

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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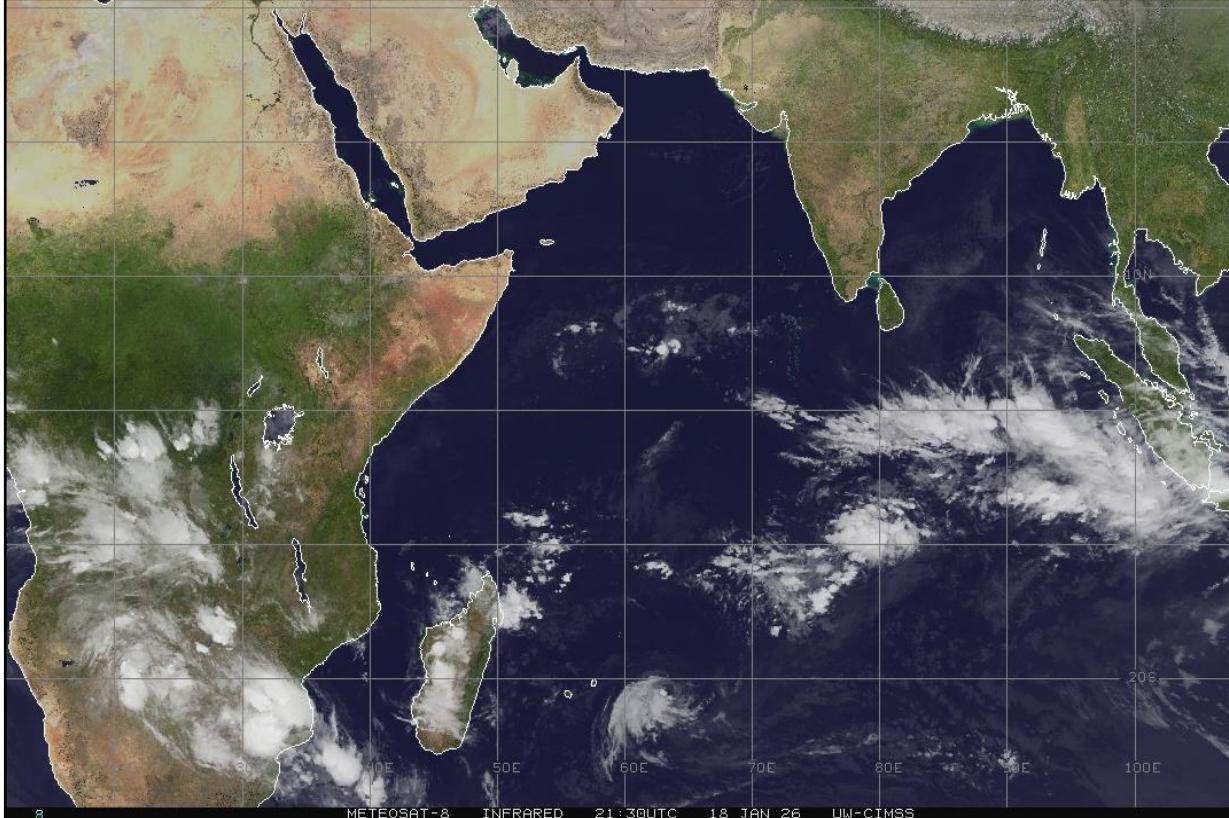
Date 2026.01.19



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: 2026.01.18/0600UTC to 2026.01.18/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.01.18

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

Shear line is approximately along : 03S 60E, EQ 70E, 02N 80E, 05N 90E, 07N 100E

ITCZ is approximately along : - 13S 70E, 12S 80E, 06S 90E, 08S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T>Showers in sections : 00, 50, 55, 70, 75, 80, 85

SCT Showers / T>Showers in sections : 20, 30, 35, 45, 65

ISOL Showers / T>Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 75E: NE'ly to E'ly/ (10-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 00.

East of 75E: NE'ly to N'ly/ (10-20)kts gusting up to 25 kts in sections 05.

