

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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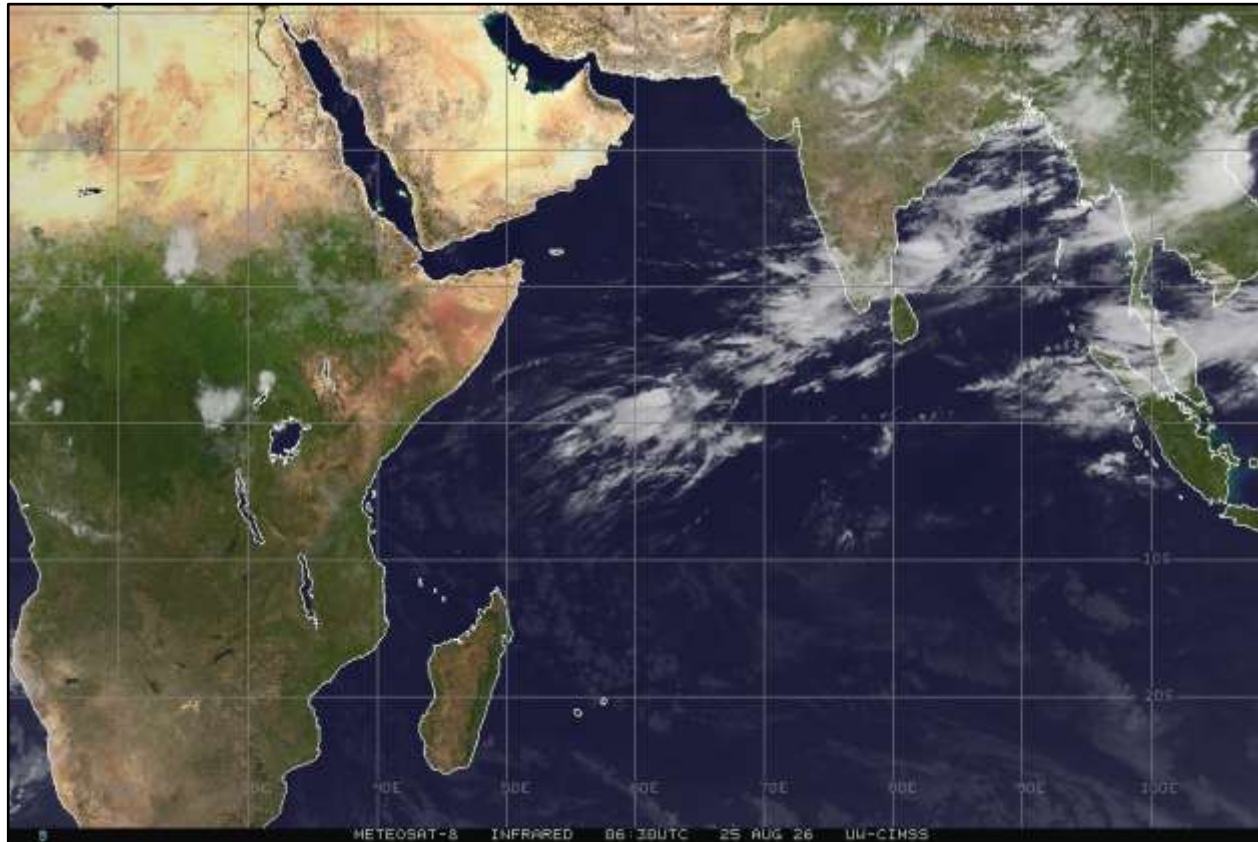
Date 2026.08.25

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WEATHER FORECAST



Weather Forecast for Next 24 hrs



FF-49
FLEET FORECAST

Fleet Forecast for Area - E

Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.

Valid period: 2026.08.25/0600UTC to 2026.08.25/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.08.25

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

Shear line is approximately along: 03N 60E, 03N 70E, 01N 80E, 01N 90E, 04N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 05, 10, 20, 35, 50.

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 15, 25, 40, 45, 55, 65, 70, 80.

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 75E : SW'ly to W'ly/ (10-20) kts.

East of 75E : W'ly to SW'ly / (15-20) kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 05, 10.

South of Shear line:

West of 77E : SE'ly to S'ly/ (10-20) kts.

East of 77E : SE'ly/ (10-20) kts; gusting up to (20-25) kts in sections 65, 80.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in sections : 05, 10.

Moderate, Fairly rough at times in sections : 15, 65, 80.

