



**Government of Odisha  
Special Relief Commissioner**

No. 2697 / R&DM(DM),

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From

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Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government  
(Disaster Management)

To

The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner-cum- Secretary to Government,  
Agriculture & FE/ Water Resources/ Panchayati Raj & DW/ Housing & UD/  
Energy/ FS & CW/ F & ARD Department  
The Collector,  
Mayurbhanj/ Balasore/ Bhadrak/ Kendrapada/ Jajpur/ Jagatsinghpur/  
Cuttack/ Khordha /Nayagarh / Puri/ Ganjam/ Gajapati

***Sub: Functioning of 24 x 7 Control Room in view of the impending Cyclone.***

Sir,

As per the report of India Meteorological Department, well marked Low Pressure area over southeast Bay of Bengal is likely to intensify into a Cyclonic Storm by 16<sup>th</sup> May, evening. It is very likely to concentrate into a Depression over the same region during next 12 hours and further intensify into a Cyclonic Storm over central parts of south Bay of Bengal by the evening of 16<sup>th</sup> May. It is very likely to move northwestwards initially till 17<sup>th</sup> May and then re-curve north-northeastwards towards north Bay of Bengal during 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> May. In its impact, rainfall very likely to occur at many places over the districts of coastal Odisha with isolated heavy rainfall very likely to occur over the district of Gajapati, Ganjam, Puri, Jagatsinghpur and Kendrapara on 18<sup>th</sup> May.

It is, therefore, requested to set off the Control Room 24x7 for a close watch on the situation. The Control Room must be manned by an Officer assisted with staff and not left over simply on a Class-IV employee, as observed earlier. The contact number of the Control Room along with the contact number of the Officer in Charge of the Control Room may be shared with this office.

Yours faithfully,

Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government  
(Disaster Management)