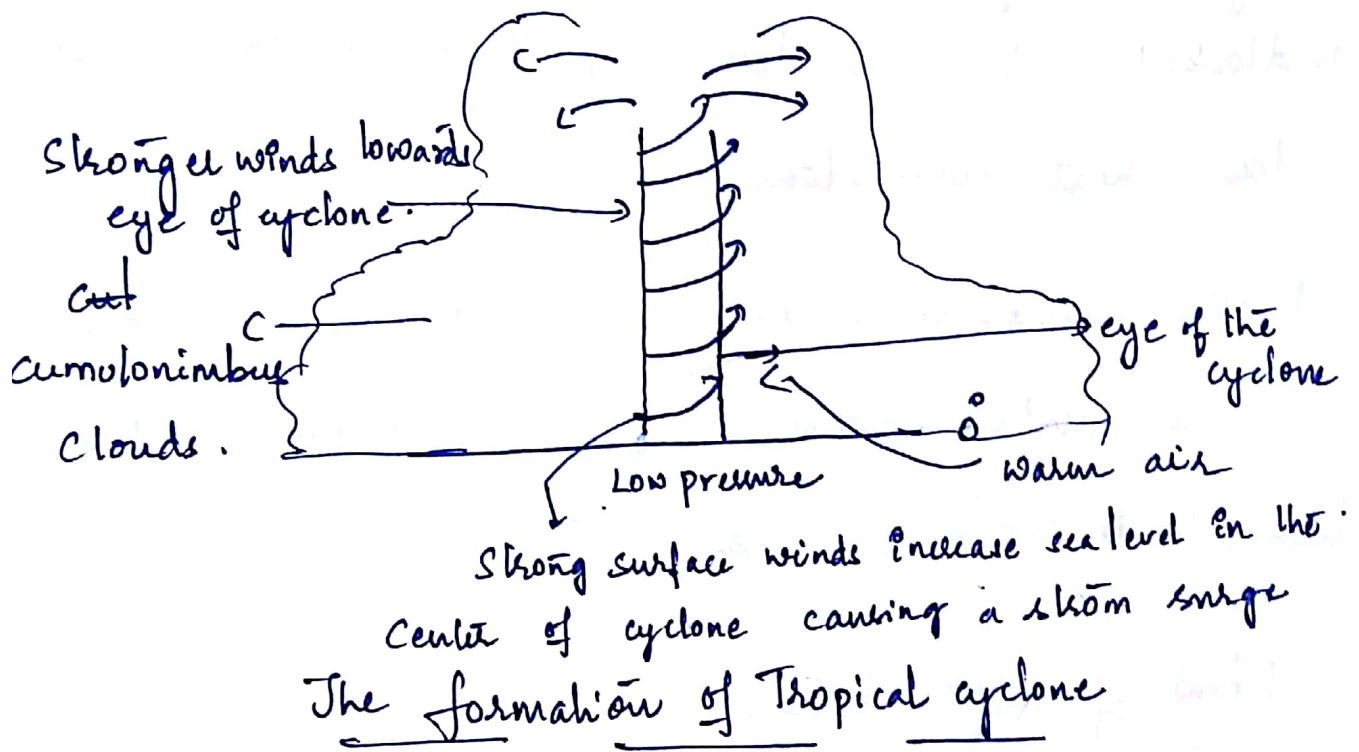


Examine why Bay of Bengal have more cyclones than the Arabian sea? Also discuss how cyclone Ockhi is different from others?



Reasons why Bay of Bengal experiences more cyclones

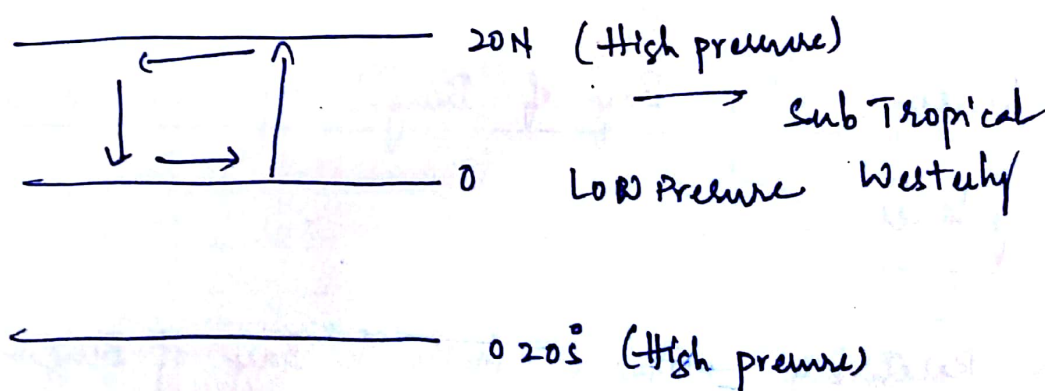
① Relatively warmer water in Bay of Bengal in comparison to Arabian sea, where winds are associated with the summer monsoon are stronger and favours the transfer of heat to deeper layers.

owing to overturning and turbulent mixing, which denies temperature of whole body and formation of low temperature presence.

2) Bay of Bengal is much warmer because it is landlocked and has less powered winds that leads to less heat circulation

3) Fresh waters from rivers fall into BOB, which makes the surface water of BOB very light and thin which leads to evaporation

4) Flow of Jet streams



→ These increases the adversity of cyclones in the Bay of Bengal

3) Also Salinity, Thermal Insulation, tilt of earth makes cyclones in BOB more favourable.

⑥ Impact of Typhoons

BOB and proximity with Pacific ocean leads to bringing large number of typhoons and after shocks

The recent Ockhi cyclone is being termed more unusual because

① Sun is near the Tropic of Capricorn causing reduction in Bay of Bengal temperature. The surface temperature should be above 27°C for cyclone formation.

② Origin of cyclones is seen more in between April to September.

③ This Ockhi cyclone originated near Sri Lanka and moved towards Lakshadweep Islands. Upon the landfall, it took an abnormal north-eastly turn and reached the coast of Maharashtra and Gujarat which is uncommon behaviour.

④ As for local cyclone, the wind speed of Ockhi is very high i.e. 155-165 km/hr, putting in the category of very severe cyclone storm.

Originating close to the land, IMD could not
anticipate well in advance, thus causing
destruction to coastal areas.