

# DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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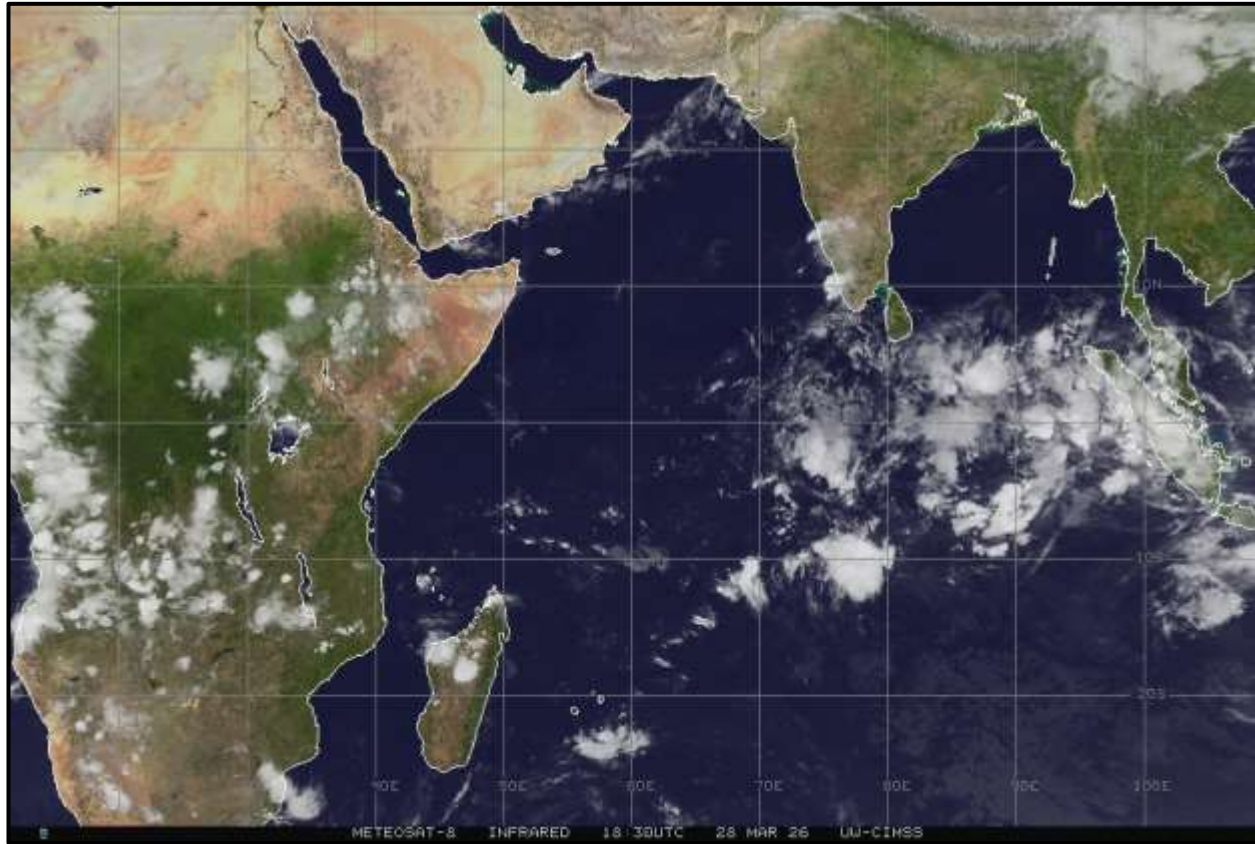
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Date 2026.03.29

# 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: 2026.03.29/0600UTC to 2026.03.29/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.03.29

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

ITCZ is approximately along : 04S 60E, 05S 70E, 05S 80E, 04S 90E, 03S 100E

Shear line is approximately along : 09S 60E, 10S 70E, 09S 80E, 07S 90E, 08S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 35, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 05, 30, 40, 80, 85

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of ITCZ

West of 80E : N'ly to NW'ly / (05-15)kts.

