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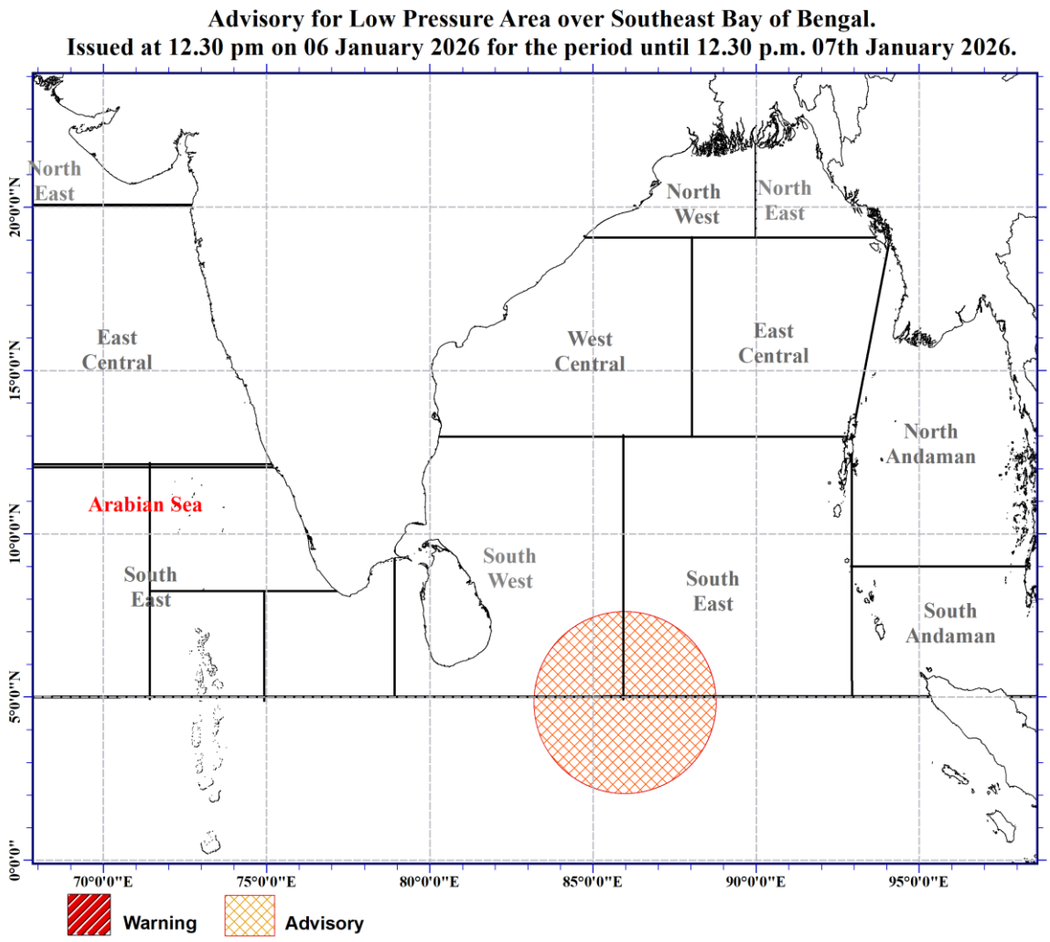
# Advisory for low pressure area over South-east Bay of Bengal Sea area.

Issued by the Natural Hazards Early Warning Centre, Department of Meteorology.
Issued at 12.30 pm on 06 January 2026 for the period until 12.30 p.m. 07th January 2026

## For the land and the sea areas around the island

### BE PREPARE!

**The low-pressure area in the Bay of Bengal, to the southeast of the Sri Lanka is likely intensify into a depression during next 24 hours. This system is expected to move towards the east coast of the island. Hence, showery condition over the island, particularly in the Northern, North-Central, Eastern, Uva and Central provinces is expected to enhance from January 8th.**



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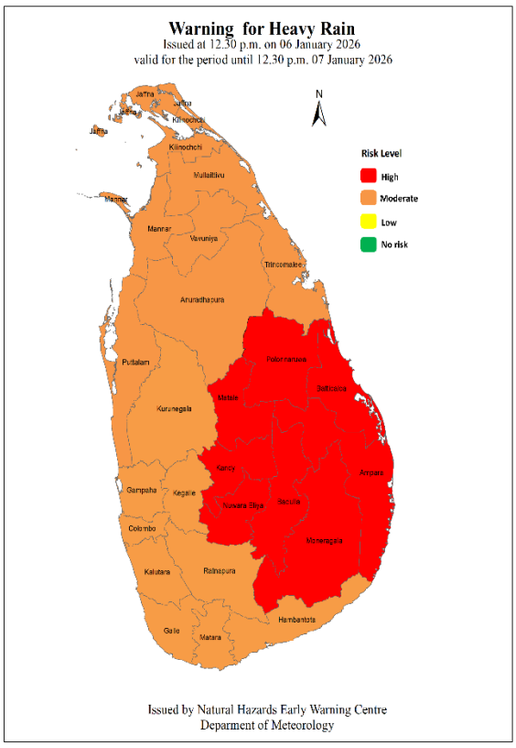
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**For Land area:**

