



PRESS RELEASE

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Sub: Likely formation of a low pressure area over north Andaman Sea and adjoining eastcentral Bay of Bengal around 22nd May and its intensification into a Cyclonic Storm.

A Low pressure area is very likely to form over north Andaman Sea and adjoining eastcentral Bay of Bengal around 22nd May. It is very likely to intensify into a Cyclonic Storm by 24th May. It would move north-westwards and reach near Odisha- West Bengal coasts around 26th May morning.

Warnings:

(i) Rainfall:

Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy falls at isolated places very likely to commence from 25th May over coastal districts of Odisha with significant increase in intensity and also spatial extension subsequently.

(ii) Wind warning

- Squally wind speed reaching 45–55 kmph gusting to 65 kmph is likely to prevail over Andaman Sea & adjoining eastcentral Bay of Bengal on 23rd May. It is very likely to increase becoming 50–60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph from 23rd May and further becoming Gale wind speed 65 to 75 gusting to 85 kmph from 24th May over major parts of central Bay of Bengal and would increase gradually till 25th May, 2021.
- Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting 60kmph is very likely to prevail over North Bay of Bengal and along and off Odisha – West Bengal coasts from 25th evening and would increase gradually till 26th May, 2021.

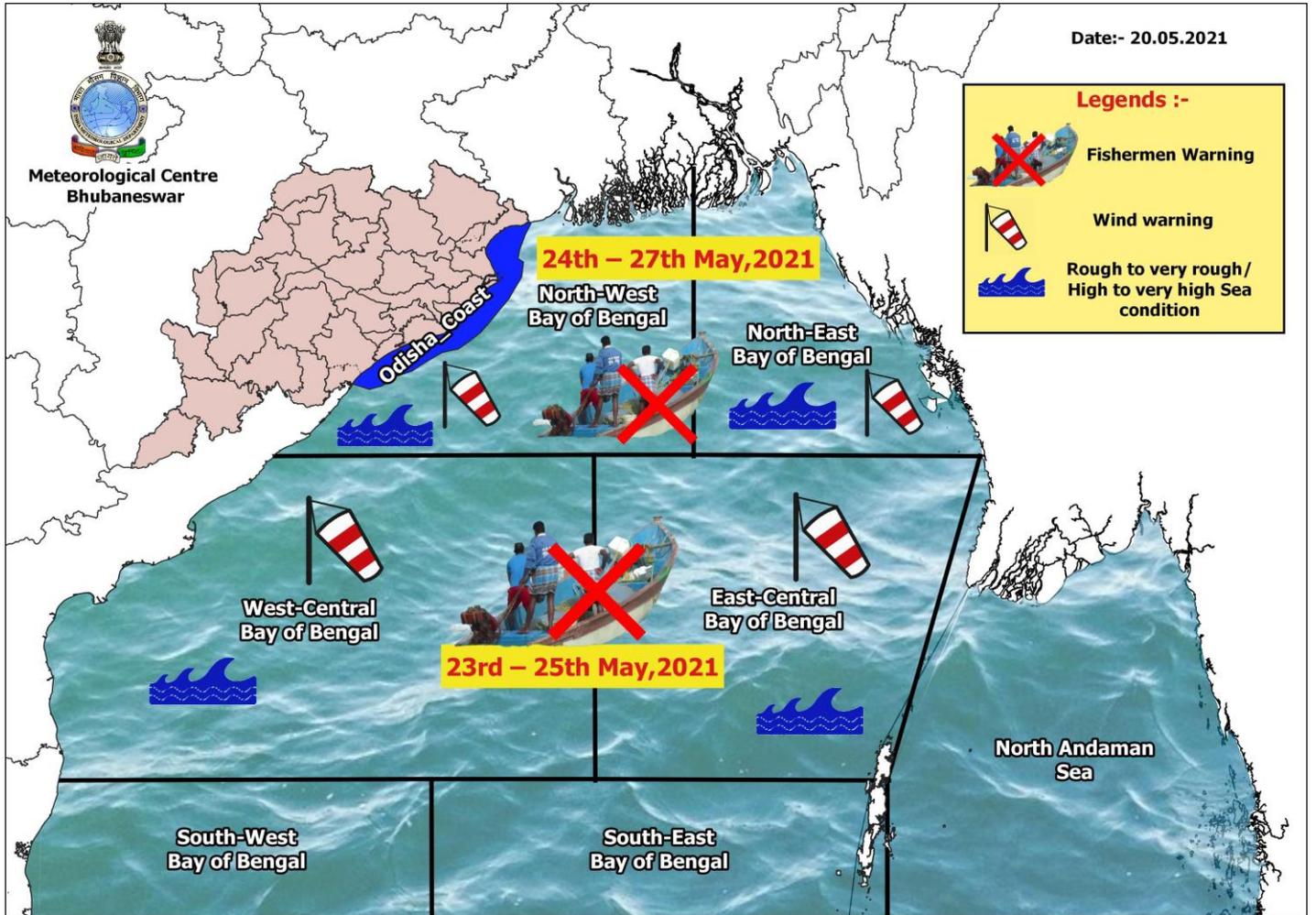
(iii) Sea condition

Sea conditions will be rough to very rough over Andaman Sea & adjoining eastcentral Bay of Bengal on 23rd May, High to very high over major parts of central Bay of Bengal during 24th – 26th May and into north Bay of Bengal and along & off Odisha – West Bengal coasts during 25th – 27th May.

(iv) Fishermen Warning

The fishermen are advised not to venture into deep sea area of central Bay of Bengal from 23rd – 25th May and into north Bay of Bengal along & off Odisha coast from 24th – 27th May, 2021.

Fishermen, those who are out in the Deep Sea are advised to return to the coast by 23rd May, 2021.



Sea conditions, wind warning and fishermen warnings are depicted which are expected during the likely formation and movement of a cyclonic storm from 23rd May, 2021.