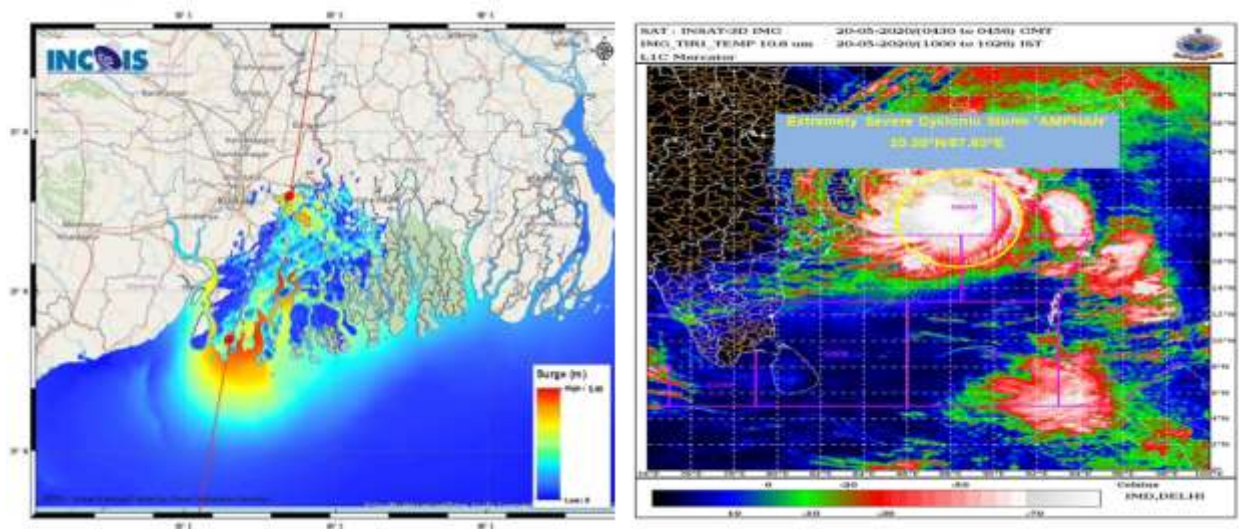


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**INCOIS-IMD warns people of West Bengal and North Odisha to stay indoors by 20 May 2020.**

The ESSO-Indian National Center for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) and the India Meteorological Department (IMD) have been tracking super cyclonic storm 'AMPHAN' using Doppler weather radar. The extremely severe cyclonic storm is expected to move north-northeastwards across the northwest Bay of Bengal and Sundarbans during the afternoon to evening hours of today, the 20 May 2020. Amphan is moving at a sustained wind speed of 155-165 kmph gusting to 185 kmph and it is expected to maintain the intensity of cyclonic storm till the morning of 21 May.

INCOIS-IMD issued a red alert for the West Bengal and north Odisha coasts warning possibility of widespread damage in Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapara, Bhadrak, Balasore, Jajpur and Mayurbhan of Odisha and East Medinipur, South and North 24 Parganas, Howrah, Hoogli, Kolkata districts of West Bengal.



INCOIS-IMD has warned people in the affected areas to remain indoors and postpone fishing operations until 20 May 2020.

The India Meteorological Department website [mausam.imd.gov.in](https://mausam.imd.gov.in) is one of the most reliable websites to track cyclones. Super Cyclone Amphan can be tracked at: [https://ddgmui.imd.gov.in/dwr\\_img/GIS/cyclone.html](https://ddgmui.imd.gov.in/dwr_img/GIS/cyclone.html)