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**Sub: Severe Cyclonic Storm "Akvan" [Pronunciation: Akvan] over Westcentral and adjoining central parts of South Bay of Bengal [Cyclone Warning for North Andhra Pradesh & Yanam and South Odisha coasts—Red Message]**

The Severe Cyclonic Storm "Akvan" [Pronunciation: Akvan] over central parts of South and adjoining Westcentral Bay of Bengal moved north-northwestwards with the speed of 08 kmph during past 06 hours and lay centered at 1130 hours IST of today, the 18th November, 2026 over the westcentral and adjoining central parts of south Bay of Bengal, near Latitude 13.1°N and Longitude 85.4°E, about 540 km southeast of Narsapur (Andhra Pradesh), 570 km east of Chennai (Tamil Nadu), 600 km south-southeast of Kalingapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), 690 km south of Gopalpur (Odisha) and 750 km south of Puri (Odisha).

Continuing to move north-northwestward, it is likely to cross North Andhra Pradesh & Yanam and South Odisha coasts between Narsapur and Puri, by noon of 20th November, 2026 as a severe cyclonic storm with the maximum sustained wind speed of 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph.

**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 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 18.11.26/1130 | 13.1/85.4 | 90-100 gusting to 110 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 18.11.26/1730 | 13.5/85.2 | 90-100 gusting to 110 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 18.11.26/2330 | 14.1/85.0 | 100-110 gusting to 120 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 19.11.26/0530 | 15.0/84.7 | 100-110 gusting to 120 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 19.11.26/1130 | 16.0/84.5 | 100-110 gusting to 120 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 19.11.26/2330 | 17.2/84.3 | 90-100 gusting to 110 | Severe Cyclonic Storm |
| 20.11.26/1130 | 18.7/84.2 | 60-70 gusting to 80 | Cyclonic Storm |
| 20.11.26/2330 | 20.3/84.4 | 40-50 gusting to 60 | Depression |
| 21.11.26/1130 | 22.1/84.6 | 25-35 gusting to 45 | Well Marked Low Pressure Area |

**Warnings:**

**(i) Rainfall Warning:**

**Coastal Andhra Pradesh:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely on 18th, light to moderate rainfall at most places with **heavy to very heavy rainfall** at a few places and isolated **extremely heavy rainfall (≥21 cm)** on 19th & 20th November. It is likely to decrease become light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places over north coastal Andhra Pradesh on 21st November.

**Odisha:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places over south coastal Odisha is very likely on 18th, light to moderate rainfall at most places with **heavy to very heavy rainfall** at a few places and isolated **extremely heavy rainfall (≥21 cm)** over south Odisha and **heavy to very heavy rainfall** over north Odisha on 19th & 20th November and light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places during on 21st November.

**Telangana:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely over eastern Telangana on 20th November.

**Chhattisgarh:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely over Chhattisgarh on 20th on 21st November.

**Gangetic West Bengal:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely on 19th & 21st November and light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places on 20th November.

**Jharkhand:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely on 20th & 21st November.

**Vidarbha:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely over East Vidarbha on 21st November.

**East Madhya Pradesh:** Light to moderate rainfall at many places with **heavy rainfall** at isolated places is very likely on 21st November.

**(ii) Wind warning:**

**Southeast Bay of Bengal:** Gale wind speed 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to decrease gradually becoming squally winds 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph from 19th November morning and decrease further thereafter.

**Southwest Bay of Bengal:** Gale wind speed reaching 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to reduce gradually and becoming 60-70 kmph gusting to 80 kmph on 19th & 20th November.

**Westcentral Bay of Bengal:** Gale wind speed reaching 90-100 kmph gusting to 110 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to increase becoming 100-110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph on 19th November. It will decrease gradually thereafter.

**Eastcentral Bay of Bengal:** Squally wind speed reaching 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph is likely to prevail till 18th November evening and decease thereafter gradually.

**Northwest Bay of Bengal:** Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to increase becoming 70-80 gusting to 90 kmph from 19th morning till 20th November noon and decease thereafter.

**Along & off North Tamil Nadu & Puducherry coasts:** Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 gusting to 60 kmph till 18th November and 50-60 gusting to 70 kmph on 19th & 20th November and decease thereafter.

**Along & off Andhra Pradesh & Yanam coasts: Squally wind speed** reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to be 60 kmph is prevailing along and off north Andhra Pradesh and adjoining South Andhra Pradesh coast. It is likely to increase gradually becoming **Gale** wind speed reaching 60-70 gusting to 80 kmph on 19th November morning and 90-110 kmph gusting to 110 kmph from 19th November till landfall on 20th November noon. It will decrease gradually thereafter.

**Along & off Odisha coast:** Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is prevailing. It is likely to increase becoming 50-60 kmph gusting 70 kmph from night of 18th November and likely to increase further becoming gale wind speed reaching 70-80 kmph gusting to 90 kmph from 19th November morning till 20th November noon and decrease gradually thereafter.

**(iii) Sea condition:**

**Southeast Bay of Bengal:** Very rough to high sea condition is likely to prevail till 18th November noon and improve thereafter.

**Southwest Bay of Bengal:** Very rough to high sea condition is prevailing and it is likely to deteriorate becoming high to very high till 20th November and improve thereafter.

**Westcentral Bay of Bengal:** Very High Sea condition is prevailing; it is likely to continue till landfall on 20th November. It is likely to improve thereafter becoming very rough to rough by 21st November morning.

**Eastcentral Bay of Bengal:** Rough to very rough sea condition is likely to prevail till 18th November.

**Northwest Bay of Bengal:** Rough to very rough sea condition is very likely form night of 18th till 20th November.

**Along & off North Tamil Nadu & Puducherry coasts:** Rough to very rough sea condition is very likely till 20th November.

**Along & off Andhra Pradesh & Yanam coasts:** Very rough to high sea condition likely on 18th, high to very high on 19th November morning and likely to continue till landfall on 20th November. It is likely to improve becoming very rough to rough by 21st November morning.

**Along & off Odisha coast:** Rough to very rough sea condition is very likely from 18th November night till 21th November.

**(iv) Storm Surge Warning:**

Storm surge of 0.5 to 1.0 m height above astronomical tide is very likely to inundate low lying areas of Andhra Pradesh (**West Godavari, Konaseema, Kakinada, Vizianagaram, Srikakulam and Visakhapatnam** districts) and south coastal Odisha (**Ganjam, Khordha and Puri** districts) during the time of landfall.

**(v) Fisherman warning:** Fishermen are advised not to venture into

- Southeast Bay of Bengal till 18th November.
- Southwest Bay of Bengal till 20th November.
- Westcentral Bay of Bengal till 21st November morning.
- Eastcentral Bay of Bengal till 19th November.
- Northwest Bay of Bengal till 21st November morning.

