

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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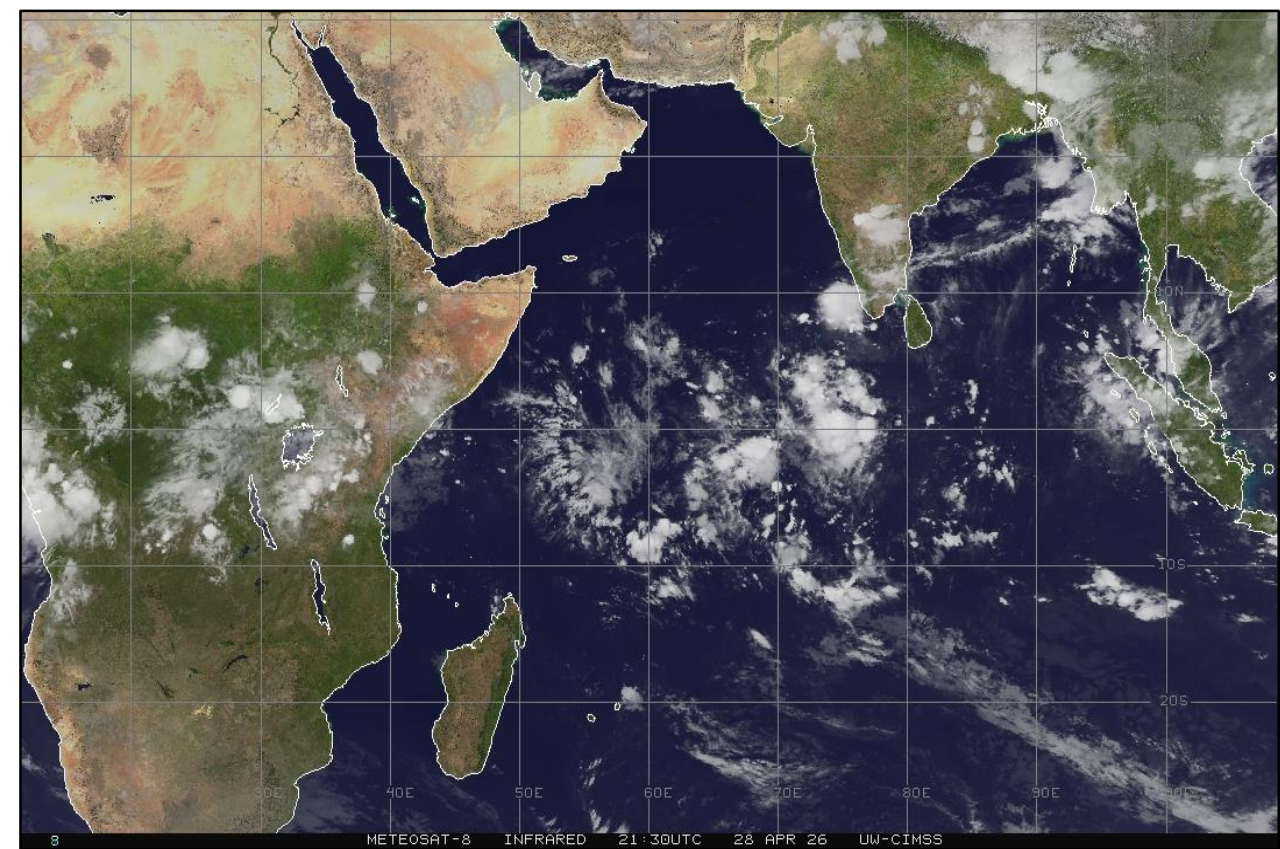
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Date 2026.04.29

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: 2026.04.29/0600UTC to 2026.04.29/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.04.29

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

ITCZ line is approximately along : 01N 60E, 01N 70E, 01N 80E,

Shear line is approximately along : 06S 60E, 07S 70E, 04S 80E, 03N 90E, 01N 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60, 65, 70, 80

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 05, 10, 35, 55, 75, 85

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of ITCZ:

West of 80E: SW'ly or Variable/ (10-20) kts.

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

In between ITZC and Shear line

West of 75E: SW'ly to W'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 40.

East of 75E: E'ly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

South of Shear line:

SE'ly / (10-20)kts.

Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in Sections : 40

Moderate in Sections : 05, 25, 45, 60, 65, 80, 85

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

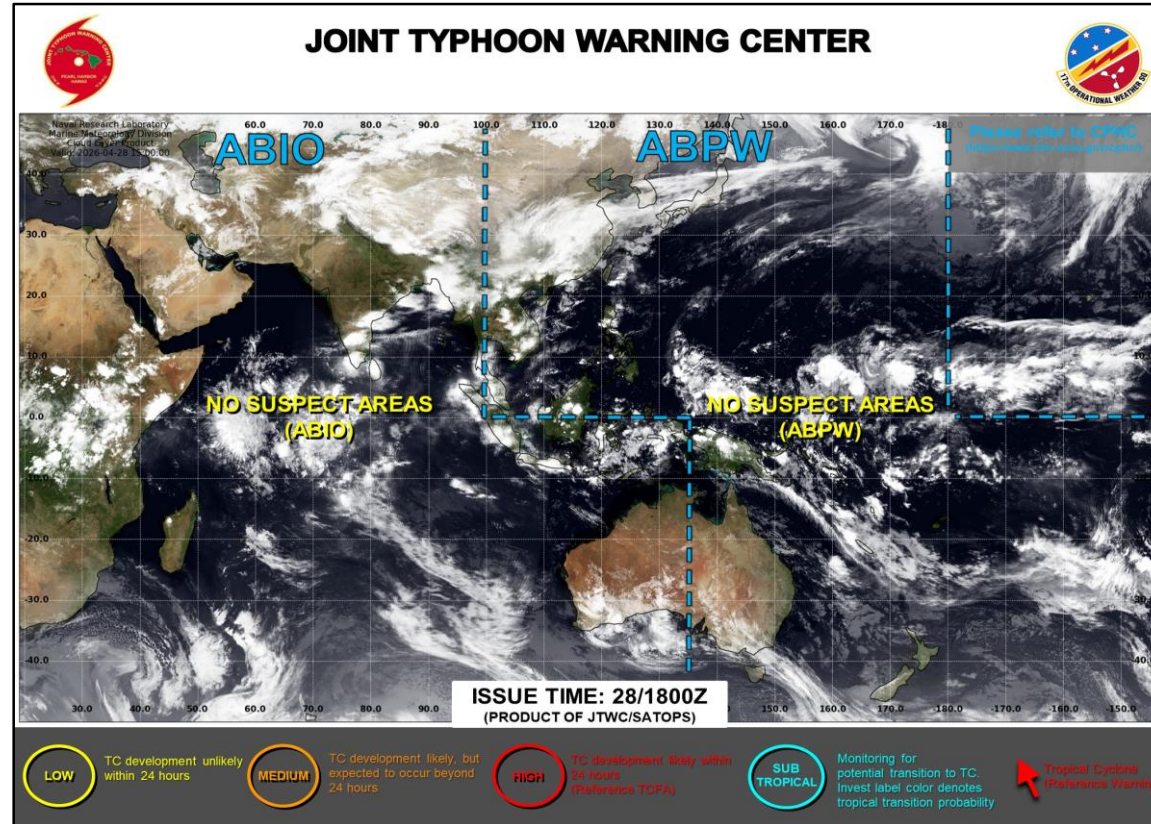
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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