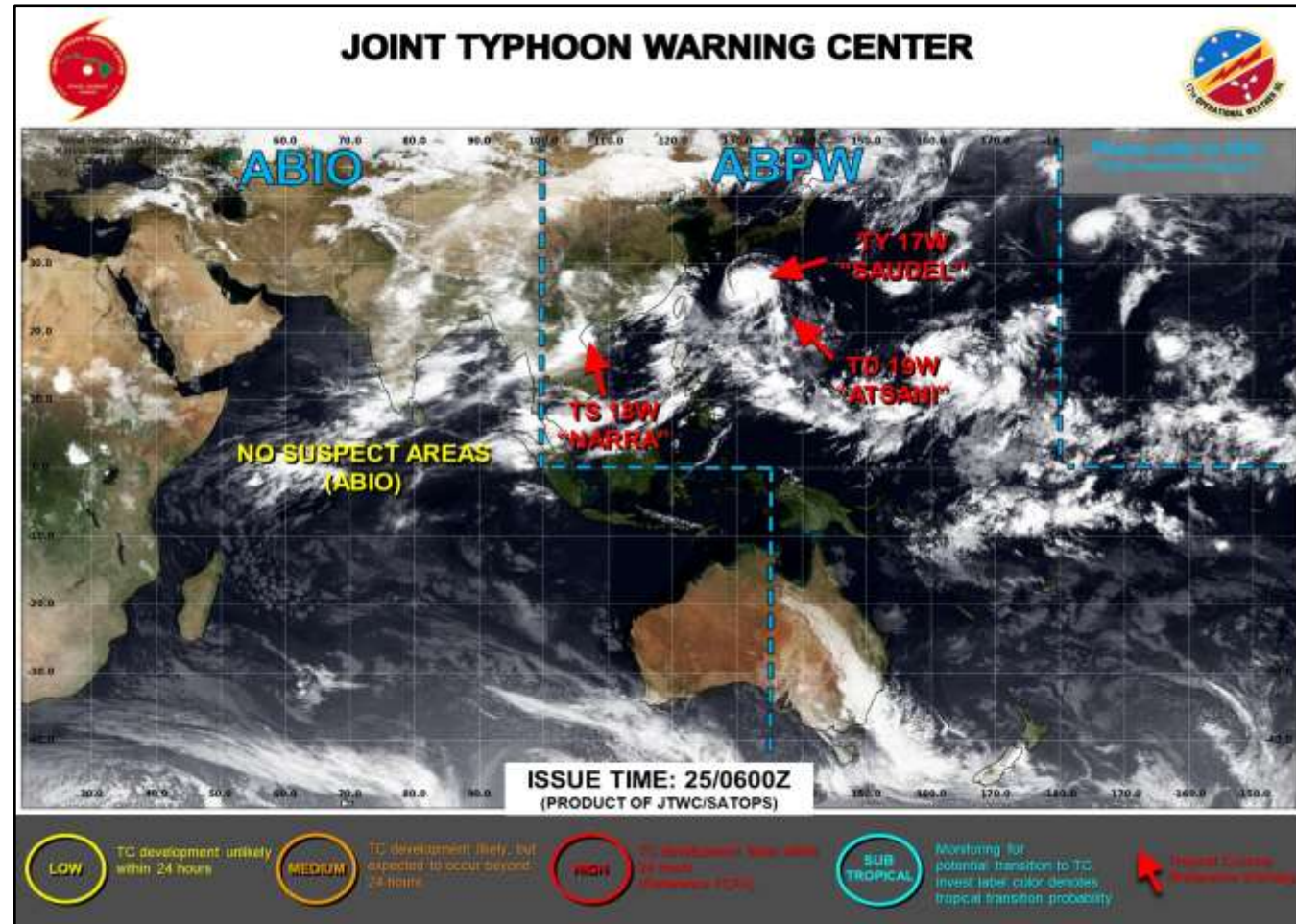
Moderate in sections : 30, 40, 50, 55, 60, 70, 75, 85.

