



Cyclone: Cyclone is a violent storm, often of vast extent, characterized by high winds rotating about a calm centre of low atmospheric pressure. This centre moves onward, often with a velocity of 50 kilometre or above an hour.

Before a Cyclone

- Listen to radio or TV weather reports and in case of a cyclone warning ensure that everybody is alerted. This is usually done through a loud speaker or by going home to home
- Identify safe shelters in your area. These should be cyclone resistant pucca houses. Also find the closest route to reach them.
- Keep your emergency kit ready



- Doors, windows, the roof and walls should be strengthened before the cyclone season through retrofitting and repairing.
- Store adequate food grains and water in safe places.
- Conduct Mock Drills for yourself and the community that a warning has been given



Upon a cyclone Warning

- Listen to your local radio, TV or community warning system for further information.
- Close all windows and doors of the home.
- Stay indoors
- Get the emergency kit ready and in case of warning of a severe cyclone, move with your family to a strong pucca house.
- Do not venture into the sea.



When a Cyclone strikes

- Stay Indoors. stand below the strongest part of the house if you have not moved to the cyclone shelter
- Protect yourself with blankets, and anchor yourself to a strong fixture or get under a strong table.
- Remain indoors until advised that the cyclone has passed away.



After the Cyclone

- Do not go out till officially advised that it is safe. If evacuated, wait till advised to go back.
- Use the recommended route to return to your home. Do not rush.
- Check for gas leaks before using the stove.
- Dry electrical appliances before use.
- Be careful of fallen power lines, damaged roads and houses, fallen trees.
- Rescue the victims and help in the relief work.