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# Sub: Severe Cyclonic Storm over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal: Cyclone Watch for Odisha Coast

The Severe Cyclonic Storm 'FANI' (pronounced as 'FONI') over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal moved nearly northwards with a speed of about 13 kmph in last six hours and lay centred at 2030 hrs IST of 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 near latitude 10.4°N and longitude 86.7°E over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal, about 630 km east-northeast of Trincomalee (Sri Lanka), 760 km east-southeast of Chennai (Tamil Nadu) and 880 km south-southeast of Machilipatnam (Andhra Pradesh). It is very likely to intensify into a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm during next 24 hours and into an Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm during subsequent 24 hours. It is very likely to move northwestwards till 01<sup>st</sup> May evening and thereafter recurve north-northeast stowards Odisha Coast.

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. ⁰N/ long. ⁰E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
29.04.19/2030	10.4/86.7	100-110 gusting to 125	Severe Cyclonic Storm
29.04.19/2330	10.6/86.5	110-120 gusting to 135	Severe Cyclonic Storm
30.04.19/0530	11.2/86.2	120-130 gusting to 145	Severe Cyclonic Storm
30.04.19/1130	11.7/85.7	130-140 gusting to 155	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm
30.04.19/1730	12.2/85.1	135-145 gusting to 160	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm
01.05.19/0530	12.9/84.3	150-160 gusting to 180	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm
01.05.19/1730	13.5/83.6	160-170 gusting to 190	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
02.05.19/0530	14.3/83.5	170-180 gusting to 200	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
02.05.19/1730	15.4/83.6	170-180 gusting to 200	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
03.05.19/0530	16.7/84.0	170-180 gusting to 200	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
03.05.19/1730	18.2/84.7	170-180 gusting to 200	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
04.05.19/0530	19.8/86.0	160-170 gusting to 190	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
04.05.19/1730	21.0/87.3	150-160 gusting to 185	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm

Forecast track and intensity are given in the following table:

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.

## Warnings:

### (i) Heavy rainfall warning

- Light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy falls at isolated places very likely over Kerala on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019. Light to moderate rainfall at a few places very likely over north coastal Tamil Nadu & south coastal Andhra Pradesh on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.
- Light to moderate rainfall at few places very likely over north coastal Andhra Pradesh & south coastal Odisha on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. It is likely to increase with rainfall at most places with heavy to very heavy rainfall at a few places over coastal Odisha & adjoining districts of north coastal Andhra Pradesh on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> May. Light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy falls at isolated places also very likely over coastal districts of West Bengal on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> May.

## (ii) Wind warning

- Gale wind speed reaching 100-110 kmph gusting to 125 kmph is prevailing over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal. It is very likely to increase gradually becoming 120-130 kmph gusting to 145 kmph over Southwest & adjoining Southeast Bay of Bengal from 30<sup>th</sup> morning and 160-170 kmph gusting to 190 kmph over Westcentral & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal off north Tamilnadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh Coasts from 01<sup>st</sup> May evening.
- Strong wind speed reaching 30-40 kmph gusting to 50 kmph very likely along & off Tamilnadu & Puducherry coast, Comorin area and Gulf of Mannar is very likely to become squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph from 30<sup>th</sup> morning & 50-60 kmph gusting to 70 kmph from 30<sup>th</sup> evening along north Tamilnadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh Coasts for subsequent 24 hours.
- Strong wind speed reaching 30-40 kmph gusting to 50 kmph very likely along & off Kerala coast is
  very likely to become squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph on 30<sup>th</sup> May.
- Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is very likely to commence along & off north Andhra Pradesh & Odisha Coasts from 2<sup>nd</sup> May and likely to become gale wind, speed reaching 60-70 kmph gusting to 85 kmph from 3<sup>rd</sup> May morning and would increase gradually thereafter.
- Squally wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph gusting to 60 kmph is very likely along & off West Bengal coast from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> May. It would become gale wind, speed reaching 60-70 kmph gusting to 85 kmph, from 4<sup>th</sup> May morning and would increase gradually thereafter.

#### (iii) Sea condition

- The sea condition is very high over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal. It is likely to become phenomenal over southwest & adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal, off north Tamilnadu, Puducherry and south Andhra Pradesh Coasts from 30<sup>th</sup> morning and over westcentral Bay of Bengal during 1-3 May 2019 and over Northwest Bay of Bengal during 2-4 May.
- Sea conditions very likely to be rough to very rough along & off Puducherry, Tamilnadu and south Andhra Pradesh Coasts till 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019, along & off north Andhra Pradesh Coasts on 1-3 May and along & off Odisha and West Bengal Coasts during 2-4 May.