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 "SAUDEL"





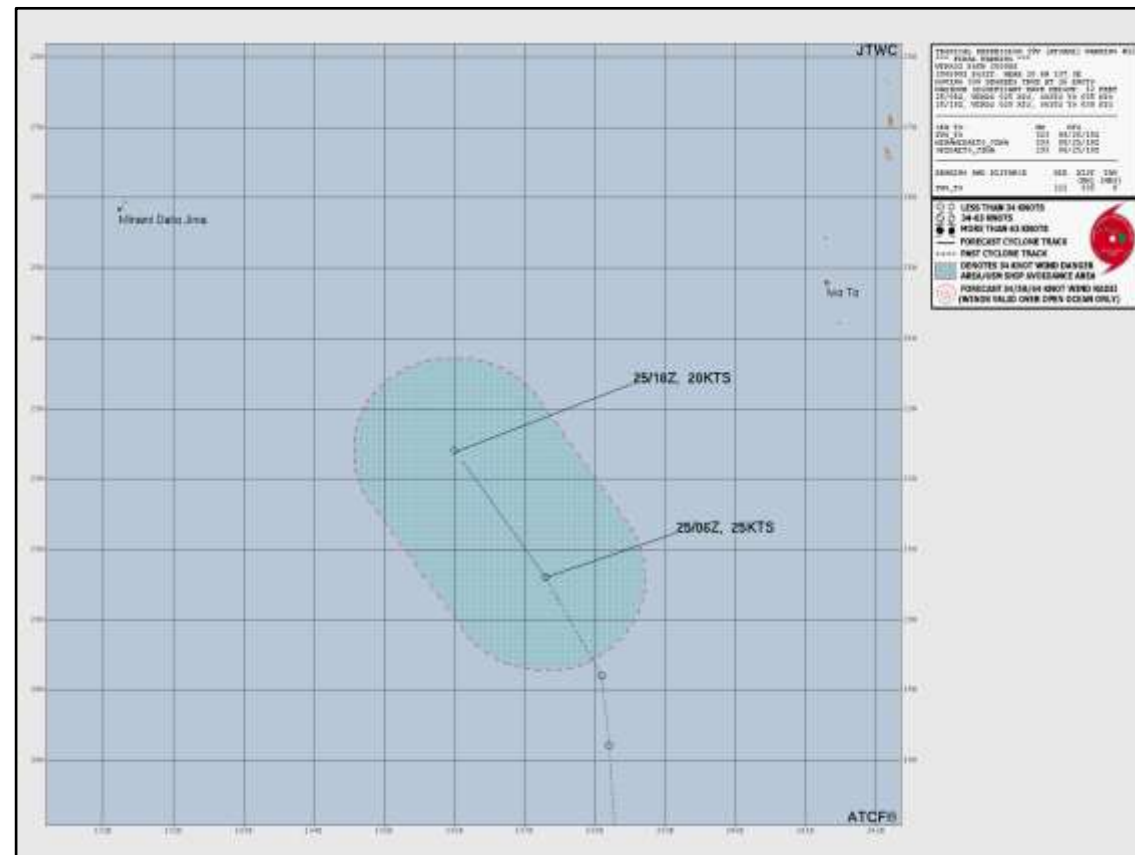
TROPICAL CYCLONE "NARRA"



CYCLONE



TROPICAL CYCLONE "ATSANI"



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

SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	NIL
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	01
 Smuggling	02
 IUU Fishing	NIL
 Narcotic	NIL
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
 Other	02
Total Incidents	05



PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

24 Aug/ Greek Owned Tanker Hit in Strait of Hormuz, Towed safely to Fujairah/ Oman

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.24	Oman	Off Ash Shishah	Assault violations	Name: METRO VENETIAN IMO: 1013391 Name: AMZAN IMO: 9693745	The incident marked the second reported attack on a crude oil tanker on August 24, with the Saudi-flagged Amzan being struck by a missile off the coast of Yanbu, Saudi Arabia, earlier that day.

Greek-owned tanker Metro Venetian was struck by an unknown projectile off Oman on 24 Aug 26 causing damage to its engine room but resulting in no injuries or pollution. The vessel was towed safely to Fujairah with all crew members reported safe, according to the UKMT0.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13195/greek-owned-tanker-hit-in-strait-of-hormuz-towed-safely-to-f>

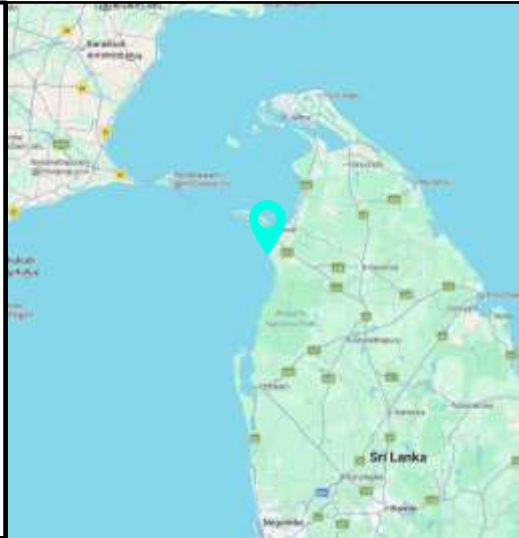
SMUGGLING



24 Aug/ Naval Search Operations Seize Smuggled Stock of Dried Ginger in Mannar/ Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.24	Sri Lanka	Naruvilikkulam and Vankalai	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	The Navy seized a stock of smuggled dried ginger during search operations in Naruvilikkulam and Vankalai, Mannar, on 24 Aug 26.

