

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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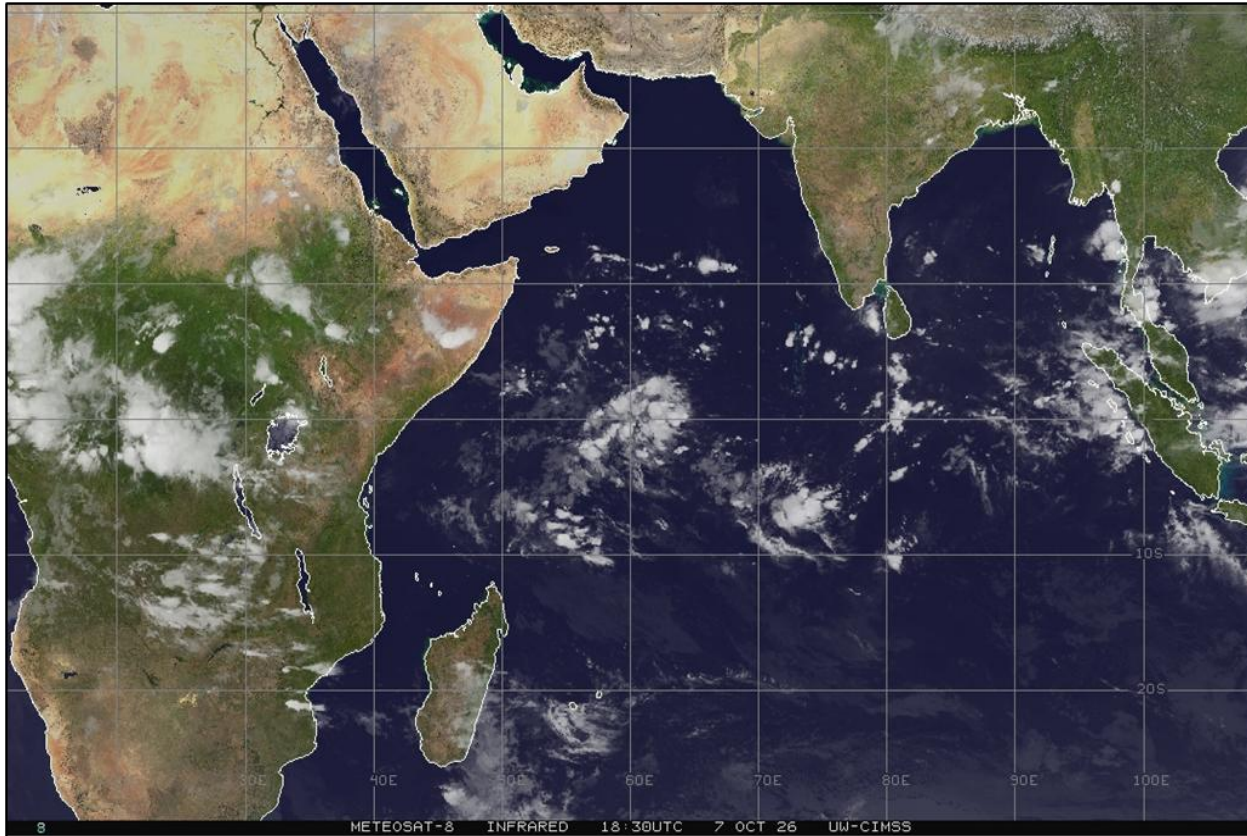
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Date 2026.10.08

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: 2026.10.08/0600UTC to 2026.10.08/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.10.08

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

Shear line is approximately along: 02S 60E, 02S 70E, 04N 80E, 03N 90E, 04N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 60.

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 10, 20, 50, 65, 70.

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 76E : SW'ly to SE'ly/ (05-15) kts.

East of 76E : Variable/ (05-10) kts; gusting up to 15 kts in section 05.

South of Shear line: SE'ly / (15-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 65, 70, 80, 85.

Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 65, 70, 80, 85.