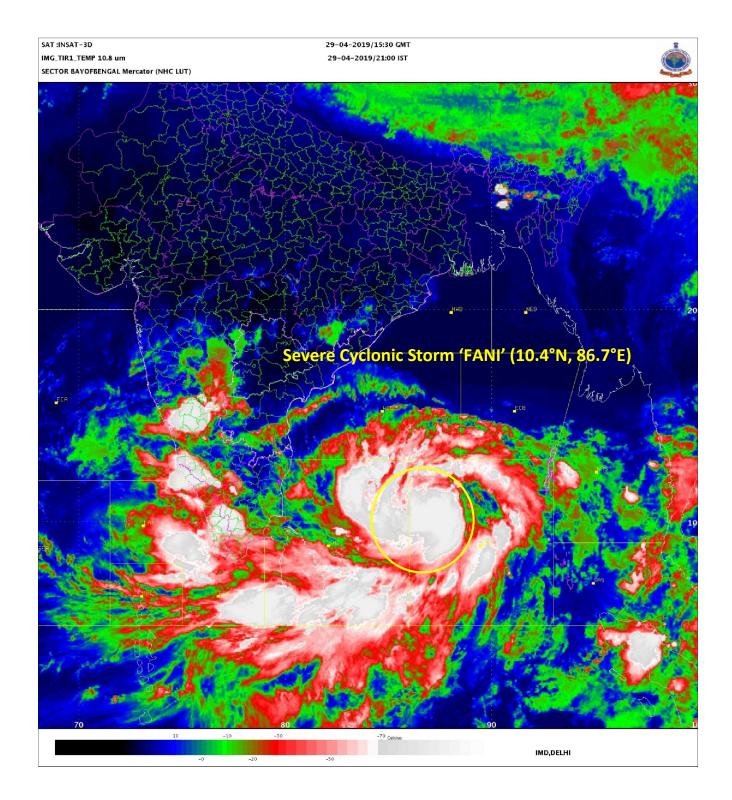
#### (iv) Fishermen Warning

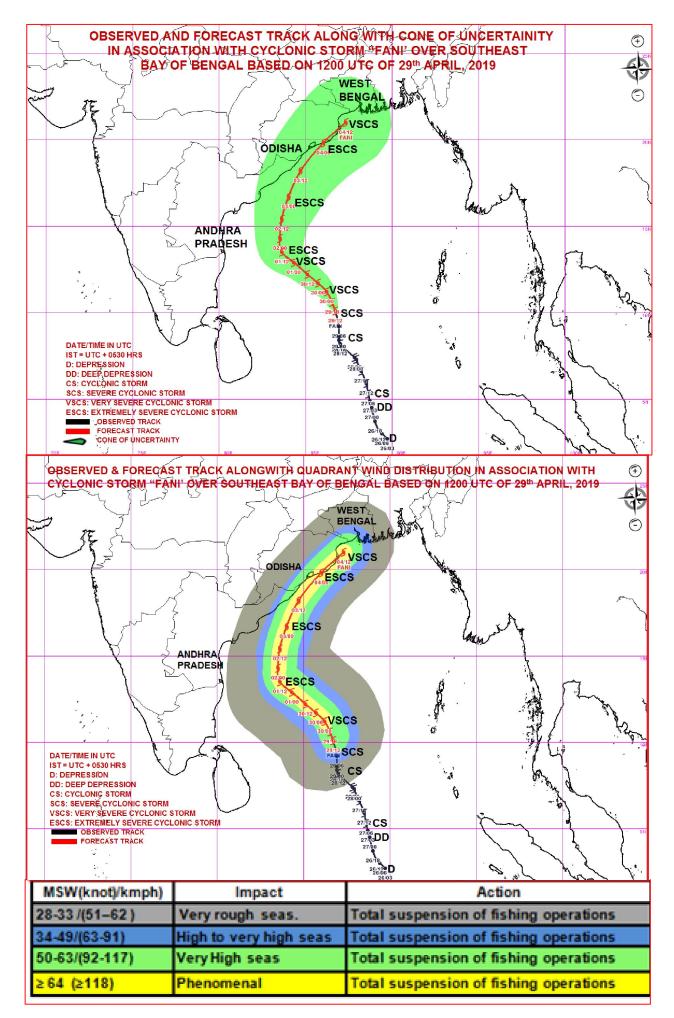
- The fishermen are advised not to venture into deep sea areas of Southeast Bay of Bengal & adjoining Equatorial Indian Ocean, Southwest Bay of Bengal and off Sri Lanka coast on 30<sup>th</sup> April; Southwest & adjoining westcentral Bay of Bengal, along & off Sri Lanka, Puducherry, Tamilnadu & south Andhra Pradesh coasts till 1<sup>st</sup> May, westcentral Bay of Bengal, along & off north Andhra Pradesh Coast during 1-3 May 2019 and northwest & adjoining west]central Bay of Bengal along & off Odisha and West Bengal coasts from 2 May onwards.
- Those, who are out in deep sea above areas are advised to return to the coasts.

The next bulletin will be issued at 0230 hrs IST of 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.

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