

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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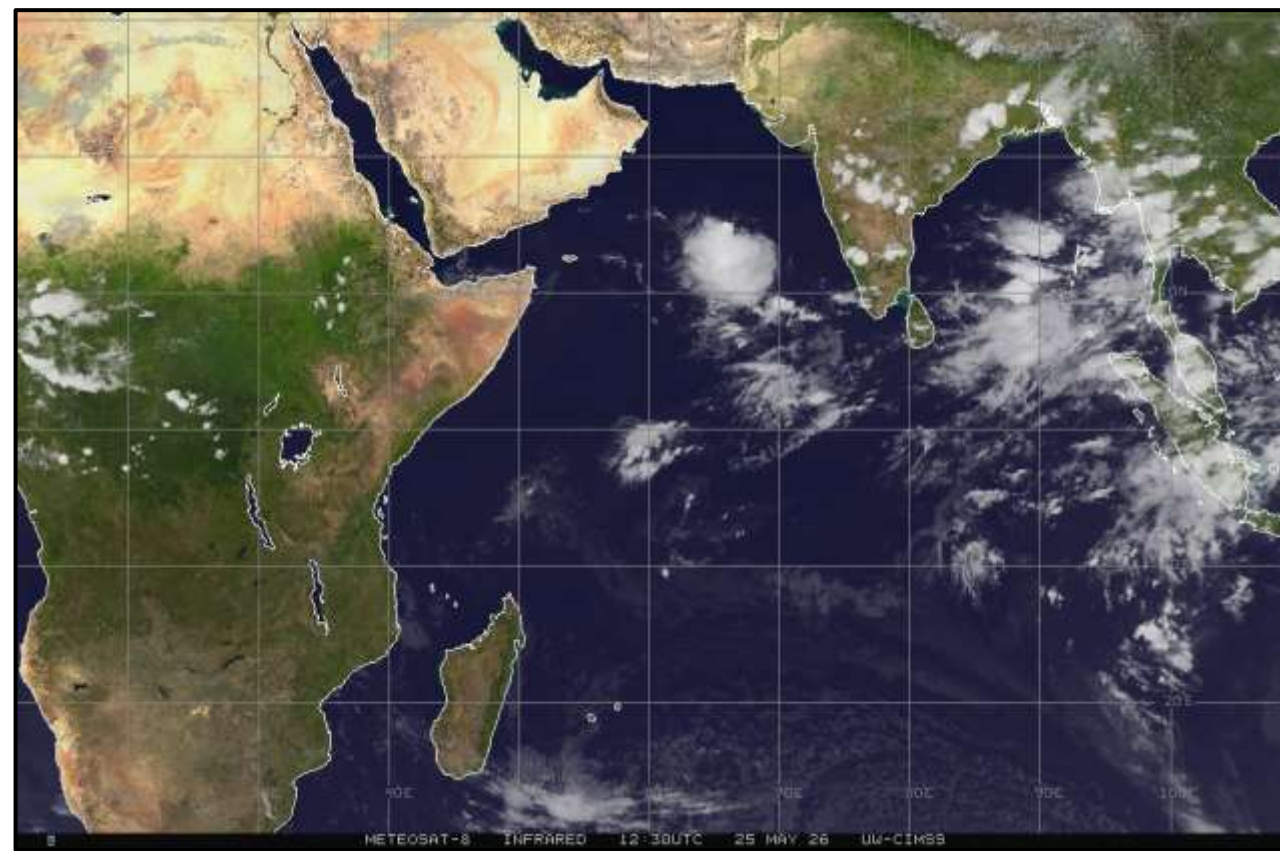
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Date 2026.05.24

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: 2026.05.25/1400UTC to 2026.05.26/0600UTC

Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.05.25

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

Shear line is approximately along : EQ 60E, 03S 70E, 04S 80E, 03S 90E, EQ 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 10, 15, 60

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 25, 30, 65, 80

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of Shear line:

SW'ly/ (10-20)kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 05, 10, 30

South of Shear line:

West of 90E: SE'ly / (10-20)kts;gusting up to (25-30) kts in section 80, 85

East of 90E: VRB / (05-10)kts

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in Sections : 05, 10, 80, 85