CYCLONE

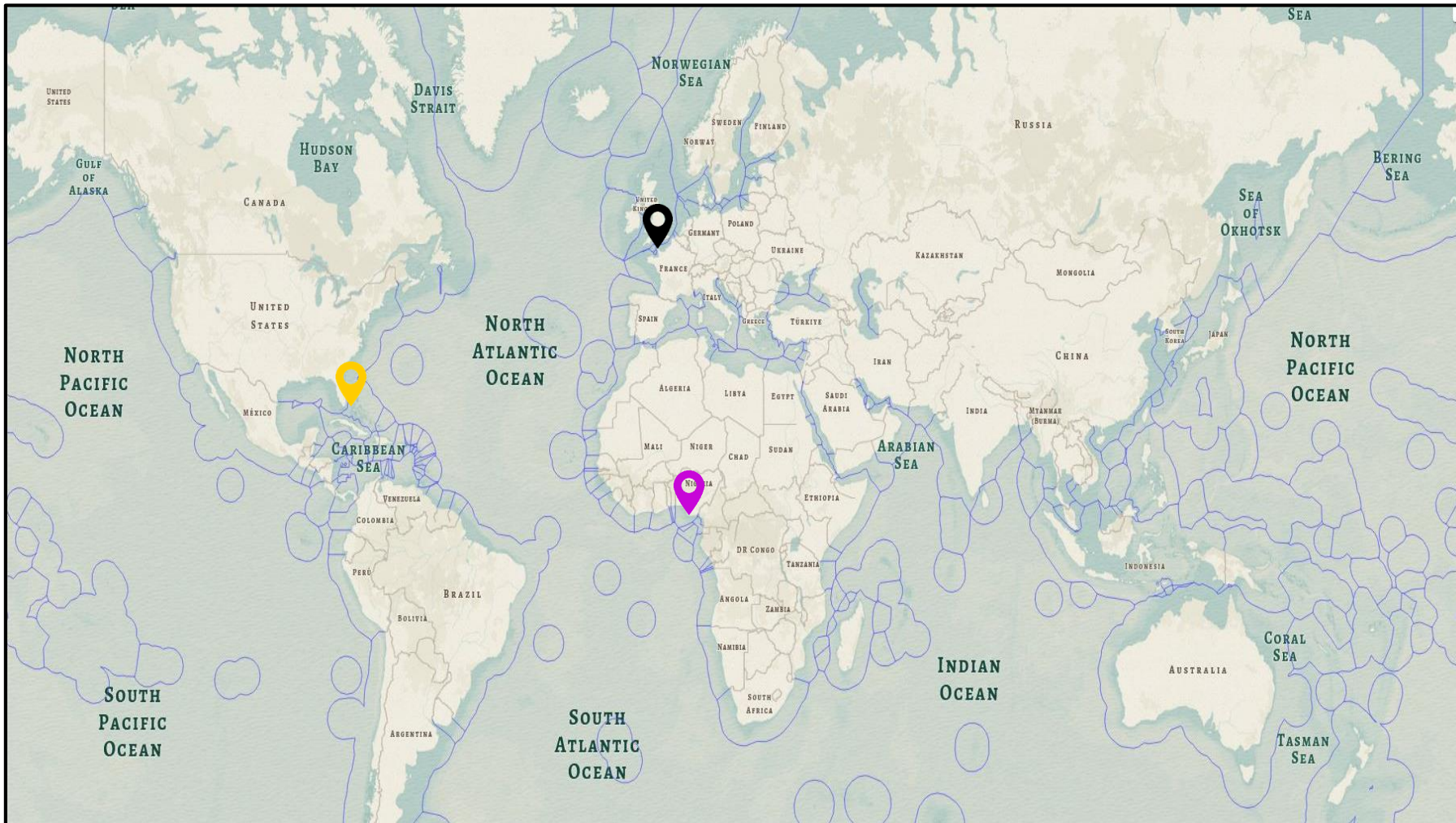
Tropical Cyclone



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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

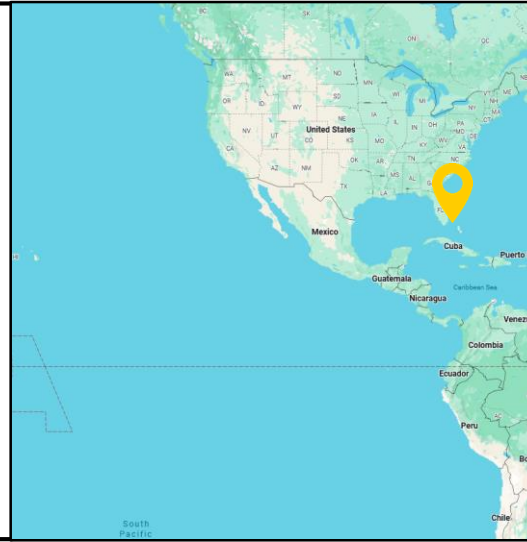


NARCOTIC

27 Apr/ US Coast Guard Offloads Over \$53M In Cocaine Seized in Caribbean Sea/ USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.27	USA	Port Everglades	Sea based Drugs Trafficking /crystal methamphetamine/cocaine	Cutter Escanaba	The Coast Guard coordinated interdictions with various units, including the Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron, Joint Interagency Task Force South, and watch standers from the Southeast and Southwest Districts.

The U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Escanaba offloaded around 7,050 pounds of cocaine, worth over \$53 million, at Port Everglades. These seizures followed interdictions in the Caribbean Sea and Eastern Pacific Ocean, resulting from two maritime operations aimed at drug smuggling routes utilized by transnational criminal organizations.



