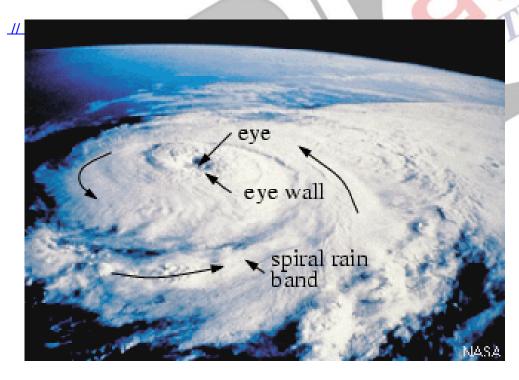


Landfall of a Cyclone

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Recently, **Cyclone Dana** made landfall in Odisha.

- Landfall is the event of a **tropical cyclone moving from water onto land**, specifically when the storm's center **(eye of the cyclone)** crosses the coast.
 - It differs from a direct hit where the core of high winds (or eye-wall) comes onshore but the center of the storm may remain offshore.
- The Eye of the Cyclone is a central region of clear skies, warm temperatures, and low atmospheric pressure.
- Other Components of the Cyclone:
 - **Eyewall:** It is the most dangerous part of a tropical cyclone, with the strongest winds, heaviest rainfall, and towering convective clouds rising up to 15,000 meters (49,000 feet).
 - Rainbands: Curved bands of clouds and thunderstorms trail away from the eye wall in a spiral form, capable of producing heavy bursts of rain, strong winds, and even tornadoes.



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