Moderate in Sections : 00, 15, 25, 30, 60, 65, 70

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

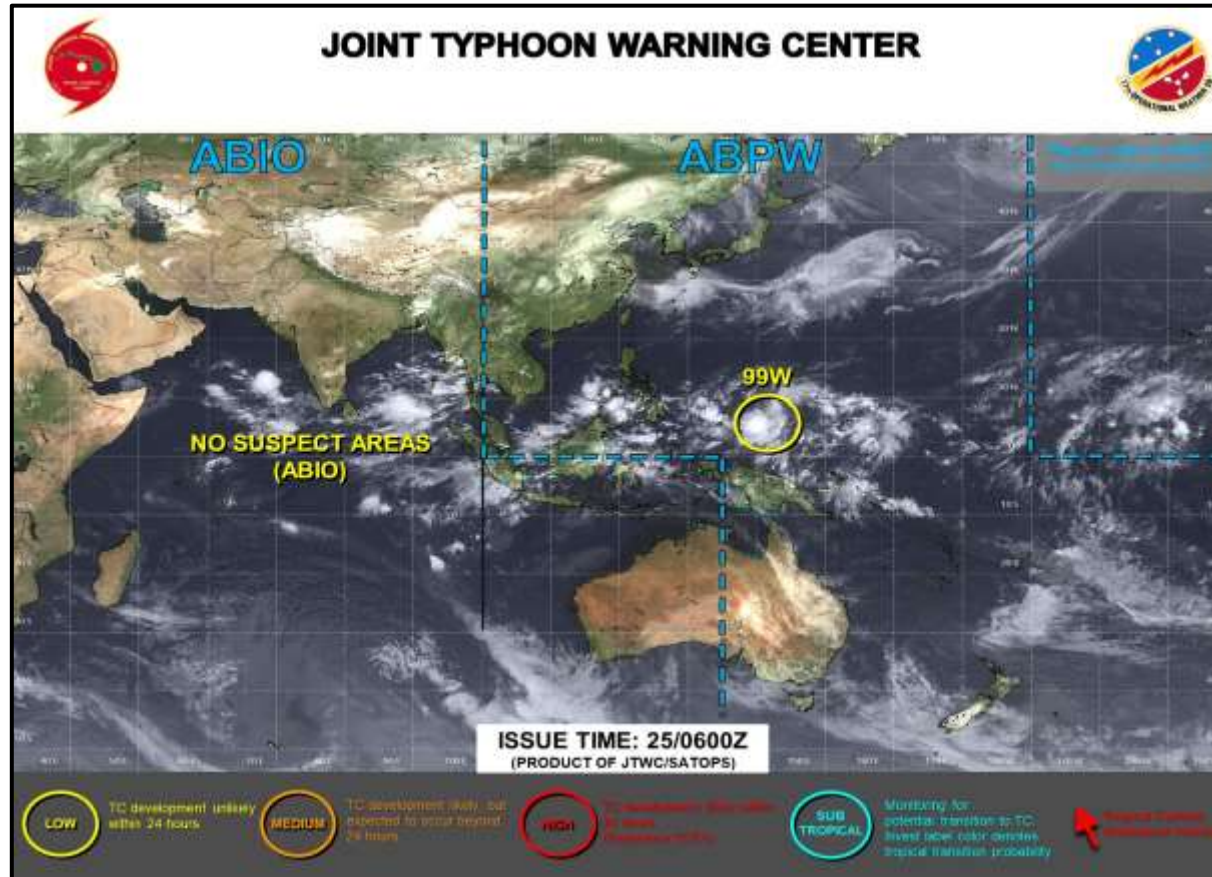
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- Source: 1. <https://meteo.gov.lk> 2. <https://www.srilankaview.com/weather.htm>



CYCLONE

Tropical Cyclone



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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	02
Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
Smuggling	NIL
IUU Fishing	NIL
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	01
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	NIL
Total Incidents	03

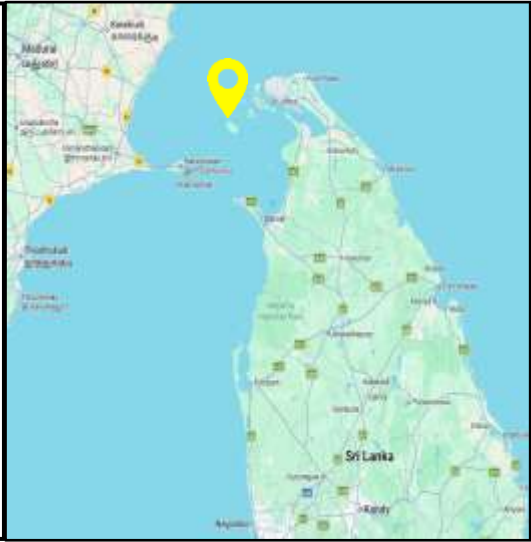
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24 May/ Indian Fisherman Rescued After Boat Capsizes/ Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.05.24	Sri Lanka	off the coast of Neduntheevu	Capsizing /Sinking	-	He went to sea alone in a boat, which overturned in rough weather. Authorities stated the boat capsized near Neduntheevu, and regional fishermen successfully rescued Poosari.

A fisherman from Tamil Nadu was rescued after his boat capsized off Neduntheevu in Sri Lanka due to strong winds. Local fishermen from Jaffna and Neduntheevu conducted the rescue and handed him over to the police. The individual, identified as 56-year-old Pandi Poosari, is from Natarajapuram in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu's Ramanathapuram district.



Source -> <https://thenewsmill.com/2026/05/tamil-nadu-fisherman-rescued-after-boat-capsizes-near-sri-lanka/>

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23 May/ Six Rescued After Boat Capsized / New Zealand

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.05.23	New Zealand	Whakatāne bar	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	Volunteers rescued six individuals from rocks just before 6pm and brought them back for medical checks. Boaters are encouraged to log trip reports before and after their journeys to enable faster responses from search and rescue teams.

Six individuals were rescued after their boat capsized at Whakatāne bar. A member of the public raised the alarm around 0530 PM, prompting Coastguard volunteers to launch a rescue vessel. Some on board reached nearby rocks, while others clung to the overturned boat.



Source -: https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/emergencies_local/596147/six-rescued-after-boat-capsized-in-whakatane

IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



22 May/ How Many Small Boat Migrants Crossed/ UK

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.05.22	UK	English Channel	Illegal broader crossing	Small Boats	On 23 May 26, the Home Office reported that 287 migrants crossed the Channel, coinciding with a temperature of 30.5C in Kent.

The hot weather is attracting hundreds of migrants attempting the risky journey from France to the UK in small boats. On 22 May 26, after a two-week hiatus, 394 individuals arrived in the UK via six vessels on what was the warmest day of the year until then.



Source -: <https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/small-boat-migrant-crossings-english-channel-home-office-b1283477.html>



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