

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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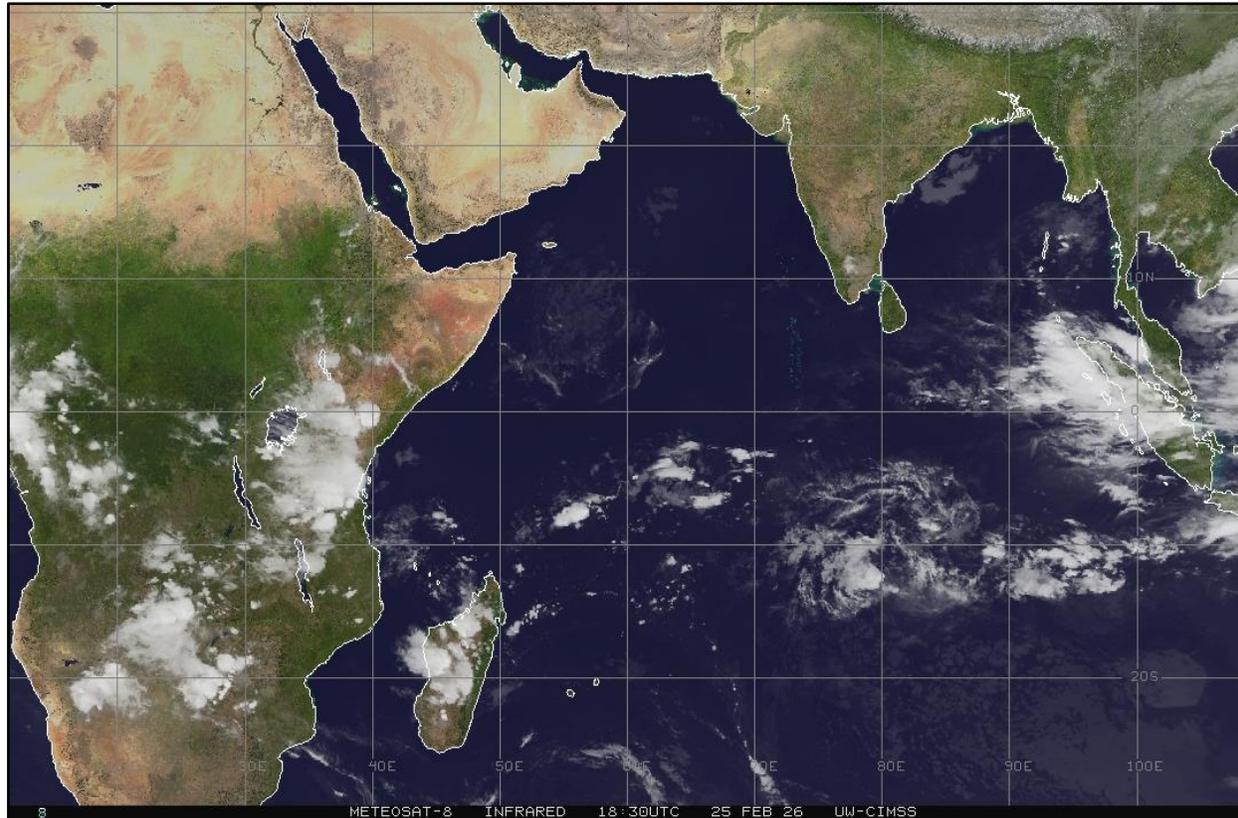
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Date 2026.02.26

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: 2026.02.26/0600UTC to 2026.02.26/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.02.26

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

Shear line is approximately along : 03S 70E, 07N 80E, 09N 90E

ITCZ is approximately along : 06S 60E, 06S 70E, 06S 80E, 07S 90E, 08S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 35, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 15, 70, 75

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 70E: NE'ly to N'ly / (10-15)kts

East of 70E: N'ly to NW'ly / (10-15)kts

In-between Shear line and ITCZ:

W'ly or VRB/ (10-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 50, 55, 70, 75

South of ITCZ:

Clockwise / (15-20)kts.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in sections : 75

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 50, 55, 70, 85

Moderate elsewhere.

