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## **PRESS RELEASE**

DATE: 26.05.2021 TIME: 1830 HRS IST

Sub: Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Yaas' (pronounced as 'Yass') over northwest Bay of Bengal, weakened into a Severe Cyclonic Storm over northeast Odisha.

The Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Yaas' (pronounced as 'Yass') over north coastal Odisha moved north-northwestwards with a speed of about 10 kmph during past 6 hours, weakened into a Severe Cyclonic Storm and lay centred at 1430 hrs IST of today, the 26th May, 2021 over northeast Odisha, near latitude 21.6°N and longitude 86.7°E, about 25 km west-northwest of Balasore and 35 km south-southwest of Baripada.

THE SYSTEM IS VERY LIKELY TO MOVE NORTHWESTWARDS AND WEAKEN INTO A CYCLONIC STORM DURING NEXT 3 HOURS.

FORECAST TRACK AND INTENSITY ARE GIVEN IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE:

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. <sup>0</sup> N/ long. <sup>0</sup> E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
26.05.21/1430	21.6/86.7	90-100 gusting to 110	SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM
26.05.21/1730	21.8/86.5	60-70 gusting to 80	CYCLONIC STORM
26.05.21/2330	22.3 /86.1	55-65 gusting to 75	DEEP DEPRESSION
27.05.21/0530	22.8/85.7	35-45 gusting to 55	DEPRESSION

# Warnings:

### (i) Rainfall:

(1) Kainfall:		
Days	Forecast	Heavy Rainfall Warning
Day-1:	Light to moderate rain or	Red Warning (Take Action)
Valid from	thundershower very likely	Heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places over Balasore,
upto 0830	to occur at most places	Bhadrak, Jajpur, Kendrapada, Jagatsinghpur, Cuttack,
Hrs IST of	over the districts of north	Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar and Dhenkanal
27.05.21	Odisha, at a few over the	with isolated extremely heavy fall very likely to occur over the
	districts of south Odisha.	districts of Jajpur, Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar and Dhenkanal.
		Yellow Warning (Be updated)
	22-2	Heavy very heavy rainfall very likely to occur at isolated places
	977	over the districts of Anugul, Deogarh, Sundergarh and
		Sambalpur
<b>Day-2:</b>	Light to moderate rain or	Yellow Warning (Be updated)
Valid from	thundershower very likely	Heavy rainfall very likely to occur at isolated places over the
0830 Hrs	to occur at many places	districts of Sundergarh, and Keonjhar.
IST of	over the districts of north	
27.05.21 to	interior Odisha, at a few	
0830 Hrs	over the districts of north	
IST of	coastal Odisha and at one	
28.05.21.	or two places over the	
	districts of south Odisha.	

#### (ii) Wind warning

- Gale wind speed reaching 90-100 kmph gusting 110 kmph is likely to prevail over Northwest Bay of Bengal and along & off north Odisha coast during next 3 hours and improve gradually therafter.
- Gale wind speed reaching 80-90 kmph gusting 100 kmph would prevail over Mayurbhanj District of Odisha during next 3 hours and decrease gradually therafter.
- Gale wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph would prevail over Puri, Cuttack, Khurda, Dhenkanal and Keonjhar districts of Odisha till 26<sup>th</sup> early night. The wind speed reaching 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph would prevail over remaining interior districts of north Odisha till today evening and reduce gradually from tonight.

#### (iii) Sea condition

 Sea condition would be High over northwest Bay of Bengal along & off Odisha–West Bengal coasts till 26th evening and improve gradually therafter.

#### **Fishermen Warning**

The fishermen are advised not to venture into sea along and off Odisha coast and North Bay of Bengal till 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

#### (v)Port Warning:

Keep hoisted Great Danger Signal No. 10(GD10) at Paradip and Dhamra Ports of Odisha, and Local Cautionary Signal No. 3 (LC3) at Gopalpur and Puri Port of Odisha.

## Action Suggested for coastal districts of North Odisha, and adjoining interior districts:

- > Suspension of fishing operation and movement of ships in disturbed areas.
- ➤ Ports along the east coast of India may take necessary pre-cautions.
- Naval base operations may maintain necessary pre-cautions
- > Tourism activities may be restricted over these areas.
- ➤ Mobilise evacuation from coastal areas of West Bengal & North Odisha.
- > Judicious regulation of rail and road traffic.
- ➤ People in affected areas to remain indoors.
- Preparatory action before the cyclones.