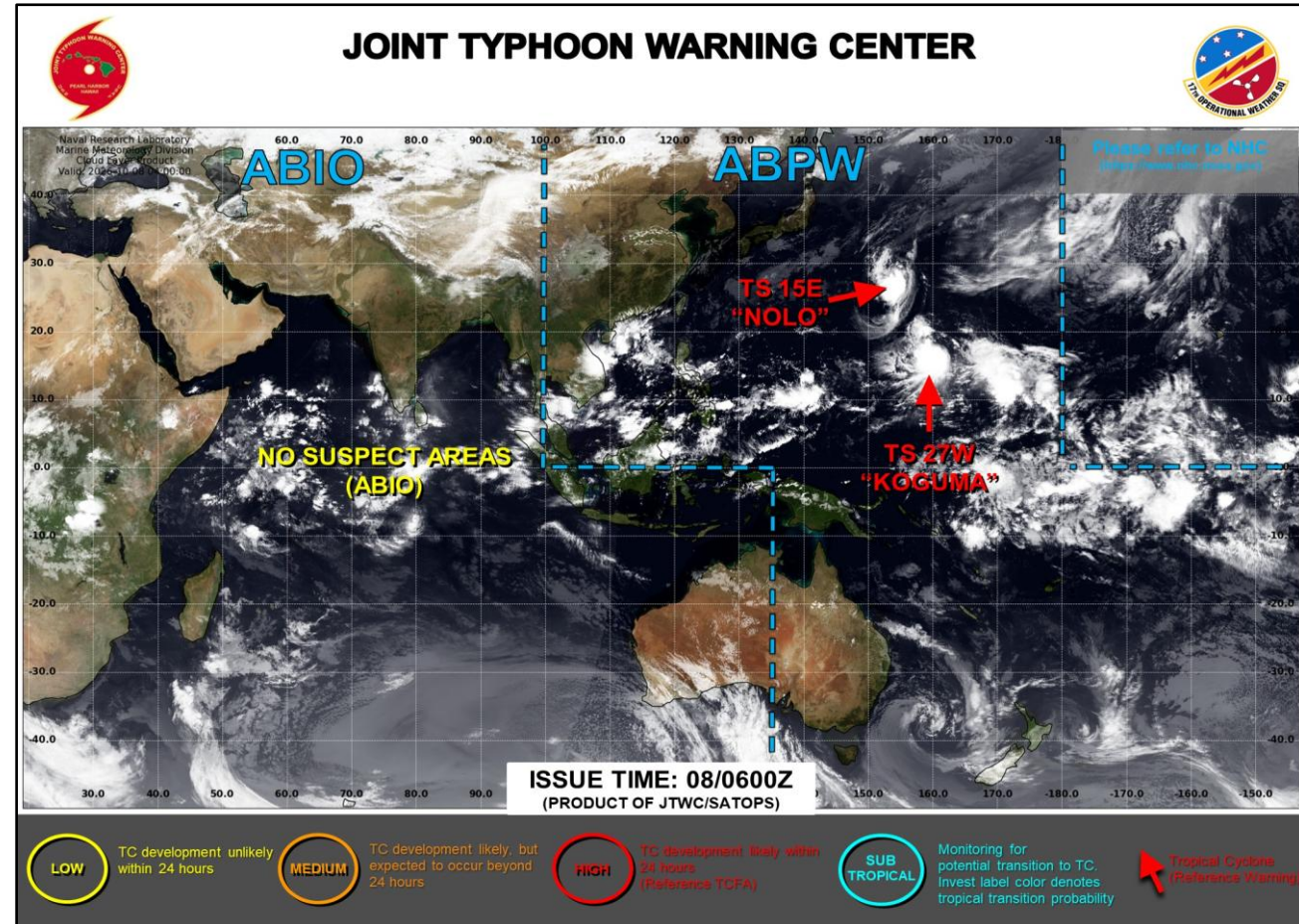
Moderate in sections : 50, 55, 60, 75.

