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Press Release-3

Sub: Severe Cyclonic Storm "Murasu" [Pronunciation: Murasu] over Westcentral Bay of Bengal [Cyclone Warning for Andhra Pradesh and adjoining north Tamil Nadu coasts—Red Message]

Yesterday's Cyclonic Storm **"Murasu" [Pronunciation: Murasu]** over Southwest and adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal moved nearly west-northwestwards and intensified into a severe cyclonic storm over Westcentral & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal in the early morning (0230 hours IST) and lay centered at 0830 hours IST of today, the 02nd November, 2026 over the Westcentral Bay of Bengal near Latitude 14.1°N and Longitude 81.4°E, about 160 km east-southeast of Nellore (Andhra Pradesh), 180 km northeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu), 180 km east-southeast of Kavali (Andhra Pradesh), 210 km southeast of Ongole (Andhra Pradesh) and 240 km south of Machilipatnam (Andhra Pradesh).

It is very likely to move northwestwards and cross south Andhra Pradesh coast as a Severe Cyclonic Storm with wind speed of 100 to 110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph between Nellore and Narsapur, to the south of Ongole during midnight (2330 Hrs IST) of today, the 02nd November to early hours (0400 Hrs IST) of tomorrow, the 3rd November, 2026.

The Severe Cyclonic Storm "Murasu" is under the continuous surveillance of Doppler Weather radars at Chennai and Machilipatnam.

Forecast location and intensity are given in following table:

Date/Time (IST)	Position (Lat. ^{0}N/ long. ^{0}E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
02.11.26/0830	14.1/81.4	100-110 gusting to 120	Severe Cyclonic Storm
02.11.26/1130	14.2/81.1	100-110 gusting to 120	Severe Cyclonic Storm
02.11.26/1730	14.6/80.6	100-110 gusting to 120	Severe Cyclonic Storm
02.11.26/2330	15.1/80.1	100-110 gusting to 120	Severe Cyclonic Storm
03.11.26/0530	15.5/79.8	70-80 gusting to 90	Cyclonic Storm
03.11.26/1730	16.0/79.5	55-65 gusting to 75	Deep Depression
04.11.26/0530	16.5/79.2	35-45 gusting to 55	Depression

Rainfall warning:

Coastal Andhra Pradesh: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places and extremely heavy rainfall at isolated places on 2nd & 03rd November, and heavy rainfall at isolated places on 4th November.

North Tamil Nadu: Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places on 2nd November and isolated heavy rainfall on 3rd November.

South Odisha: Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy rainfall at isolated places over South Chhattisgarh during 2nd -4th November.

Rayalaseema: Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places and extremely heavy rainfall at isolated places on 2nd and 3rd November and isolated heavy rainfall on 4th November.

Telangana: Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places on 2nd November. It would increase becoming light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at few places with extremely heavy rainfall at isolated places on 3rd November. Isolated heavy rainfall at isolated places is also likely on 4th November, 2026.

Chhattisgarh: Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy rainfall at isolated places over South Chhattisgarh during 2nd -4th November.

Wind warnings:

- **Westcentral Bay of Bengal**:
  Gale wind speed reaching 100-110 gusting to 120 kmph is likely to prevail till midnight of 2nd and would decrease gradually after landfall, becoming 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph by morning of 3rd, 45-55 gusting to 65 kmph by 4th November morning and improve thereafter.
- **Southwest Bay of Bengal**:
  Gale wind speed reaching 80-90 gusting to 100 kmph would prevail till 2nd November evening. It would gradually decrease becoming 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph from morning of 03rd November and 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph by 03rd November evening and decrease thereafter.
- **Along & off Andhra Pradesh coast (Krishna, Bapatla, Prakasham, SPSR Nellore, Guntur, Eluru, NTR, Palnadu and West Godavari districts)**:
  Squally wind speed reaching 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph is prevailing along and off Andhra Pradesh, coast. It is likely to increase becoming gale wind speed reaching 80-90 gusting to 100 kmph from afternoon of 2nd and 100-110 gusting to 120 kmph by night of 02nd November till early morning of 3rd November. After Landfall, it would decrease gradually becoming 70-80 gusting to 90 kmph by morning of 3rd November, becoming 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph by 3rd evening and decrease further thereafter.
- **Along & off North Tamil Nadu (Thiruvallur, Ranippettai, Kancheepuram, Chengalpattu & Chennai districts) - Puducherry coasts**:
  Squally weather with wind speed reaching 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph is prevailing. It would increase gradually becoming Gale wind speed reaching 60-70 gusting to 80 kmph from 2nd afternoon till early morning of 3rd November. It would decrease becoming 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph till 3rd November evening and decrease thereafter.

- **Adjoining Areas of Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off South Odisha coast (Malkangiri, Koraput, Rayagada, Gajapati and Ganjam districts)**:
  Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph is likely to commence from 2nd November, morning. It is likely to increase becoming 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph from 2nd November, evening to 3rd November noon. It would decrease gradually thereafter.
- **Telangana (Khammam, Suryapet, Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Wanaparthy, Mahabubabad, Warangal, Jangaon, Karimnagar & B. Kothagudem) & Rayalaseema (Chittoor & Tirupathi)**
  Squally weather with wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph is likely to commence from 2nd November afternoon, becoming 55-65 gusting to 75 kmph from 2nd midnight and Gale wind speed reaching 70-80 gusting to 90 kmph from early hours to forenoon of 3rd November. It would decrease gradually thereafter.

Sea condition:

- **Westcentral Bay of Bengal**:
  Very High Sea condition would prevail till 3rd November, morning. Thereafter, it would start improving becoming Very Rough to Rough by 4th morning and improve thereafter.
- **Southwest Bay of Bengal**:
  High sea condition would prevail till 02nd November evening. It would improve gradually thereafter, becoming Very Rough to Rough by 03rd November evening.
- **Along & off Andhra Pradesh coast**: High to very high from morning of 02nd November till 3rd November, morning. Thereafter, it would start improving becoming Very Rough to Rough till 4th morning and improve thereafter.
- **Along & off North Tamil Nadu- Puducherry coasts**:
  Sea condition is likely to be Rough to Very Rough till 4th November, morning. It would improve gradually thereafter.
- **Adjoining Areas of Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off South Odisha coast**:
  Sea condition is likely to be rough to very rough from 2nd evening till 3rd November morning and rough sea condition till 3rd November, evening and would improve thereafter.

Storm Surge Warning:

Storm surge of about 1.5-2.0 m height above astronomical tide is very likely to inundate low lying areas of South coastal Andhra Pradesh during the time of landfall. The maximum peak surge is expected over Bapatla and also over Krishna and Prakasam districts.

The height of storm surge is likely to exceed 0.5 m from evening of today, 2nd November and continue till morning of tomorrow, the 3rd November with a peak surge of 1.0 – 1.5 m above astronomical tides during night of today to early hours of tomorrow.

Fishermen warnings:

Fishermen are advised not to venture into:

- Southeast Bay of Bengal on 2nd November,
- Southwest Bay of Bengal till morning of 4th November
- Westcentral Bay of Bengal till 4th November afternoon
- Along & off Andhra Pradesh coast from morning of 2nd to 4th November afternoon

- ❖ Along & off North Tamil Nadu- Puducherry coasts till 4th November morning.
- ❖ Adjoining Areas of Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off South Odisha coast from evening of 2nd to 4th November afternoon

Damage Expected and Action suggested:

(a) Damage Expected over Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Action suggested

- **Structure:**
  - Major Damage to thatched houses/huts/ kutcha houses.
  - Roof tops may blow off
  - Unattached metal sheets may fly
  - Potential threat to vulnerable structures, tin house, asbestos house.
  - Potential threat to structures from detached hoardings, uprooting of trees, breaking of branches
- **Communication and Power:**
  - Minor damage to power and communication poles.
  - Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of large avenue trees.
- **Agriculture:**
  - Major damage to standing and coastal crops, plantations, orchards, falling of green coconuts, tearing of palm fronds. Major damage to banana, Papaya and drumstick trees.
  - Uprooting of trees and breaking of tree branches
  - Damage to horticulture and standing crops.
  - Damage to embankments/ salt pans.
- **Marine interest:**
  - Very high Sea with wave height of 9-14 metre, Visibility severely affected
  - Movement in boats/ships unsafe
- **Roads/Rail:**
  - Major damage to Kutcha and Pucca roads.
  - Flooding of escape routes. Check for traffic congestion on your route before leaving for your destination.
  - Localized Flooding of roads, water logging in low lying areas.
  - Disruption of traffic in major cities due to water logging in roads leading to increased travel time.
  - Disruption of railways, overhead powerlines and signalling systems.
- **Drinking water/sanitation and human/animal health**.
- **Secondary hazards:** Riverine flooding, Urban flooding, coastal flooding, possible landslides in hilly areas

Action Suggested

- Total suspension of fishing operations.
- Coastal hutment dwellers to be moved to safer places. People in affected areas to remain indoors.
- Avoid staying in vulnerable structure.

