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Warning for Heavy rain, Strong winds and Rough seas

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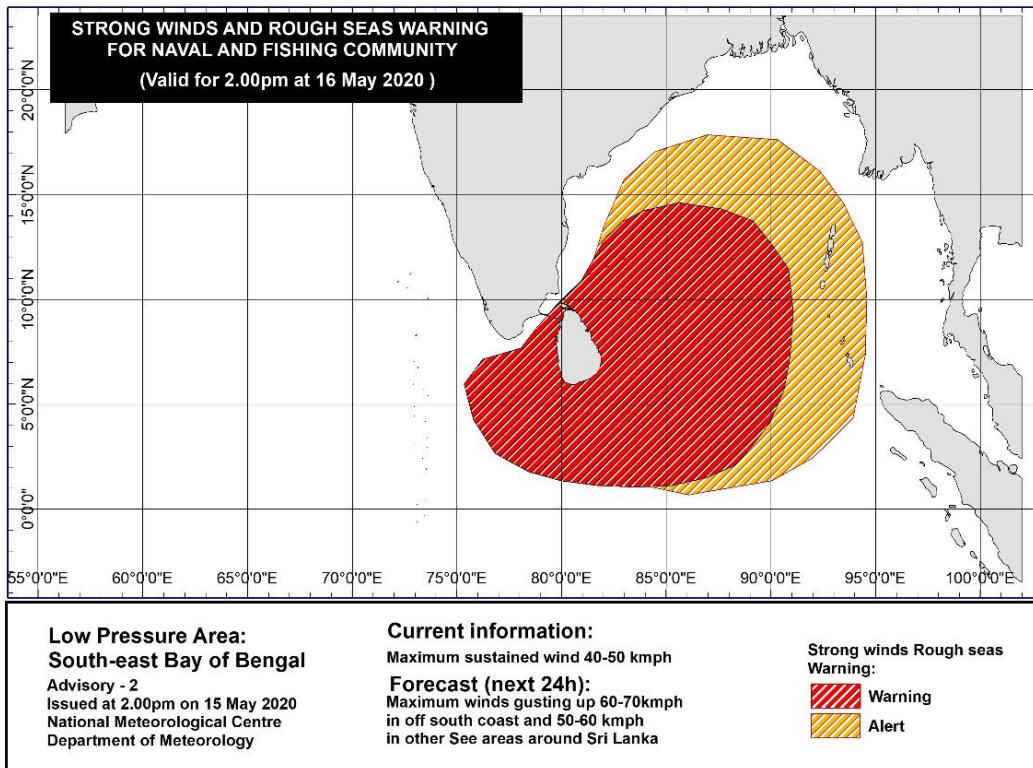
Issued at 2.00 p.m. 15th May 2020

For Land area and Shallow and Deep Sea areas around Sri Lanka

PLEASE BE AWARE!

The low pressure area over south east Bay of Bengal and neighborhood is likely to developed into a depression over same region during next 12 hours and further intensify into a cyclonic storm over south Bay of Bengal in tomorrow (16th). It is very likely to move northwestwards initially till 17th and then re-curve north-northeastwards towards North Bay of Bengal during 18th-20th May.

For Sea Area



Under the influence of the system possibility for heavy showers or thundershowers and sudden roughness, associated with sudden increase of wind speed up to 60-70kmph is high in shallow and deep sea areas around the island during next 24hours.



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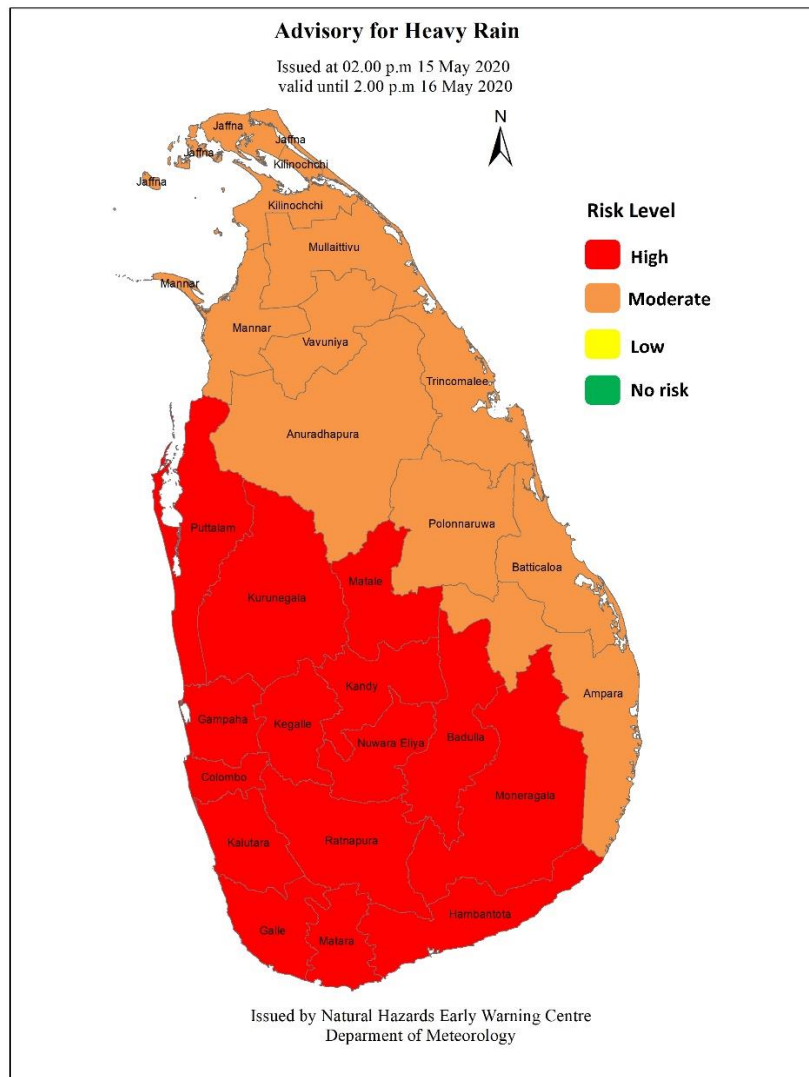
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There is a possibility that near shore sea areas off the coast extending from Mannar to Pottuvil via Colombo, Galle and Hambantota may experience surges due to the effect of swell waves, having (2.0-2.5) m height.

For Land Area



Heavy falls about **150 mm** can be expected at some places in Western, Sabaragamuwa, Southern and Central provinces.

The wind speed can be increased up to 40 -50kmph over the island.



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ACTION SUGGESTED:

For the Sea area:

- Naval and fishing communities are advised not to venture into the shallow and deep sea areas around the Island until further notice.
- Those who are out at Sea over these regions are advised to return to coasts or moved safer areas immediately.
- Requested to be attentive about future advisories issued by the Department of Meteorology in this regard.

For the Land area:

- People living in **hilly areas (particularly landslide prone areas)** are requested to be vigilant.
- Be alert on the advisories issued by the Department of Meteorology.
- For emergency assistance contact the local disaster management authorities.

The next bulletin will be issued at 2.00 pm at 16th May 2020.