

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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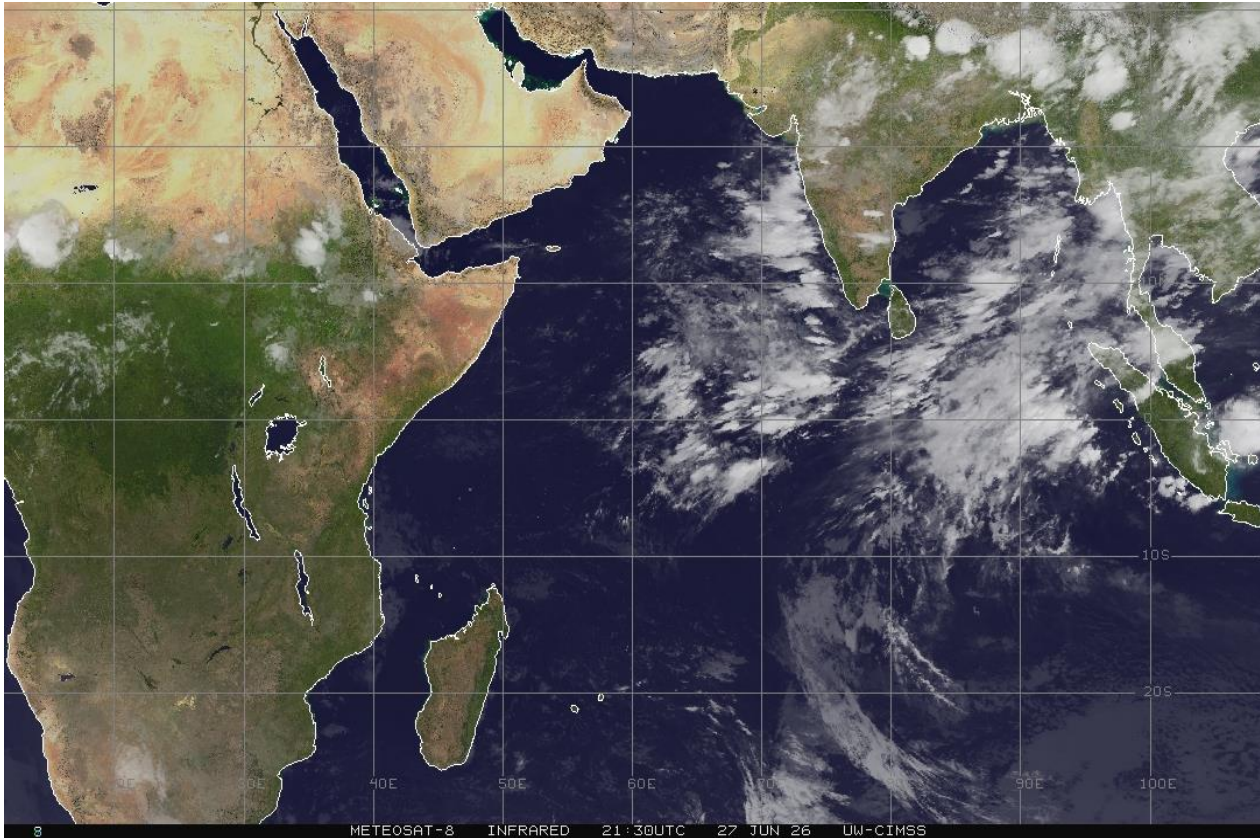


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Date 2026.06.28



Weather Forecast for Next 24 hrs



FF-55
FLEET FORECAST
Fleet Forecast for Area - E

Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.
Valid period: 2026.06.28/0600UTC to 2026.06.28/1400UTC
Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.06.28
To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard
Shear line is approximately along : EQ 60E, 01S 70E, 04S 80E, 02S 90E, 01S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 15, 25, 35, 45, 70
SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 10, 20, 30, 40, 55, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85
ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:
West of 70E: SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 00.
East of 70E: SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 05, 10, 15, 25, 30, 35.
South of Shear line:
SE'ly/ (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 85.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in Sections : 05, 10, 15, 25, 30
Moderate, fairly rough at times in Sections : 00, 35, 85
Moderate in Sections : 70, 75
Slight to moderate elsewhere.

