INCOIS-IMD High Ocean Wave Alert for Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka

New Delhi, 20 October 2020 (Vigyan Samachar): A high wave and ocean state alert has been issued by ESSO-Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) and India Meteorological Department (IMD) for Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka. There is a possibility of flooding in the low lying coastal areas especially during high tide timings due to the perigean spring tides during 20-22 October 2020.

As per INCOIS, onshore winds, high nearshore waves/swells & heavy rainfall and associated discharge can cause public inconveniences due to flooding especially at high tide times along low lying coastal areas during next two days. Fishermen are advised not to venture out during this period.

As per INCOIS-IMD forecast, there is likelihood of a cyclonic circulation over the central Bay of Bengal & neighbourhood extending up to the mid-tropospheric levels. It is very likely to persist over the same region during next 3-4 days leading to conditions favourable for heavy to very heavy rainfalls over Coastal Andhra Pradesh during 20-21 October and over Odisha on 21 October 2020. There are also possibilities of heavy rain fall with moderate thunderstorm & lightning over Odisha and peninsular India except Kerala during next 4 days. However, dry weather likely over rest of the parts of the country during 25-27 October 2020.

INCOIS-IMD issuing a low pressure area formation over Central Bay of Bengal today covering Andaman and Nicobar Islands area. IMD also issued high wind alert for south Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka coasts during next 5 days. Fishermen are advised not to venture into this area during the period mentioned.