

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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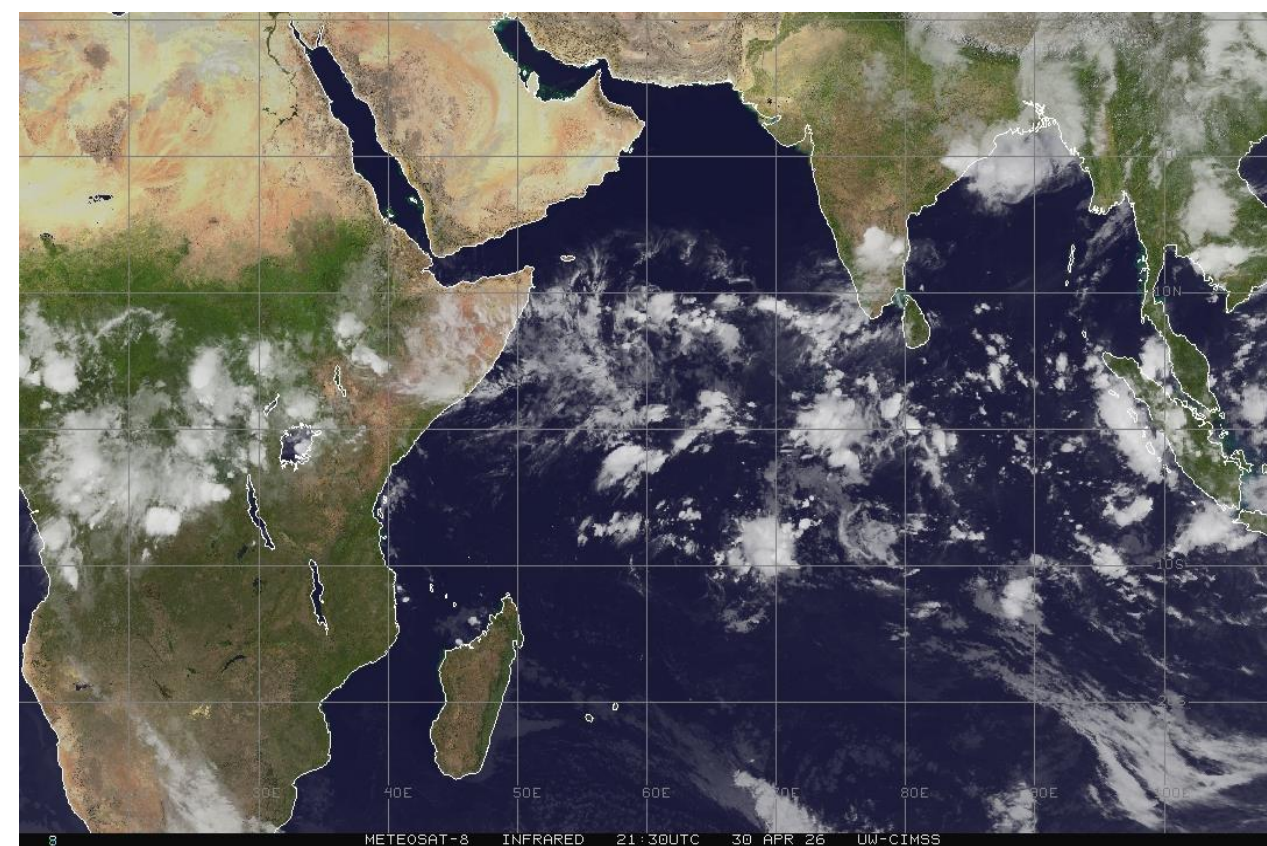
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Date 2026.05.01

WEATHER FORECAST



Weather Forecast for Next 24 hrs



FLEET FORECAST

Fleet Forecast for Area - E

Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.

Valid period: 2026.05.01/0600UTC to 2026.05.01/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.05.01

To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard

ITCZ line is approximately along : 03N 60E, 04N 70E, 01N 80E, 05N 90E, 08N 100E

Shear line is approximately along : 06S 60E, 05S 70E, 02S 80E, 03S 90E, 02S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 20, 35, 40, 55, 60, 65, 75

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 05, 15, 25, 30, 45, 50, 70, 80, 85

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of ITCZ:

West of 82E: SW'ly to W'ly / (10-20) kts, gusting up to (20-25)kts in sections 05, 20, 25.

East of 82E: S'ly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

In between ITZC and Shear line

West of 80E: SW'ly to W'ly / (10-20) kts, gusting up to (20-25)kts in section 40, 45.