**(vi) Impact Expected & Action Suggested**

**(a) Damage Expected over north Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam and South Odisha 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:**
  - 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 from 19th November becoming phenomenal with wave height > 14 metre from 19th November night till landfall. Visibility severely affected
  - Movement in boats/ships unsafe
- **Roads/Rail/Air Transport:**
  - 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, Airports & Heliports.
- **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 over:
  - Southeast Bay of Bengal from till 18th November.
  - Southwest Bay of Bengal till 20th November.
  - Westcentral Bay of Bengal till 21st November.
  - Eastcentral Bay of Bengal till 18th November.
  - Northwest Bay of Bengal during 19th – 21st November.
- 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, road and air 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
- Dam/reservoir authorities may access the dam/reservoirs.
- 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 20th November.
- Shipping, port and offshore operators are advised to review operational preparedness and monitor

subsequent forecasts for possible restrictions on weather-sensitive activities till 20th November.

- Maritime authorities may review communication, vessel-tracking and search-and-rescue preparedness, particularly for vessels operating in areas likely to be affected till 20th 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 20th November.

**(b) Damage Expected over adjoining areas of south Coastal Andhra Pradesh, north Odisha, eastern Telangana and south Chhattisgarh and Action suggested**

- **Structure:**
  - Damage to thatched houses/ kutcha houses.
  - Potential threat to vulnerable structures, tin house, asbestos house.
- **Agriculture:**
  - Damage to standing crops, plantations, orchards, falling of green coconuts, tearing of palm fronds. Major damage to banana, Papaya and drumstick trees.
  - 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.
- **Drinking water/sanitation and human/animal health**.
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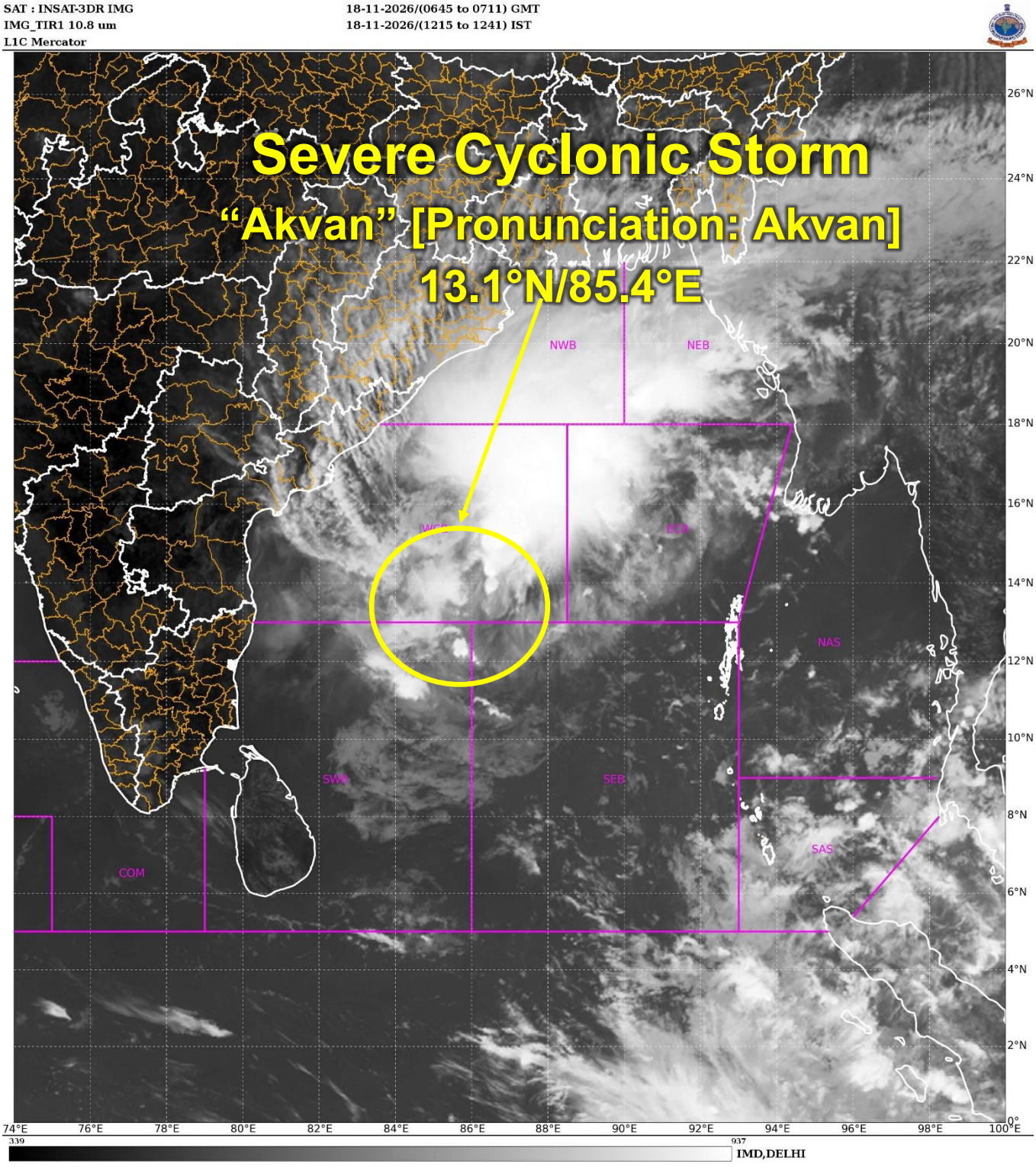
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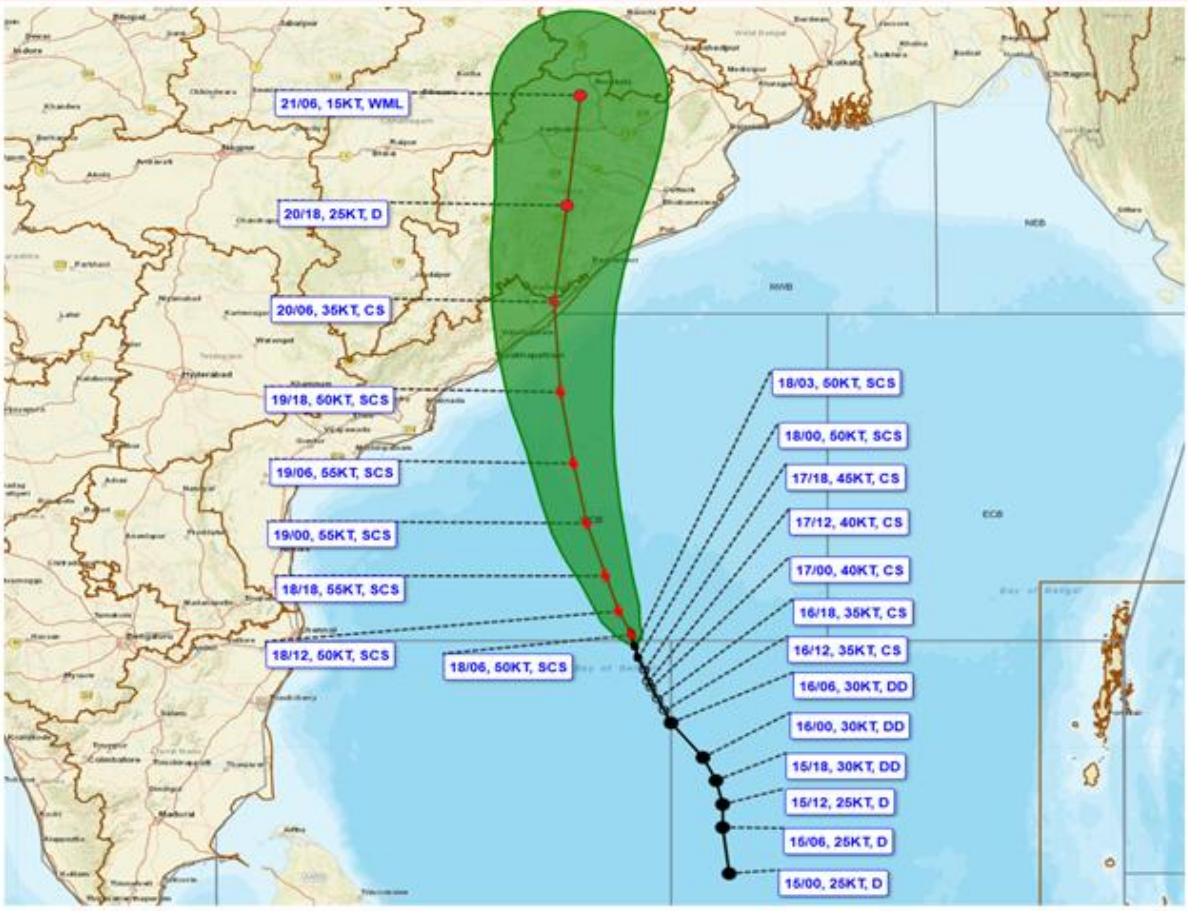
**Next Message will be issued at 1530 hours IST of today, the 18th November, 2026.**