- Judicious regulation of rail and road traffic
- Follow any traffic advisories that are issued in this regard.
- Avoid going to areas that face the water logging problems often.
- Movement in motor boats and small ships unsafe
- Total suspension of offshore/onshore operations
- Fisheries Departments and fishing harbor authorities are advised to alert fishermen and monitor subsequent IMD marine warnings. Fishermen should plan their activities in accordance with the latest area-specific advisories till 3rd November.
- Shipping, port and offshore operators are advised to review operational preparedness and monitor subsequent forecasts for possible restrictions on weather-sensitive activities till 3rd November.
- Maritime authorities may review communication, vessel-tracking and search-and-rescue preparedness, particularly for vessels operating in areas likely to be affected till 3rd November.
- The extent and timing of restrictions on fishing, shipping, port and marine tourism activities should be guided by subsequent forecasts and warnings issued by IMD till 3rd November.

(b) Damage Expected over South Odisha, Rayalaseema and adjoining areas of north Tamil Nadu & Telangana and Action suggested

- **Structure:**
  - Damage to thatched houses/ kutcha houses.
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- **Agriculture:**
  - Damage to standing crops, plantations, orchards, falling of green coconuts, tearing of palm fronds. Major damage to banana, Papaya and drumstick trees.
  - Uprooting of small trees and breaking of tree branches
  - Damage to horticulture and standing crops and coastal crops.
- **Marine interest:** Very rough seas. Sea waves about 4-6 m high. Visibility severely affected
- **Roads/Rail:**
- Some breaches in Kutcha Road due to flooding.
  - Flooding of escape routes. Check for traffic congestion on your route before leaving for your destination.
  - Localized Flooding of roads, water logging in low lying areas.
  - Disruption of traffic in major cities due to water logging in roads leading to increased travel time.
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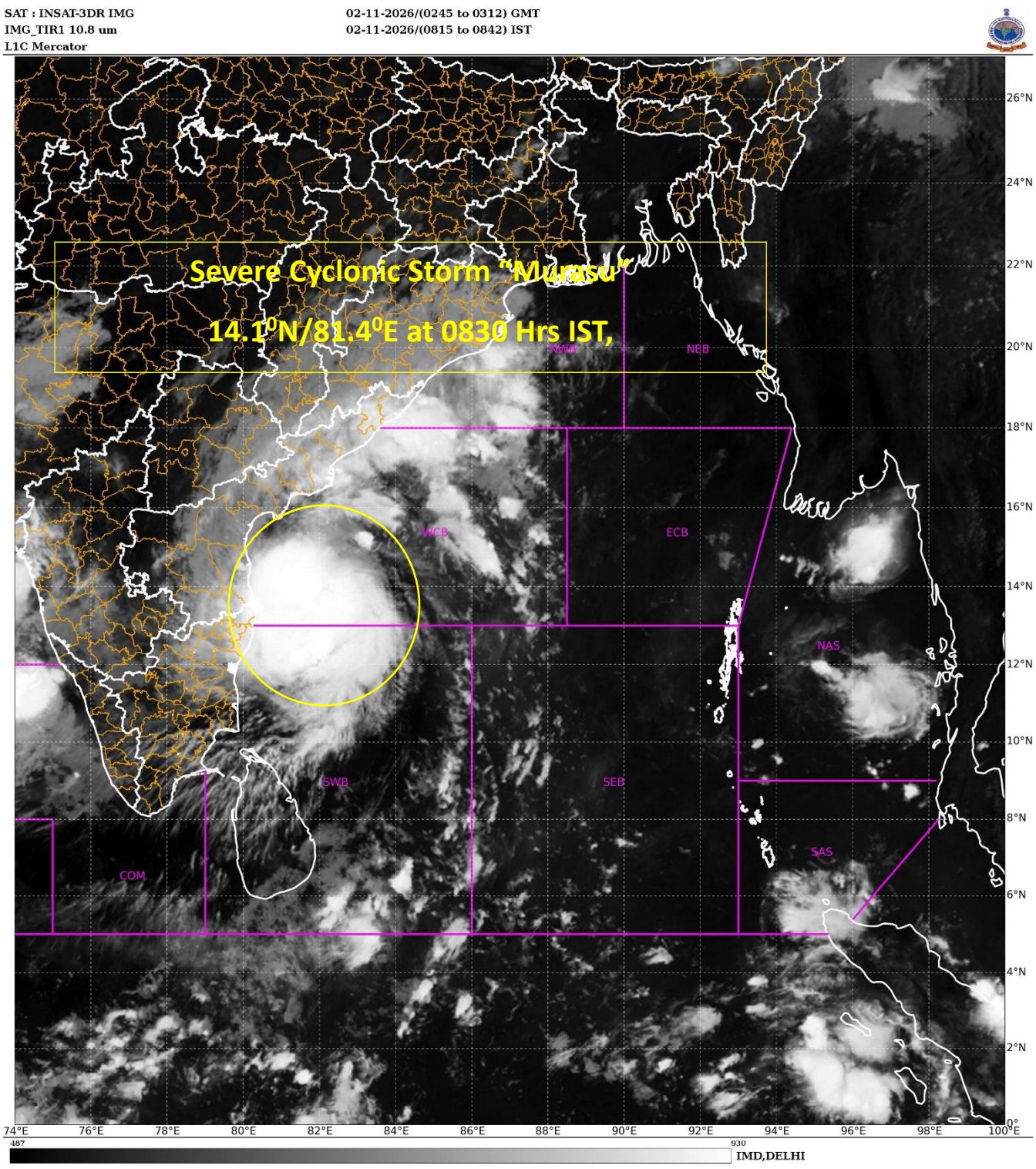
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- Judicious regulation of rail and road traffic
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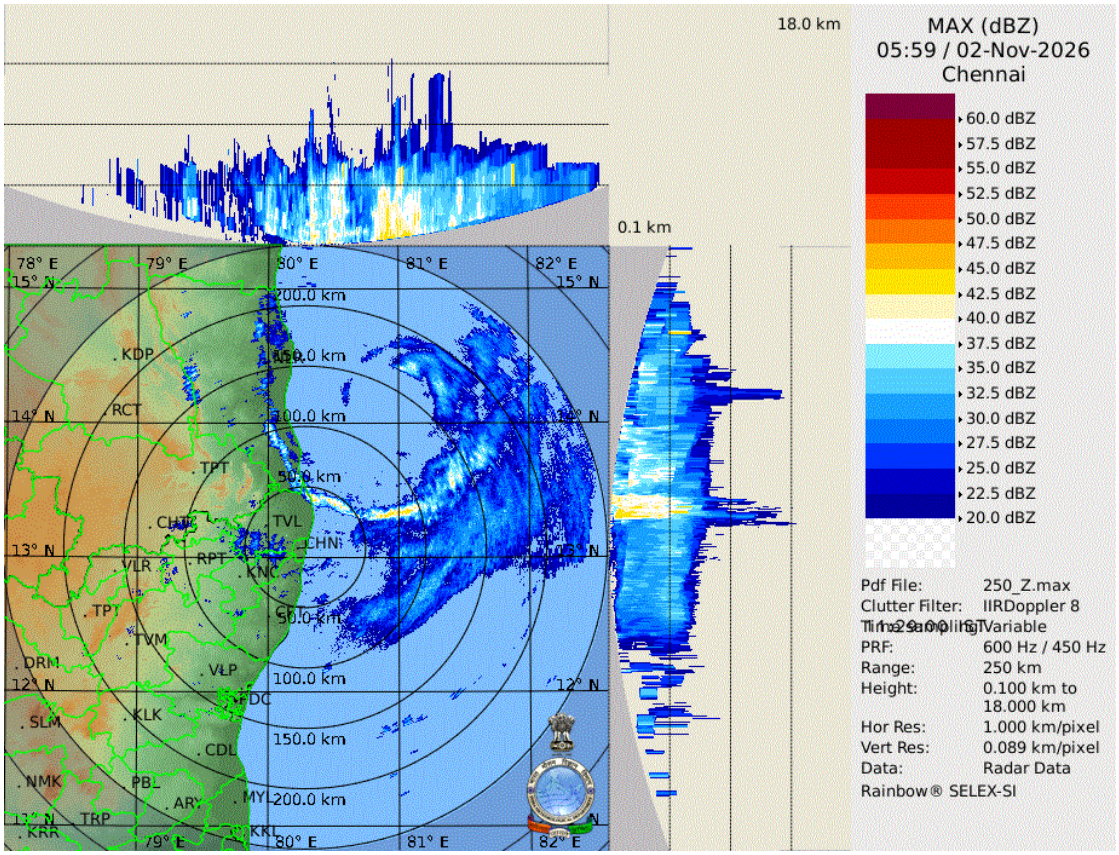
Next update will be issued at 1430 hrs IST of tomorrow the 3rd November, 2026.

