

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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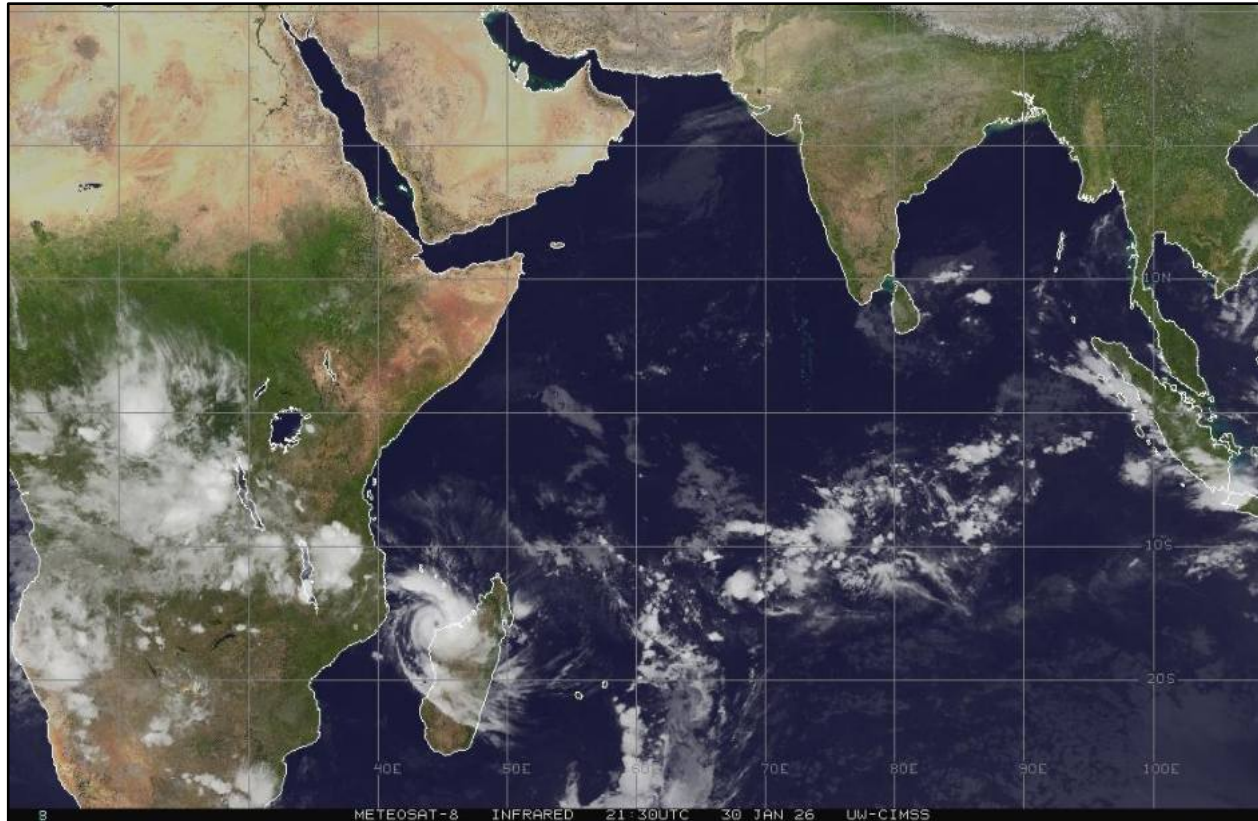
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Date 2026.01.31

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: 2026.01.31/0600UTC to 2026.01.31/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.01.31

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

Shear line is approximately along : 01S 60E, 02S 70E, 01N 80E, 03N 90E, 02N 100E

ITCZ is approximately along : 12S 60E, 11S 70E, 09S 80E, 05S 90E, 06S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 35, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 80, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 15, 20, 30, 45, 75

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 80E: NE'ly / (10-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 05

East of 80E: E'ly to NE'ly / (10-15)kts

In-between Shear line and ITCZ

West of 80E: NW'ly or W'ly / (10-15)kts.

East of 80E: W'ly/ (10-15)kts

South of ITCZ:

West of 80E: E'ly to NE'ly / (10-20)kts.