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Severe Cyclonic Storm
"Akvan" [Pronunciation: Akvan]
13.1°N/85.4°E
NWB
NEB
ECB
NAS
SWB
SEB
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IMD,DELHI

# OBSERVED AND FORECAST TRACK ALONGWITH CONE OF UNCERTAINTY OF SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM "AKVAN" OVER WESTCENTRAL AND ADJOINING CENTRAL PARTS OF SOUTH BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0600 UTC (1130 Hrs. IST) OF 18TH NOVEMBER 2026




DATE/TIME IN UTC
IST= UTC + 0530
L: LOW PRESSURE AREA
WML: WELL MARKED LOW PRESSURE AREA
D: DEPRESSION (17-27 KT)
DD: DEEP DEPRESSION (28-33 KT)
CS: CYCLONIC STORM (34-47 KT)
SCS: SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (48-63 KT)
VSCS: VERY SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM (64-89 KT)
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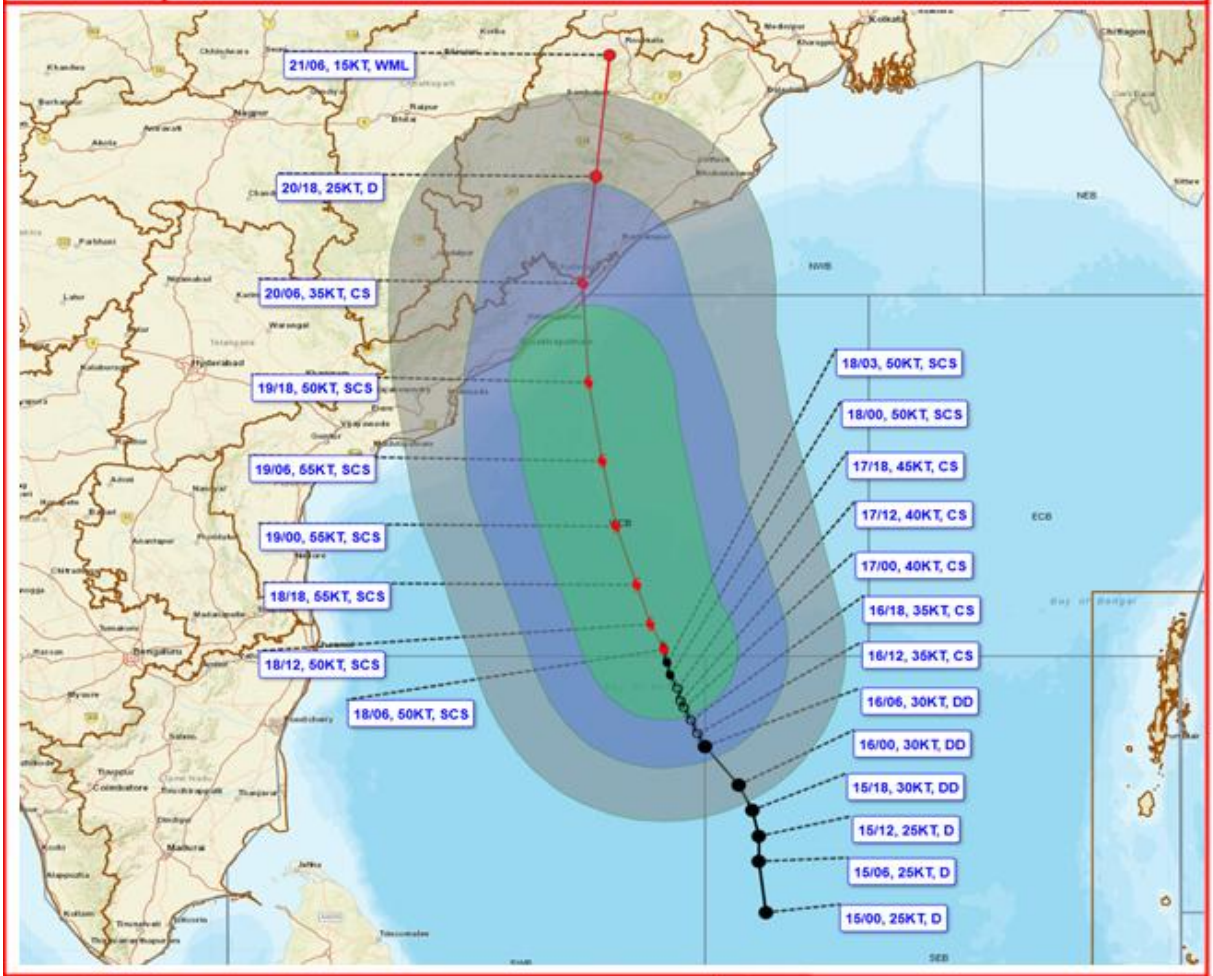
KT (knot) = NAUTICAL MILES PER HOUR (1 KT = 1.85 KMPH)

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

**AKVAN**

| | | | | Forecast distance (km) and direction of the centre from nearest 5 stations | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Forecast Date and Time | Lead Period (hrs) | Lat | Lon | Station 1 | Station 2 | Station 3 | Station 4 | Station 5 |
| 18.11.2026 06:00 UTC | 0 | 13.1 | 85.4 | NARSAPUR (540, SE) | CHENNAI/MINAMBAKKAM (570, E) | KALINGAPATAM (600, SSE) | GOPALPUR (690, S) | PURI (750, S) |