East of 80E: SE'ly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

South of Shear line:

SE'ly / (10-20)kts; gusting up to (20-25)kts in section 60

Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in Sections : 05, 20, 25, 40, 45, 60

Moderate in Sections : 10, 35, 65, 75, 80, 85

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

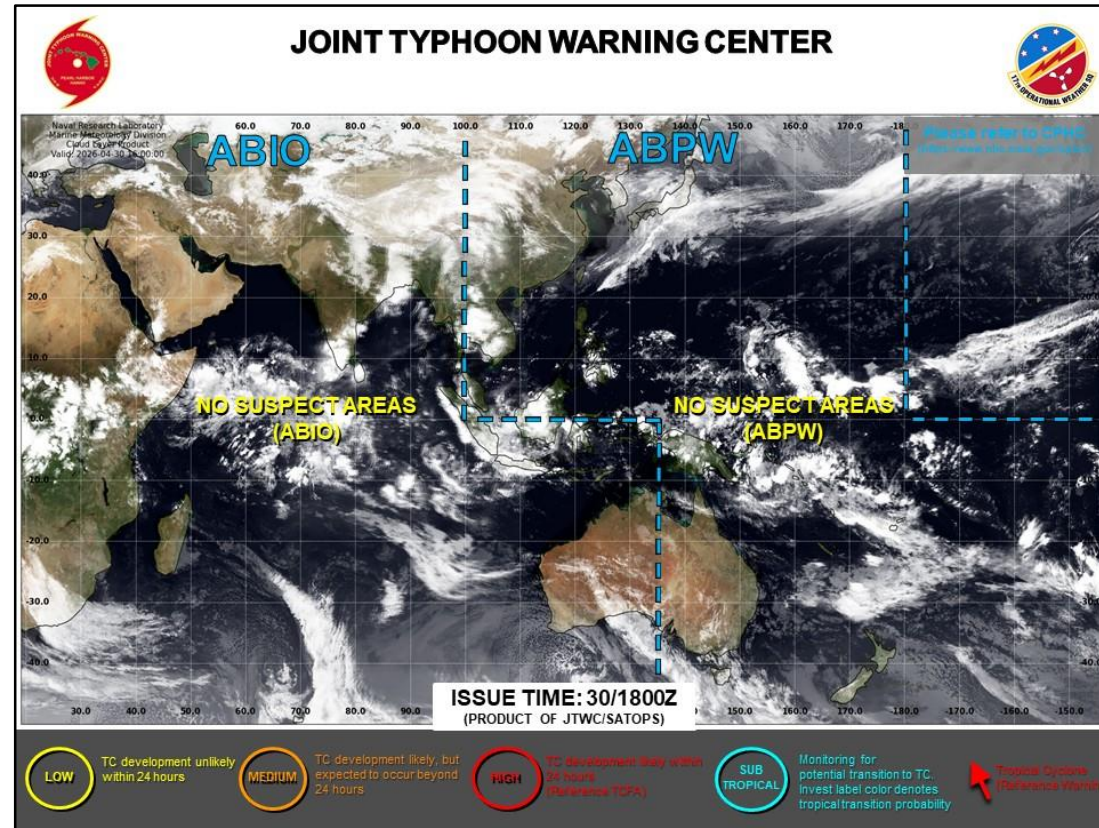
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

• Source: 1. <https://meteo.gov.lk> 2. <https://www.srilankaview.com/weather.htm>