In-between Shear line and ITCZ

NW'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 50, 55, 70, 75

South of ITCZ:

West of 80E: NW'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 80

East of 80E: SE'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 85

Seas:

Rough in sections : 50, 55, 70, 75

Fairly Rough, rough at times in sections : 60, 65, 80, 85

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 00, 05, 30, 35, 45

Slight to Moderate elsewhere.

NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers

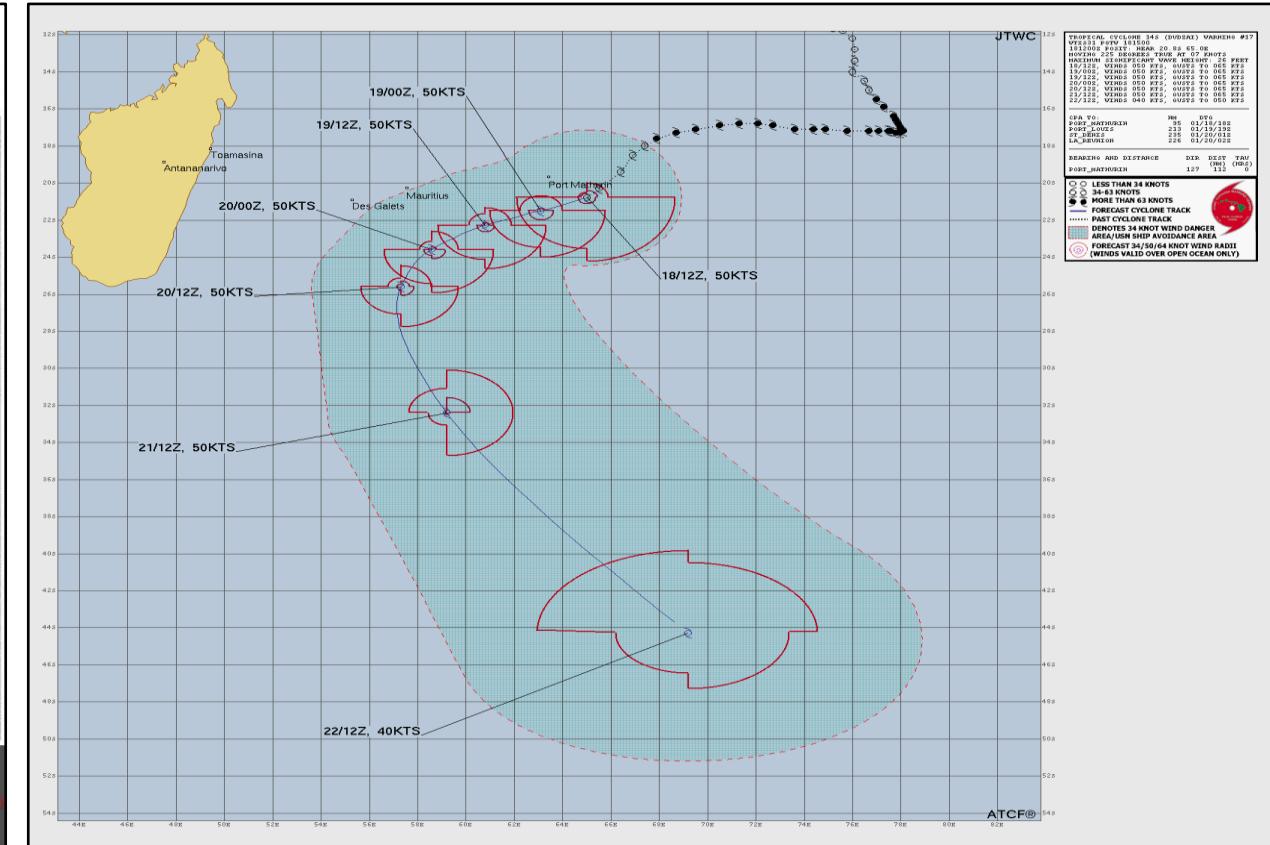
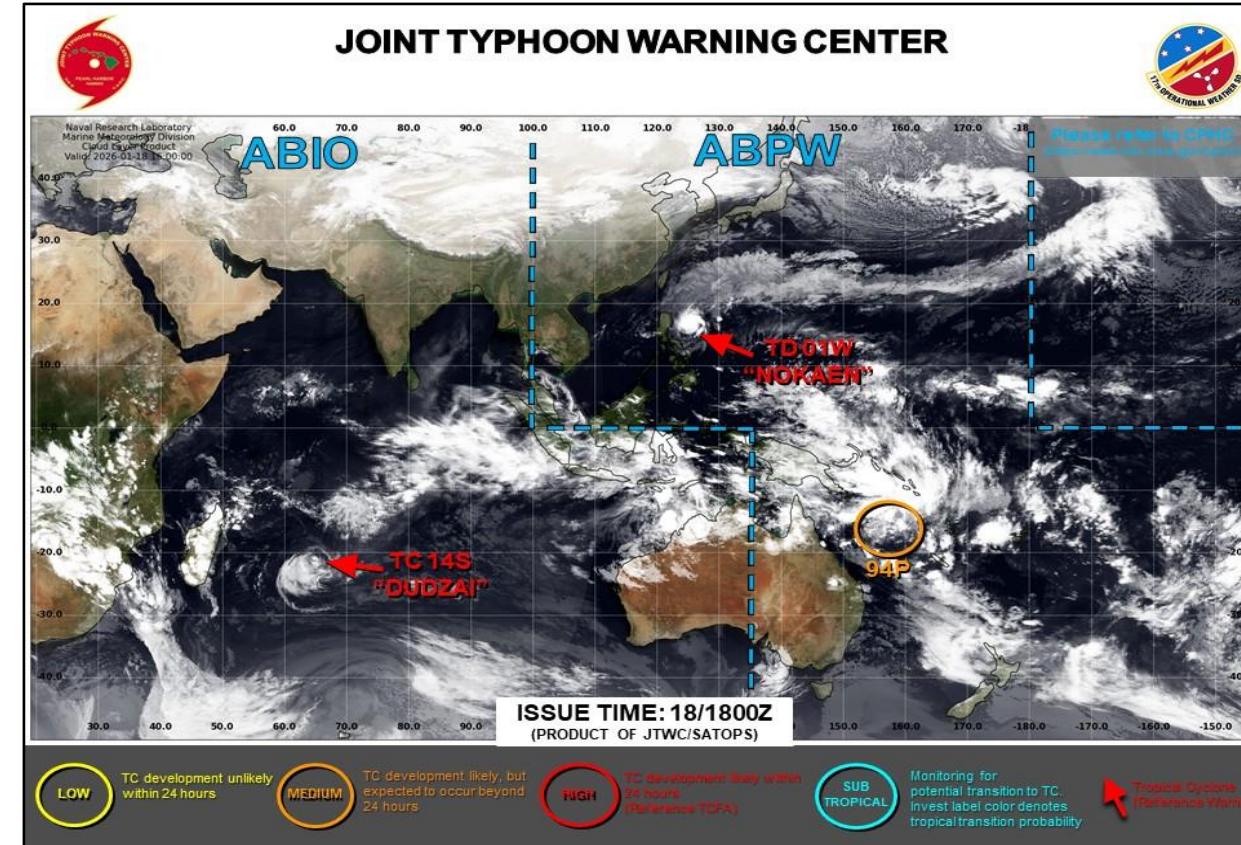
- Source: 1. <https://meteo.gov.lk> 2. <https://www.srilankaview.com/weather.htm>



