

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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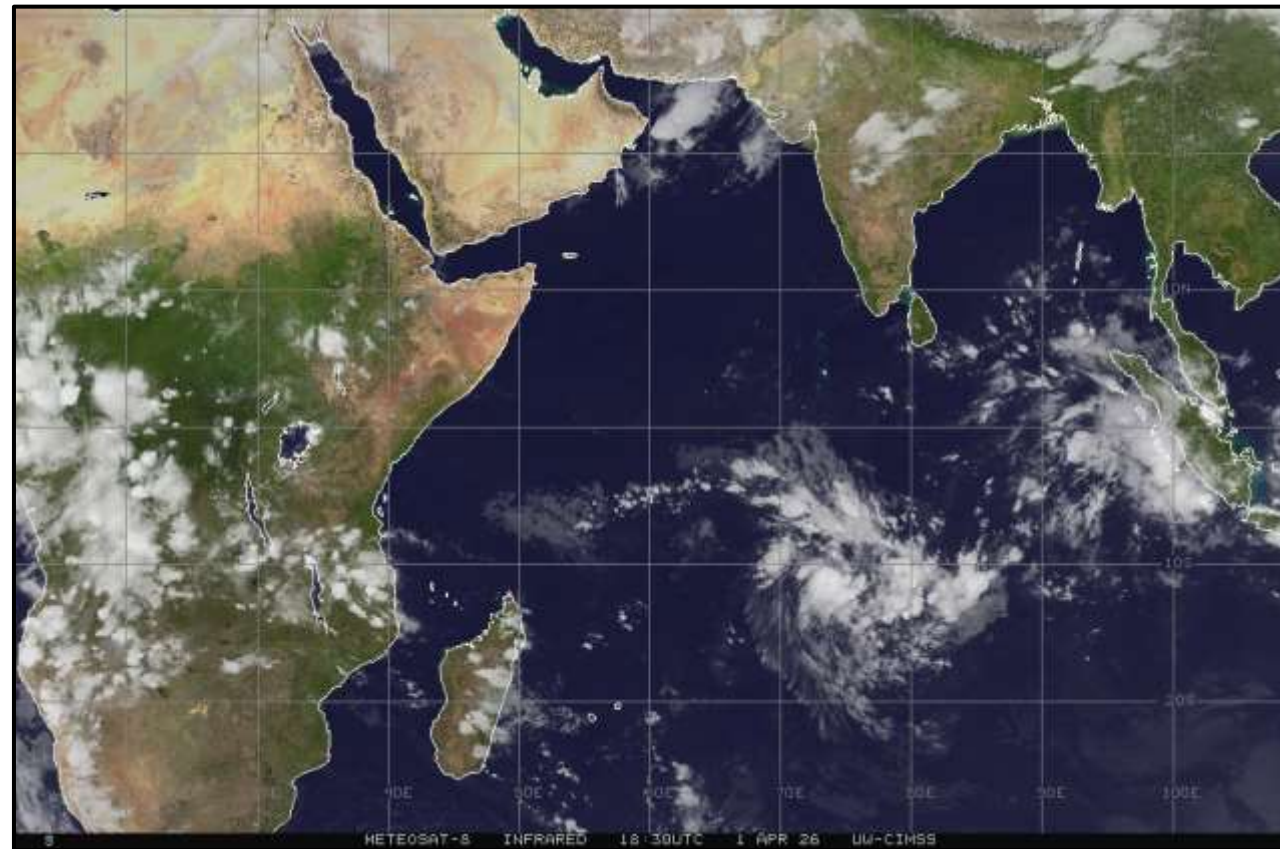
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Date 2026.04.02

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: 2026.04.02/0600UTC to 2026.04.02/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.04.02

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

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

ITCZ is approximately along : 05S 60E, 05S 70E, 12S 80E, 07S 90E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 65, 70, 80, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 15, 20, 35, 50, 55, 75

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 75E: NE'y / (10-20) kts.

East of 75E: SE'y or VRB/ (05-15) kts.

