

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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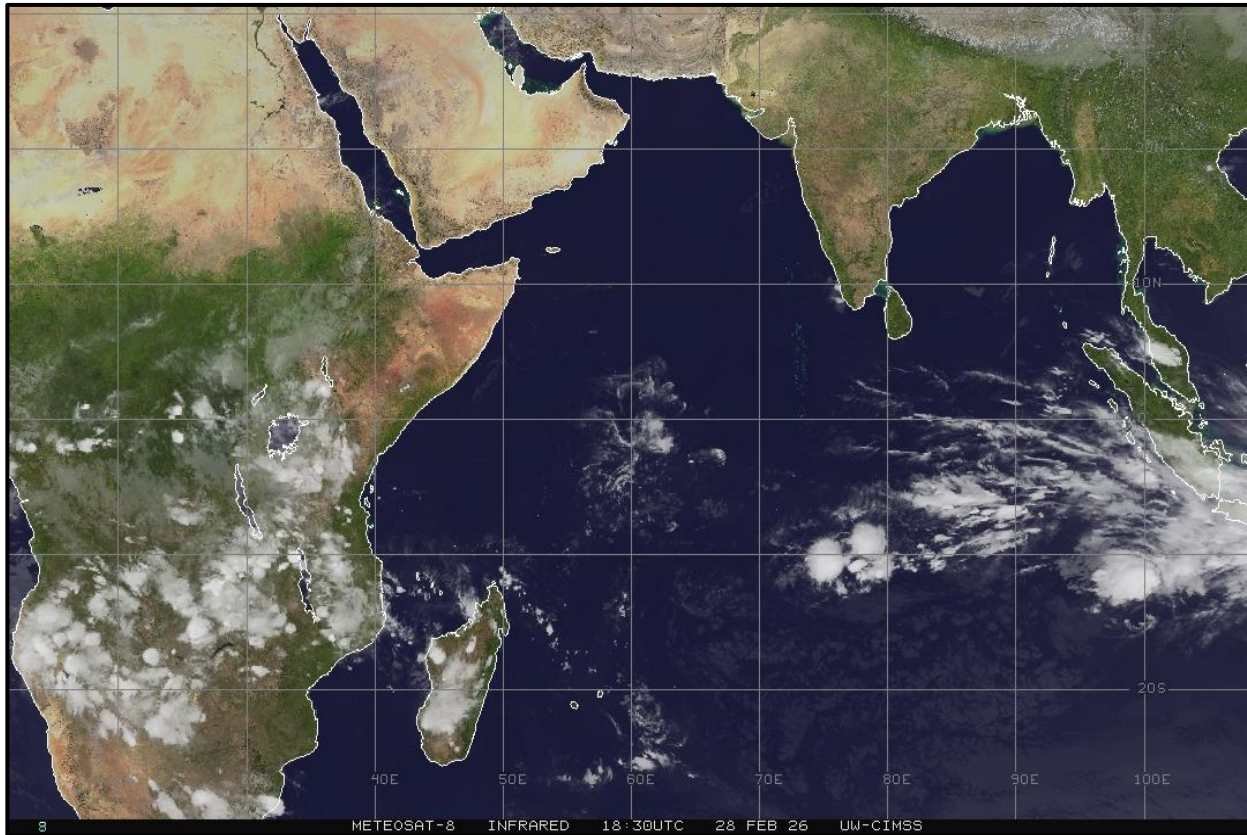
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Date 2026.03.01

WEATHER FORECAST



Weather Forecast for next 24 hrs



Fleet Forecast for Area – E

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

Valid period: 2026.03.01/0600UTC to 2026.03.01/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.03.01

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

Shear line is approximately along : 06S 60E, 01S 70E, 04N 80E, 09N 90E, 10N 100E

ITCZ is approximately along : 10S 60E, 10S 70E, 10S 80E, 10S 90E, 10S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 40, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 15, 35, 45, 50, 55

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 75E: NE'yly to N'yly / (10-15)kts

East of 75E: Variable / (10-20)kts

In-between Shear line and ITCZ:

West of 72E: NW'yly to W'yly / (10-15)kts

East of 72E: W'yly / (10-20)kts

South of ITCZ:

SE'yly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 80

Seas:

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

Moderate in sections : 00, 20 45, 55

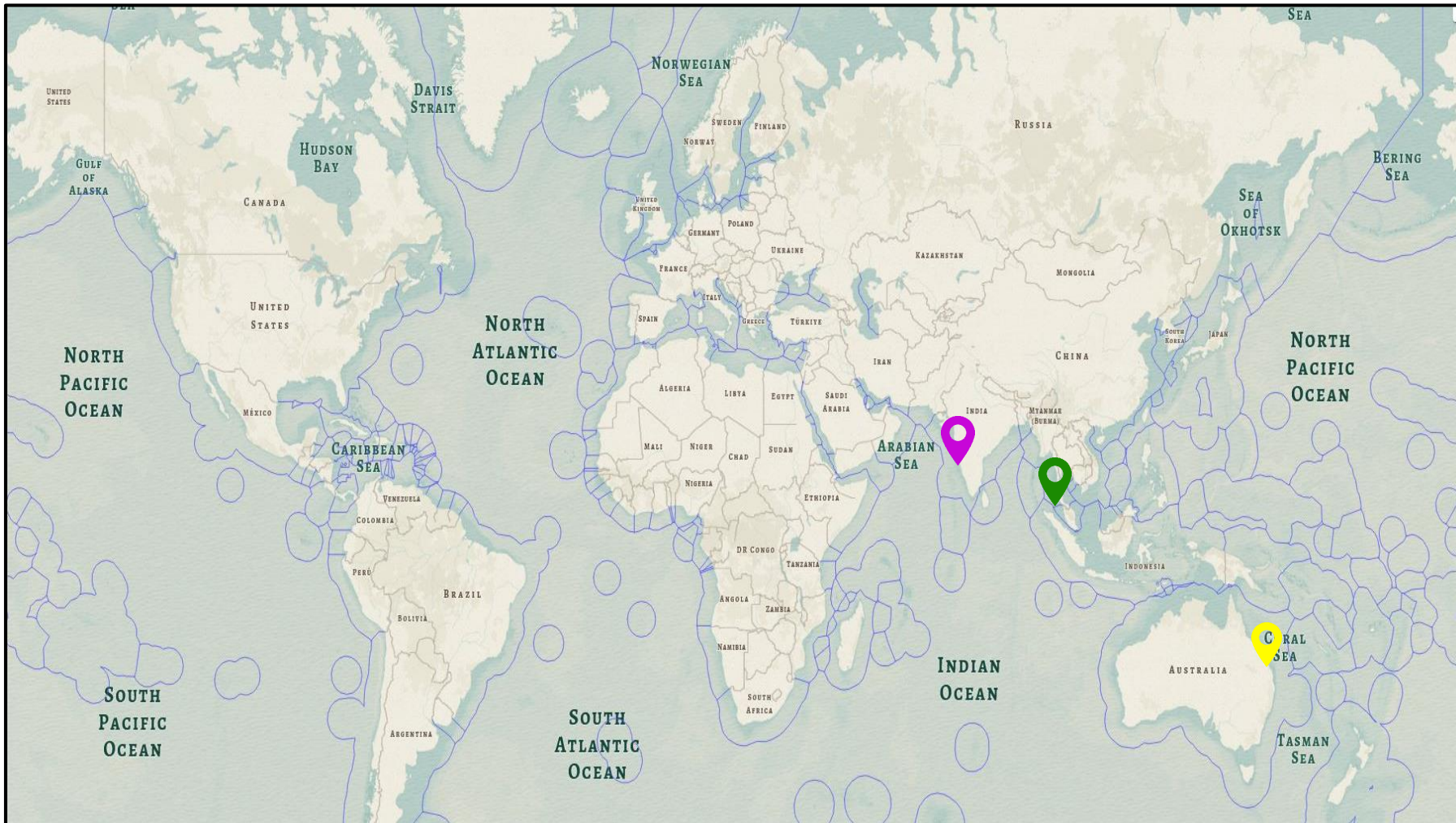
Slight to Moderate elsewhere.

NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

MARITIME INCIDENTS



31 Jan/Bulker Detained Following 24-Day Delay Caused by Engine Failure/Australia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.31	Australia	Gladstone anchorage	Mechanical Failure	Name - Swift Hangzhou Flag – Liberia Type - bulker Carrier	AMSA reported its collaboration with Queensland authorities and the vessel's captain to address the situation.