CYCLONE



Tropical Cyclone 14S "Duduzai"



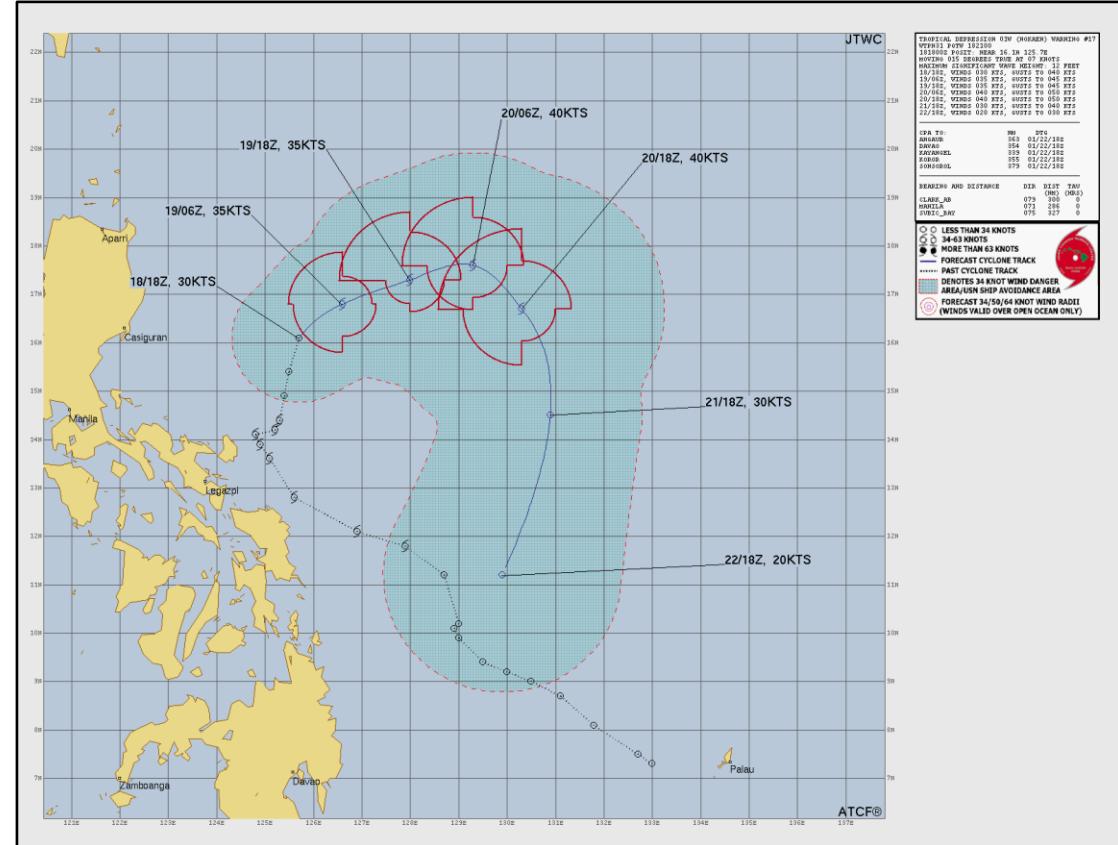
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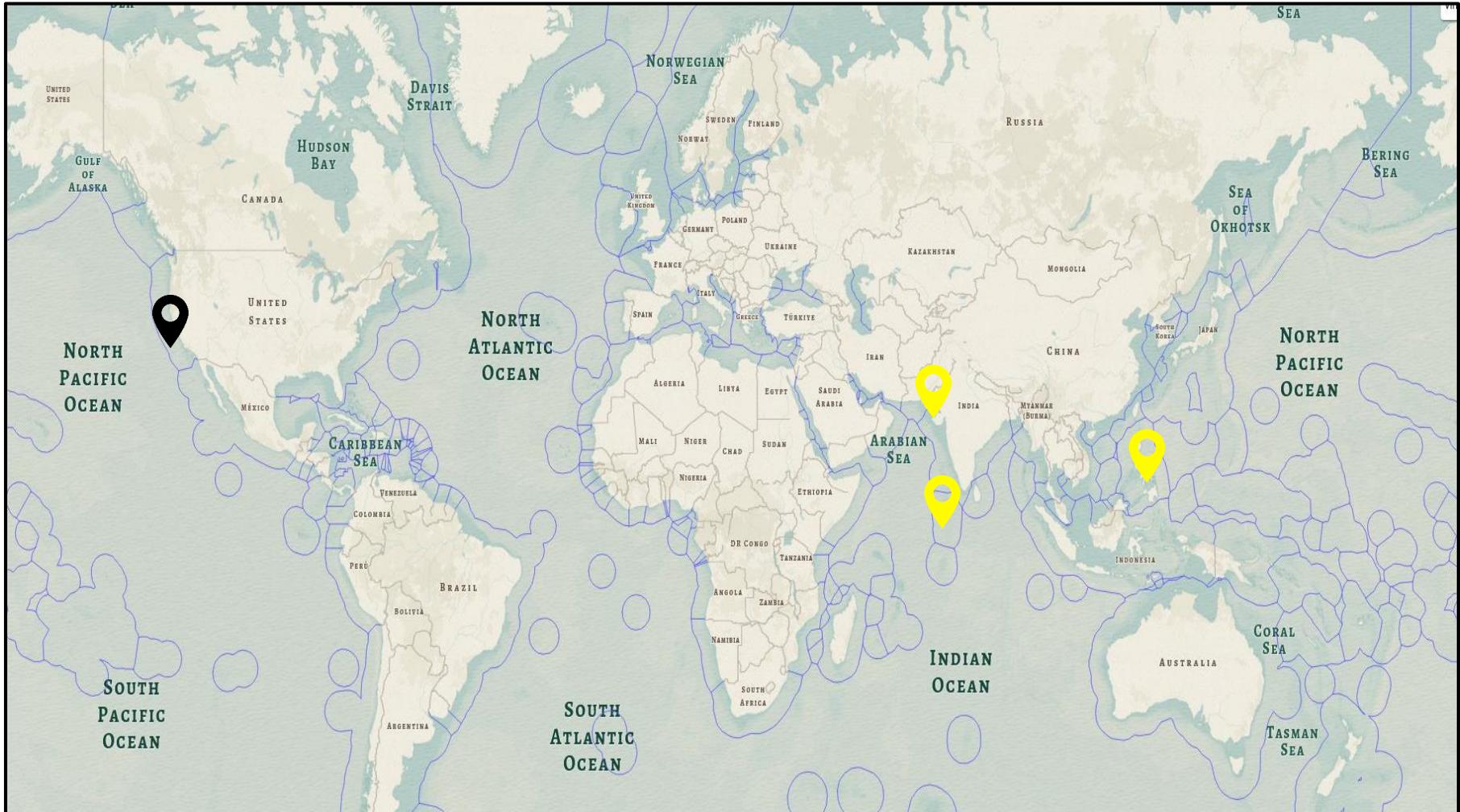
Tropical Storm 01W "Nokaen"



