Weather Forecast

1. Cyclone Jawad May Form Over Bay of Bengal Coming Week! Models Vary; Andhra Pradesh, Odisha Under Alert



Last month, back to back cyclones—Gulab and Shaheen—swept through the North Indian Ocean, drenching the subcontinent with bountiful rains. Over the past one week, two post-monsoon low-pressure systems formed over the Bay of Bengal and resulted in incessant heavy rainfall across Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Kerala.

Now, yet another low-pressure system has emerged near the central Andaman Sea. As per the forecasts, the system will concentrate into a depression by Wednesday (November 17) and intensify further. The question is, will it intensify into the **fifth cyclone of the year** or not?

Alert for Andhra Pradesh and Odisha

On Saturday morning, a fresh low-pressure area formed over the south Andaman Sea and adjoining Thailand coast. The system will likely move west-northwestwards and concentrate into a well-marked low-pressure over the north Andaman Sea and adjoining the southeast Bay of Bengal, says India Meteorological Department (IMD) bulletin. It is expected to continue in the same direction, intensify further into a depression, and reach the Andhra Pradesh coast by Thursday, November 18.

Under its influence, **very heavy rains** are expected along Andhra Pradesh and Odisha coasts on Thursday and Friday. Particularly, the coastal districts of East and West Godavari, Visakhapatnam, Srikakulam, Ganjam and Gajapati could start witnessing strong winds and heavy rains from November 17 onwards.

Squally wind with speed 55-65 kmph gusting to 75 kmph is likely over the central Bay of Bengal during November 16 to 18 and commence, along and off Andhra Pradesh and south Odisha coasts from November 17, Meteorological Centre, Bhubaneswar said in a bulletin. The regional met centre advised fishers not to venture into deep-sea areas of the west-central Bay of Bengal from November 16 to 18 and along and off south Odisha coasts on November 17 and 18.

2.Chennai: No heavy rain for next four days, says IMD; CM Stalin takes stock of affected areas



Chennai, Tamil Nadu News: After nearly five days of rainfall battered the city, which according to meteorologists was five times more than normal, residents can now breathe a sigh of relief as the intensity of rain is likely to be less for the next four days.

However, Kanyakumari and Tirunelveli districts of Tamil Nadu are likely to receive heavy rainfall today and tomorrow (November 14 and 15).

Mayiladutharai, Nagapattinam, Karaika, Tiruvarur, Thanjavur, Pudukkottai and Salem are likely to receive isolated heavy rainfalls on Sunday.

On Saturday, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin visited rain-affected regions for the seventh consecutive day to provide relief measures. The CM commenced his assessment from Kurunjipadi Panchayat Union in Cuddalore district and later visited Adoor Agaram as well as the tsunami residential colony in Tharangampadi and Kesavanpalayam. He distributed rice, blankets and essentials to the affected people and also house-site pattas worth Rs 5.22 lakh to 18 Adi Dravidar families, PTI reported. Meanwhile, a 65-year-old man, who runs a children's home in Tamil Nadu's Cuddalore district, has been arrested on charges of sexually harassing minor children, Aladi police said. The accused, identified as Jesudass Raja, also serves as the correspondent of a private school at Virudachalam in the district.