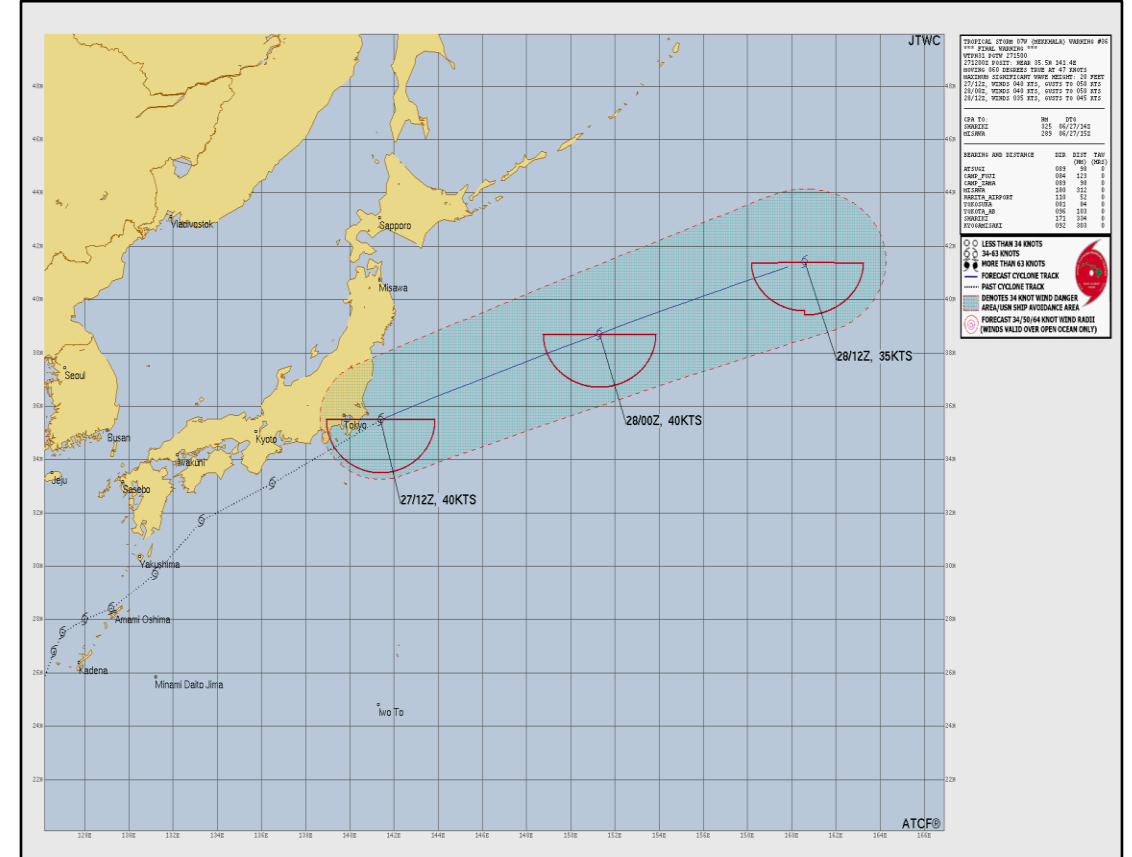
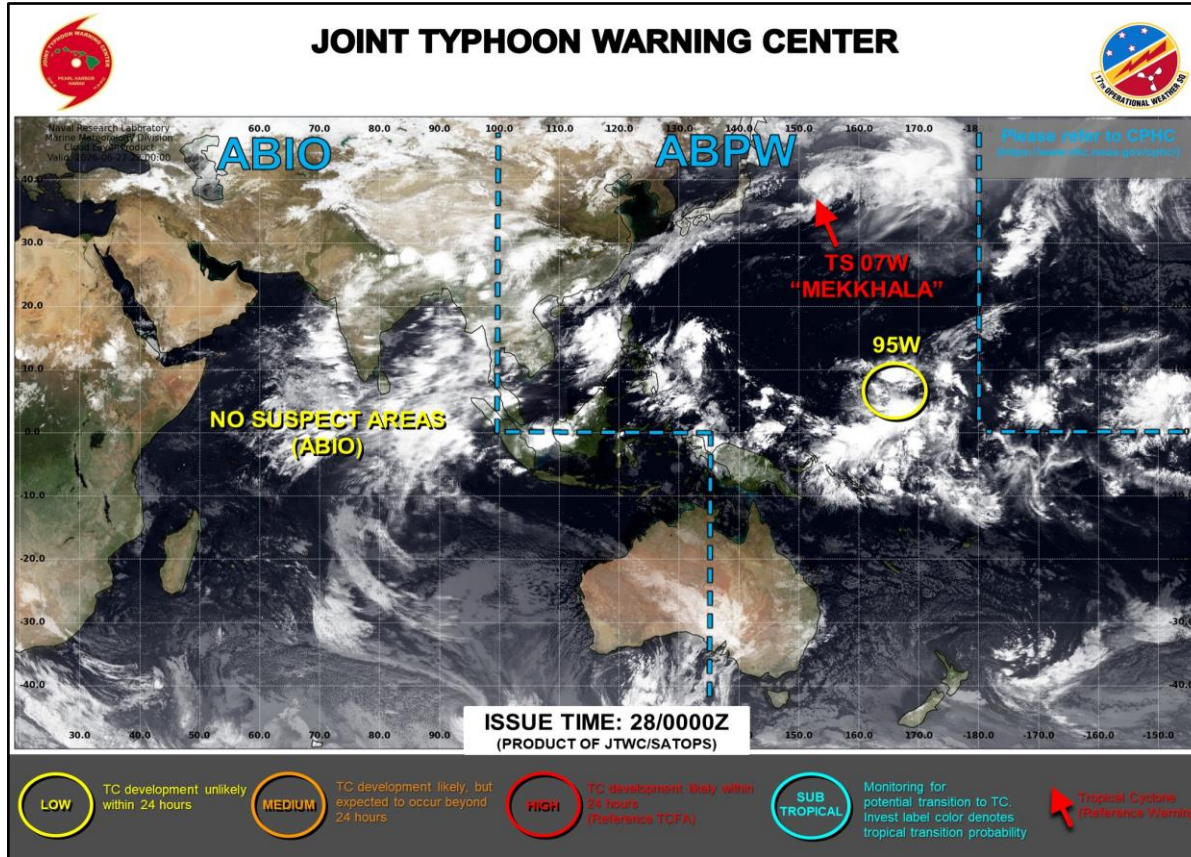
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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