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SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	03
Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
Smuggling	NIL
IUU Fishing	NIL
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	01
Marin Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	NIL
Total Incidents	04



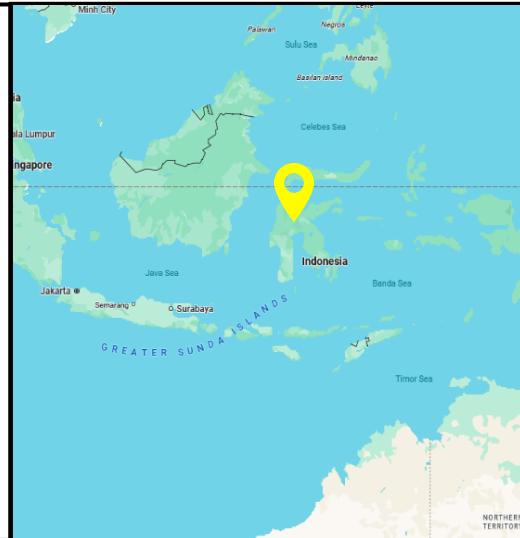
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17 Jan/ Rescuers Find Aircraft Wreckage on Sulawesi/ Indonesia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.17	Indonesia	Sulawesi Island	Rescue Operations	Aircraft ATR 42-500	The aircraft that disappeared during cloudy conditions was last tracked on Saturday, leading to the subsequent discovery of its location.

Indonesian rescuers have found the wreckage of a missing ATR 42-500 plane that lost radar contact while approaching mountainous areas in Sulawesi. The aircraft, operated by Indonesia Air Transport, was on a maritime mission with 11 people, including eight crew members and three personnel from the Marine Affairs and Fisheries Ministry. Search operations continue in difficult weather, with wreckage located in the Leang-Leang area of Maros and larger debris on Mount Bulusaraung's slope.



