

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM**

**ADVISORY FOR TOURISTS AND TOURISM SERVICE PROVIDERS
IN VIEW OF CYCLONE "FANI"**

The India Meteorological Department (IND) has issued an advisory on Tuesday 30 April 2019 informing the onset of Very Severe Cyclonic Storm "FANI" (pronounced as 'FONI') over Southeast & adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal moved northwestwards till 1 May 2019 evening and thereafter recurve north-northeastwards and cross Odisha Coast between Gopalpur and Chandbali, to the south of Puri around 3 May 2019 afternoon with maximum sustained wind of speed 175-185 kmph gusting to 205 kmph. A storm surge of about 1.5m height above astronomical tide is very likely to inundate low lying areas of Ganjam, Khurda, Puri and Jagatsinghpur districts of Odisha at the time of landfall.

All are advised to not believe in or spread rumours, and rely only on authorised information disseminated by the Government of India and Government of Odisha.

Forecast and warning:

Date	Districts affected	Cyclonic activity	Action Category
02.05.2019	Gajapati, Ganjam, Puri, Khordha, Rayagada, Kandhamal	Isolated heavy to very heavy thundershowers	Be prepared.
03.05.2019	Gajapati, Ganjam, Puri, Khordha, Nayagarh, Cuttack, Jagatsinghapur, Jajpur, Bhadrak, Kendrapara, Balasore, Kandhamal, Rayagada, Angul, Dhenkanal, Keonjhar, Mayurbhanj	Heavy to very heavy thundershowers	Take action
	Puri, Khurda, Cuttack, Jagatsinghapur, Dhenkanal, Jajpur, Bhadrak, Kendrapara, Balasore, Mayurbhanj	Isolated extremely heavy thundershowers	Take action
	Boudh, Kalahandi Sambalpur, Deogarh, Sundargarh	Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall	Be updated
04.05.2019	Jajpur, Bhadrak, Kendrapara, Balasore, Keonjhar, Mayurbhanj	Isolated heavy to very heavy thundershowers	Take action
	Cuttack, Angul, Dhenkanal	Isolated heavy thundershowers	Be prepared

Advisory for Tourists:

- Avoid coastal areas.
- Avoid transportation during stormy conditions.
- Identify robust refuge buildings and spaces significantly above ground level. Avoid refuge under trees, in light vehicles, unsupported walls which are likely to collapse.
- Ensure access to first aid.
- Stock up sufficient potable water and dry foodstuff.
- Update your phone directory with essential local helplines such as police, ambulance, local hospitals, fire brigade, etc.
- Ensure that your batch of fellow travellers, especially minors, is together.

Advisory for Tourist Accommodation Units:

- Identify robust refuge buildings and spaces significantly above ground level, and install signages at appropriate locations.
- Advise against transportation during stormy conditions.
- Strictly advise visitors and staff to remain indoors and avoid high-risk environs like sea-shore, river banks, other water bodies, forest areas, etc.
- Ensure sufficient availability of potable water and foodstuff.
- Maintain first aid response.
- Maintain contact and coordination with the local police, ambulance service, paramedics and hospitals, fire brigade, etc.
