Bad weather hits Vizag and Gangavaram port operations

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It is reported that cyclonic weather badly hit rail movement to and from Visakhapatnam and Gangavaram ports served by the East Coast Railway last week.

According to a spokesman for ECoR, “For three days, October 2, 3 and 4, the normal operation at Gangavaram virtually came to a standstill due to water logging.”

ECoR which loads on an average four rakes a day at the port.

The spokesman said that “It is now limping back to normal and we hope to load about three rakes.”

At the Visakhapatnam port, no loading of POL rakes was possible for three days. ECoR loads on an average two to three POL rakes a day at the port.

The loading of fertilizer and bulk cargo rakes too was hit.

ECoR is currently loading about six rakes of bulk cargoes against the normal 10/11 and four rakes of fertilizer against the usual six. The total daily loading thus has dropped to around 10 from the normal 18/19 rakes.

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