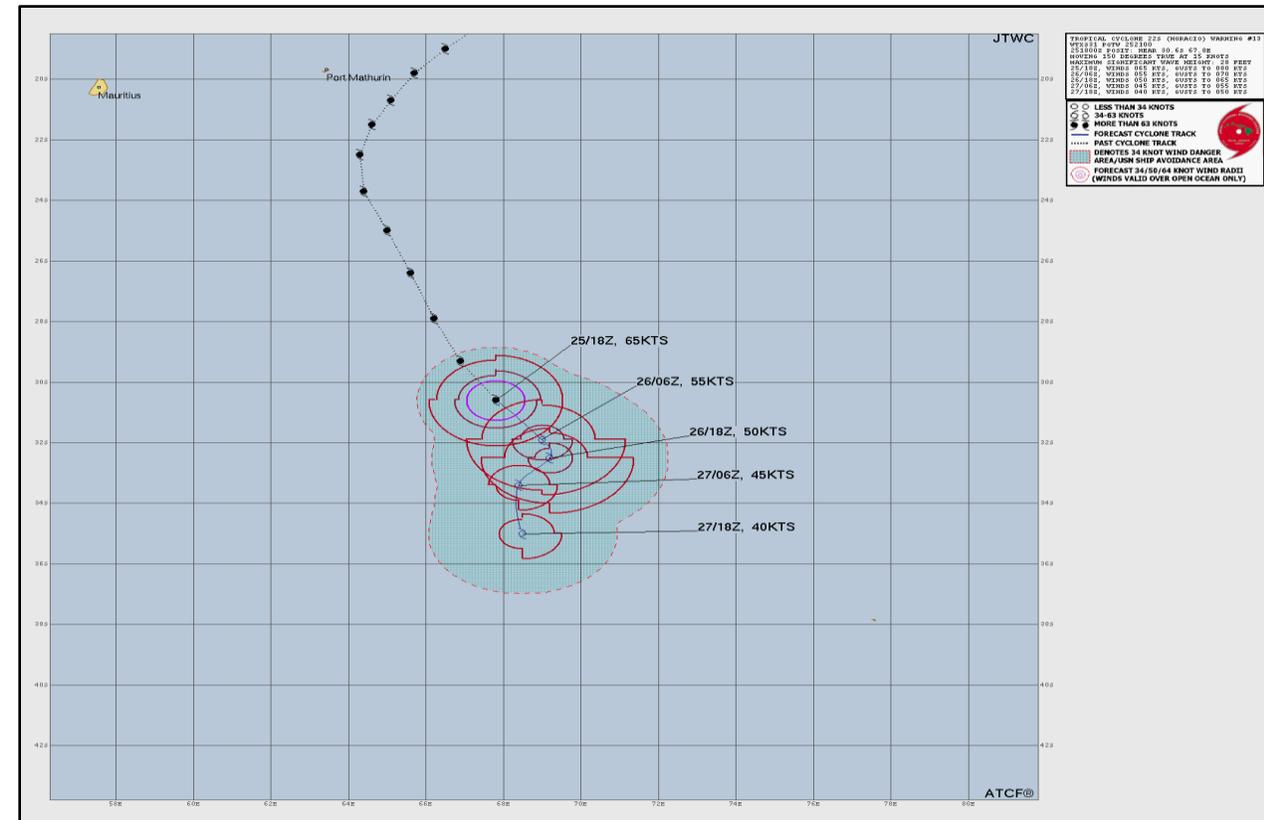
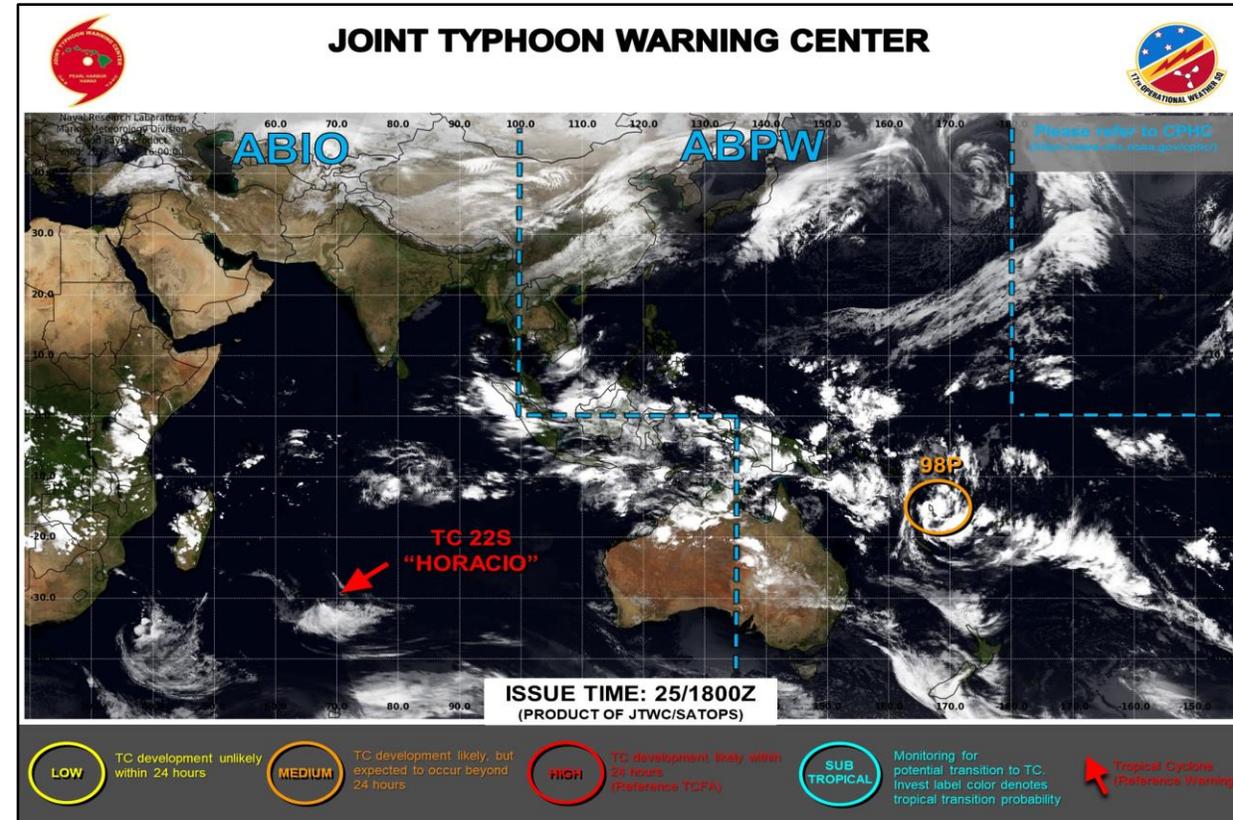
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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