For further updates, kindly visit: www.rsmcnewdelhi.imd.gov.in and www.mausam.imd.gov.in .

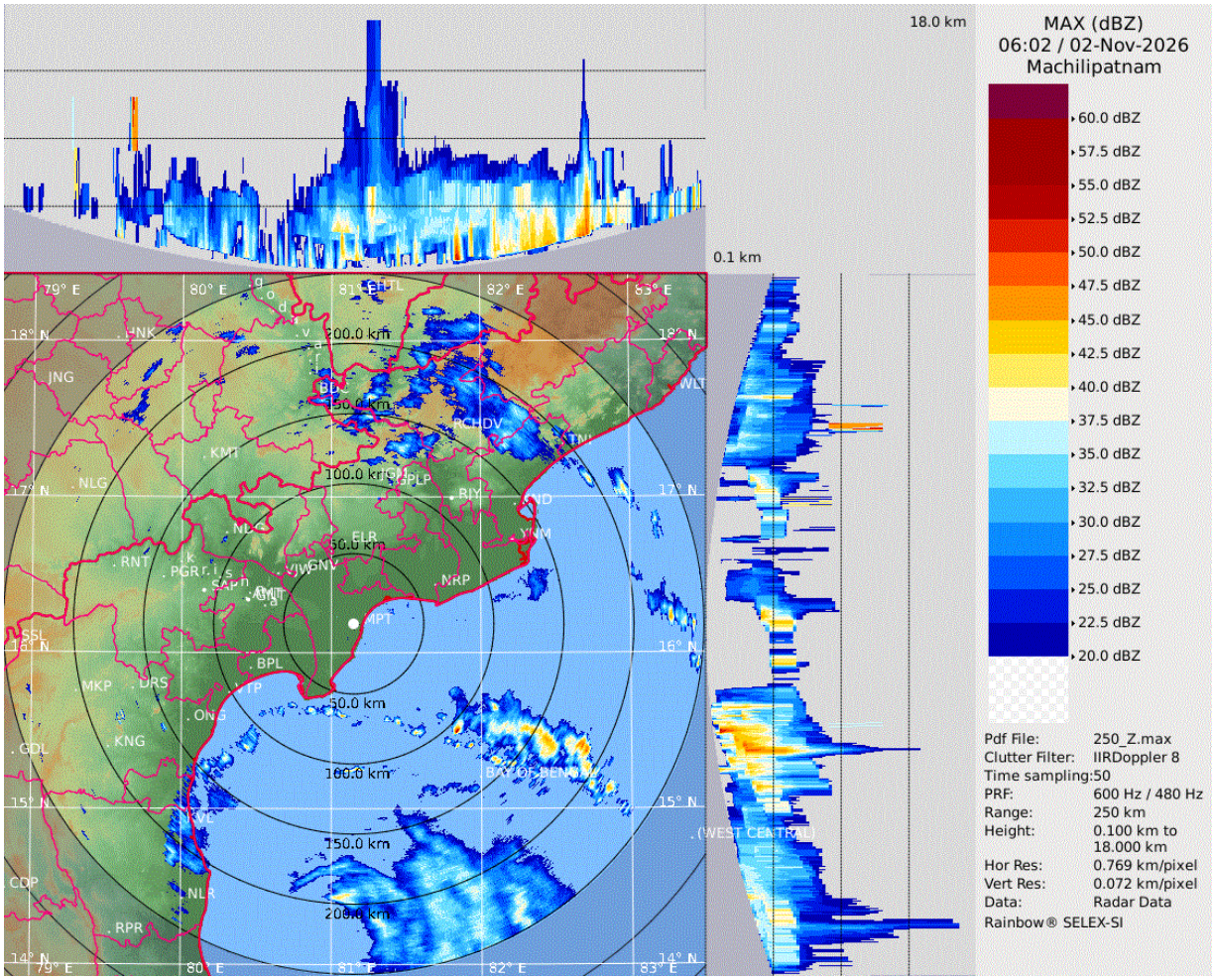
Annexure-1


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L1C Mercator
02-11-2026/(0245 to 0312) GMT
02-11-2026/(0815 to 0842) IST
Severe Cyclonic Storm "Murasu"
14.1⁰N/81.4⁰E at 0830 Hrs IST,
NWB
NEB
WCB
ECB
NAS
SWB
SEB
SAS
COM
26°N
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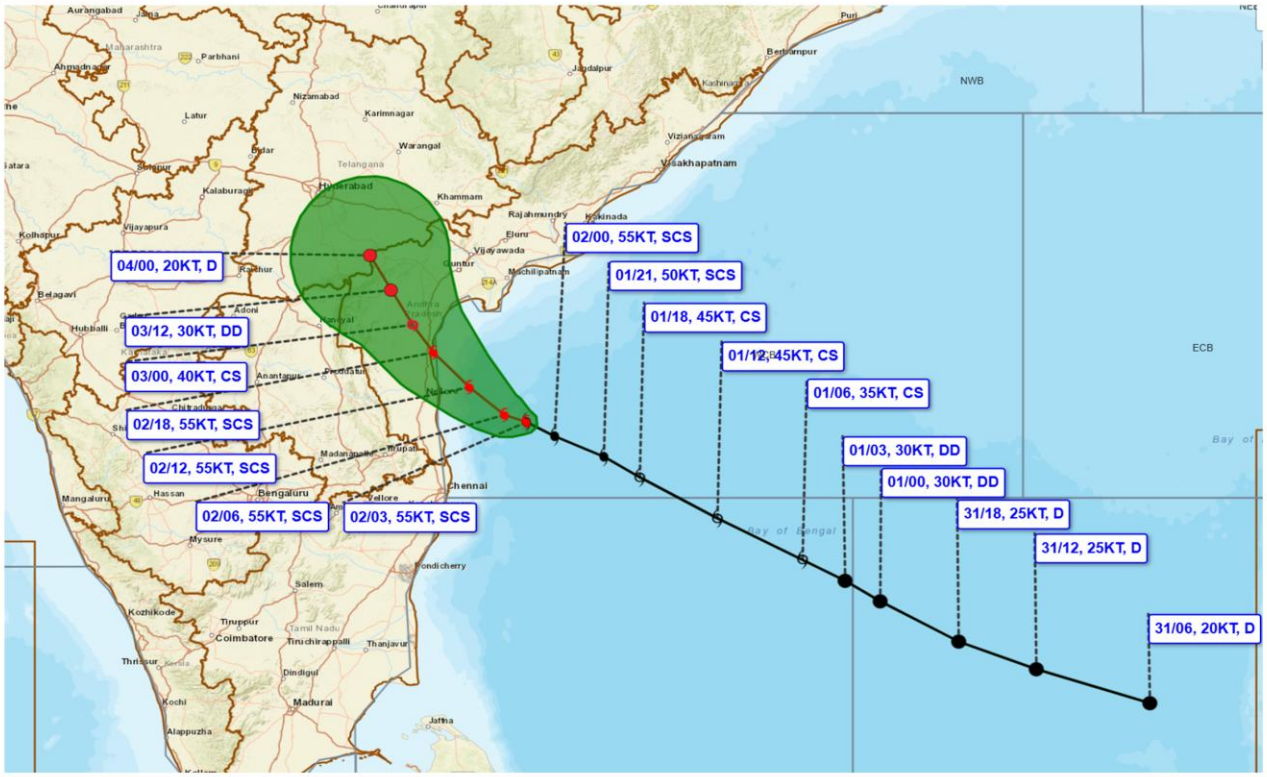
Radar Image of Chennai



Radar Image of Machilipatnam



OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM "MURASU" OVER WESTCENTRAL BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0300 UTC (0830 Hrs. IST) OF 02nd NOVEMBER 2026