# FORECAST TRACK ALONG WITH QUADRANT WIND DISTRIBUTION OF SEVERE CYCLONIC STORM "AKVAN" OVER WESTCENTRAL AND ADJOINING CENTRAL PARTS OF SOUTH BAY OF BENGAL BASED ON 0600 UTC (1130 Hrs. IST) OF 18TH NOVEMBER 2026




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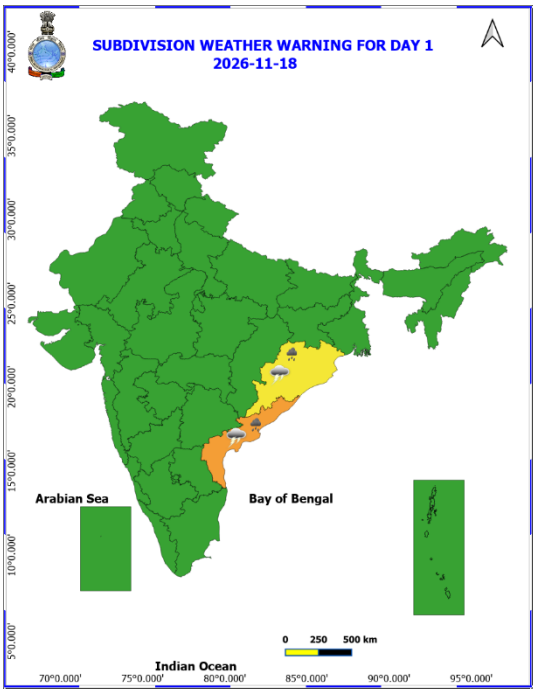
LESS THAN 34 KT
34-47 KT
≥ 48 KT
OBSERVED TRACK
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AREA OF MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND SPEED:
28-33 KT (52-61 KMPH)
34-49 KT (62-91 KMPH)
50-63 KT (92-117 KMPH)
≥ 64 KT (≥118 KMPH)

IMPACT OVER THE SEA

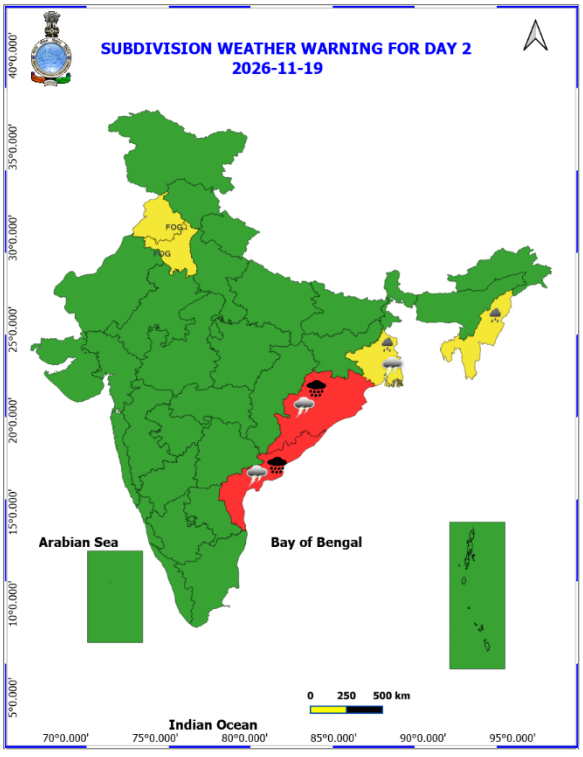
| MSW (knot/kmph) | Impact | Action |
|---|---|---|
| 28-33 (52-61) | Very rough seas | Total suspension of fishing operations |
| 34-49 (62-91) | High to very high seas | Total suspension of fishing operations |
| 50-63 (92-117) | Very high seas | Total suspension of fishing operations |
| ≥ 64 (≥118)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

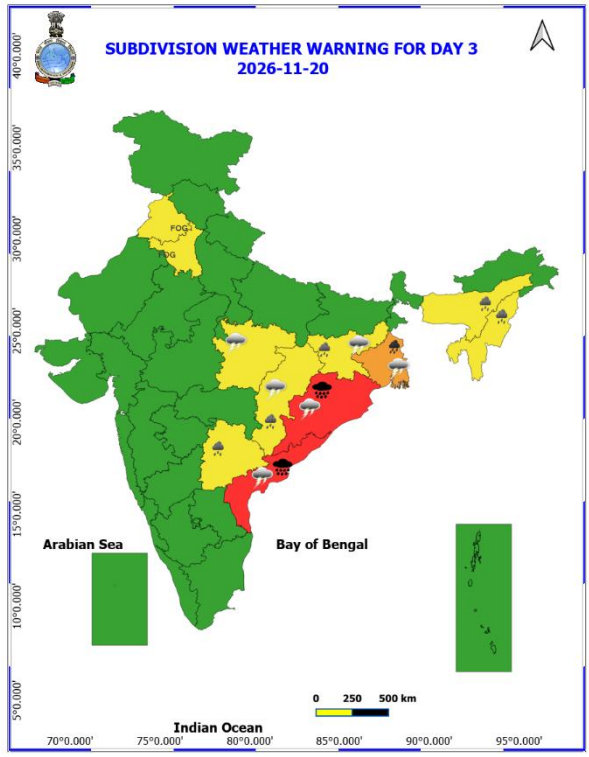
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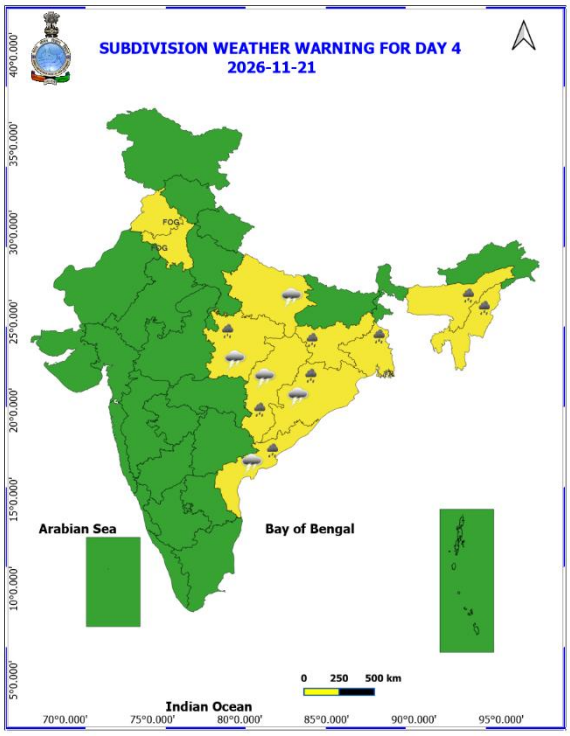