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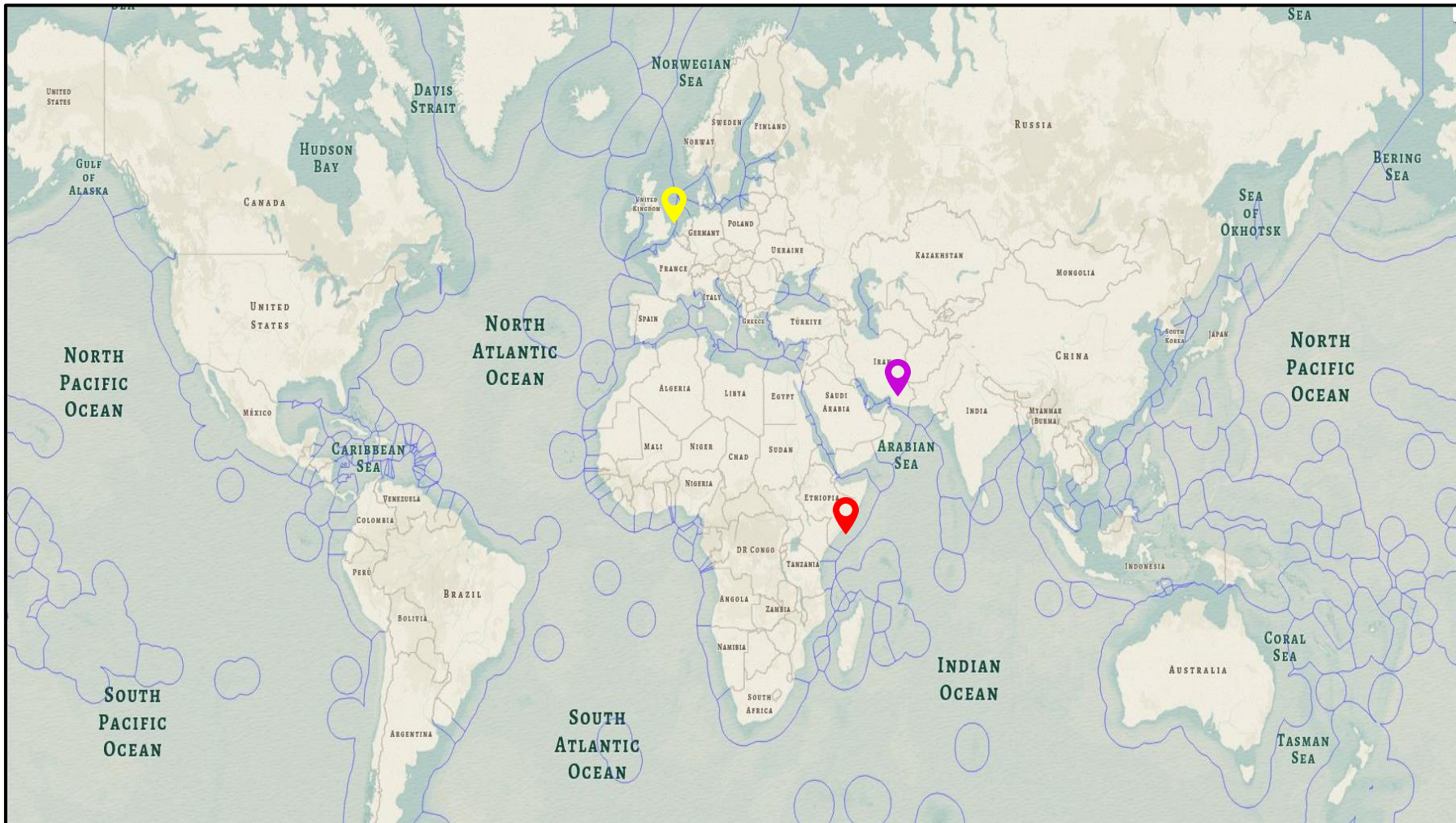
Tropical Cyclone "Mekkhala"