Source -: <https://www.caribbeannationalweekly.com/news/us-coast-guard-offloads-over-53m-in-cocaine-seized-in-caribbean-sea/>

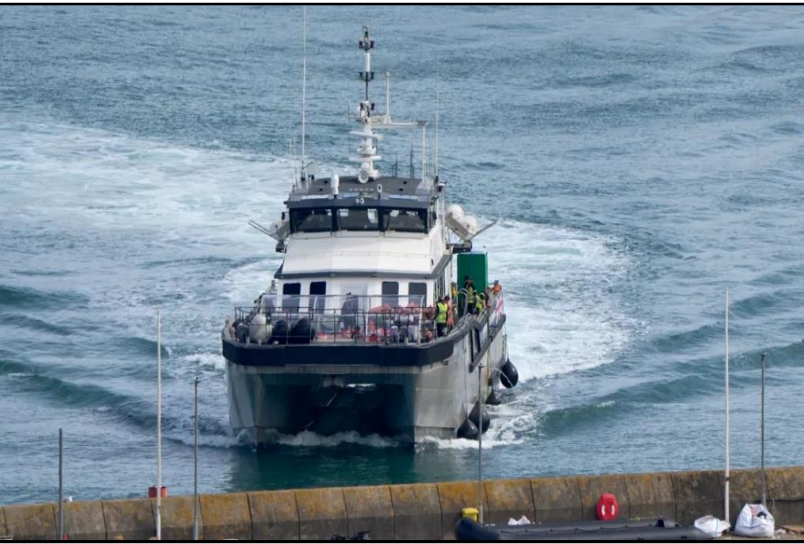
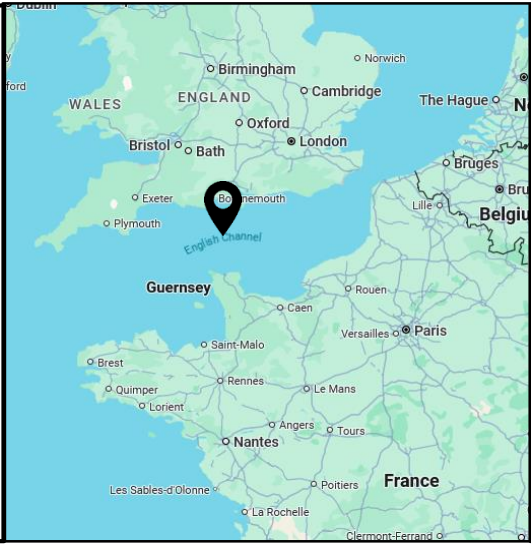
IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



25 Apr/ Rescues More Than 100 Migrants Crossing Channel/ French

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.25	French	English Channel	Failed Broader crossing	-	The French coast guard has rescued 106 people traveling in a single boat after it broke down during an attempt to cross the English Channel.

French authorities responded to a distressed vessel on Saturday, rescuing seven individuals near Wimereux. Among them was a woman who lost consciousness and was evacuated by helicopter. The rescued individuals were taken to Calais early Sunday morning.



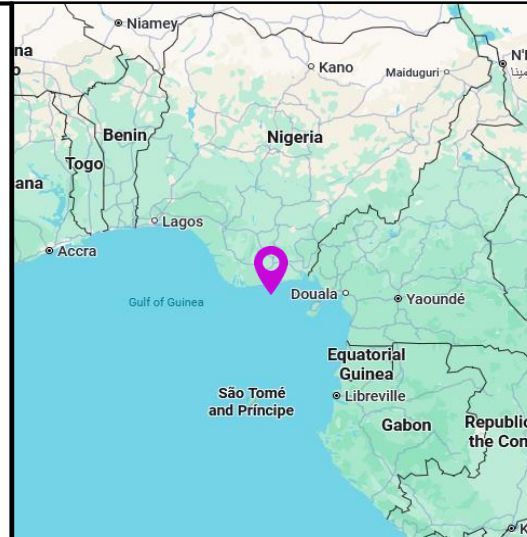
Source -: <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c3v6v4qd7qqo>



26 Apr/ Nigerian Navy, Spain, US, France, Others Partner to Tackle Sea Piracy/ Nigeria

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.26	Nigeria	Federal Ocean Terminal	Naval Activities	-	He noted that the operation aims to strengthen regional security, improve information sharing, enhance tactical capabilities, and combat piracy, sea robbery, trafficking, oil theft, and other illegal activities at sea.

The Nigerian Navy launched the 2026 Exercise Obangame Express, a multinational maritime security operation, on Sunday. The initiative involves countries from West and Central Africa and was inaugurated by Rear Admiral Patrick Effah at the Naval Jetty, Federal Ocean Terminal, Onne, Rivers State, on behalf of Vice Admiral Idi Abbas.



Source -: <https://www.thisdaylive.com/2026/04/28/nigerian-navy-spain-us-france-others-partner-to-tackle-sea-piracy/>



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