

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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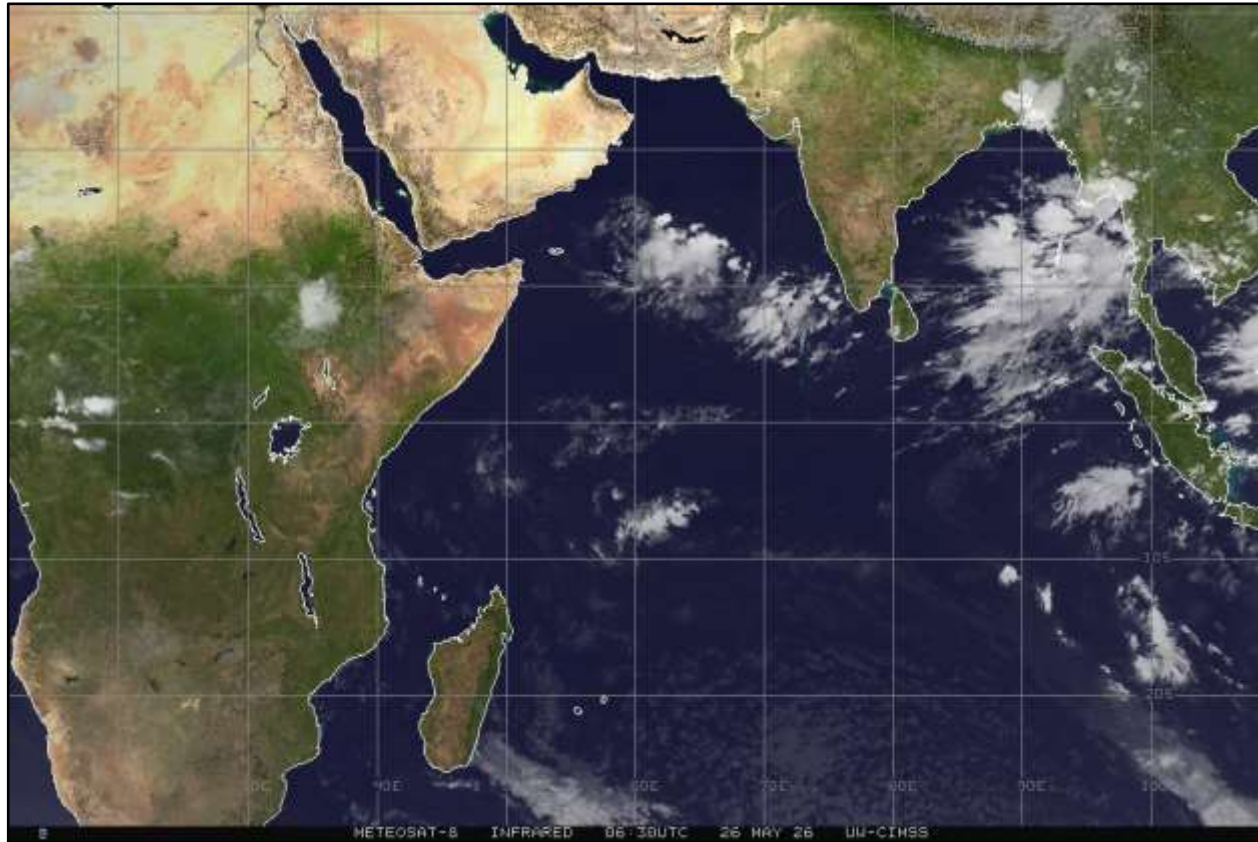
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Date 2026.05.26

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: 2026.05.26/0600UTC to 2026.05.26/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.05.26

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

Shear line is approximately along : 01S 60E, 02S 70E, 03S 80E, 07S 90E, 08S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 15, 25, 65, 70,

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 30, 35, 50, 55, 60, 75, 80, 85

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 75E: SW'ly to W'ly / (05-15)kts

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

South of Shear line:

West of 90E: SE'ly / (05-15)kts; gusting up to (20-25) kts in section 80, 85

East of 90E: S'ly to SW'ly / (05-20)kts

Seas:

Rough in Sections : 05, 10

Fairly rough, rough at times in Sections : 15, 80, 85

Moderate in Sections : 00, 05, 30, 60, 65, 70

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

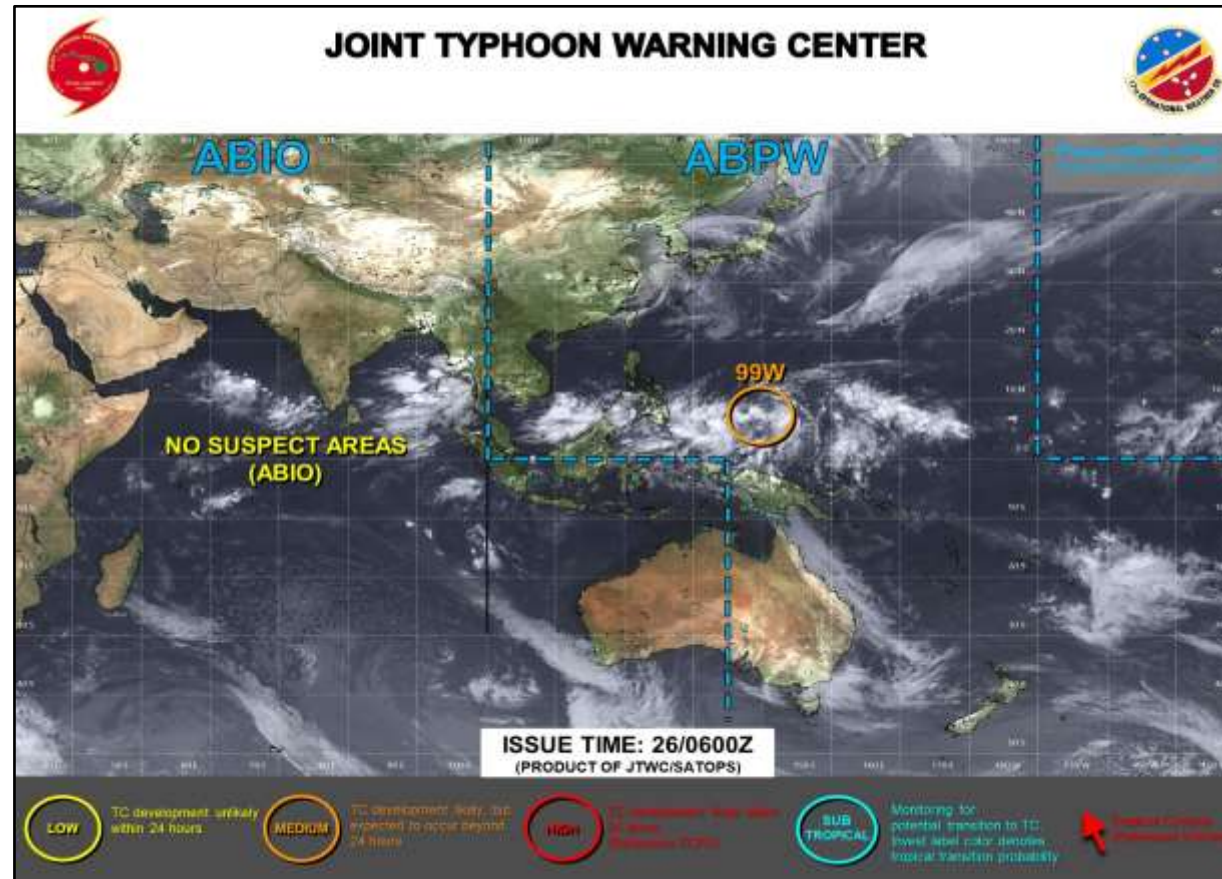
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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



CYCLONE

Tropical Cyclone



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

SUMMARY (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	NIL
 Other	NIL
Total Incidents	NIL

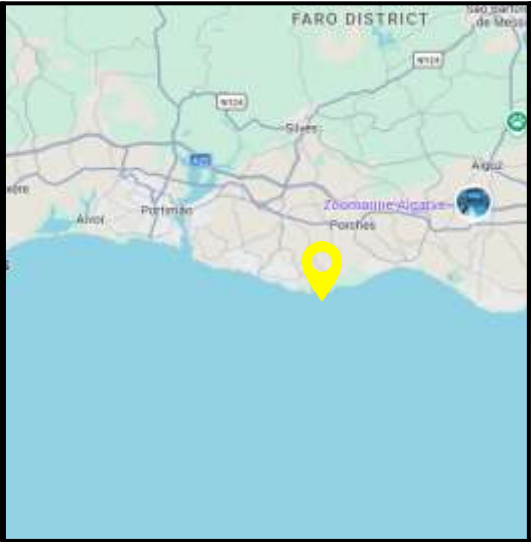
MARITIME INCIDENTS



23 May/ Twelve Rescued After Boat Overturms Near Bengali Cave/ Portugal

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.05.23	Portugal	Near Bengali Cave	Search and Rescue (SAR)	One boat	All 12 people were eventually brought out of the caves and safely transported to Portimão Marina, where medical teams were waiting to assist.

Twelve people were rescued on Saturday after a tourist boat capsized near Benagil sea cave in the Algarve. The cause of the capsized is currently unknown and two passengers needed hospital checks for minor injuries. The rescue operation initiated at 0324 PM involved lifeboat crews firefighters paramedics and maritime police with local kayakers assisting. Portugal's national maritime authority has ordered the removal of the stranded vessel and an investigation is underway to determine the cause. The Benagil caves are a major tourist attraction in the region.



Source - : <https://www.portugalresident.com/twelve-rescued-after-boat-overturms-near-benagil-cave/>

IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



24 May/Record May Heat Triggers Fresh Surge In English Channel Small-boat Crossings / UK

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.05.24	UK	English Channel	Illegal broader crossing	Small Boats	The government's forthcoming 'Safety of Rwanda' Bill – which would allow certain arrivals to be removed to the East African state – is scheduled for its report stage in early June.

A recent spell of unusually hot weather has led to a significant increase in irregular crossings of the English Channel with approximately 220 migrants arriving in Dover on 24 May 26 alone. The weather conditions have enabled smugglers to launch boats from northern France and Belgium more effectively. Reports indicate that people-smuggling gangs are using a wider stretch of coastline to avoid French patrols, which complicates surveillance and interdiction efforts. This surge in crossings is likely to intensify political pressure for policy changes regarding border security. Companies preparing for staff transit through southeast ports should anticipate traffic congestion and potential ID checks and monitor related travel advisories.



Source -: <https://www.visahq.com/news/2026-05-24/gb/record-may-heat-triggers-fresh-surge-in-english-channel-small-boat-crossings/>



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