In-between Shear line and ITCZ :

West of 80E: W'y to NW'y / (10-20)kts

East of 80E: VRB / (05-15)kts

South of ITCZ:

West of 80E: cyclonic/(10-20)kts; gusting up to 25kts in section 65 and 80.

East of 80E: E'y to SE'y / (10-20)kts

Seas:

Fairly rough in section : 65, 80

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 45, 75, 85

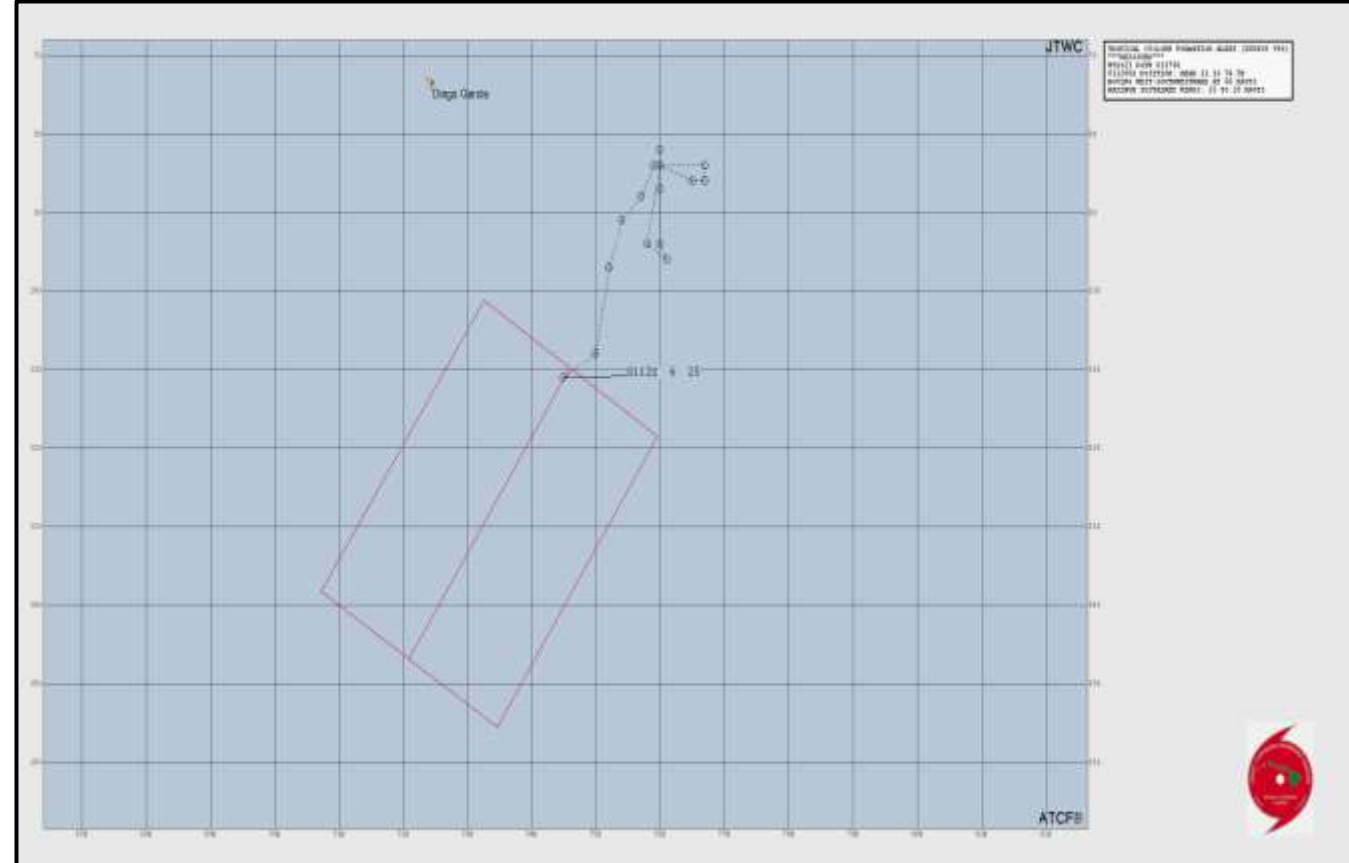
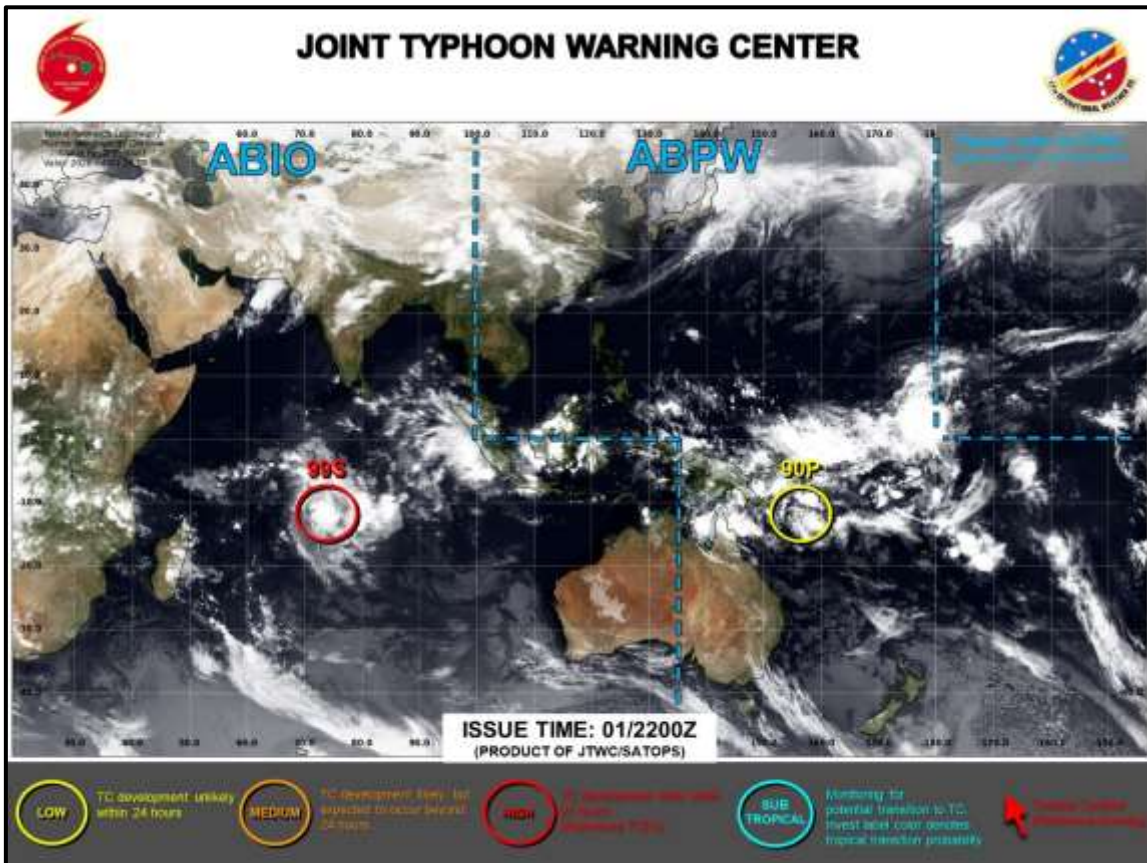
Moderate in sections : 40, 50, 55