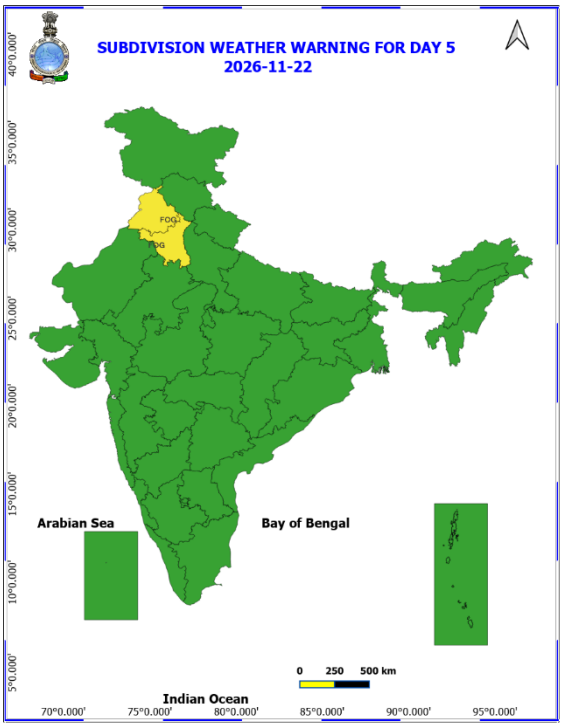


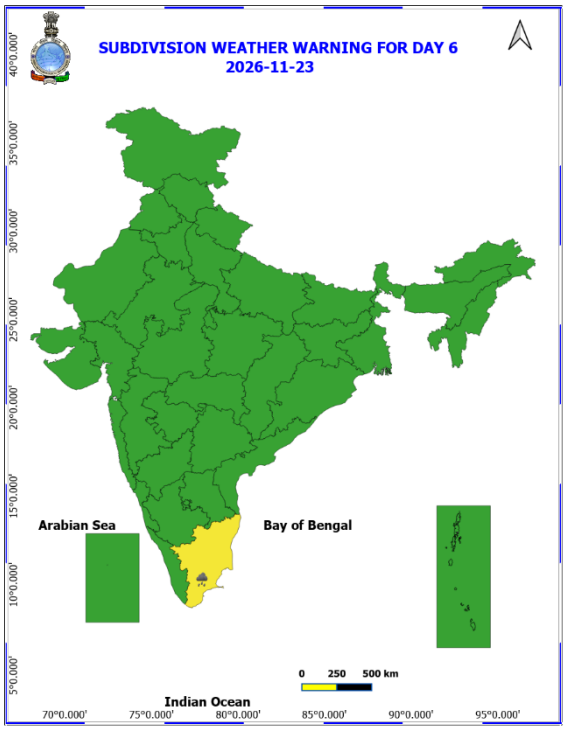


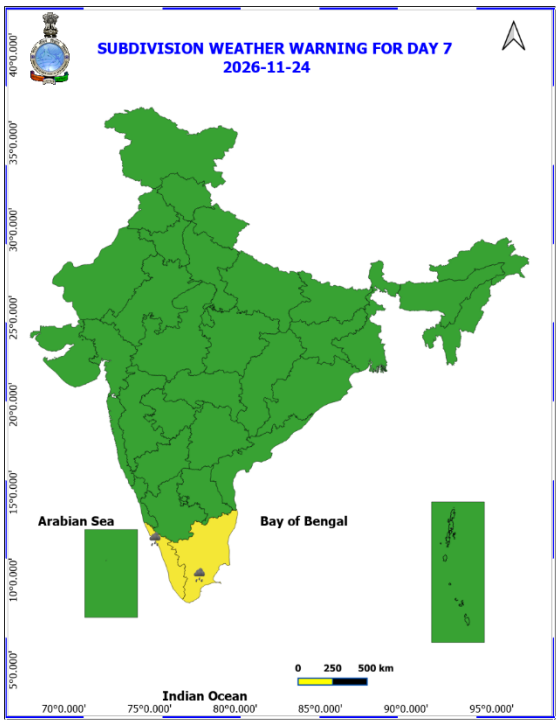



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2026-11-21
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Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean
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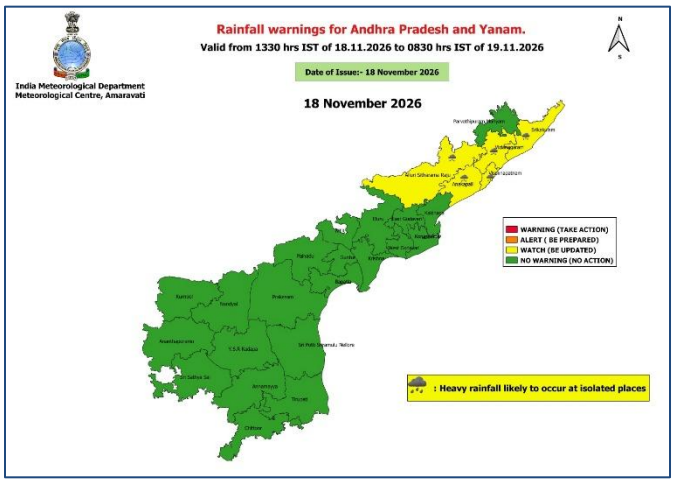

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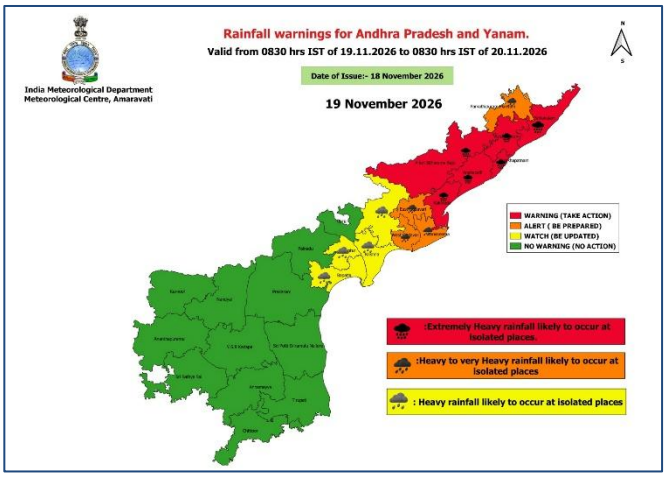

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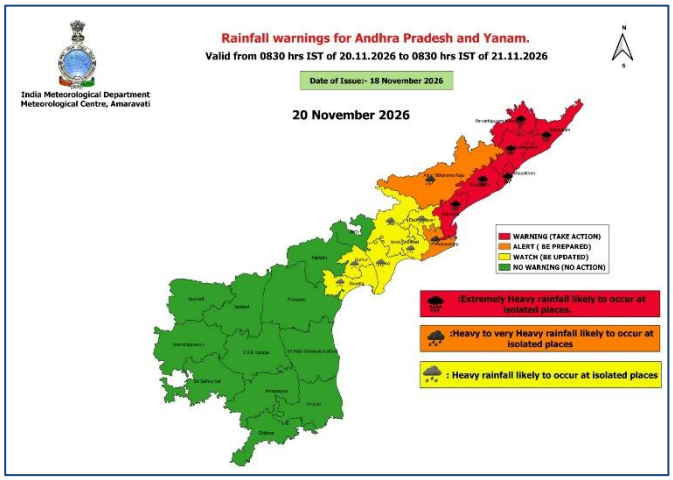