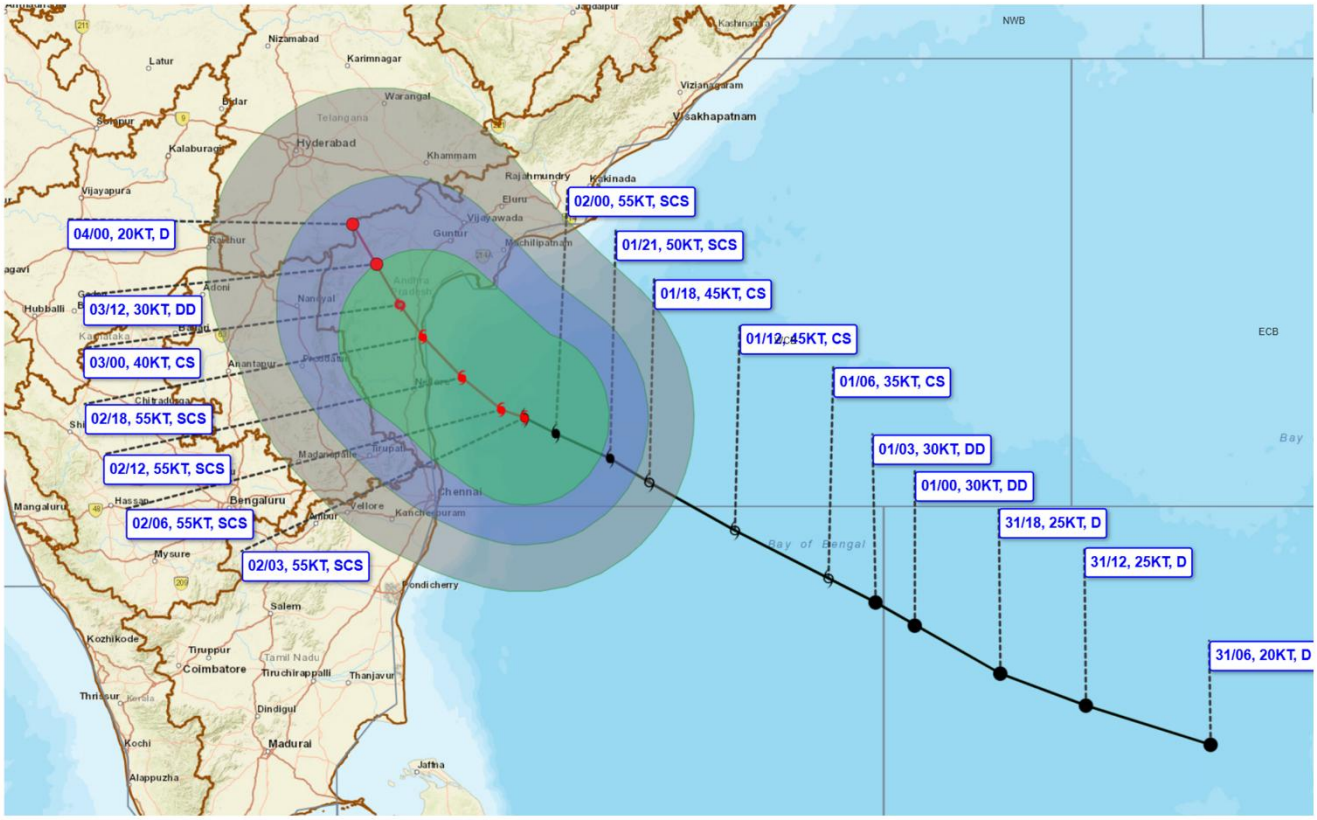
DATE/TIME IN UTC
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SCS: SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (48-63 KT)
VSCS: VERY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (64-89 KT)
ESCS: EXTREMELY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (90-119 KT)
SuCS: SUPER CYCLONIC STORM (≥120 KT)

KT (knot) = NAUTICAL MILES PER HOUR (1 KT = 1.85 KMPH)

- LESS THAN 34 KT
- 34-47 KT
- ≥ 48 KT
- OBSERVED TRACK
- FORECAST TRACK
- CONE OF UNCERTAINTY

Forecast	DISTANCE (KM) AND DIRECTION FROM STATIONS				
Date and Time (UTC)	CHENNAI/ MINAMBAKKAM	MACHILIPATNAM/ FRANCHPET	ONGOLE	NELLORE	KAVALI
02.11.26/0300	180, ENE	240, SSE	210, SE	160, ESE	180, ESE
03.11.26/0000	310, N	150, WSW	40, NW	140, N	90, N
03.11.26/1200	400, NNW	190, W	140, NNW	240, NNW	190, NNW
04.11.26/0000	520, NNW	270, NW	250, NNW	360, NNW	310, NNW
04.11.26/0600	580, NNW	320, NW	310, NNW	420, NNW	370, NNW
04.11.26/0600	360, WNW	310, NNW	360, N	480, N	430, N

OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONG WITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION OF SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM "MURASU" OVER WESTCENTRAL BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0300 UTC (0830 Hrs. IST) OF 02nd NOVEMBER 2026



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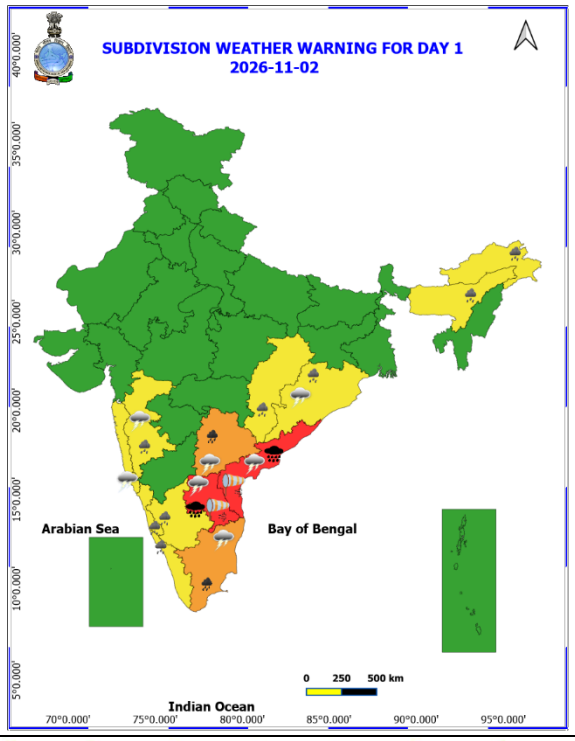
LESS THAN 34 KT
34-47 KT
≥ 48 KT
OBSERVED TRACK
FORECAST TRACK
CONE OF UNCERTAINTY

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)

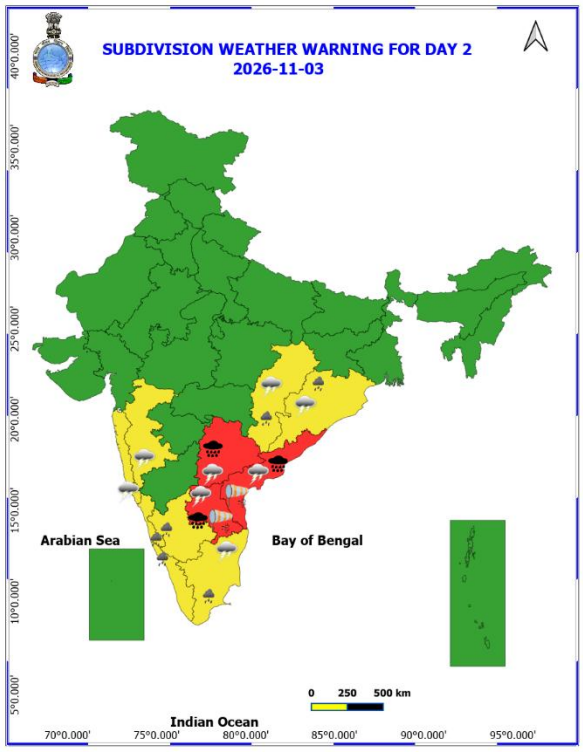
IMPACT OVER THE SEA

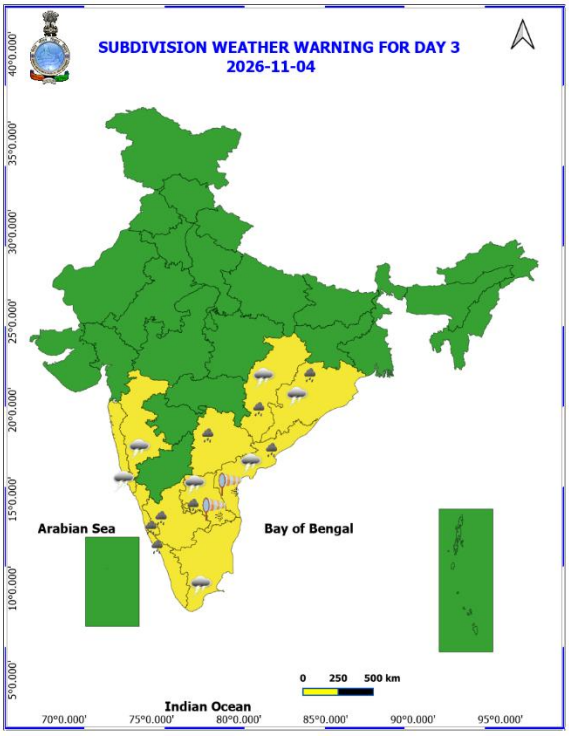
MSW (knot/kmph)	Impact	Action
28-33 (52-61)	Very rough seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
34-49 (62-91)	High to very high seas	Total suspension of fishing operations
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≥ 64 (≥118)	Phenomenal	Total suspension of fishing operations

