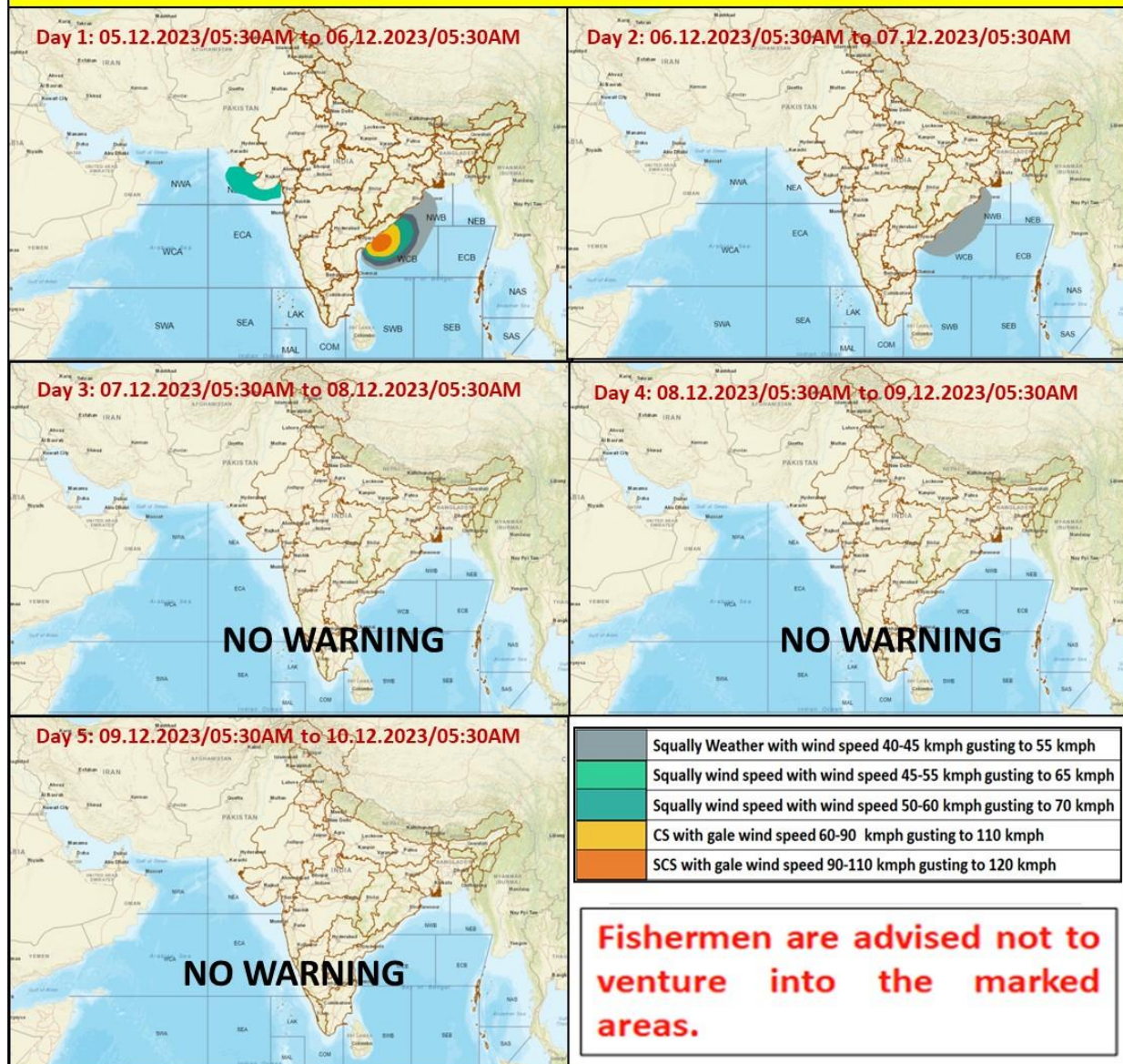
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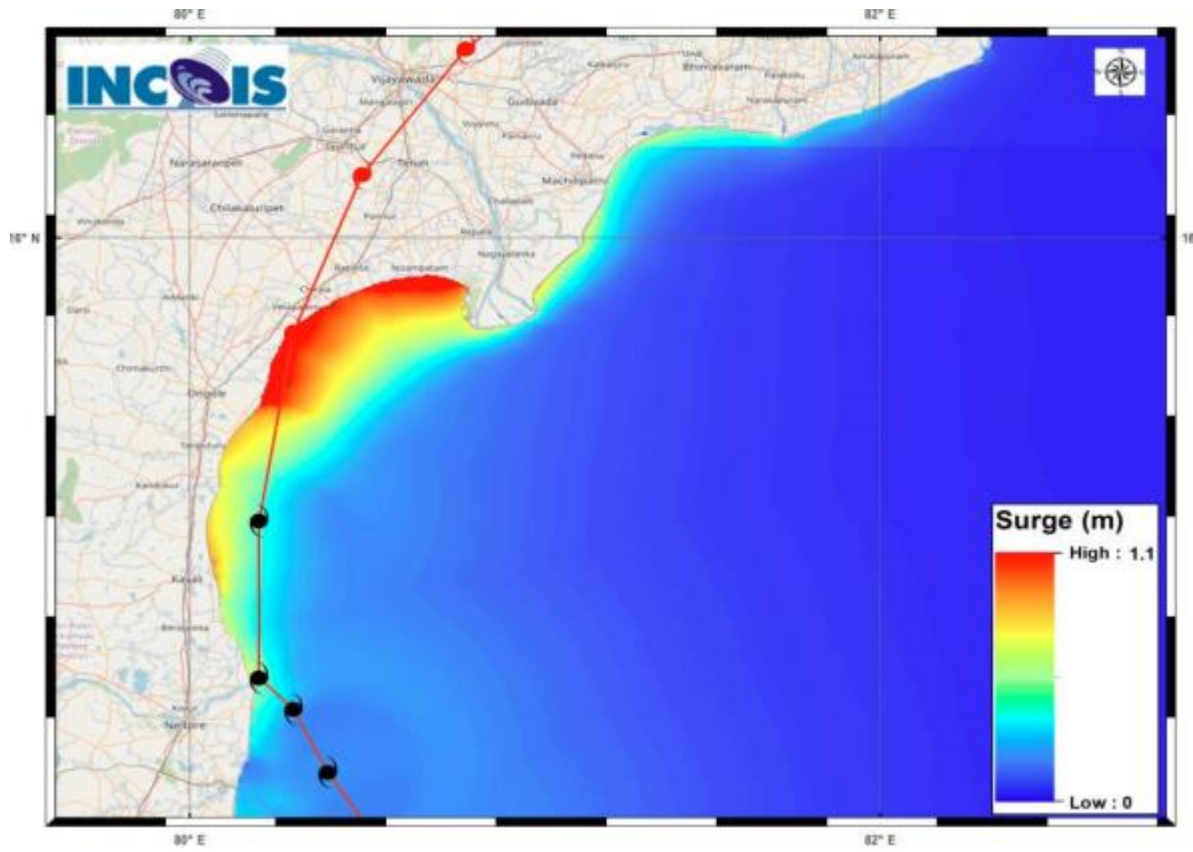
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Storm Surge Warning Graphics based on Forecast Track