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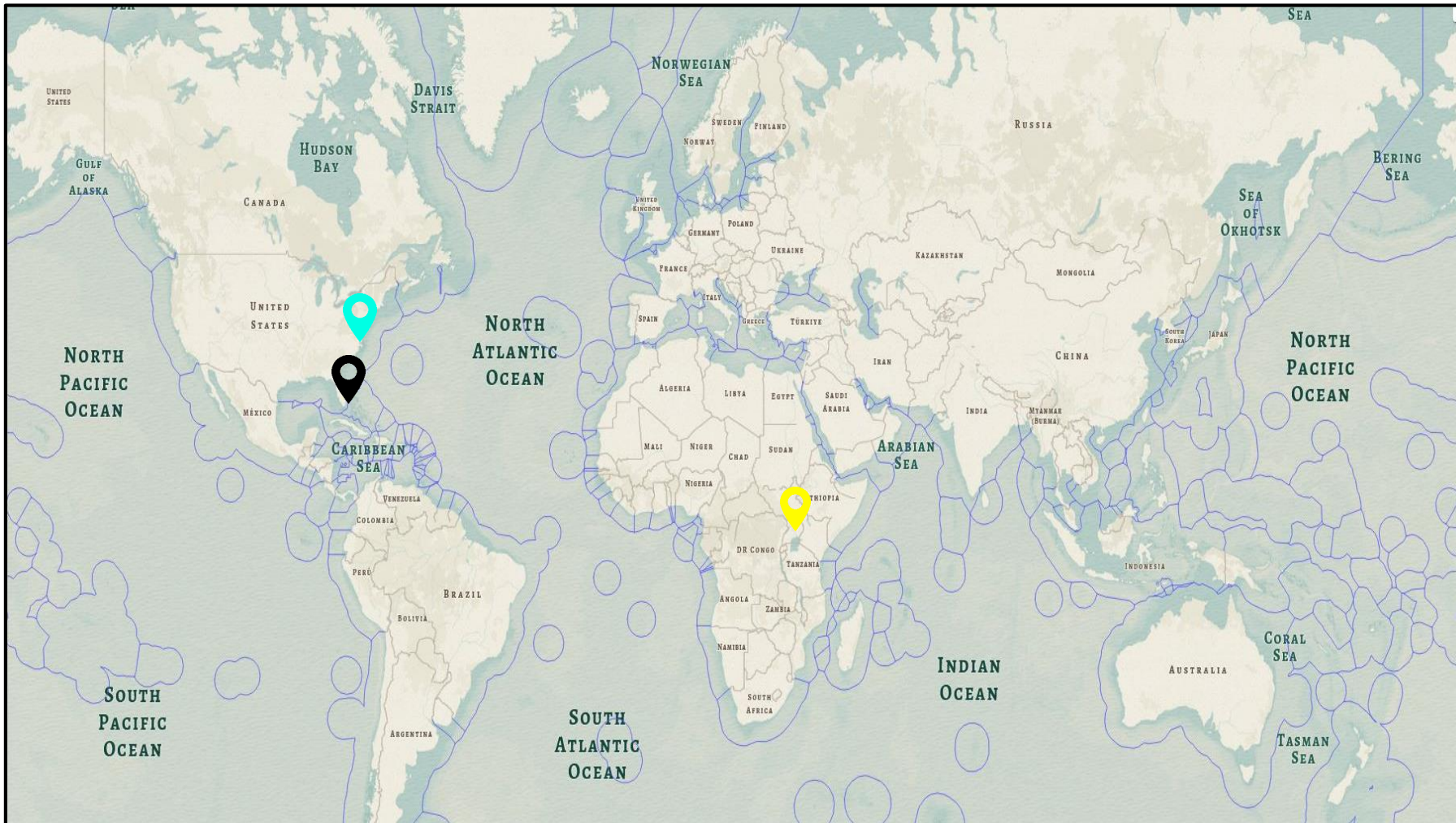
Tropical Cyclone



• Source: <https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	01
Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
Smuggling	01
IUU Fishing	NIL
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	01
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	NIL
Total Incidents	03

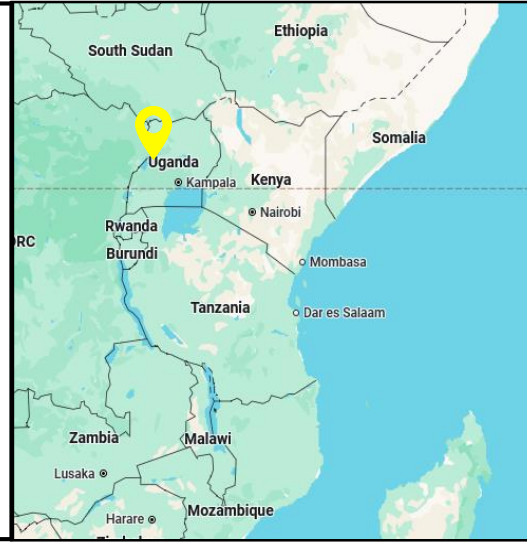
MARITIME INCIDENTS



28 Apr/ Over 20 Feared Dead After River Boat Capsizes/ Uganda

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.28	Uganda	Nguse River	Capsizing /Sinking	-	Eight survivors have been reported, and local officials pledge to continue search and rescue operations until all missing occupants are located.

At least 23 people are feared dead after a boat capsized in the Nguse River in Kagadi district, western Uganda, on 28 Apr 26. The vessel was transporting between 35 and 40 passengers when it overturned near Pacwa town council around 2000hrs local time.