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



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



TROPICAL CYCLONE "NOLO"





TROPICAL CYCLONE "KOGUMA"



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	02
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	02
 Smuggling	01
 IUU Fishing	NIL
 Narcotic	02
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
 Other	NIL
Total Incidents	07

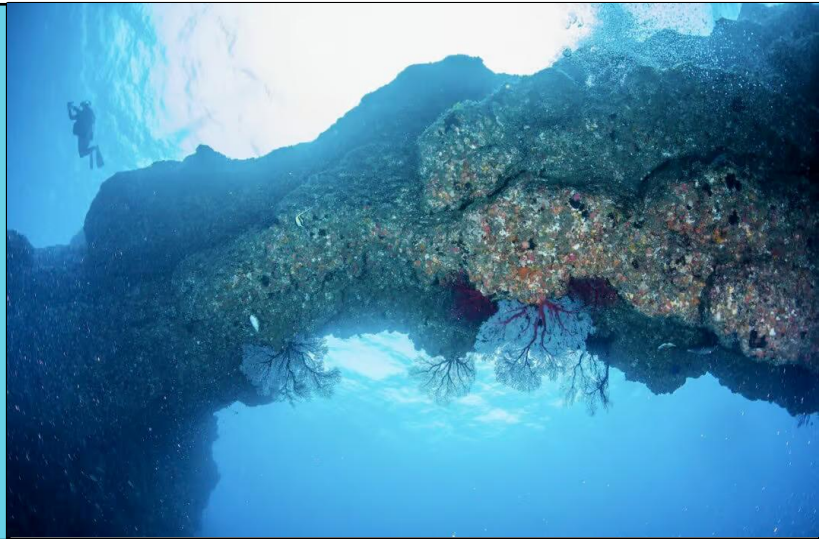
MARITIME INCIDENTS



03 Oct/Eight Divers Rescued after Strong Currents off Hachioji Island/Japan

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.03	Japan	Hachioji Island	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	The Japan Coast Guard was notified by the dive-boat captain at approximately 1350 hrs. The divers were found at around 1630 hrs, about 10 km north of the island, and recovered by Coast Guard aircraft at around 1730 hrs. They faced north-easterly winds of 14 m/s and 3 m swells. All eight divers were conscious and taken to the hospital as a precaution, with no life-threatening injuries reported.

Eight divers were rescued after strong currents carried them approximately 14 km from their original dive site off Hachijō Island. The divers entered the water at around 1130 hrs and failed to return as scheduled.



Source -: <https://www.deeperblue.com/divers-rescued-hachijo-island-japan/>

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04 Oct/Four Divers Rescued after Being Swept Away by Strong Currents off Flores/Indonesia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.04	Indonesia	off Flores	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	The search for the missing group continued overnight, resulting in the rescue of Irish nationals Dervla Mulligan and Darragh McKiernan at approximately 0900 hrs on 05 Oct 26, about 5.9 km from their disappearance point. Indonesian dive guide Frederik Horimpun was found approximately 8 km from the original incident site.

Four divers were swept away by underwater currents while diving off Pulau Pangabatang, Flores, prompting a search and rescue operation after they failed to return. The Maumere Search and Rescue Office was alerted around 1410 hrs, and various entities, including Basarnas Maumere and the Indonesian Navy, conducted the operation. Austrian diver Patricia Retter was rescued around 1630 hrs, found approximately 5 km from the dive site.



Source -: <https://divemagazine.com/scuba-diving-news/four-divers-rescued-swept-away-currents-flores-indonesia>



PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

07 Oct/Tanker Attacked North of Qatar, Casualties Reported/Qatar

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.07	Qatar	north of Madinat ash Shamal	Attacked in High-risk areas	Type-Tanker	A tanker has reported being struck by multiple projectiles, resulting in reported casualties. Authorities are currently investigating the incident, according to UKMTO.