STORM SURGE HEIGHT INFORMATION:

* The below listed surge heights are over and above astronomical tide.

MANDAL/TALUK	DISTRICT	STATE/UNION TERRITORY	NEAREST PLACE OF HABITATION	STORM SURGE (m) *	EXPECTED INUNDATION EXTENT (km)
Repalle	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh	Repalle	0.5-1.1	Upto 0.23
Sullurpeta	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	Duggaraja Patnam	0.5-1.0	Upto 0.24
Ongole	Prakasam	Andhra Pradesh	Kanuparthi	0.4-0.0	Upto 0.16
Bapatla	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh	Bapatla	0.6-0.8	Upto 0.19
Chirala	Prakasam	Andhra Pradesh	Kotha Peta (Rural)	0.6-0.8	Upto 0.17
Kovvur	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	Isakapalle	0.4-0.7	Upto 0.13



Storm Surge Map

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Flash Flood Guidance

24 hours Outlook for the Flash Flood Risk (FFR) till 0530 IST of 06-12-2023 :

High flash flood risk likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of following coastal districts of **Andhra Pradesh**

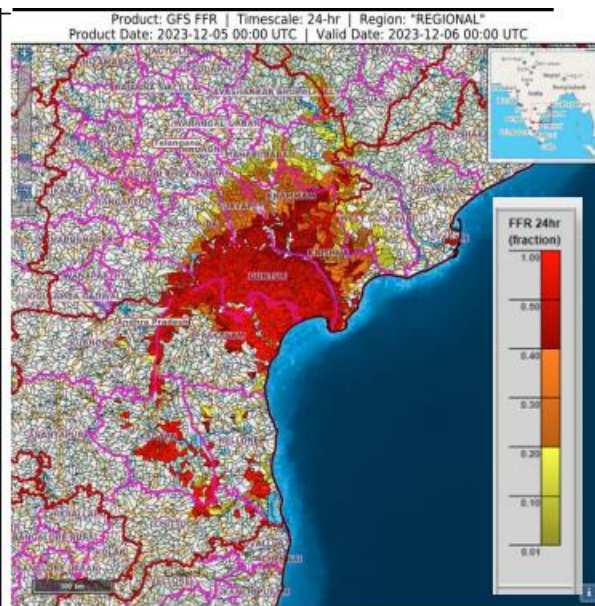
Guntur, Prakasam and Krishna (>50%) districts of **Andhra Pradesh**;




Moderate flash flood risk likely over few watersheds & neighbourhoods of following coastal districts (>20% - <50%) of **Andhra Pradesh and Telangana** during next 24 hours.

Vizianagarm, West Godavari, Krishna, Guntur, Kadapa, Kurnool, Chittoor, Prakasam and Nellore (>20% - <50%) districts of **Andhra Pradesh**;

Suryapet, Khammam and Nagarkurnool districts of **Telangana**.

Surface runoff/ Inundation may occur at some fully saturated watersheds & low-lying areas over AoC as depicted in map due to Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Michaung' during next 24 hours.



Flash Flood Risk	
	High Risk (Take Action)
	Moderate Risk (Be Prepared)
	Low Risk (Be Updated)