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>

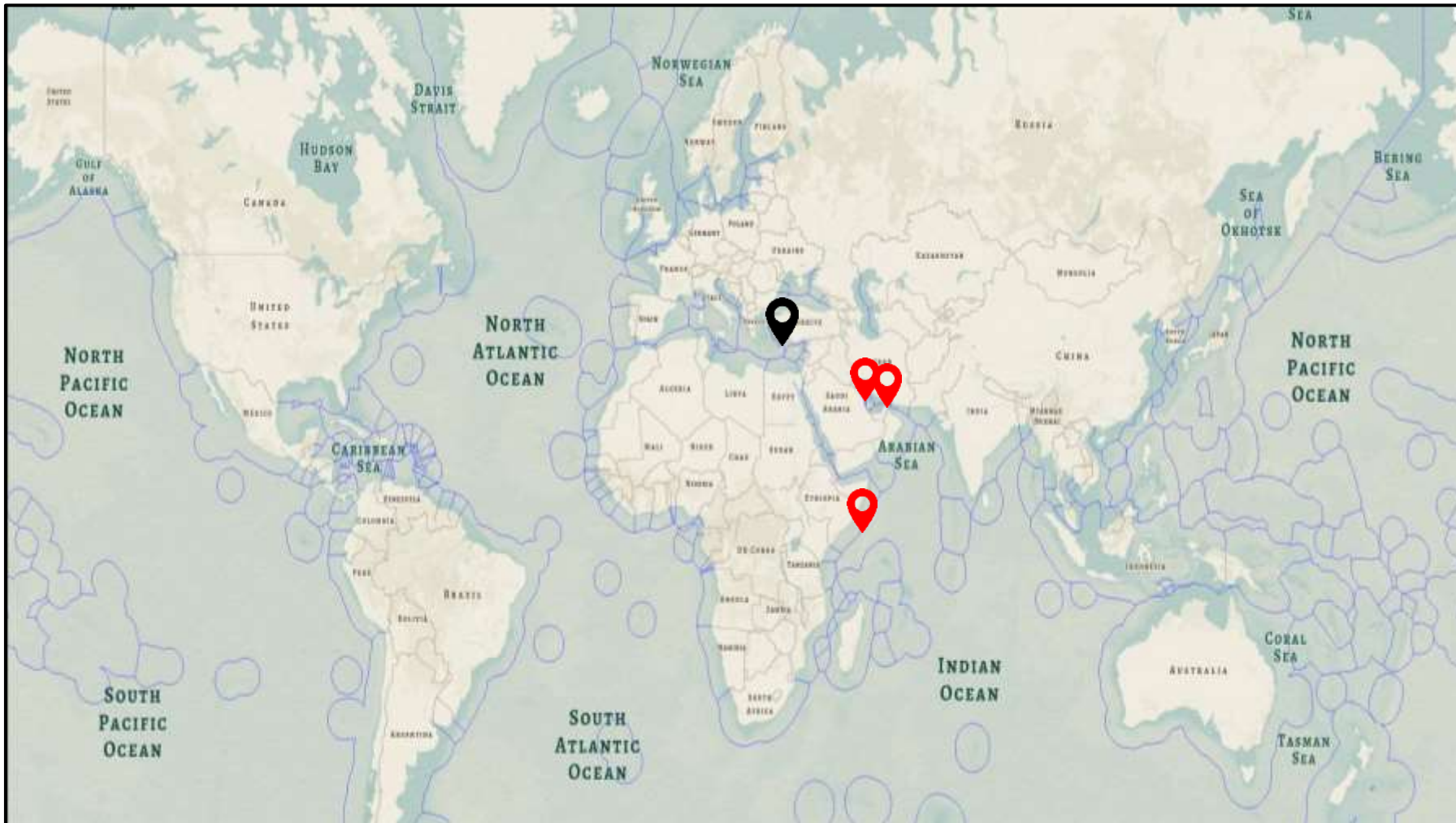
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• Source: <https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

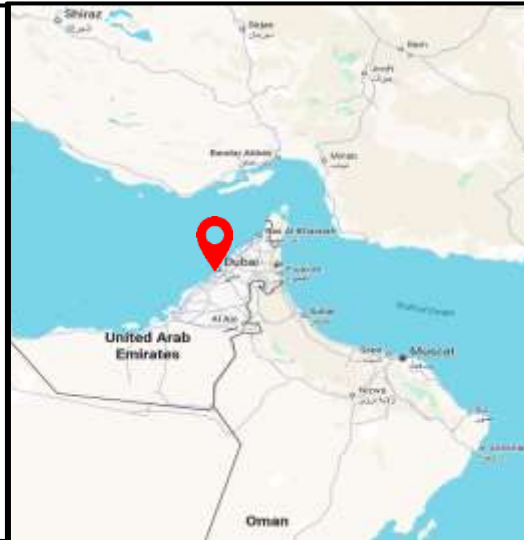
PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



01 Apr/Drone Strike on Kuwaiti Oil Tanker/UAE

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.01	UAE	Off Dubai	Assault violations	Name – Al Salmi Flag - Kuwait	The attack on merchant vessels in the strait follows a significant escalation, occurring after the United States and Israel targeted Iran on February 28.