A tanker was hit by multiple projectiles north of Qatar on 07 Oct 26 resulting in reported casualties. The UK Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) confirmed the incident occurred approximately 51 nm (94 kilometers) north of Madinat ash Shamal at about 1900 GMT.



Source -: <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/tanker-struck-by-multiple-projectiles-north-of-qatar-casualties-reported-uk-maritime-agency/4081500>

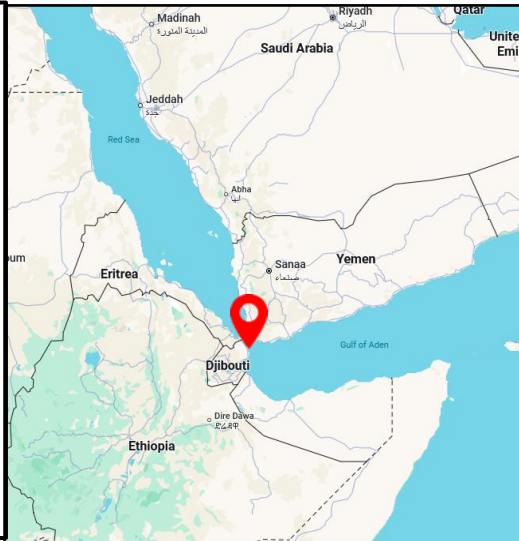


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07 Oct/Singapore-Flagged Containership Attacked by Armed Boat/Yemen

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.07	Yemen	Bab el-Mandeb	Attacked in High-risk areas	Name – CUL Klang Type – Cargo Flag - Singapore	The Maritime Security Centre Indian Ocean (MSCIO) reported an attack on a containership in the Southern Red Sea, with all crew members safe.

The incident occurred at 06:15 UTC on 7 October when an armed small boat opened fire on the containership CUL Klang while it was transiting the southern Red Sea near Bab el-Mandeb. The boat later withdrew, and the reasons for its departure are unclear, with no claims of responsibility. The CUL Klang, operated by China United Lines and measuring 188.9 meters in length and 32 meters in width, has a capacity of 2,433 TEU. The vessel was traveling from Port Klang, Malaysia, and currently shows on its AIS as "China owned & CHN crew.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13291/singapore-flagged-containership-attacked-by-armed-boat-in-re>

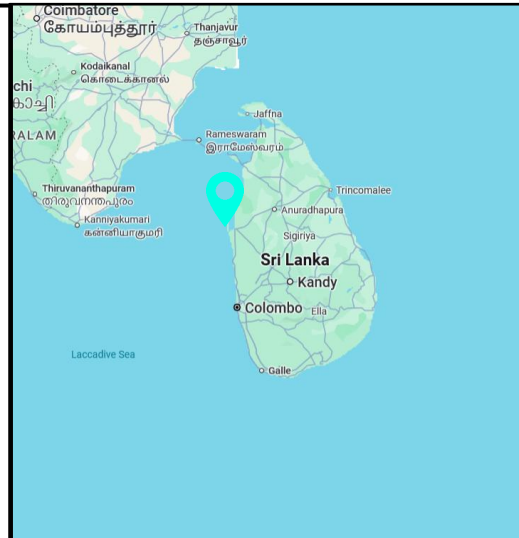
SMUGGLING



07 Oct/ Navy seizes over 690kg of Kendu leaves in Silawathura / Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.07	Sri Lanka	Silawathura	Contraband/Goods smuggling	-	The suspects, aged 34 and 41, are residents of Anawasala. Their consignment of Kendu leaves and the dinghy will be transferred to the Puttalam Excise Department for further legal action.

The Sri Lanka Navy seized over 690kg of Kendu leaves and apprehended two suspects during a search operation off Kallaru on 7 Oct 26. The operation, conducted by SLNS Vijaya under the Northwestern Naval Command, involved intercepting a suspicious dinghy and recovering the smuggled Kendu leaves packed in 20 sacks.



