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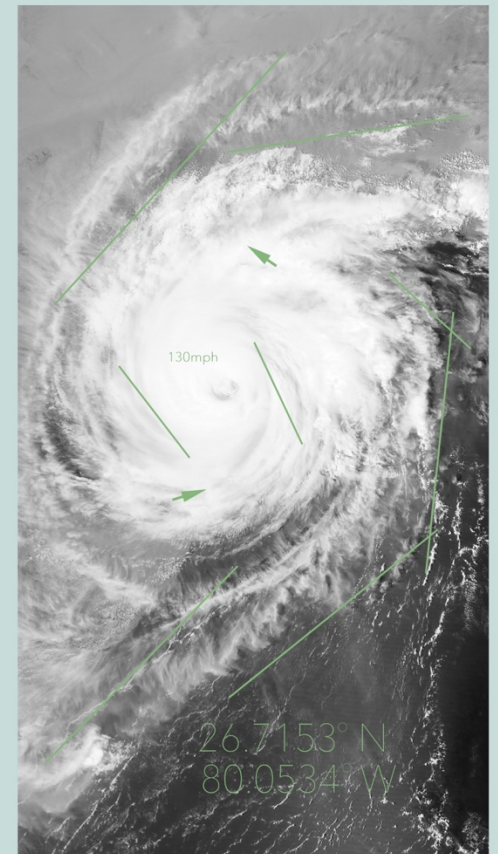
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HOW TO PREPARE FOR A HURRICANE



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Each basic hurricane kit should include essentials such as:

- Water (for drinking and sanitation)
- Food (at least a three-day supply)
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Extra batteries
- Whistle (to signal for help)
- Dust mask (to help filter contaminated air)
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties
- Wrench or pliers (to turn off utilities)
- Manual can opener (for food)
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery

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Wind from a hurricane can top 200 mph and cause massive damage to buildings in its path.

Storm surge is water pushed onshore by the tropical system.

Listen to local and weather radio stations for the latest safety information.

Inland flooding caused by heavy rain damages homes and can wash out roadways well away from the coast.

Tornadoes are common as a hurricane moves ashore. While they are not typically long lived, they can cause plenty of damage.

Rip currents and rough seas are common before and after a hurricane.