CYCLONE



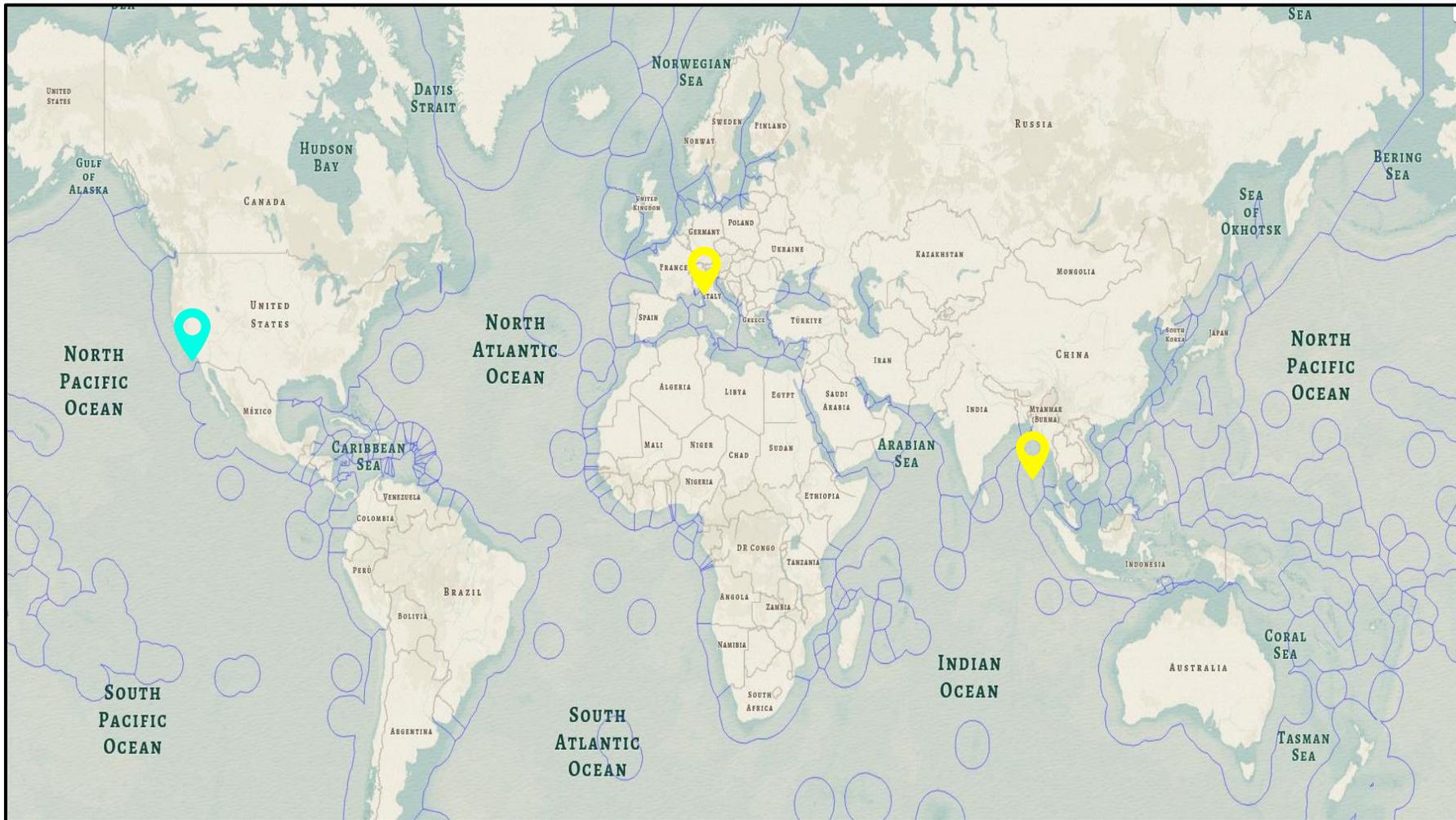
Tropical Cyclone "HORACIO"



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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

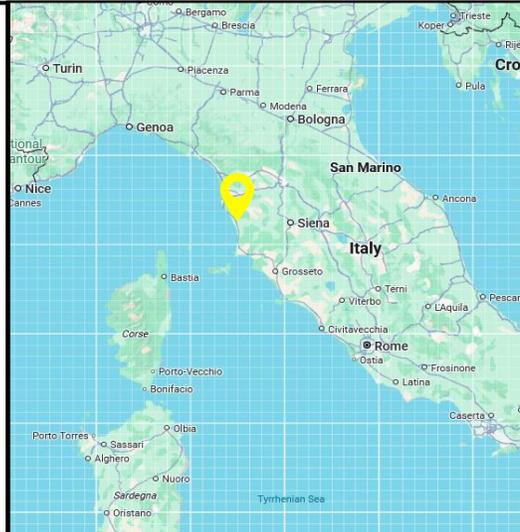
MARITIME INCIDENTS



24 Feb/ One killed after pilot boat capsizes in Livorno Port/ Italy

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.24	Italy	Livorno Port	Capsizing / Sinking	Pilot boat	Initial reports stated that a collision between the yacht and the pilot boat may have caused the latter to capsize.