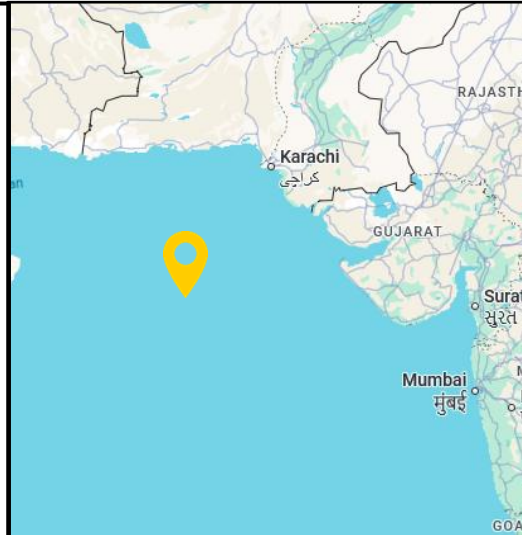
Source -: <https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/navy-seizes-over-690kg-of-kendu-leaves-in-silawathura.html>



07 Oct/ Pakistan Navy Seizes US\$96 Million Worth of Narcotics in Arabian Sea Operations/ Pakistan

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.07	Pakistan	Arabian Sea	Sea based Drugs Trafficking/Crystal methamphetamine/Cocaine	two dhows	He praised the navy for its vigilance and readiness against drug smuggling at sea. Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi also acknowledged the navy's "successful and timely" operations, commending its role in regional maritime security and in preventing illegal activities at sea.

The Pakistan Navy seized narcotics worth about \$96 million in two operations in the Arabian Sea, as stated by the ISPR. The Navy Ship Yarmook intercepted two dhows, confiscating around 850 kg of ice and 2,000 kg of hashish. The drugs will be given to authorities for disposal and legal action, underscoring the Navy's dedication to maritime security and fighting illicit trafficking. President Asif Ali Zardari commended the Navy for enhancing regional security.



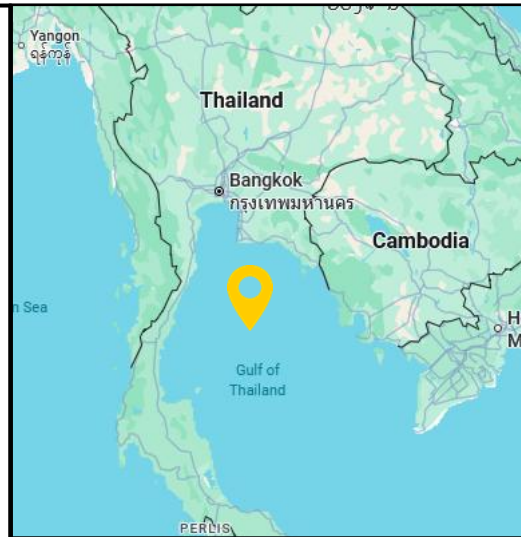
Source -: <https://asianews.network/pakistan-navy-conducts-two-counter-narcotics-operations-seizes-drugs-worth-us96mil/>



07 Oct/ Thai police seize 1.18 tonnes of meth in Gulf drug trafficking case/ Thailand

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.07	Thailand	Gulf of Thailand	Sea based Drugs Trafficking/Crystal methamphetamine/Cocaine	-	The vessel, valued at around THB 7 million, was seized during an operation involving Thai narcotics, marine police, and naval enforcement agencies, with assistance from the US DEA.

Thai authorities intercepted the fishing vessel EAST HARBOUR 1 in the lower Gulf of Thailand, seizing 1,178 kg of crystal methamphetamine hidden in a secret compartment. Six Thai crew members were arrested as part of the transnational drug-trafficking operation. The vessel, monitored since its departure from Songkhla on 04 Oct 26, was intercepted around 0030 hrs on 07 Oct, with narcotics concealed in tea bags within 39 sacks and 08 packages, reportedly destined for the Philippines.



Source -: <https://www.nationthailand.com/news/general/40072006>



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