The naval operation by SLNS Pussadewa, under the North Central Naval Command, led to the discovery of over 240 kg of suspected smuggled dried ginger near Naruvilikkulam and Vankalai. The sacks found on the beach were handed over to local police for further legal action, following an increase in naval surveillance.



Source -: <https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/august/naval-search-operations-seize-smuggled-stock-of-dried-ginger-in-mannar.html>

SMUGGLING



24 Aug/ Marine Cops Seize Nearly RM500,000 Worth of Illicit Ciggies In Tawau/ Malaysia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.24	Malaysia	Tawau	Contraband /Goods smuggling	Two Fiber Boats	Two fiber boats and two boat engines were confiscated, increasing the total value of seized items to RM601,400, as stated on 25 Aug 26.

Over RM500,000 worth of untaxed cigarettes were seized during a raid in Tawau district on 24 Aug 26. The maritime police approached an unmarked boat for inspection at Kg Sri Aman jetty, where they discovered two brands of illicit cigarettes valued at RM375,000 and RM86,400. A man attempted to evade capture by jumping into the sea during the operation.



Source -: https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2026/08/25/marine-cops-seize-nearly-rm500000-worth-of-illicit-ciggies-in-tawau#goog_rewarded



25 Aug/ Electric Boat Breaks Ground on a New Campus in Waterford /USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.25	USA	Waterford Connecticut	Naval Activities	General Dynamics Electric Boat	General Dynamics Electric Boat Breaks Ground on New Submarine Engineering and Training Campus

General Dynamics Electric Boat commenced construction on a new campus in Waterford, Connecticut, transforming a former mall into a center for engineering, training, and software development, set to support 4,000 to 5,000 employees and 400 trainees. President Mark Rayha emphasized the facility's role in enhancing engineering capabilities and automation to increase submarine production. This development follows a historic \$77 billion contract with the U.S. Navy for nine Virginia-class and five Columbia-class submarines, marking a significant expansion from their current production of one submarine per year.



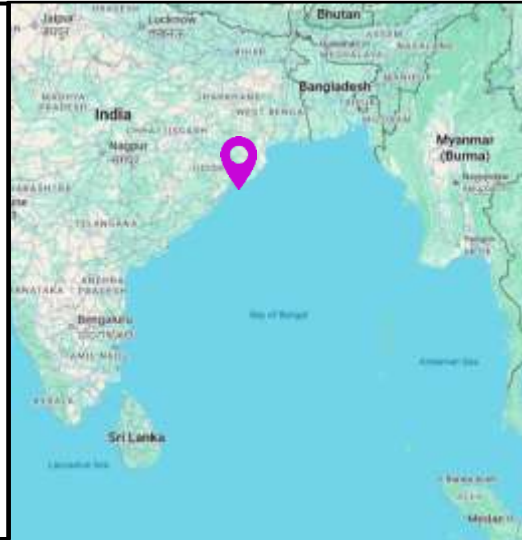
Source -: <https://www.wshu.org/connecticut-news/2026-08-25/ct-electric-boat-new-campus-waterford>



25 Aug/ Low-pressure Area Over Bay of Bengal to Bring Heavy Rain/ India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.08.25	India	Coastal Districts of Odisha	Geography Activities	-	Severe weather is expected over the northwest Bay of Bengal and the coasts of West Bengal, Odisha, and north Andhra Pradesh, with winds of 40-50 km/h and gusts of up to 60 km/h. Sea conditions will be rough to very rough, and fishermen are advised to avoid these waters.

A low-pressure area over the northwest Bay of Bengal is expected to enhance monsoon activity in India, leading to heavy to very heavy rainfall in states such as Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, and parts of Uttar Pradesh, as reported by the India Meteorological Department (IMD). Widespread rainfall is anticipated across eastern and central India, while the Himalayan region, Northeast, and west coast are also likely to experience significant showers. This weather system is particularly affecting northern and coastal districts of Odisha, with heavy rainfall expected to continue through 26 Aug 26.



Source -: https://www.business-standard.com/india-news/low-pressure-area-over-bay-of-bengal-to-bring-heavy-rain-in-east-india-126082400178_1.html



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