Source :- <https://www.devdiscourse.com/article/business/3773734-indonesian-rescuers-find-aircraft-wreckage-on-sulawesi?amp>

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16 Jan/ Inquiry committee formed to probe Karachi port fire/ Pakistan

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.16	Pakistan	Karachi port	Fire / Explosion	-	The KPT team managed the firefighting operation, successfully controlling the fire, with no reported loss of life.

On Friday afternoon, a significant fire at the Karachi Port Trust's KICT destroyed imported goods, primarily lithium batteries, stored in at least 20 containers. In response, Maritime Affairs Minister Muhammad Junaid Anwar Chaudhry has established an inquiry committee to investigate the fire's cause and assign responsibility to prevent future incidents. The committee will involve senior KPT officers coordinating with KICT operators.



Source :- <https://www.dawn.com/news/amp/1967502>



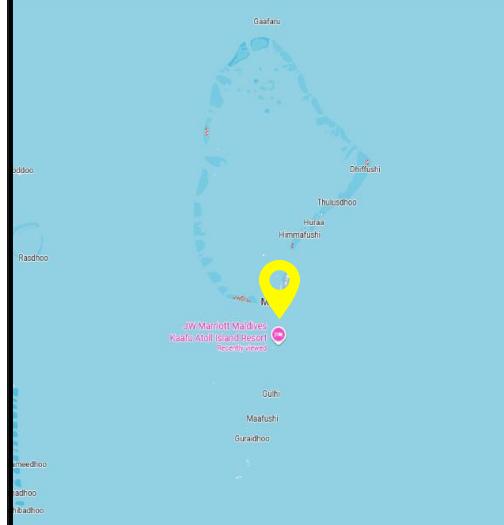
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18 Jan/ One of the two individuals that went missing from a capsized boat has been found deceased /maldives

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.18	Maldives	Kaafu atoll	capsized	Name - Balma-6	MNDF are continuing the search for the foreigner, who still remains missing.

One individual has been found deceased after a boat, 'Balma-6' capsized near Taj Exotica Resort in Kaafu Atoll. Four people were aboard; two were rescued, while two went missing. The deceased, a Maldivian, was discovered by MNDF near the resort and has been handed over to the Maldives Police Service for identification.



Source :- <https://edition.mv/news/47549>

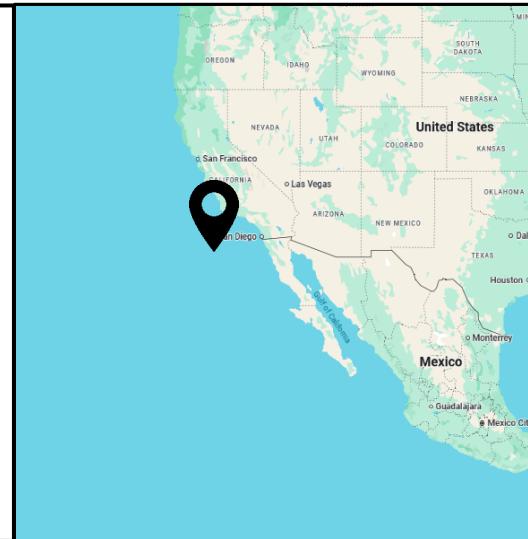
IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



17 Jan/ Coast Guard stops boat with 9 migrants near San Diego coast/ USA

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2026.01.17	USA	Near San Diego Coast	Detention Of Migrants	Cuddy Cabin Vessel	Nine individuals claiming Mexican nationality were transported by the Coast Guard to the Department of Homeland Security agency at Ballast Point.

On Saturday morning, the U.S. Coast Guard intercepted a small boat carrying nine undocumented migrants approximately 19 miles west of Black's Beach. The crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Robert Ward encountered the vessel, which was traveling at high speed, and successfully detained all individuals on board without using force.



Source :- <https://fox5sandiego.com/news/local-news/san-diego/undocumented-migrants-detained-coast-guard/>



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