On 24 Feb 26, a vessel capsizing incident at the Port of Livorno, Italy, resulted in the death of a 30-year-old pilot boat helmsman. The incident occurred around 1430 local time after the boat had just transferred a pilot to the motor yacht Calypso, approximately 700 meters from the harbor entrance. When the Italian Coast Guard arrived, only the bow of the pilot boat was visible, and the unconscious victim was recovered from the water but later pronounced dead.



Source -: <https://www.bairdmaritime.com/amp/story/security/incidents/accidents/one-killed-after-pilot-boat-capsizes-in-italys-livorno-port>

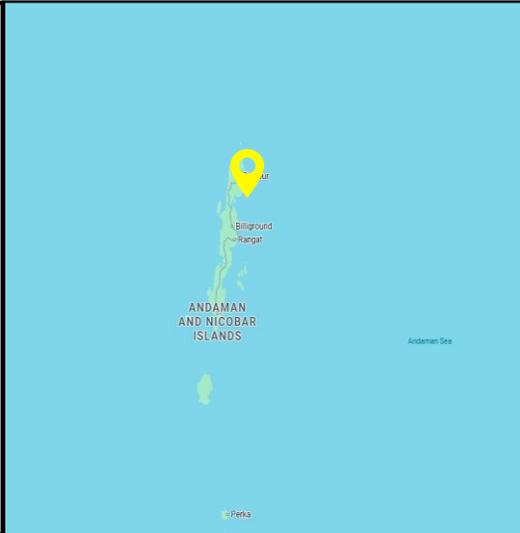
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24 Feb/ Indian Coast Guard responds to helicopter crash off Andaman and Nicobar Islands/ India.

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2026.02.24	India	Andaman Sea	Rescue Operations	Commercial helicopter	Both pilots and all five passengers, including a three-month-old infant, were pulled out of the water and evacuated to shore, where they underwent initial medical examinations.

The incident occurred at approximately 0930 local time on 24 Feb 26, when an aircraft made an emergency landing near Mayabander Harbour due to a technical fault. Coast guard personnel and local fishermen, who witnessed the landing, quickly deployed to the crash site in small boats to provide assistance.



Source -: <https://www.bairdmaritime.com/amp/story/security/emergency-services/search-and-rescue/indian-coast-guard-responds-to-helicopter-crash-off-andaman-and-nicobar-islands>

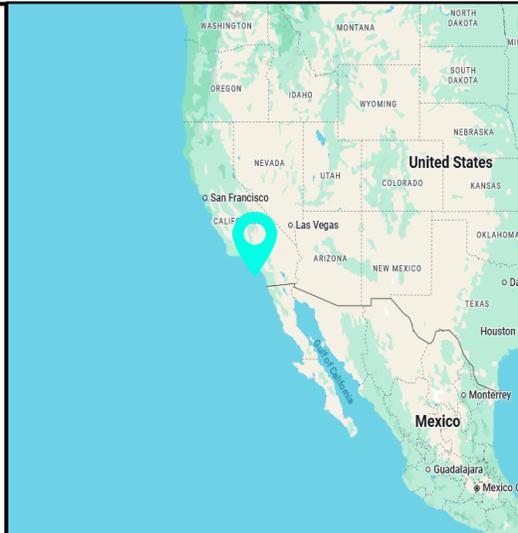
SMUGGLING



21 Feb/ Partners interdict multiple suspected smuggling vessels off California's San Clemente Island/ USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.21	USA	South of san Clemente Island	Human Trafficking	Cuddy cabin-style boats	The vessels were described as 20- to-25-foot (six- to 7.6-metre) cuddy cabin-style boats carrying fishing gear and fuel barrels on board.

The US Coast Guard, in partnership with the Department of Homeland Security and supported by the US Navy, interdicted five suspected smuggling vessels and apprehended 62 aliens south of San Clemente Island, California, on February 21. Reports from a partner agency aircraft alerted Sector San Diego Joint Harbor Operations Center about three vessels suspected of smuggling illegal aliens from Mexican waters, transiting northbound.



Source -: <https://www.bairdmaritime.com/security/incidents/piracy/us-coast-guard-partners-interdict-multiple-suspected-smuggling-vessels-off-californias-san-clemente-island>



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