The Australian Maritime Safety Authority has detained the Chinese bulk carrier Swift Hangzhou due to seaworthiness issues after it experienced engine problems shortly after departing Gladstone on 31 Jan 26 bound for South Korea. The vessel, which has been distressed throughout February and needed constant monitoring, is now secured in the Gladstone anchorage.



Source -> <https://maritime-executive.com/article/australia-detains-bulker-after-24-day-response-to-engine-problem>

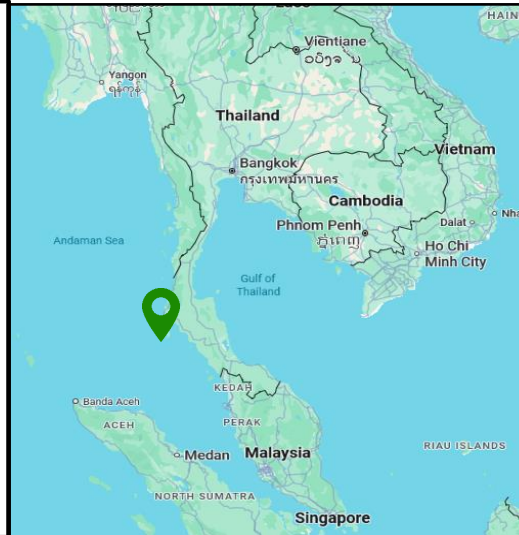
MARINE ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION



07 Feb/Oil Spill Reported from Sunken Cargo Vessel/Thailand

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.07	Thailand	Nearby islands off Phuket	Oil Spill	Name - Sealloyd arc Flag – Panama Type – Cargo Ship	The Panama-flagged vessel sank approximately 5km offshore while traveling from Malaysia to Bangladesh after reporting water ingress.

A vessel sank on 07 Feb 26, causing a leak of approximately 1,700 liters of oil, leading to a slick extending up to 7 km long and 1.5 km wide. Tar balls and black stains have affected a 900-meter section of beach on Koh Hey (Coral Island), including Banana Beach, with other impacted areas being Ao Rawai, Koh Kaeo Noi, Koh Kaeo Yai, Nai Harn, Rawai Beach, and Kata Beach, many of which host important coral reefs and seagrass beds.



Source - : <https://safety4sea.com/oil-spills-from-sunken-cargo-vessel-off-thailand/>

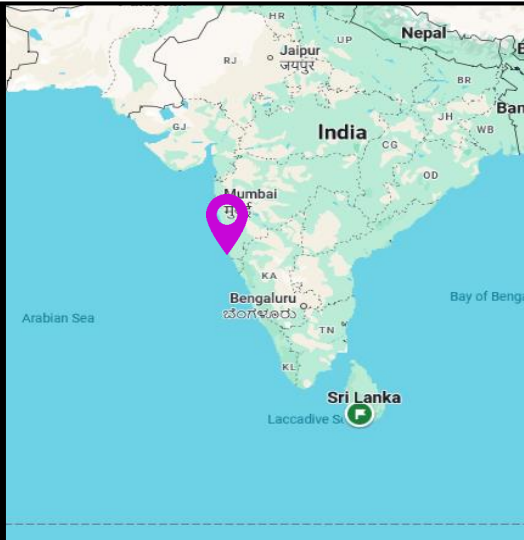
OTHER



Last Week/India launches floating dry dock for Sri Lanka Navy/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
Last Week	India	Goa Ship Yard	Naval activities	Floating Dry Dock	The project is India's first significant defense export initiative, aimed at enhancing maritime collaboration in the Indian Ocean region.

A 4,000-tonne Floating Dry Dock for the Sri Lanka Navy was launched at Goa Shipyard Limited, following extensive negotiations between India and Sri Lanka. Valued at around US\$20 million, the dock is a sovereign grant from India under a March 2022 agreement. It can accommodate vessels up to 115 meters long and is expected to boost Sri Lanka's naval maintenance capabilities.



Source -: https://www.dailymirror.lk/print/front-page/India-launches-floating-dry-dock-for-Sri-Lanka-Navy/238-334138?utm_source=chatgpt.com



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