

Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services

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Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) started releasing Specialized El Nino Bulletins to highlight the possible impacts of the ongoing El Nino on the Maritime Sectors.

About Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services

- It was established as an autonomous body in 1999 under the **Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES)** and is a unit of the **Earth System Science Organisation (ESSO)**.
- **Mandate:** It is mandated to **provide ocean information** and advisory services to society, industry, government agencies and the scientific community through sustained ocean observations and constant improvements through systematic and focussed research.
- It is a permanent member of **UNESCO's Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)**.
- It established the Indian Tsunami Early Warning Centre (ITEWC) which provides tsunami alerts within 10 minutes, serving India and 28 Indian Ocean countries.
- **Headquarter:** It is located in Hyderabad, Telangana.

- **Initiatives of INCOIS**

- **Search and Rescue Aided Tool (SARAT):** It is **to assist the Indian Coast Guard**, Navy and Coastal Security Police, in **locating individuals or objects lost at sea**.
- **SynOPS visualization Platform:** It integrates **real-time data** to strengthen response coordination during extreme events.

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