Source -: <https://www.bairdmaritime.com/amp/story/security/incidents/accidents/over-20-feared-dead-after-river-boat-capsizes-in-western-uganda>

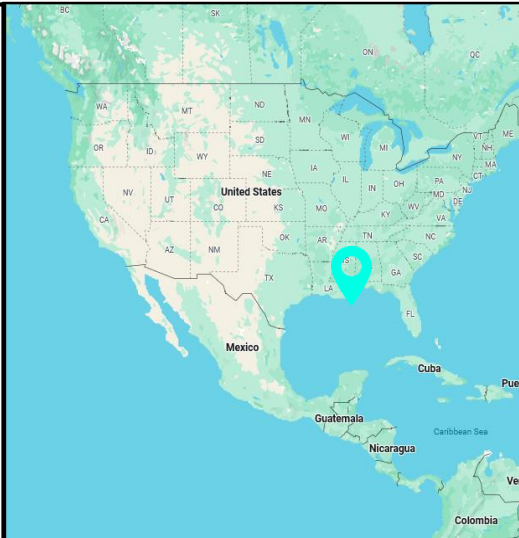
SMUGGLING



29 Apr/ Makes Massive Bust Targeting Shark Fin Smuggling Ring/ USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.29	USA	ports around the USA	Wild life and endangers species smuggling	-	The agency found that most of the fins came from bigeye thresher sharks and silky sharks, which are listed in CITES Appendix II to protect species that might be at risk without proper trade rules.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reported a large seizure of illegal shark fins at U.S. ports, with the dried fins primarily matching two species of internationally protected sharks.



Source -: <https://maritime-executive.com/article/u-s-makes-massive-bust-targeting-shark-fin-smuggling-ring>

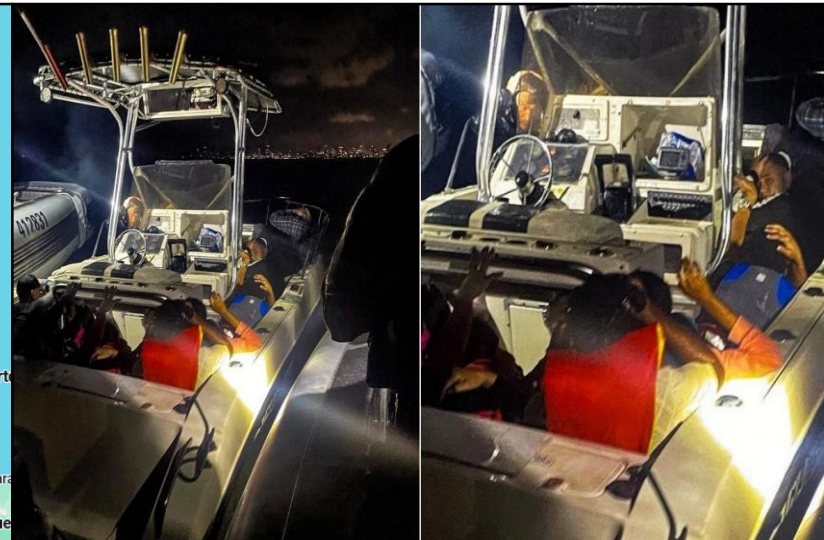
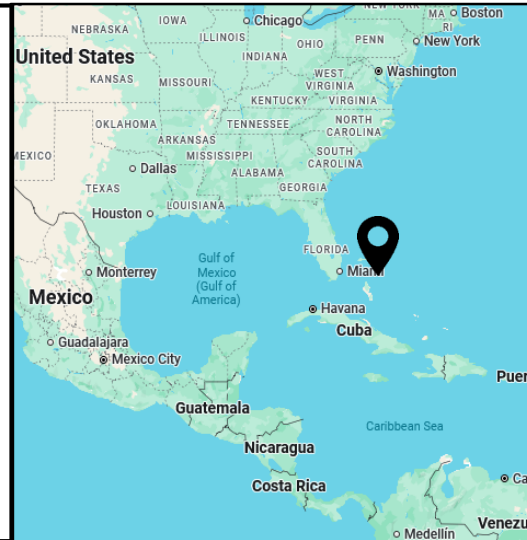
IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



26 Apr/ 25 Migrants Apprehended on Smuggling Vessel off Miami Coast/USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.26	USA	off Miami Coast	Illegal broader crossing	-	The migrants on board were from several countries, including Haiti, Romania, Colombia, the Bahamas, Moldova, and Jamaica, demonstrating the multinational nature of human smuggling networks in South Florida.

On 26 Apr 26, a smuggling vessel was intercepted off Miami's coast by the Miami Marine Unit of Customs and Border Protection, leading to the detention of 25 individuals, including a suspected human trafficker. The 28-foot boat was detected around 1230 hrs. While navigating without lights, approximately five nautical miles east of Miami.



Source -: <https://www.cubaheadlines.com/articles/327592>



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