East of 80E: SE'ly to E'ly / (10-15)kts.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in section : 05

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

Moderate in sections : 00, 10, 15, 25, 60, 65, 80

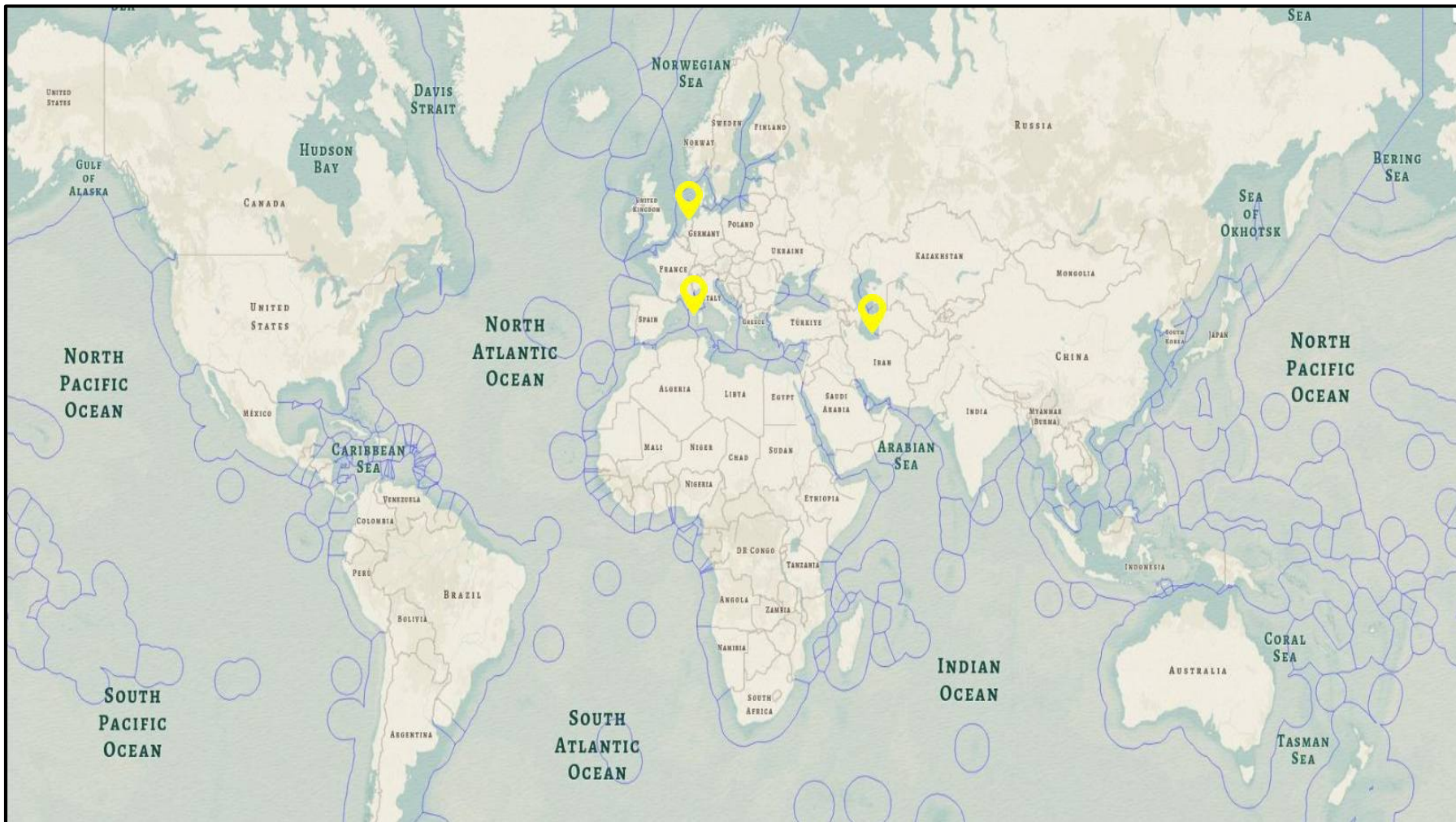
Slight to Moderate elsewhere.

NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers

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



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

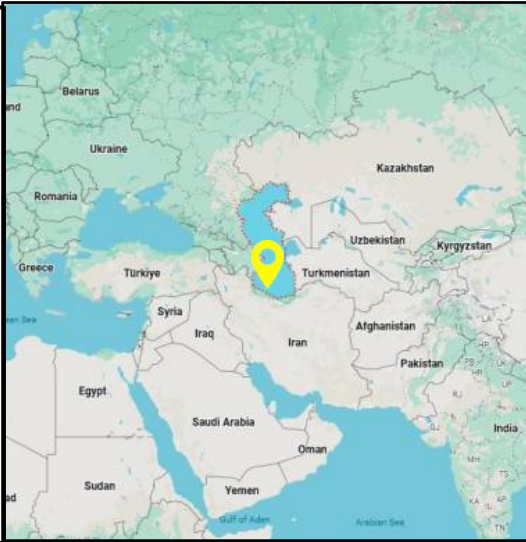
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29 Jan/Distress Call Received from a Cargo Vessel/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.29	Iran	Caspian Sea	Rescue Operation	Name - Caspian Shiva Type – Cargo Flag - Iran	All 10 crew members are reported safe and uninjured.

