

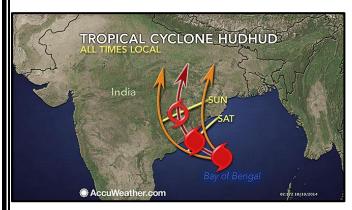
## Intelligence Section

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## **Advisory Notice: 028**

## Cyclone Hudhud to hit coast of Andhra and Odisha, India.

Cyclone Hudhud is expected to intensify in the next few hours, bringing heavy rain and gusting winds of about 100-110 kph as it inches closer to the coast of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.



Cyclone Hudhud, is expected to hit the coast or make landfall, around the **port city of Visakhapatnam** in Andhra Pradesh on Sunday morning, packing wind speeds of up to 140 kph (87 mph). It is expected to strengthen from a Category 1 severe cyclonic storm to a very severe cyclonic storm, rising on the scale to a **Category 4** (with category 5 the worst). The Met department warns that heavy rainfall and strong winds are likely to disrupt electricity and

telecommunications services, as well as road and rail traffic. It has warned of flooding and storm surges up to two metres (6.5 feet) in low-lying areas.

Vessels in and around the busy port of Visakhapatnam are being advised not to go to sea. Rescue teams have been sent to the region to begin evacuation of those most at risk.

AccuWeather.com meteorologists believe that this developing cyclone will track westnorthwest across the Bay of Bengal in an environment that will allow the storm to strengthen into the strongest cyclone of the year in the northern Indian Ocean.

All vessels in the region should adhere to the advice given regarding shipping movements.

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