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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

MARITIME INCIDENTS



25 Jun/ Ro-Ro Cargo Vessel Resumes Voyage After North Sea Breakdown/ United Kingdom

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.25	United Kingdom	Southeast coast of England (10 nm)	Collisions	Name: Norstream Type: Cargo IMO: 9186194	As a result of the incident, the vessel drifted in the North Sea before taking shelter approximately 10 nautical miles north of Margate. It later resumed its voyage and safely arrived at Tilbury on 25 June.

The Finland-flagged Ro-Ro cargo vessel NORSTREAM arrived safely at Tilbury after nearly two days disabled in the southern North Sea due to an engine failure and a funnel fire. The incidents occurred on 23 June after departing Rotterdam, when a turbocharger failure led to a breakdown of one of its two main engines. The crew promptly controlled a subsequent fire in the funnel, and no injuries were reported.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13037/ro-ro-cargo-vessel-resumes-voyage-after-north-sea-breakdown>

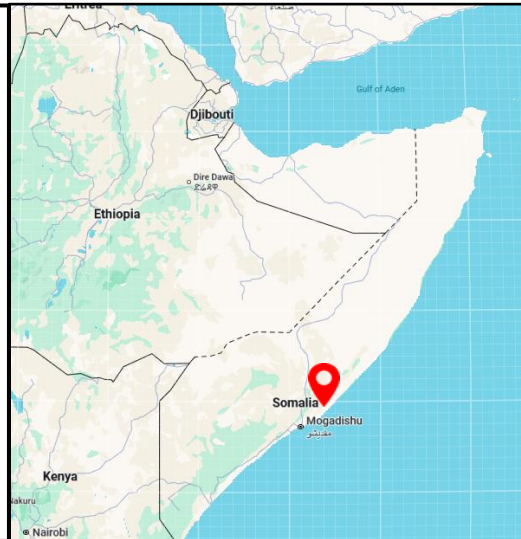
PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



27 Jun/ internal mutiny among pirate group/ Somalia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.27	Somalia	Off the coast of Kulule, Bandar Bayla District	Assault violations	Name: HONOUR 25 Type: Tanker IMO: 1099735	Local authorities and maritime security agencies have been notified. Monitoring of the situation is ongoing.

Vessels was hijacked by Somali pirates on 21 Apr 26 and demanded ransom of 3million USD to released the ship and ship crew it was reported that one Sri Lankan Seafarer also onboard. The pirate group, having successfully negotiated a ransom for their captured vessel, faced a dispute over the distribution of the funds. This disagreement led to an armed exchange on the hijacked ship, resulting in the deaths of two pirates. The vessel remains in the vicinity, with no current information on injuries to the original crew or any damage to the ship.



Source -: ILO India



26 Jun/ Seafarers Aboard Detained Ships in Iran Repatriated /Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/ REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS		ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.26	Iran	Iran	Foreign affairs	Name: EPAMINONDAS Type: Cargo IMO: 9153862	Name: MSC FRANCESCA Type: Cargo IMO: 9401116	EPIMONIDAS had 21 crew members including Ukrainian and Filipinos at the time of detention. It remains unclear about the remaining crewmember release. There is no exact count of crew aboard MSC FRANCESCA and whether any crew members from the vessel will also be released.

The crew members of the Liberia-flagged container ship EPIMONIDAS, detained by Iran in April, have been released after being shot at during the incident involving Iranian Guard personnel. The ship, along with the Panama-flagged MSC FRANCESCA, was accused of unauthorized operations in the Strait of Hormuz. The Ukrainian Foreign Ministry confirmed the repatriation of four seafarers, while the Philippines' Department of Migrant Workers announced the return of their four crew members on June 22. Additionally, among the three Sri Lankans onboard, two were also released.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13039/seafarers-aboard-detained-ships-in-iran-repatriated-to-ukrai>



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