The Russian news media on 29 January reported that the general cargo ship Caspian Shiva was rescued after the vessel issued a distress call due to an unexplained hull breach that led to rapid water ingress in Caspian sea.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12661/iranian-cargo-vessel-rescued-after-distress-call-in-caspian->

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28 Jan/A livestock carrier has experienced engine failure/Italy

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.28	Italy	Coast of Sardinia	Mechanical Failure	Name - Blue Ocean A Type – Livestock Carrier Flag - Saint Kitts And Nevis	The livestock carrier faced severe weather with strong winds and high waves, drifting uncontrollably towards the rocky coastline.

The livestock carrier Blue Ocean A experienced an engine failure on the night of 28 January while navigating off the southwest coast of Sardinia, Italy, with 33 crewmembers on board. The vessel was en route from Aqaba, Jordan, to Cartagena, Spain.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12660/engine-failure-triggers-emergency-response-for-livestock-car>

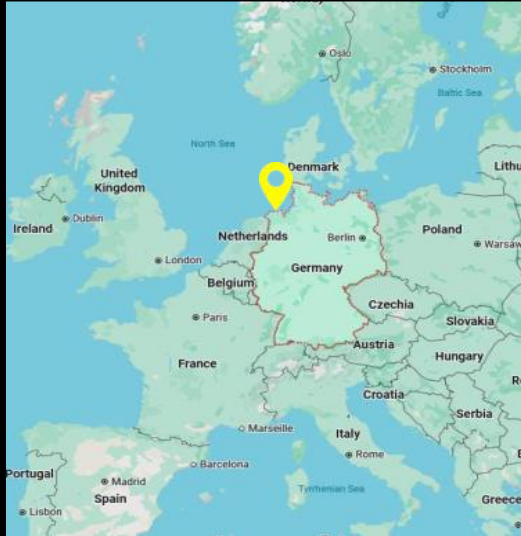
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26 Jan/Engine Room Fire on Board a Car Carrier/Germany

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.26	Germany	German Coast	Fire	Name - Thames Highway Type – Bahamas Flag - Vehicle Carrier	The incident involved a vessel that, after leaving the port of Emden, became disabled and anchored outside the fairway of the Ems estuary as a precaution due to loss of maneuverability.

A fire occurred in the engine room of the Bahamas-flagged car carrier Thames Highway on 26 January. All 18 crew members were unharmed, and they effectively sealed off the engine room to prevent the fire from spreading. The German Maritime Search and Rescue Service dispatched the sea rescue cruiser Hamburg to secure the scene and offer assistance.



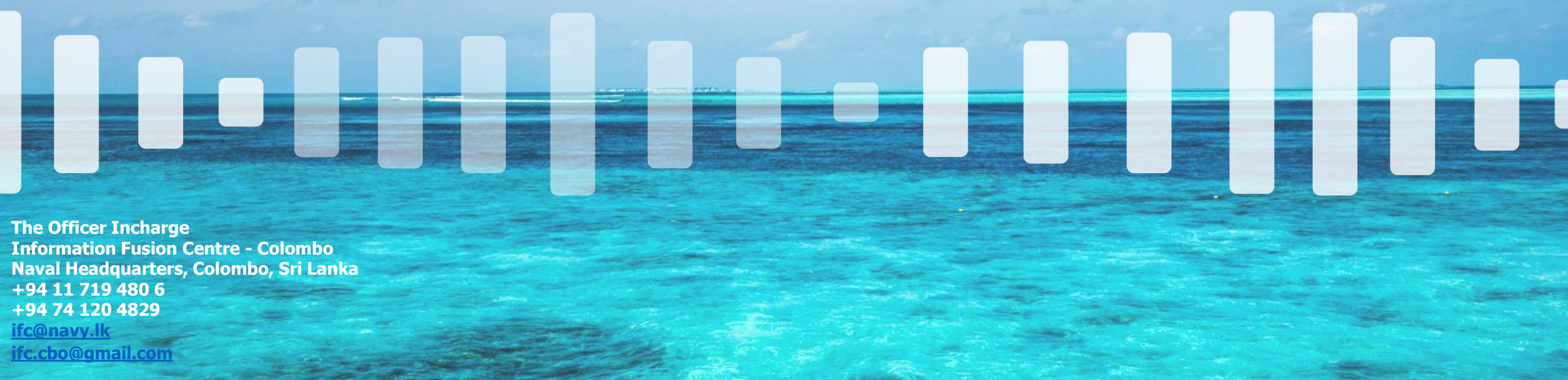
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