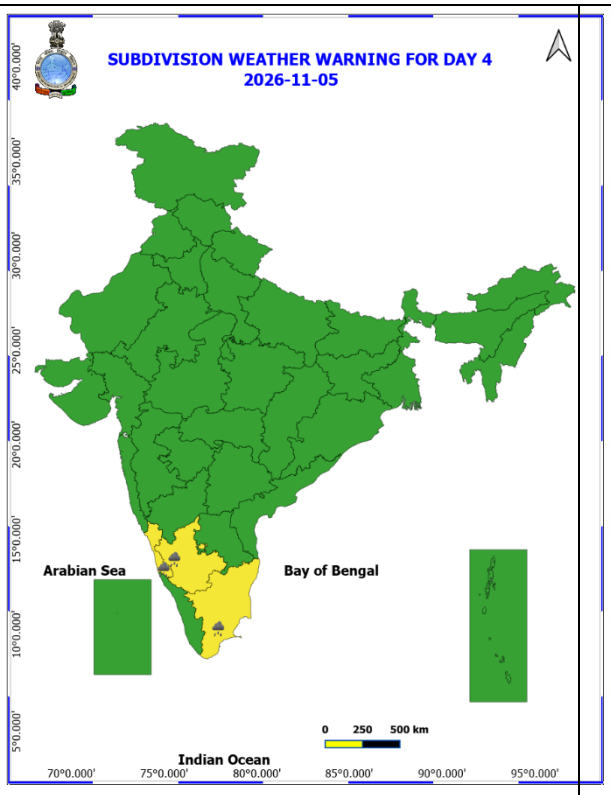
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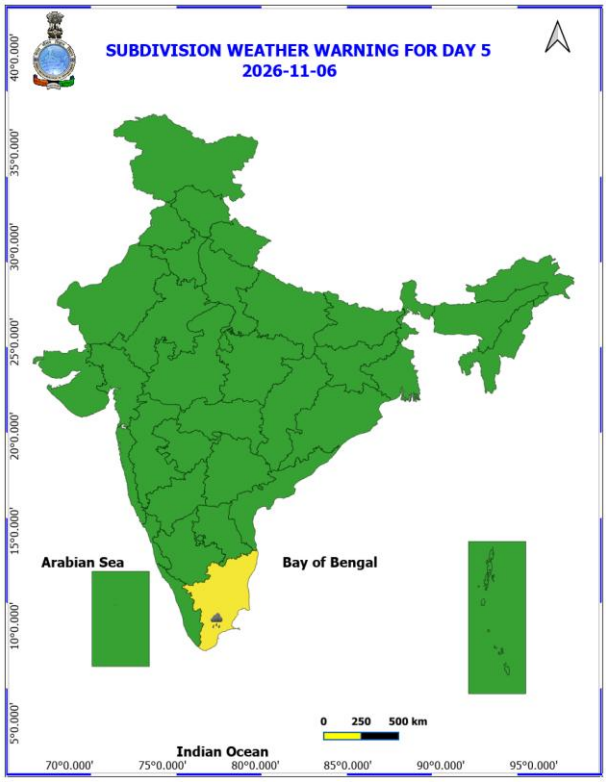


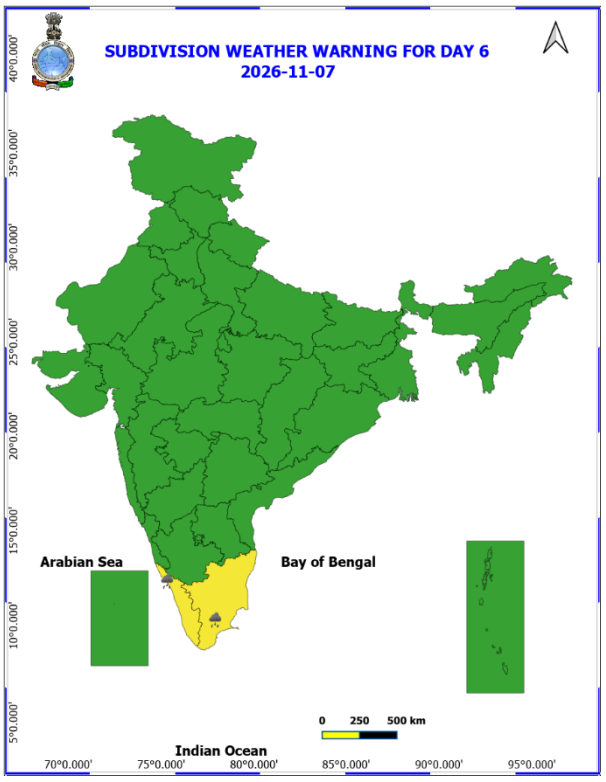


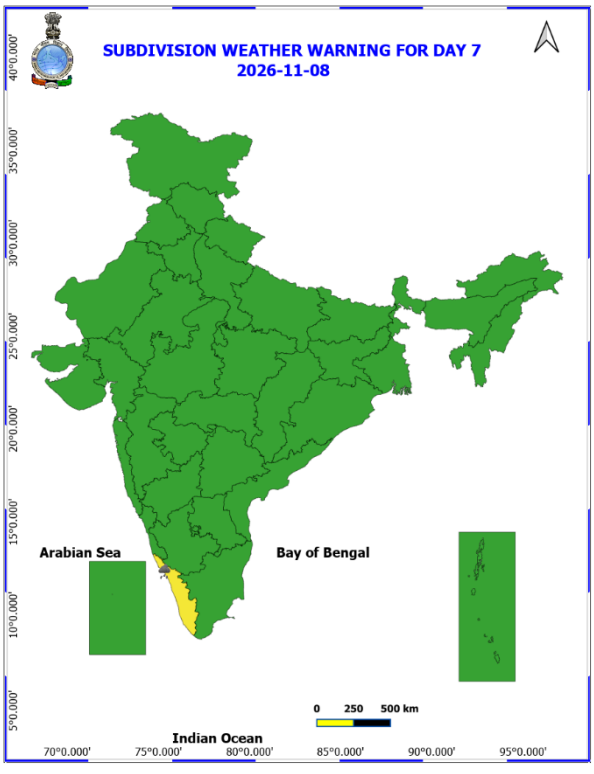




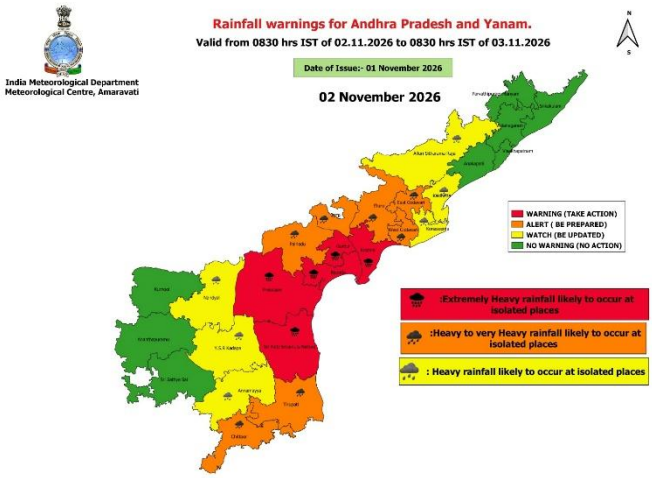

SUBDIVISION WEATHER WARNING FOR DAY 4
2026-11-05
Arabian Sea
Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean
0 250 500 km
40°0.000'
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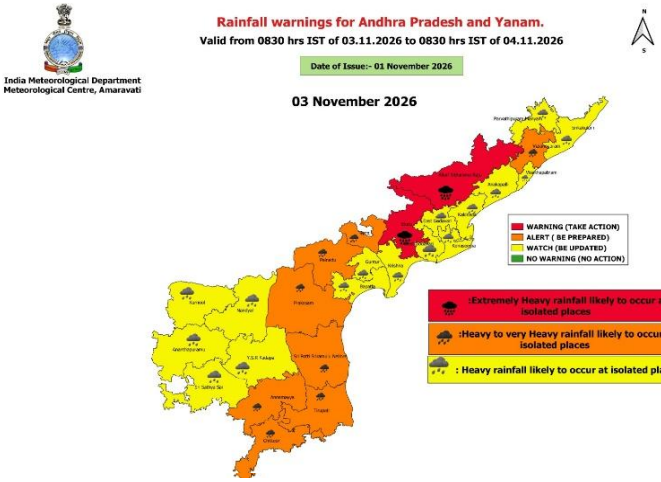