East of 80E : NE'ly or VRB / (05-15)kts.

In-between ITCZ and Shear line:

NW'ly to W'ly / (05-15)kts; gusting up to (20-25) kts in sections 30, 35, 45, 50, 70

South of ITCZ:

SE'ly / (10-20)kts.

Seas:

Fairly rough in sections : 50

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 30, 35, 45, 70

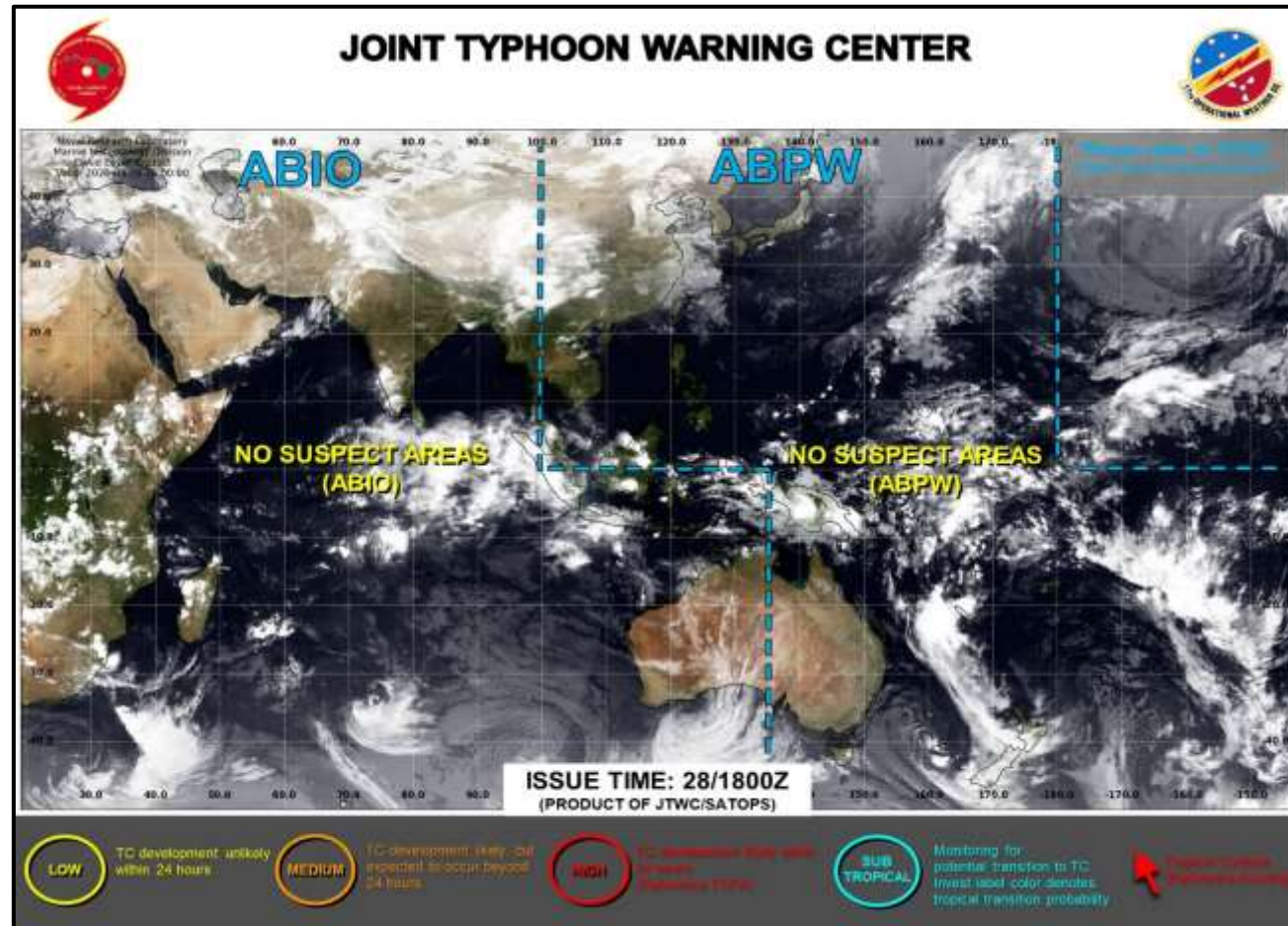
Moderate in sections : 65, 75, 80, 85

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.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>

# SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

# MARITIME INCIDENTS



## 24 Mar/ Freighter-Bulk Carrier Collision in Mississippi River/ Norway

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.03.24	Norway	West of the Halten Bank	Grounding/Stranding Collisions	Name- LMZ Pluto Flag- Marshall Islands	On the night of 26 March, the Norwegian Coast Guard vessel KV Jarl arrived to assist a drifting vessel, which, according to Hans Petter Mortensholm, the Director of Environmental Preparedness, posed a risk of drifting northwards toward an offshore oil installation.

The Norwegian Coast Administration reported that the Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier LMZ Pluto will undergo an emergency towing operation after drifting powerless in the Norwegian Sea. The incident occurred on March 24, when the 190-meter vessel ran aground in severe weather west of Halten Bank. All 23 Filipino crew members were evacuated without injuries, following the captain's request.



Source -> <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12799/bulk-carrier-adrift-in-norwegian-sea-as-authorities-prepare->

# PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



## 27 Mar/Iran-hit Thai Ship Drifts Ashore in Hormuz; Crew Still Missing/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.03.27	Iran	Strait of Hormuz	Assault violations	Thai-flagged cargo vessel	Thai Foreign Ministry spokesman Panidone Pachimsawat announced that an Omani-Iranian rescue team has arrived at the vessel and is actively trying to find the missing sailors, whose condition remains unknown.

A Thai-flagged cargo vessel, the Mayuree Naree, has run aground on Qeshm Island, Iran, after drifting for weeks in the Strait of Hormuz following an attack by Iranian projectiles. Efforts are currently underway to locate three missing crew members.



Source -: <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2026-03-27/iran-hit-thai-ship-drifts-ashore-in-hormuz-crew-still-missing>

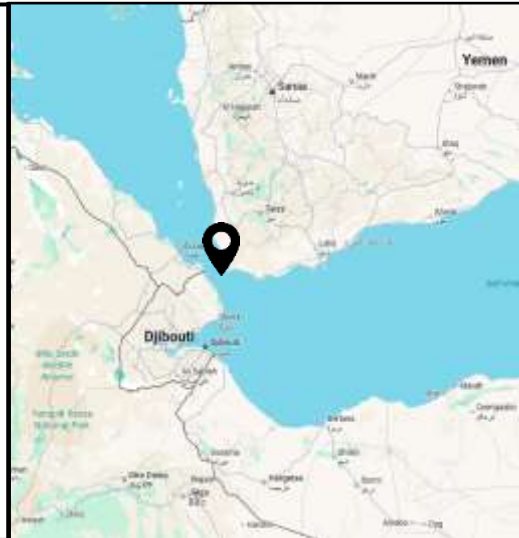
# IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



## 27 Mar/Southern Giants Forces Seize Iran-Linked Smuggling Vessel Near Bab al-Mandab, Arrest 10 Crew/Djibouti

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.03.27	Djibouti	Near Bab al-Mandab	Illegal Migrants boats capsizing	Migrant Boat	The tragedy is part of a series of shipwrecks between the Horn of Africa and the Arabian Peninsula, leading to the deaths of thousands of migrants escaping conflict and poverty in hopes of reaching wealthy Gulf Arab nations.

The boat carrying over 300 migrants capsized off the coast of Djibouti while attempting to cross the Bab el-Mandeb Strait, resulting in at least nine confirmed deaths and 45 individuals reported missing, according to the UN migration agency.



Source -: <https://www.euronews.com/2026/03/27/at-least-nine-dead-and-45-missing-after-migrant-boat-sinks-off-djibouti-iom-says>



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