## Damage expected over north interior districts of Odisha:

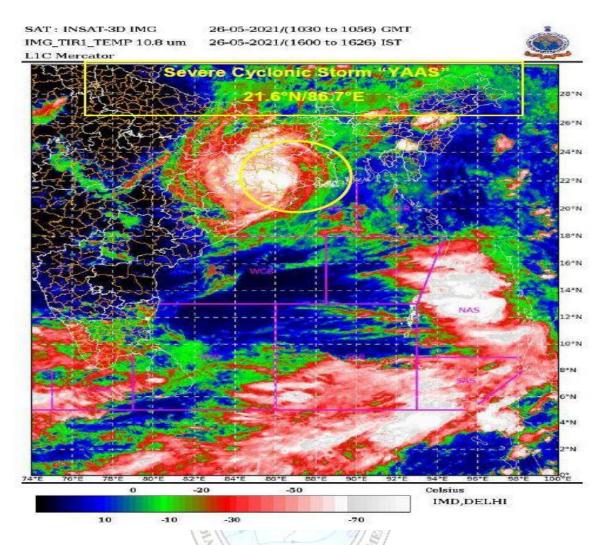
- Major damage to thatched houses/ huts. Roof tops may blow off. Unattached metal sheets may fly.
- Minor damage to power and communication lines.
- Major damage to Kutcha and some damage to Pucca roads. Flooding of escape routes.
- Breaking of tree branches, uprooting of trees. Damage to banana and papaya trees. Dead limbs blown from trees.
- Major damage to coastal crops.

**N.B:** Spatial rainfall distribution: ISOLATED :=< 25%, A few: 26-50%, Many: 51-75%, Most: 76-100%, RAINFALL amount (MM): Heavy rain: 64.5-115.5, Very heavy rain: 115.6-204.4, Extremely heavy rain: 204.5 or more. Probabilistic forecast: Unlikely =< 25%, likely 26-50%, Very likely 51-75%, Most likely > 75%

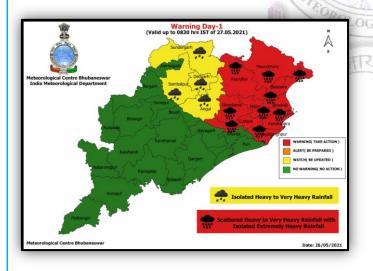
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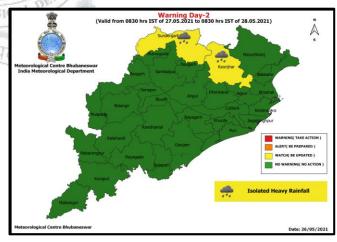


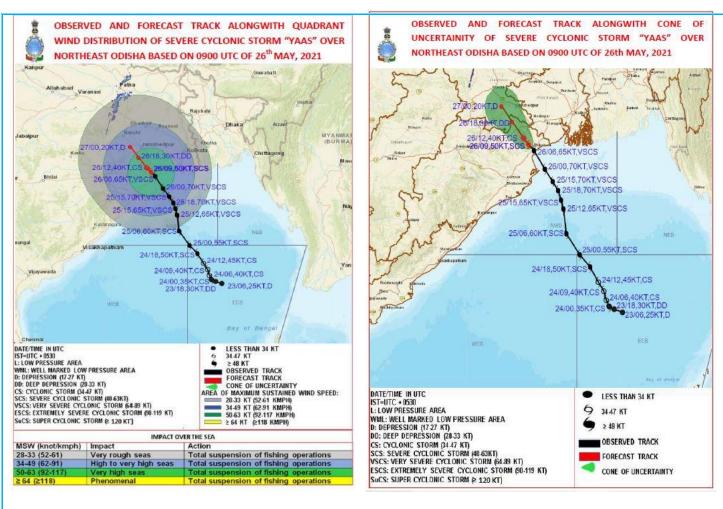
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Rainfall Warning Maps for Day-1 to Day-2







# Realized rainfall during last 24 Hrs (recorded at 0830 Hrs IST of today)

