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- ❖ Corona Virus is at its peak and is increasing day by day and India is also the country in which cases of COVID-19 is increasing day by day at a very rapid pace and Maharashtra being the worst affected state of the country.
- ❖ In less than 2 weeks' time when India is not fully recovered from the Cyclone Amphan, India and the state of Maharashtra braced the challenge of another cyclone NISARGA.
- ❖ With the increasing Corona Virus cases, Maharashtra had faced another challenge in the name of Cyclone NISARGA. Generally, the tropical cyclones emerging in Arabian Sea hit Indian coastline in the month of November, but it hit in June this time that's why this cyclone was regarded as the dangerous one.
- ❖ As per weather.com, the name NISARGA is suggested by Bangladesh.
- ❖ It headed towards the coastline of North Maharashtra and South Gujarat. NISARGA was the strongest tropical cyclone to strike the Indian state of Maharashtra in the month of June since 1891 and it was also the first cyclone impact to Mumbai since Cyclone Phyan of 2009.
- ❖ As per Indian Meteorological Department the depression over the south-east and adjoining east-central Arabian Sea and Lakshadweep area intensified and developed into the Cyclone NISARGA. This cyclone impacted Mumbai, Thane, Palghar, Ratnagiri, Sindhudurg districts and neighbouring areas in Konkan. For this information,

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IMD issued a Yellow statement which indicates severely bad weather spanning across several days. It likewise recommended that the climate could change for the more regrettable, making disturbance in day exercises.

- ❖ NISARGA became severe cyclonic storm with a wind speed of 90 to 105 kilometres per hour which gusted to 125 as well. It inundated low lying areas, especially in Mumbai and its adjoining areas, and caused severe structural damages.

### **FACTS About Cyclone NISARGA:**

- ❖ Doppler Weather Radars (DWRs) at Mumbai and Goa are being used to track the cyclonic storm.
- ❖ Contrasted with Cyclone Amphan, twister Nisarga is theorized to bring:
  - Light to direct precipitation at most places
  - Substantial to overwhelming rainfalls at barely any spots
  - Very substantial rainfalls at detached spots
- ❖ IMD has also given the speed intensity of Nisarga Cyclone for two days:
  - 3rd June – Severe Cyclonic Storm – 100-110 kmph to gusting speed of 120 kmph
  - 4th June – Depression – 30-40 kmph to gusting speed of 50 kmph.

### **After Effects of Cyclone NISARGA:**

- ❖ Seven days after Cyclone NISARGA made substantial precipitation in Maharashtra, more than 3 lakh families in the seaside regions of Raigarh and Ratnagiri stay without force, and alleviation appears to be far-fetched soon.
- ❖ Restoration work continues on a war footing, but the incoming monsoon season, expected to enter these areas later this week, is likely to hamper efforts.
- ❖ Nisarga killed six people and injured 15 people as timely evacuation of people from the path of the storm mitigated the scope for massive casualties. All things being equal, the typhoon desolated enormous pieces of the two areas. Rooftops disintegrated, crops were crushed and in excess of 2 lakh trees were hit, many evacuated. As indicated by authorities of the Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL), power substations, feeder lines and power shafts all drag the brunt of the twister.
- ❖ MSEDCL officials say power has since been restored in 60 per cent of Raigad's affected households, and around 90 per cent of Ratnagiri's, but repair work remains a challenge.

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