On Tuesday, Tehran attacked and set fire to the Kuwait-flagged crude oil tanker Al-Salmi off Dubai, despite President Trump's warning of severe repercussions if Iran does not agree to a peace deal. Authorities reported that the fire has been controlled without any oil leak or crew injuries, although the vessel's hull sustained damage according to Kuwait Petroleum Corp, the owner of the tanker.



Source -: <https://www.marinelink.com/news/drone-strike-kuwaiti-oil-tanker-off-dubai-537527>

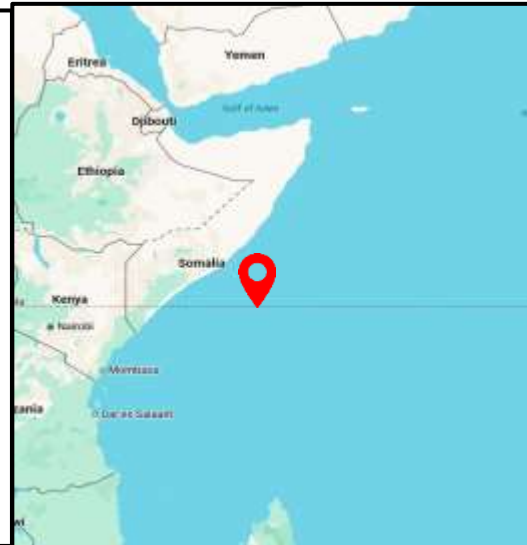
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24 Mar/Naval Forces Are Monitoring a Hijacked Dhow/Somalia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.03.24	Somalia	East of Mogadishu	Piracy	Name – Alwaseemi 786 Flag - Iran	Operation ATALANTA has been tracking a Piracy Active Group responsible for the hijacking of the Iranian-flagged dhow "ALWASEEMI 786" near the coast of Somalia in late March.

Operation ATALANTA was notified on 24 March about the hijacking of an Iranian-flagged dhow by a Pirate Action Group, located 400 nautical miles East of Mogadishu. The situation suggested that the hijacked fishing vessel was likely being used as a mothership to target larger vessels at sea.



Source - : <https://safety4sea.com/naval-forces-are-monitoring-hijacked-dhow-off-the-coast-of-somalia/>

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24 Mar/Drone Strike on Kuwaiti Oil Tanker/Qatar

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2026.03.24	Qatar	Ras Laffan	Assault violations	Name – Aqua 1 Flag - Panama	QatarEnergy confirmed that the vessel Aqua 1, chartered to the company, was targeted in missile attacks in Qatar's northern territorial waters.

British maritime security agency UKMTO reported that on 31 Mar 26, a tanker was attacked approximately 17 nautical miles north of Ras Laffan, Qatar. This incident, involving two projectiles, marked the third security event in Gulf waters in 24 hours. One projectile ignited a fire onboard, now extinguished, while the other is lodged in the engine room and is under investigation.



Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/12813/two-projectiles-strike-tanker-in-gulf-waters-near-qatar>



01 Apr/A Boat Carrying Afghan Migrants Capsizes/Turkey

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.01	Turkey	Caribbean Sea	Illegal Migrants boats capsizing	Migrant Boat	Rescue teams and a helicopter from Izmir recovered 21 survivors and 18 bodies from the water; one survivor later died in hospital, according to the Coast Guard.

The Greek island of Kos, located 20 km from Bodrum, is near other islands such as Kalymnos, Leros, and Symi. Recently, a boat with Afghan migrants capsized in the Aegean Sea while fleeing the coastguard in rough conditions, resulting in 19 fatalities, including a baby.



Source -: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/world-news/boat-carrying-afghan-migrants-capsizes-off-turkey-killing-19-101775045687524.html>



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