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2026-11-24
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Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean
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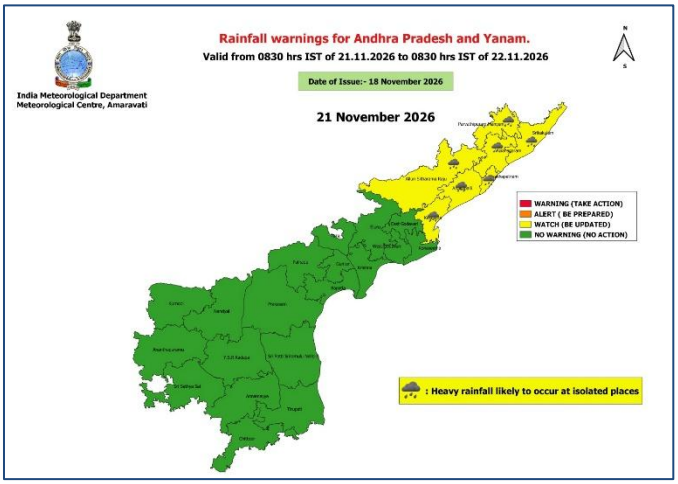
# District-wise Weather Warning Maps

## Andhra Pradesh Rainfall Warnings

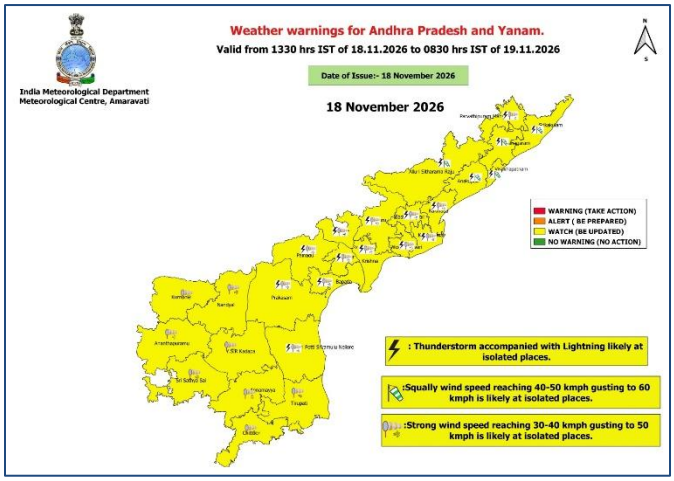


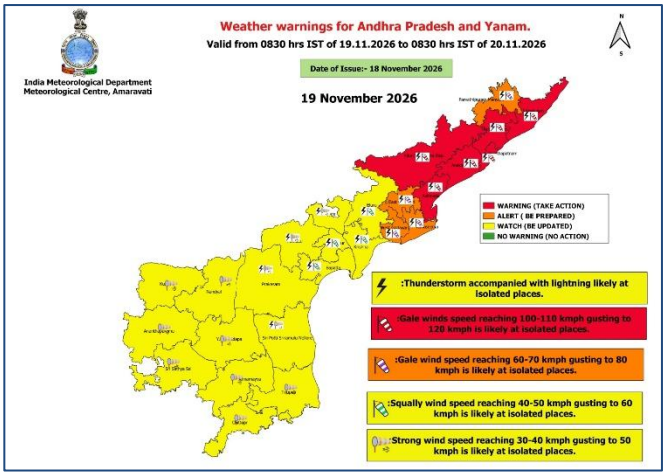



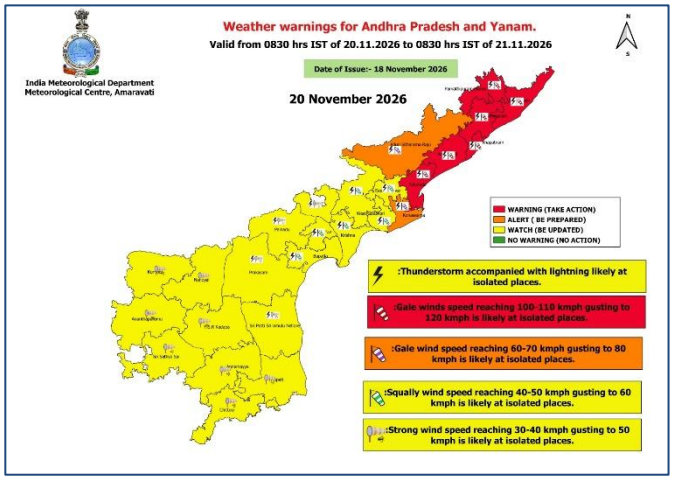



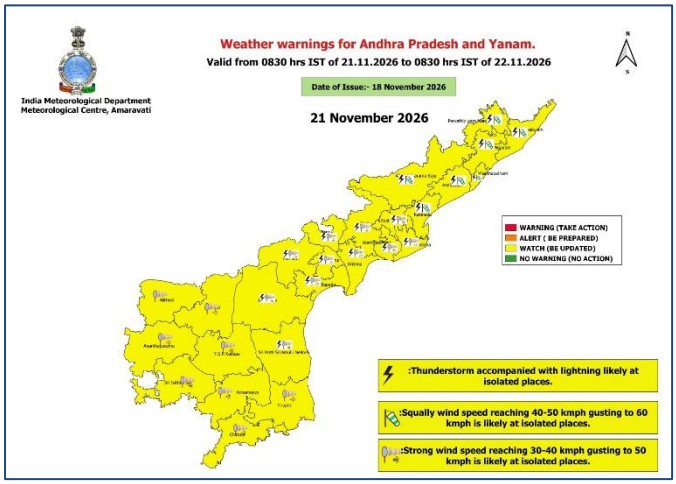



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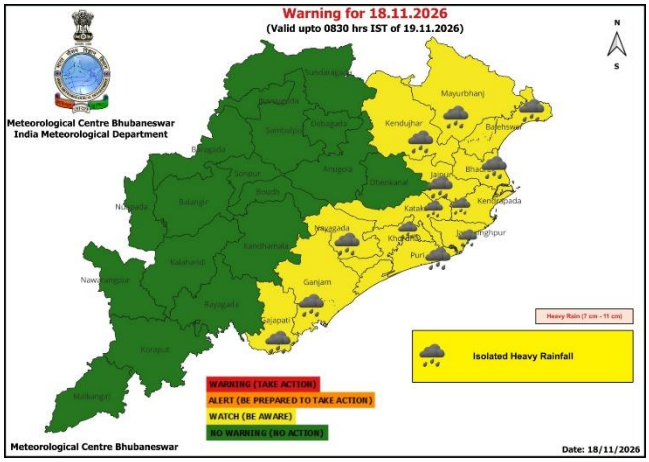