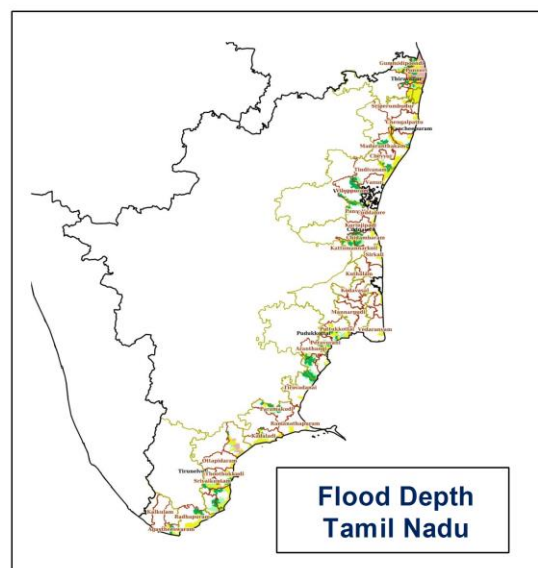
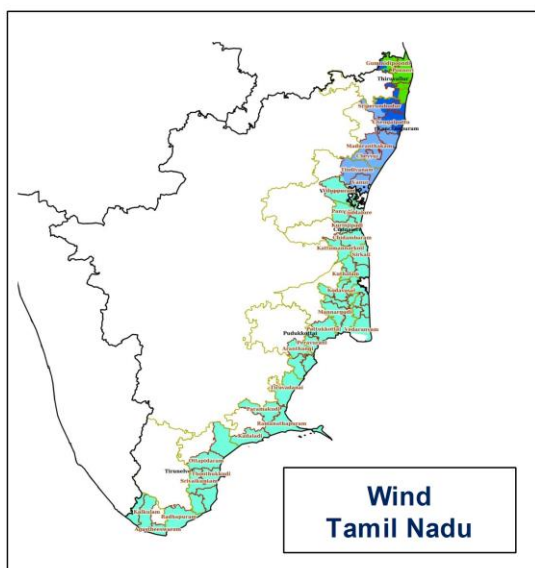
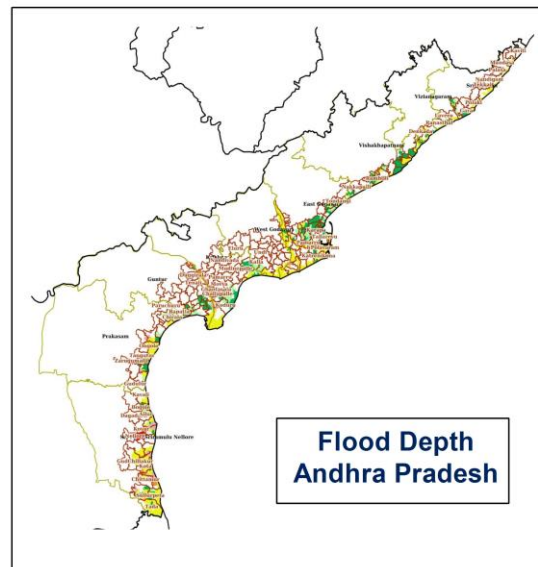
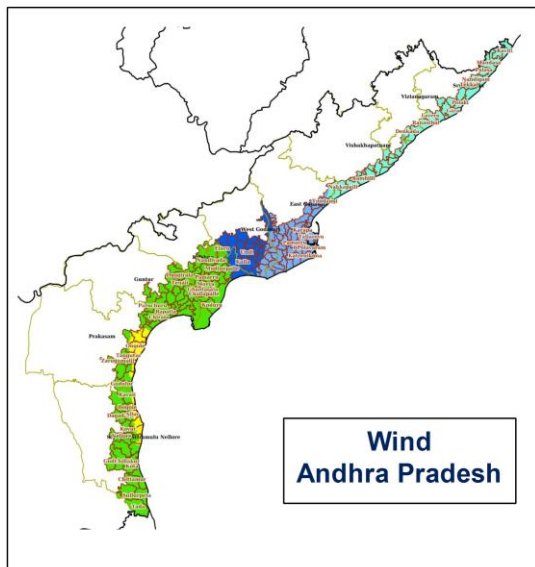
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Hazard Map with Severe Cyclonic Storm MICHAUNG over Westcentral & adjoining off south Andhra Pradesh coast



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07:30 IST 05/12/2023**

IMD OBSERVATORIES

BAPATLA - 215.3; NELLORE - 215.1;MACHILIPATNAM - 151.7;
KAVALI - 143.6; ONGOLE – 117;KAKINADA - 77.6;NARSAPUR
- 60.7

AWS/ARG

PODALAKUR - 212.5; REPALLE - 117.5;CHINNA_GANJAM -
72.5;KAKINADA - 72.5;UTKURU_KVK – 66;DARSI_KVK - 64.5;
LAM_AMFU – 57;MEHADRIGADDA_DAM – 53;KAILASHGIRI -
35.5; ANKAPALLI_AMFU – 34;KALAVACHARLA_KVK – 34;
VENKATARAMANNAGUDEM_KVK - 33.5; VIJAYARAI - 21.5;
AROGYAVARAM - 20.5; PANDIRIMAMIDI_HRS - 16.5;
GARIKAPADU_KVK - 13.5;CHITTOOR – 13; NARASARAOPET
– 12; GOTTABARRIEGE - 10.5; PALAKONDA - 7.5

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