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To : Chief Secretary: Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Daman and Diu, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, & Gujarat
Info : Relief Commissioner: Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra and Gujarat
From : NERC, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi
Sub: **Very Severe Cyclonic Storm (VSCS) 'Mekunu' intensified into an Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm over Westcentral Arabian Sea**

The Very Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Mekunu' over Westcentral Arabian Sea moved further north-northwestwards with a speed of 07 Kmph during past 06 hours, intensified into an **Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm** and lay centered at 0830 hrs IST of today, 25 th May 2018 over Westcentral Arabian Sea near latitude 15.4 0 N and longitude 54.5 0 E, about 310 km north-northeast of Socotra Islands and 180 km south-southeast of Salalah (Oman). It is very likely to move north-northwestwards and cross south Oman-southeast Yemen coasts between 53 0E and 54 0E close to south of Salalah, around midnight of today, the 25 th May, 2018.

Date/Time(IST)	Position (Lat. °N/ long. °E)	Maximum sustained surface wind speed (Kmph)	Category of cyclonic disturbance
25/0830	15.4/54.5	160-170 GUSTING TO 180	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
25/1130	15.7/54.3	160-170 GUSTING TO 180	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
25/1730	16.3/53.9	160-170 GUSTING TO 180	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
25/2330	16.6/53.6	160-170 GUSTING TO 180	Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm
26/0530	17.0/53.3	125-135 GUSTING TO 145	Very Severe Cyclonic Storm
26/1730	17.8/52.5	75-85 GUSTING TO 95	Cyclonic Storm
27/0530	18.5/51.7	50-60 GUSTING TO 70	Deep Depression
27/1730	19.2/50.9	35-45 GUSTING TO 55	Depression

Warning:

As the system is away from Indian coast, no adverse weather is expected along & off west coast of India and Lakshadweep.

Wind Warning:

- Gale winds speed reaching 160-170 Kmph gusting to 180 Kmph is very likely to prevail over Westcentral Arabian Sea during next 15 hours and wind gradually decrease becoming 120-130 Kmph gusting to 145 Kmph in subsequent 06 hours over Westcentral Arabian Sea.

Sea Condition:

- Sea condition is phenomenal over Westcentral Arabian Sea and will continue to be phenomenal till 26th morning. It will improve gradually thereafter.

Fishermen Warning:

- Fishermen are advised not to venture into Westcentral Arabian Sea till 26th May.

2. State Governments are advised to keep a close watch, monitor the situation in their areas regularly and take appropriate precautionary measures. District authorities are to be advised accordingly. It is also requested that MHA may be kept informed about any developments at NERC Control Room telephone numbers- 23438252, 23438253, and Fax No- 23438254.


Officer-In-Charge
NERC, MHA

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- Resident Commissioner: Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, Gujarat
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