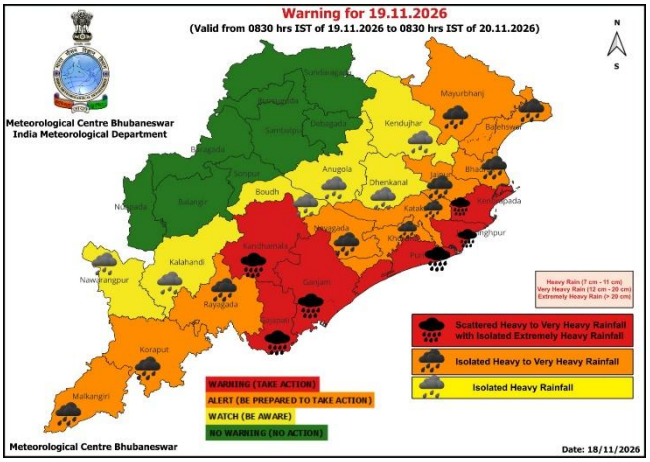



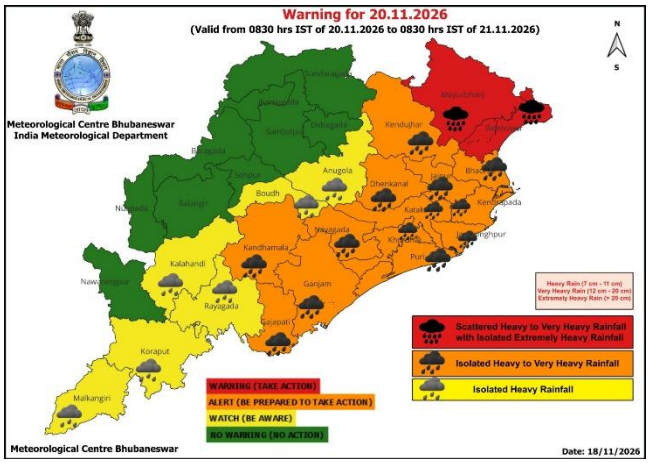



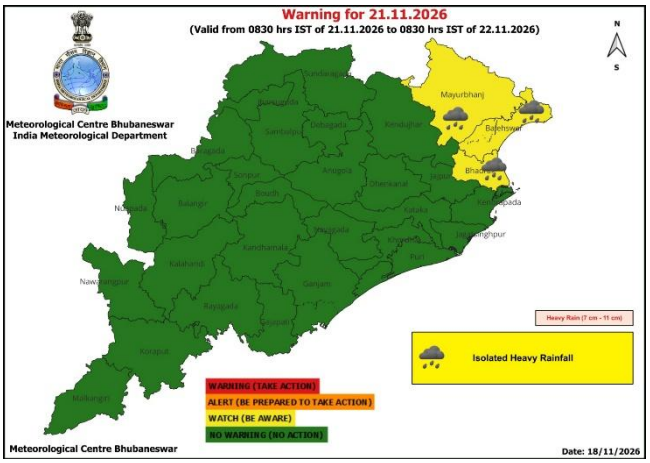



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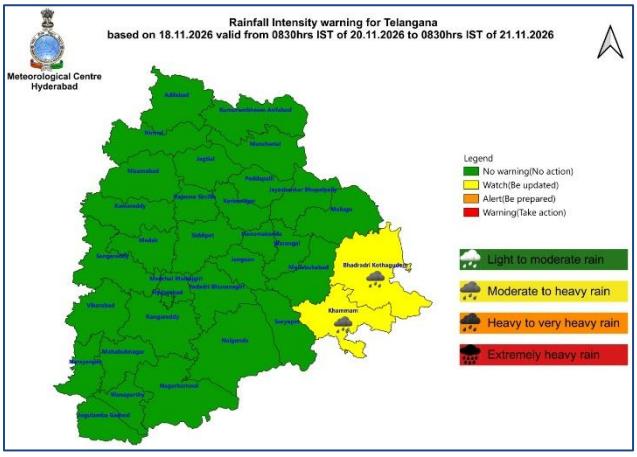