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Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean
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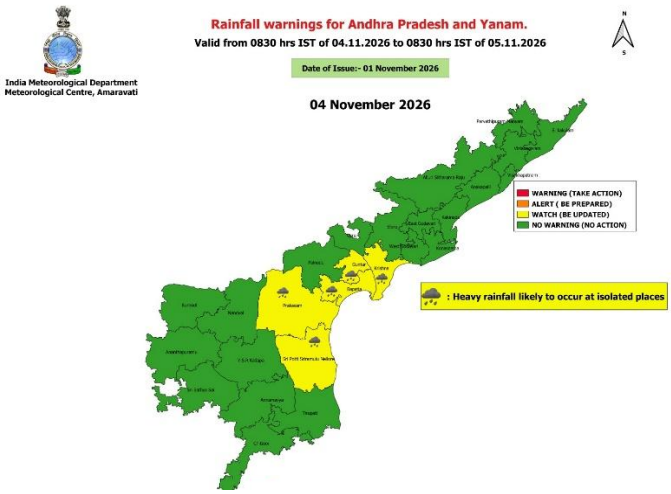

SUBDIVISION WEATHER WARNING FOR DAY 6
2026-11-07
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Indian Ocean
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SUBDIVISION WEATHER WARNING FOR DAY 7
2026-11-08
Arabian Sea
Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean
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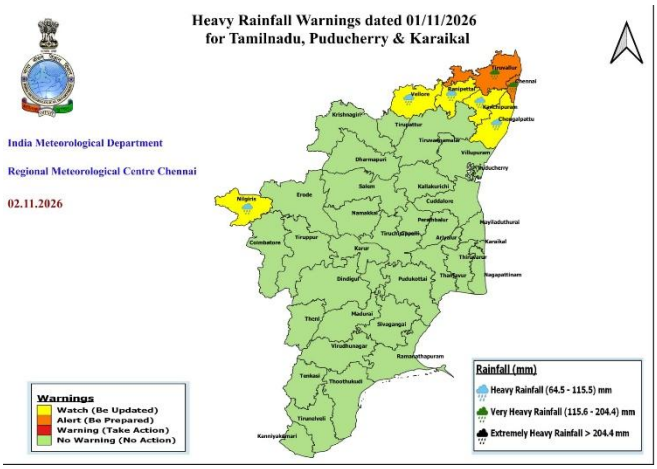
District wise Warning Graphics for Andhra Pradesh



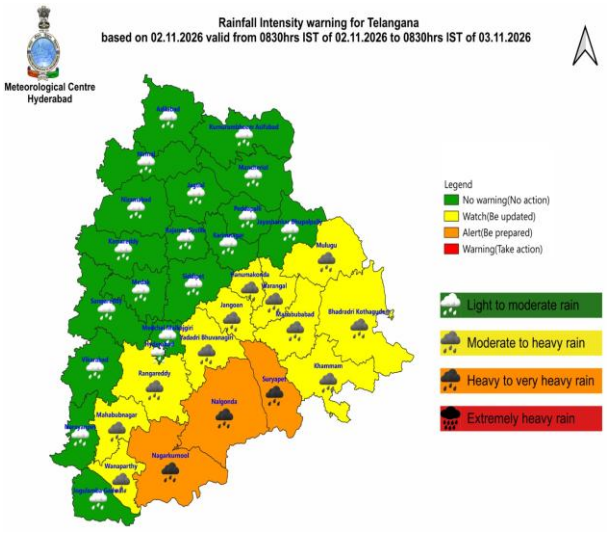


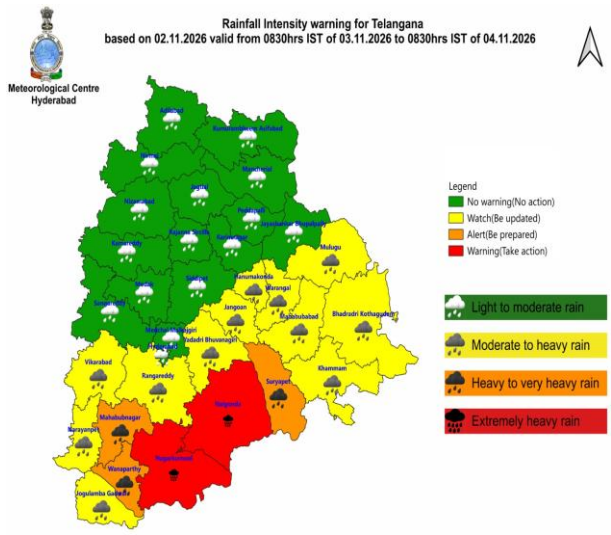


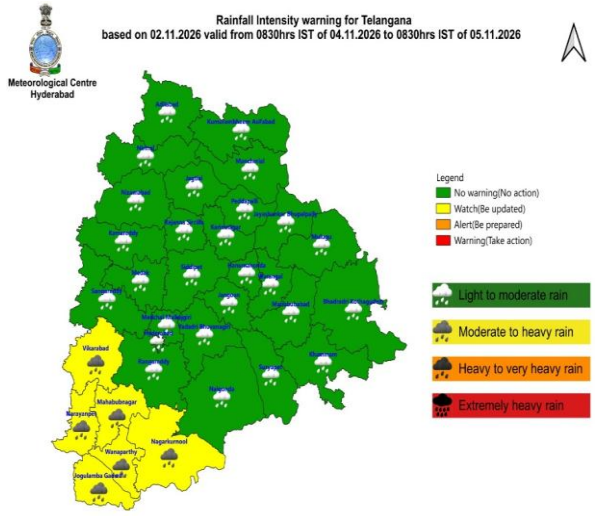
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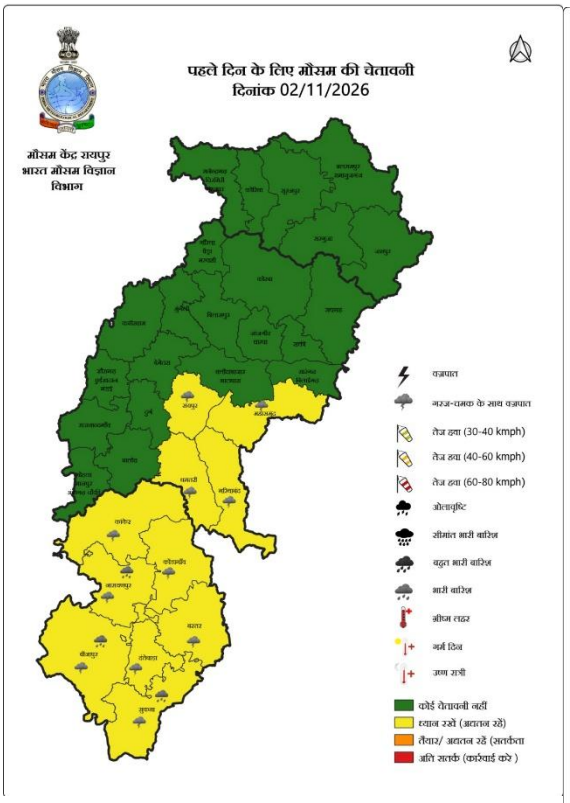
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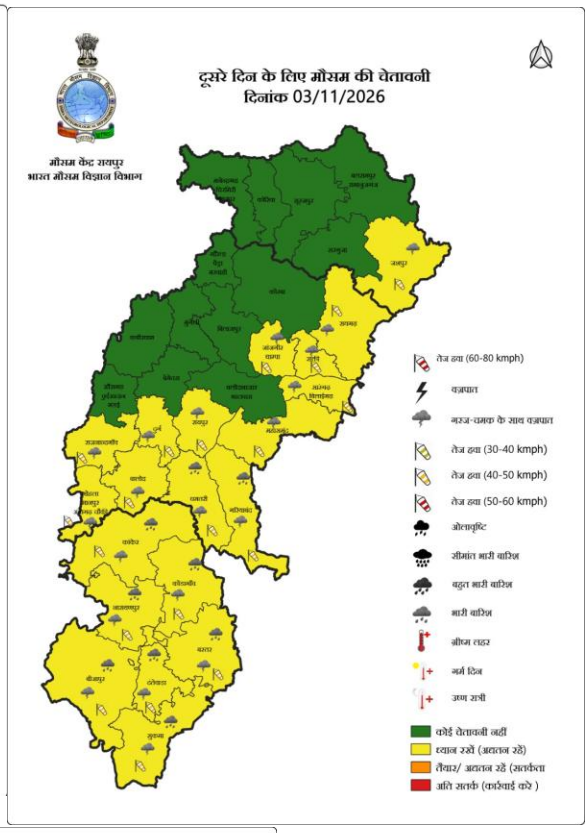


