

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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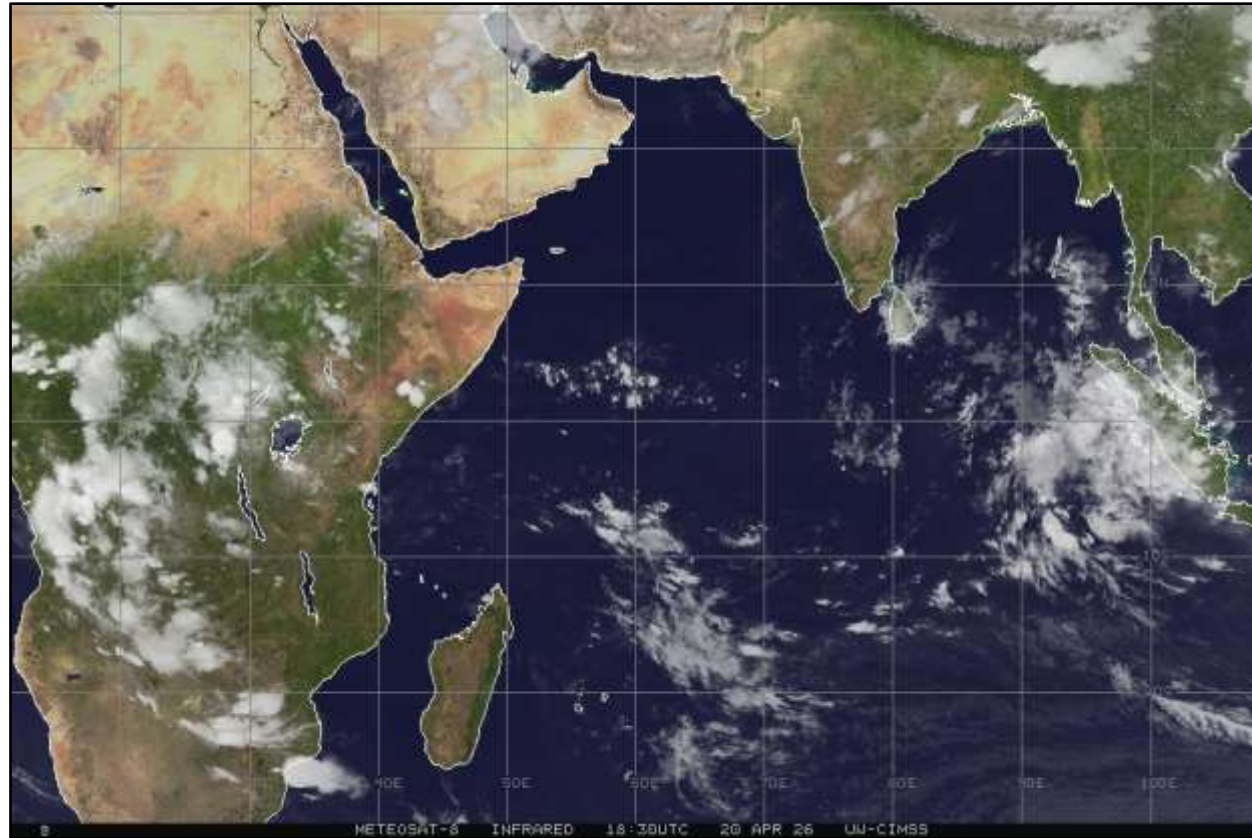
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Date 2026.04.21

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: 2026.04.21/0600UTC to 2026.04.21/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.04.21

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

ITCZ is approximately along : 03N 60E, 02N 70E, 03N 80E, 03N 90E, 01N 100E

Shear line is approximately along : 06S 60E, 05S 70E, 03S 80E, 03S 90E, 04S 100E

Weather:

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 20, 35, 45, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of ITCZ:

SE'yly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

In-between ITCZ and Shear line:

W'yly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

South of Shear line:

ESE'yly or Variable / (10-20)kts; gusting up to 25kts in sections 80 and 85

Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in Sections : 80, 85

Moderate in Sections : 70, 75

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

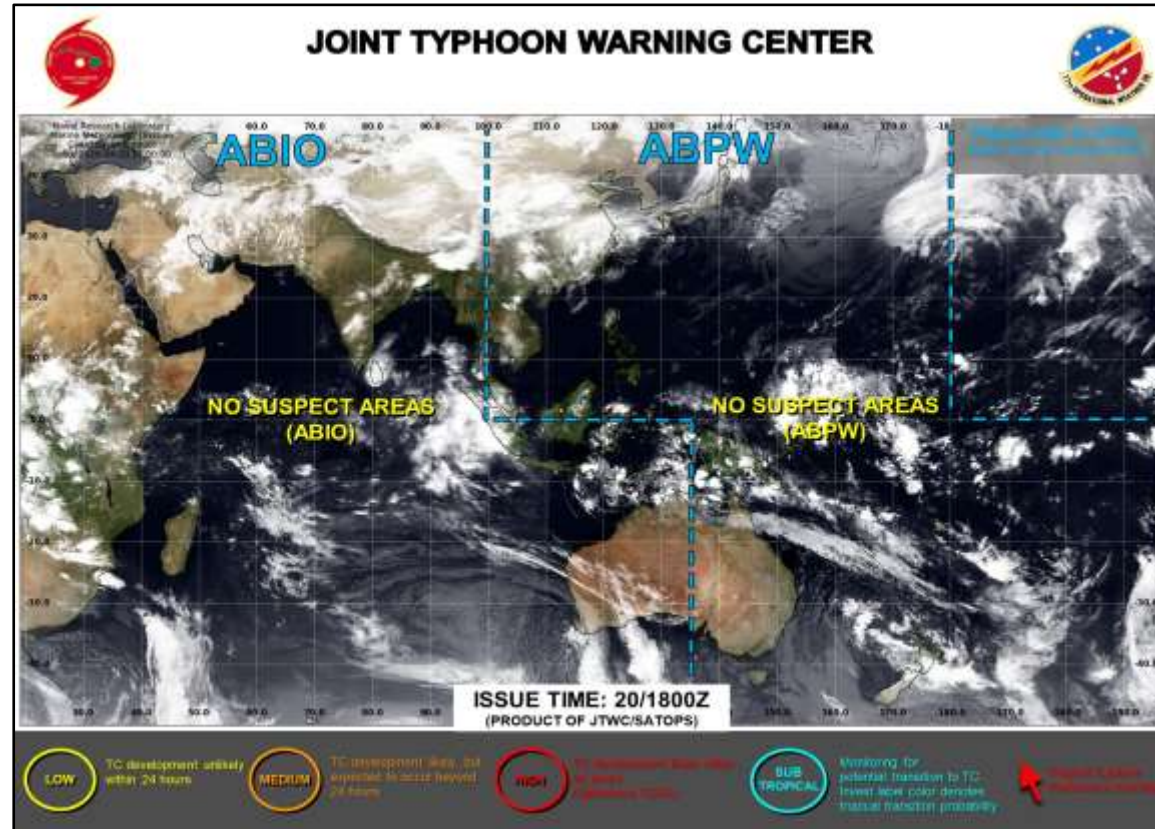
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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



CYCLONE

Tropical Cyclone



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



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	02
Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
Smuggling	NIL
IUU Fishing	NIL
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	01
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	NIL
Total Incidents	03

MARITIME INCIDENTS



19 Apr/ Boat Fire in Venice Injures Woman and Child, Cause Under Investigation/ Italy

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.19	Italy	Venice	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Boat	A woman and a five-year-old boy sustained serious burns in a boat fire on Sunday afternoon near the Marina Park Boat Ramp in Venice.

Authorities reported that a fire incident occurred shortly after 1315 hrs. Near the Historic Venice Train Depot. A female passenger described the event as an "explosion". A boy was airlifted to a Tampa hospital, and a woman was transported by ambulance to Sarasota Memorial Hospital; two other passengers remained uninjured. The affected vessel was recovered and taken to the boat ramp, which is still operational.



Source -: <https://www.tampabay28.com/news/state/boat-fire-in-venice-injures-woman-and-child-cause-under-investigation-vfr>

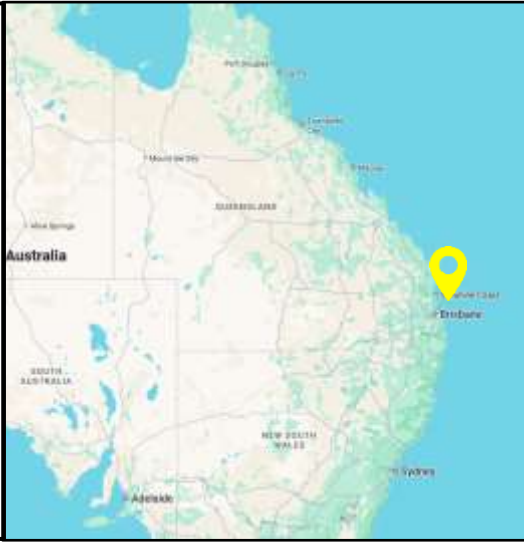
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18 Apr/ Two Divers Rescued Off the Gold Coast After More Than 20 Hours at Sea/ Australia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.18	Australia	Sea Off The South-east Queensland Coast	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	A life raft was deployed, and water police assisted before both men were airlifted to land by a surf life-saving helicopter in stable condition. Police reported that both men returned home safe and well.

Two divers were rescued after over 20 hours lost at sea off the south-east Queensland coast. The men, aged 45 and 43, failed to return to their boat near Point Lookout. At 1030 am on Saturday, a search operation began, and by Sunday morning, an AMSA jet found them drifting 2.2 Nm east of Main Beach, over 25 kilometers south of their last reported location.



Source -: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2026-04-20/gold-coast-divers-rescued-after-20-ours/106582232>

IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



19 Apr/ Four People Rescued, Six Bodies Recovered After Boat Sinks Off Tobruk Coast/ Libya

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.19	Libya	Tobruk coast	Illegal Migrants boats capsizing	-	Since the beginning of 2026 through early April, 683 migrants have died or gone missing in the Mediterranean, according to data from the International Organization for Migration.

The Red Crescent reported the recovery of six bodies and the rescue of four individuals after a migrant boat sank off Tobruk's coast, following a two-day search operation. The coast guard was alerted to a distress signal, leading to rescue efforts despite challenging conditions. Libyan Red Crescent teams participated in the operation, which included the recovery of two bodies thought to be female migrants near Janzour municipality.



Source -: <https://libyaobserver.ly/news/four-people-rescued-six-bodies-recovered-after-boat-sinks-tobruk-coast>



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