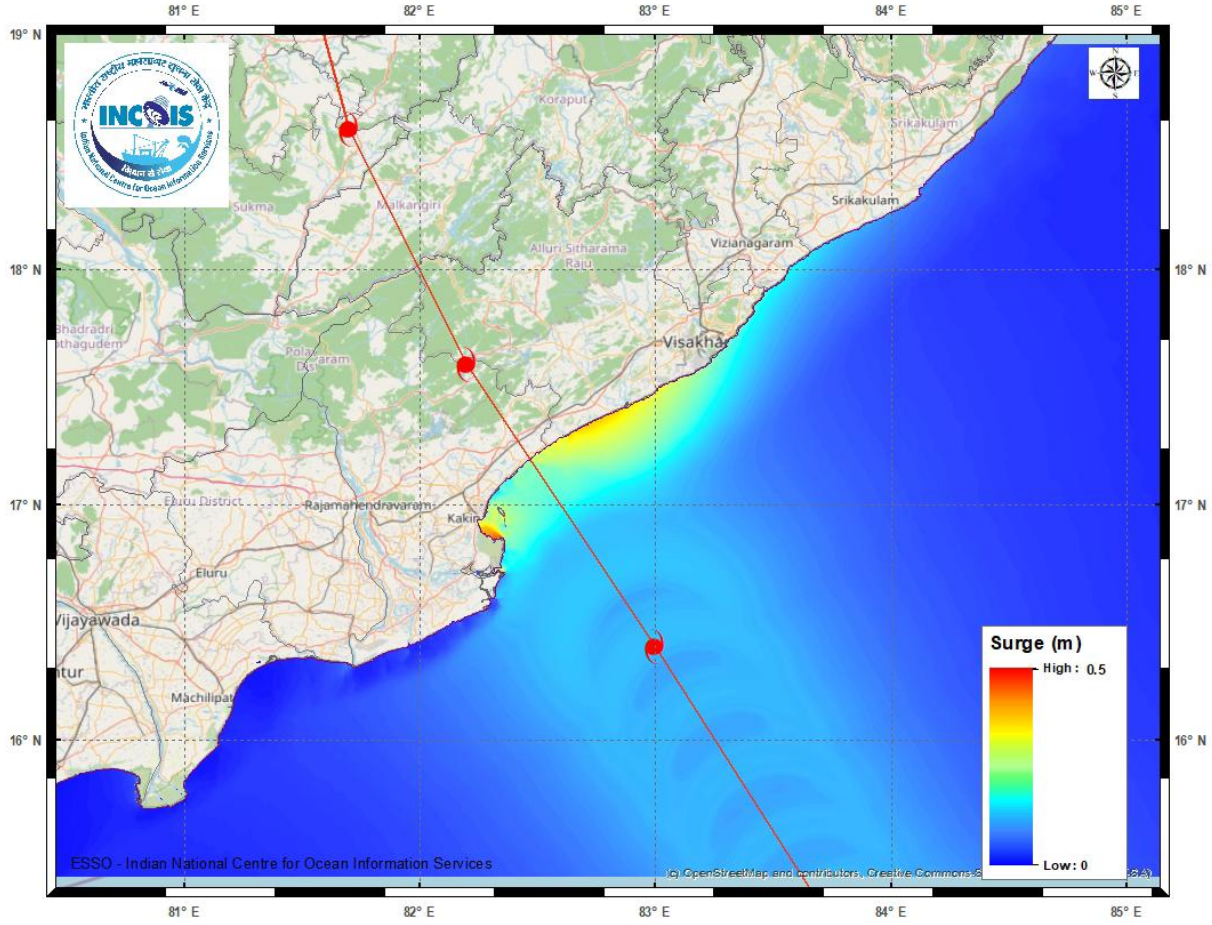




## TELANGANA



## Storm Surge Warning Graphics

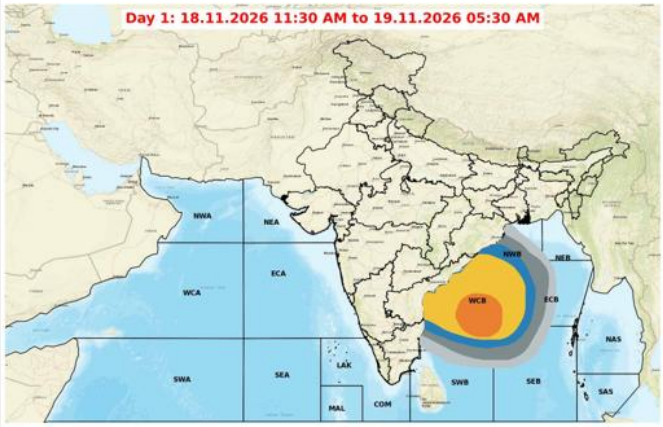


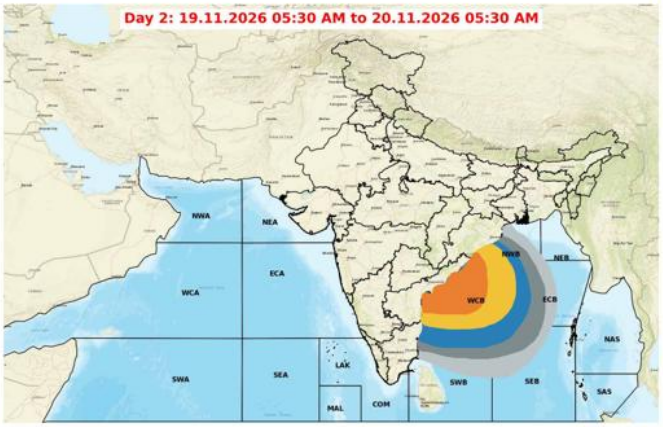

**STORM SURGE HEIGHT INFORMATION:**

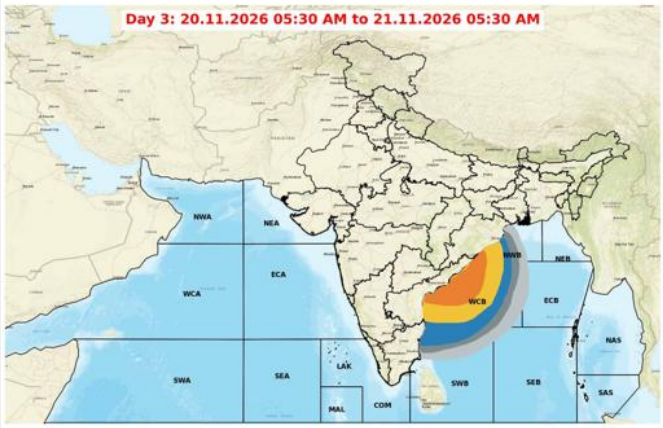
* The below listed surge heights are over and above astronomical tide.

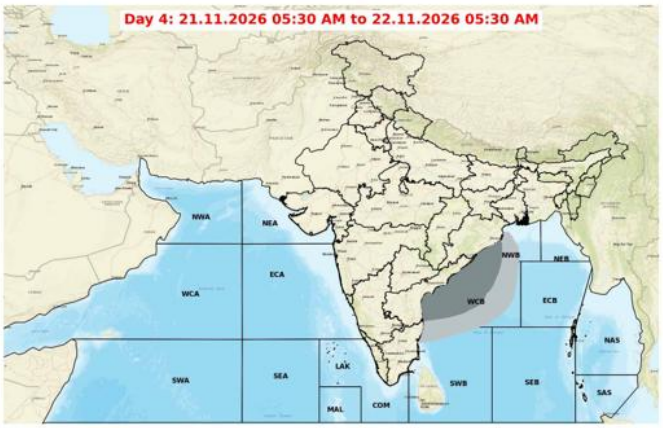
| MANDAL/TALUK | DISTRICT | STATE / UNION TERRITORY | NEAREST PLACE OF HABITATION | STORM SURGE (m) * | EXPECTED INUNDATION EXTENT (km) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kakinada | Kakinada | Andhra Pradesh | Kakinada | 0.3-0.5 | Nil |
| Yanam | Yanam | Puducherry | Yanam | 0.2-0.4 | Upto 0.16 |
| Yellamanchili | Anakapalli | Andhra Pradesh | Tantadi | 0.3-0.4 | Upto 0.16 |
| Anakapalli | Anakapalli | Andhra Pradesh | Cheepurupalle (East ) | 0.3-0.3 | Nil |
| Tuni | Kakinada | Andhra Pradesh | Kona Forest | 0.3-0.3 | Nil |
| Vishakhapatnam | Visakhapatnam | Andhra Pradesh | Devada | 0.2-0.3 | Nil |

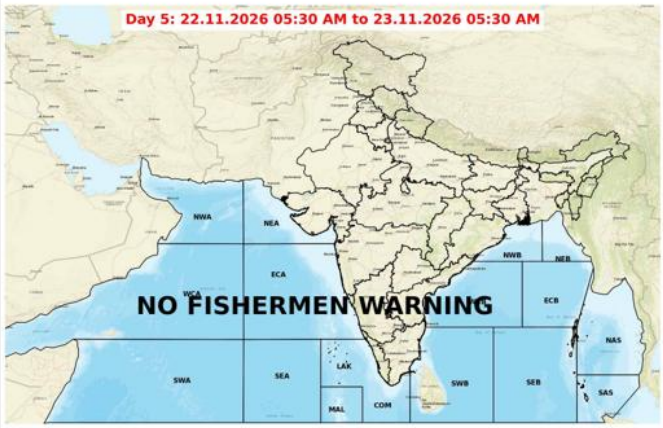
# Fishermen Warning Graphics




**Legend**

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|---|---|
| | Squally Weather with wind speed 40-50 kmph gusting to 55 kmph |
| | Squally Weather with wind 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 100 kmph |
| | SCS with Gale wind speed 90-110 kmph gusting to 120 kmph |

Fishermen are advised not to venture into the marked areas.