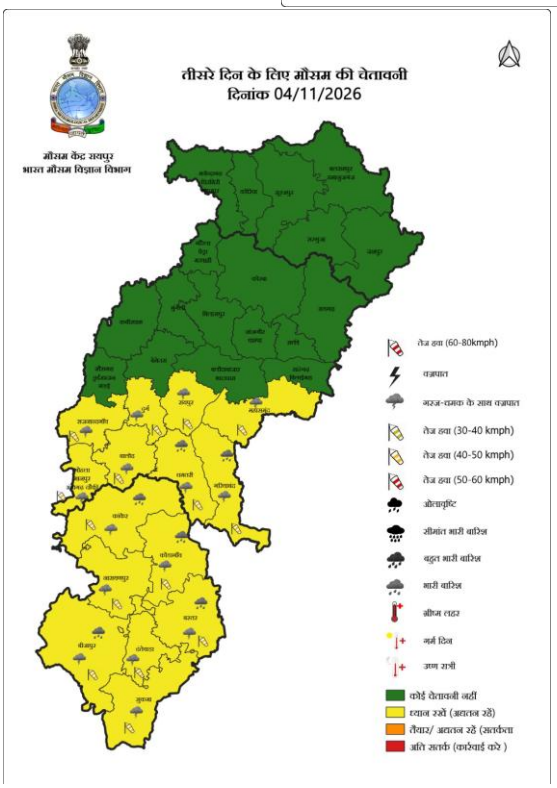




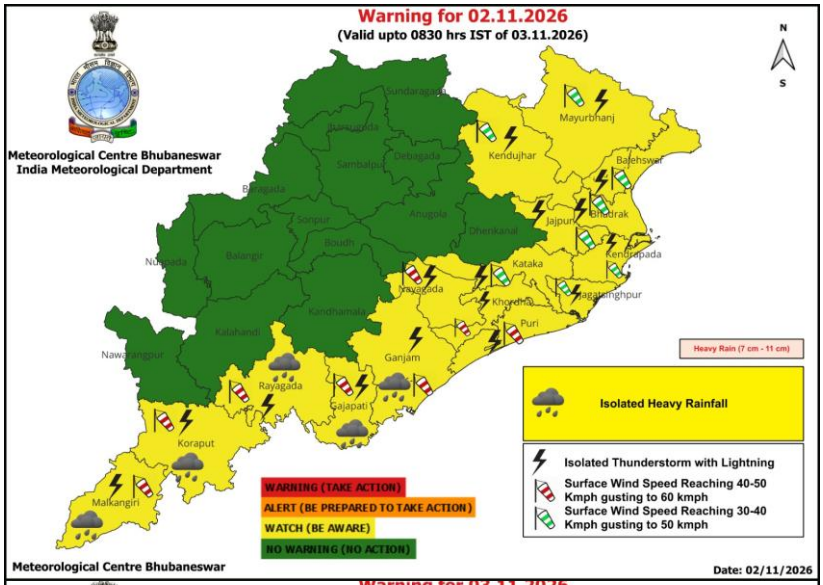
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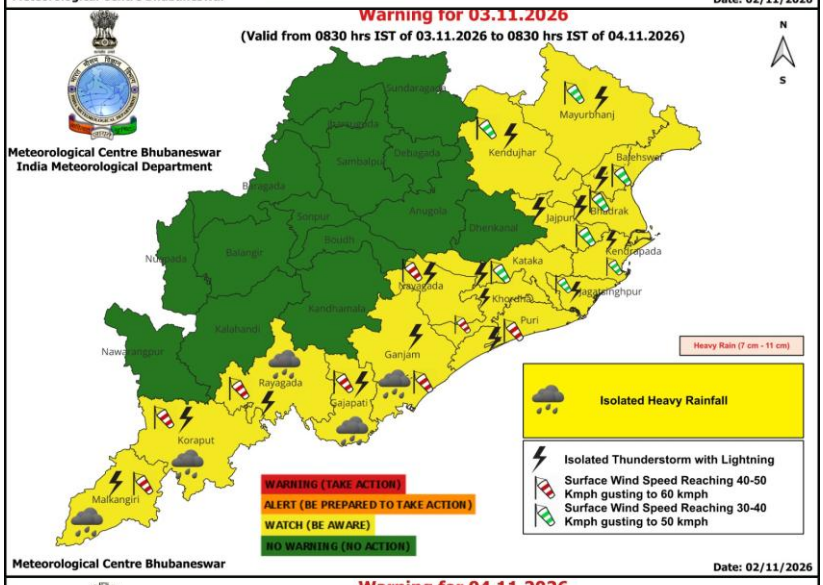


