

## **Cyclone Kyarr**

Cyclone Kyarr is a <u>tropical cyclone</u> that has intensified west of India in the **Northern Indian Ocean's Arabian Sea** as a **Category 4 storm** with 150 mph winds.

- According to the <u>India Meteorological Department (IMD)</u>, Cyclone Kyarr is the first Super Cyclonic storm in the Arabian Sea in the last 12 years.
  - It is likely to continue its movement **north-west** towards **Oman coast**.
- It has <u>been named</u> by **Myanmar.**
- This made Kyarr the second most intense tropical cyclone on record in the Northern Indian Ocean's the Arabian Sea.
  - The only stronger storm on record in the Arabian Sea was 2007's category 5 Tropical Cyclone Gonu.
- According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), only four other Category 4 or stronger tropical cyclones besides Kyarr have been recorded in the Arabian Sea, since 1998:
  - Gonu, 2007 (165 mph winds, the only cat 5 on record in the Arabian Sea)
  - Phet, 2010 (145 mph winds)
  - Chapala, 2015 (140 mph winds)
  - Nilofar, 2014 (130 mph winds).

Source: Live Mint

PDF Refernece URL: https://www.drishtiias.com/printpdf/cyclone-kyarr