**Showers or thundershowers will occur at times in Uva province and in Nuwara-Eliya, Matale, Polonnaruwa, Batticaloa and Ampara districts. Heavy showers above 100mm are likely at some places in these areas.**

**Strong winds about 50 kmph can be expected at times over Eastern slopes of the central hills, Northern, North-central, North-western and Eastern provinces and in Hambantota, Gampaha Colombo and Monaragala districts.**

**Therefore, general public is advised to take adequate precautions to minimize damages caused by heavy rain, strong winds and strong lightning during thundershowers.**




| Rainfall observations from 8.30 am on 05.01.2026 to 08.30 am on 06.01.2026 | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Station** | **District** | **Rainfall(mm)** |
| Lahugala | Ampara | 173.5 |
| Kandaketiya | Badulla | 120.5 |
| Girandurukotte | Badulla | 112.0 |
| Gonapitiya | Nuwara eliya | 98.0 |
| Ulhitiya | Badulla | 93.5 |
| Randenigala | Nuwara eliya | 90.5 |

**For Sea Area:**

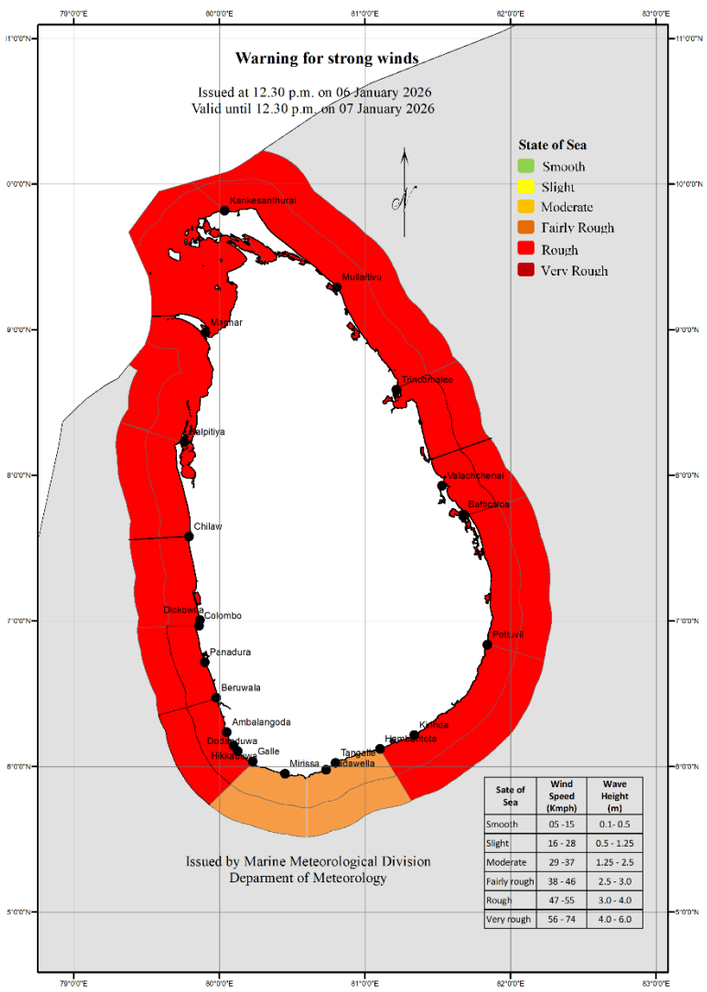
**Winds will be north-easterly and wind speed will be (30-40) kmph. Wind speed can increase up to (50-60) kmph at times in the sea areas off the coast extending from Beruwala to Matara via Colombo, Puttalam, Kankasanthurai, Trincomalee and Pottuvil.**

**The sea areas off the coast extending from Beruwala to Matara via Colombo, Puttalam, Kankasanthurai, Trincomalee and Pottuvil will be rough at times. The other sea areas around the island may be moderate.**

**The wave height may increase (about 2.5 – 3.0 m) in the sea areas off the coast extending from Kankasanthurai to Pottuvil via Trincomalee (this is not for land area).**

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**Navel and fishing communities are requested to be attentive to the forecasts and bulletins issued by the Department of Meteorology in this regards.**

**The Meteorological Department is constantly monitoring the behavior of the system. The general public is requested to be attentive to the future forecasts and bulletins issued by the Department of Meteorology in this regard.**