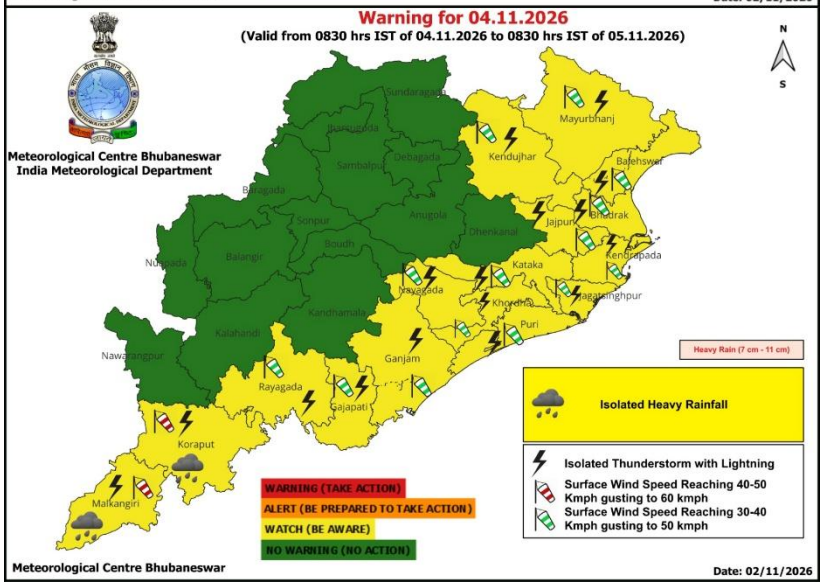




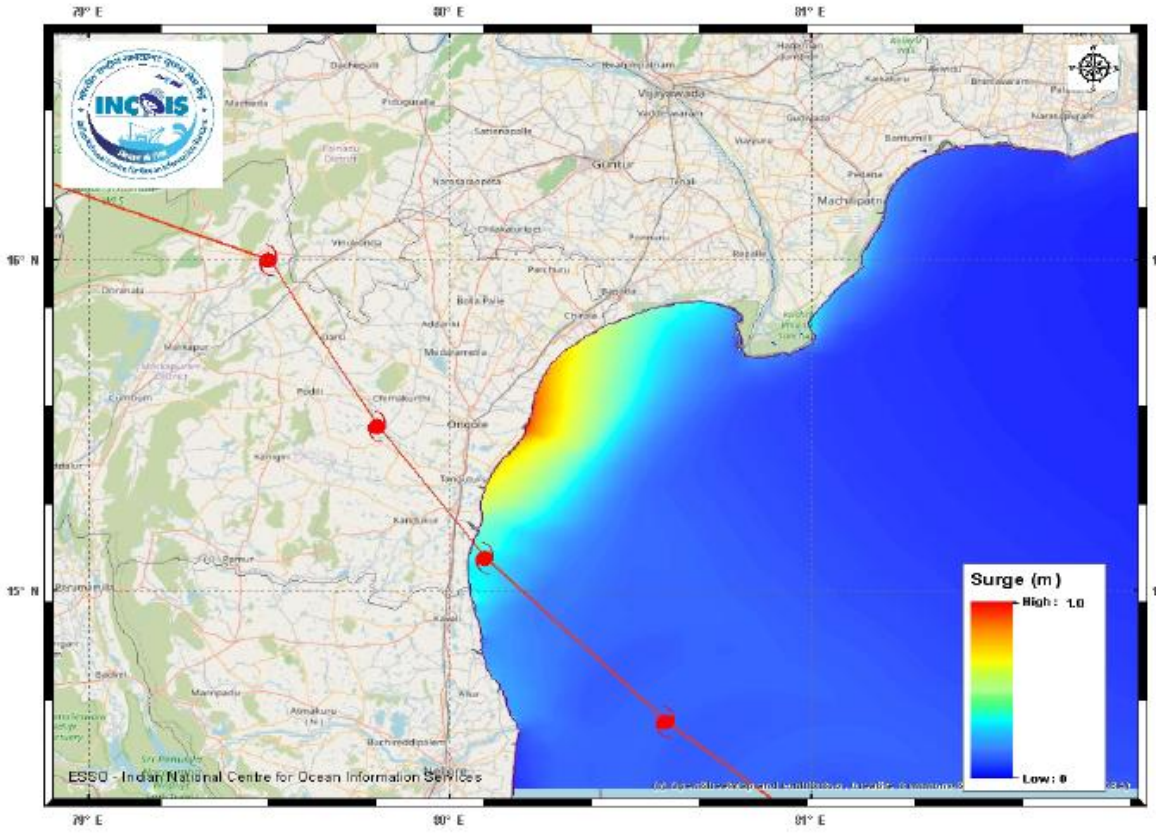
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Storm surge height information

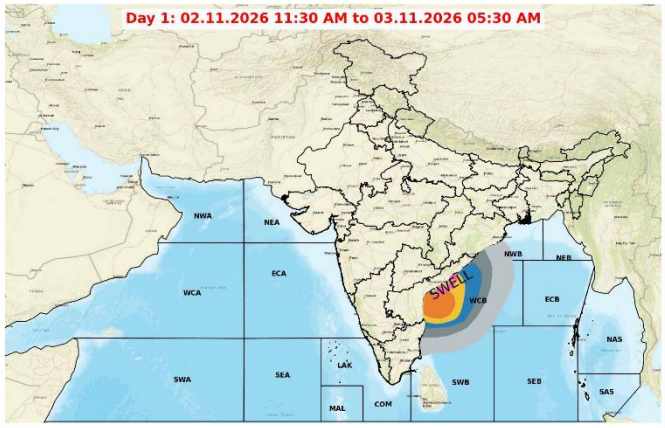


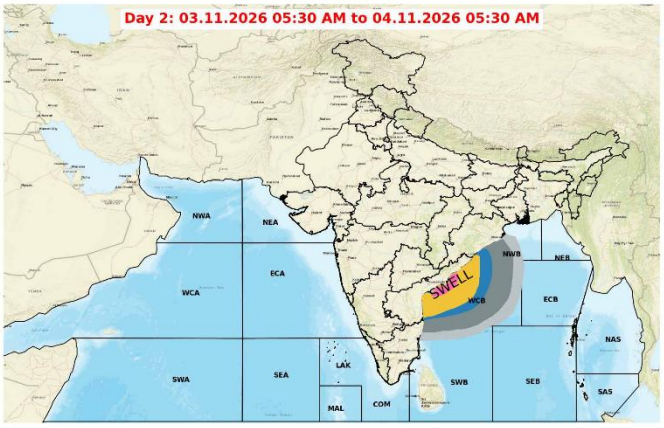
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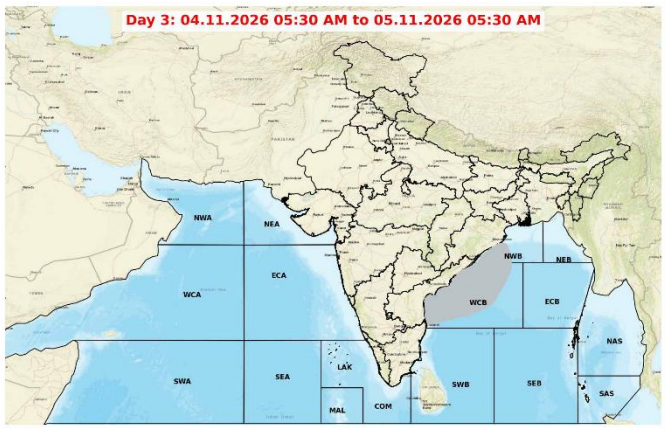
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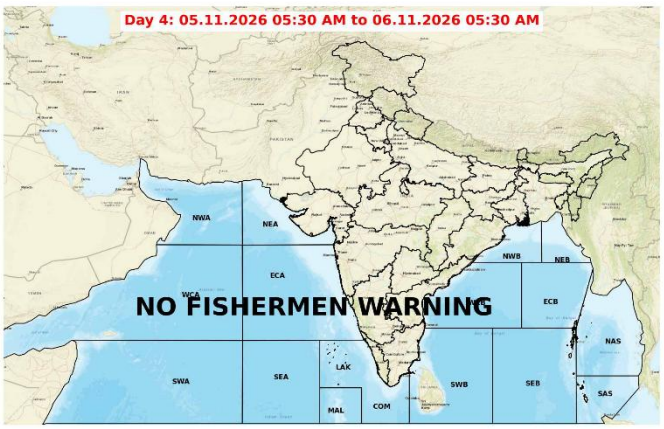
MANDAL/TALUK	DISTRICT	STATE / UNION TERRITORY	NEAREST PLACE OF HABITATION	STORM SURGE (m) *	EXPECTED INUNDATION EXTENT (km)
Ongole	Prakasam	Andhra Pradesh	Kanuparthi	0.5-1.0	Upto 0.33
Chirala	Prakasam	Andhra Pradesh	Kotha Peta (Rural)	0.6-0.9	Upto 0.17
Bapatla	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh	Forest	0.4-0.5	Upto 0.19
Kandukur	Prakasam	Andhra Pradesh	Pakala	0.4-0.6	Upto 0.11
Sullurpeta	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	Reddipalem	0.2-0.6	Upto 0.18
Kovvur	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	Isakapalle	0.2-0.5	Nil
Avanigadda	Krishna	Andhra Pradesh	Ramakrishnapuram	0.2-0.4	Upto 0.16
Ponneri	Thiruvallur	Tamil Nadu	Karimanal	0.2-0.4	Upto 0.15
Repalle	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh	Forest	0.2-0.4	Upto 0.16

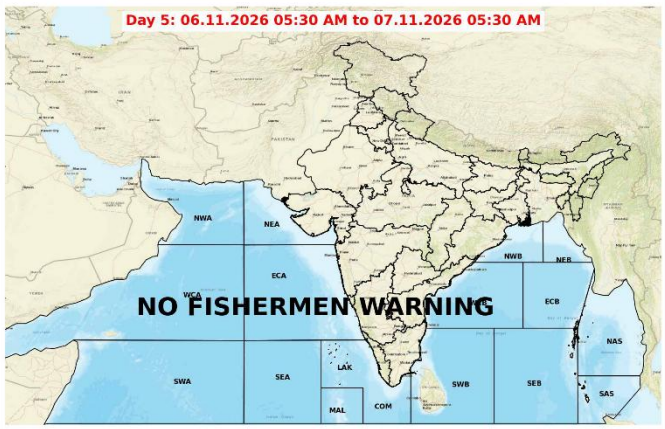
Fishermen Warning Graphics











Legend

	Squally Weather with wind speed 35-45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph
	Squally wind with speed 45-55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph
	Deep depression with wind speed 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph
	CS with Gale winds with speed 60-90 kmph gusting to 90 kmph
	SCS with Gale wind speed 90-110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph
	Swell Surge Warning

Fishermen are advised not to venture into the marked areas.