DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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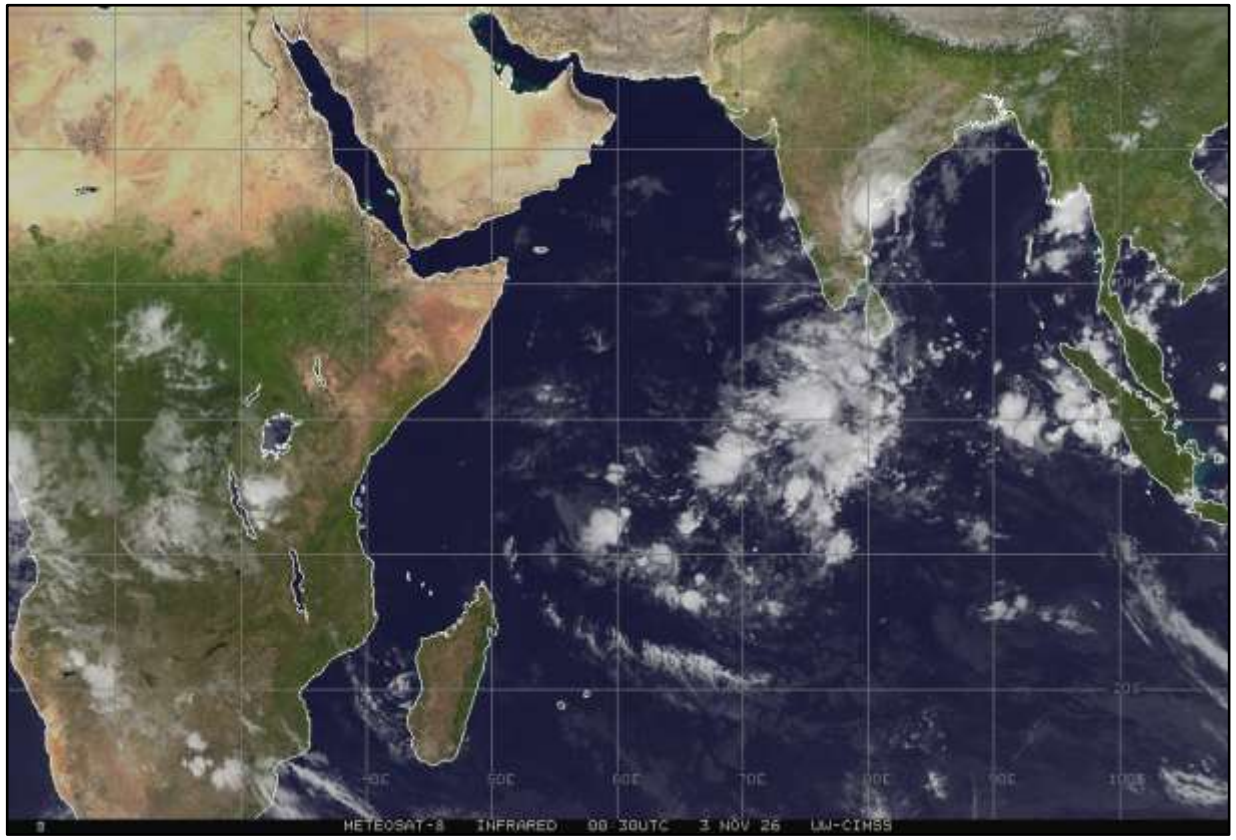


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Date 2026.11.03

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: 2026.11.03/0600UTC to 2026.11.03/1400UTC
Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.11.03
The Severe Cyclonic storm "Murasu" over the Westcentral Bay of Bengal was located near latitude 15.3°N and longitude 80.3°E at 2.30 a.m. on 03 November 2026. It is very likely to move north-northwestwards and cross south Andhra Pradesh coast during early hours of 3rd November, 2026.

Therefore, Naval and fishing communities are warned not to venture to the deep-sea areas bounded by 10N-17N and 80E-85E until further notice. Further, Naval and fishing communities operating in those sea areas are advised to move to safe areas.

Furthermore, naval and fishing communities are advised not to venture into the deep sea areas extending from Mannar to Trincomalee via Kankasanthurai until further notice.

The naval and fishing communities, are requested to be attentive to the future forecasts and bulletins issued by the Department of Meteorology in this regard.
To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard
ITCZ is approximately along: 01S 60E, 05S 70E, 03N 80E, EQ 90E, 02S 100E
Weather:
OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 25, 45, 65, 80.
SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 15, 30, 35, 40, 50, 55, 60 70.
ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.
Winds:
North of ITCZ:
West of 75E : NW'ly to SW'ly/ (10-20) kt.
East of 75E : SW'ly or VRB/ (10-20) kt.

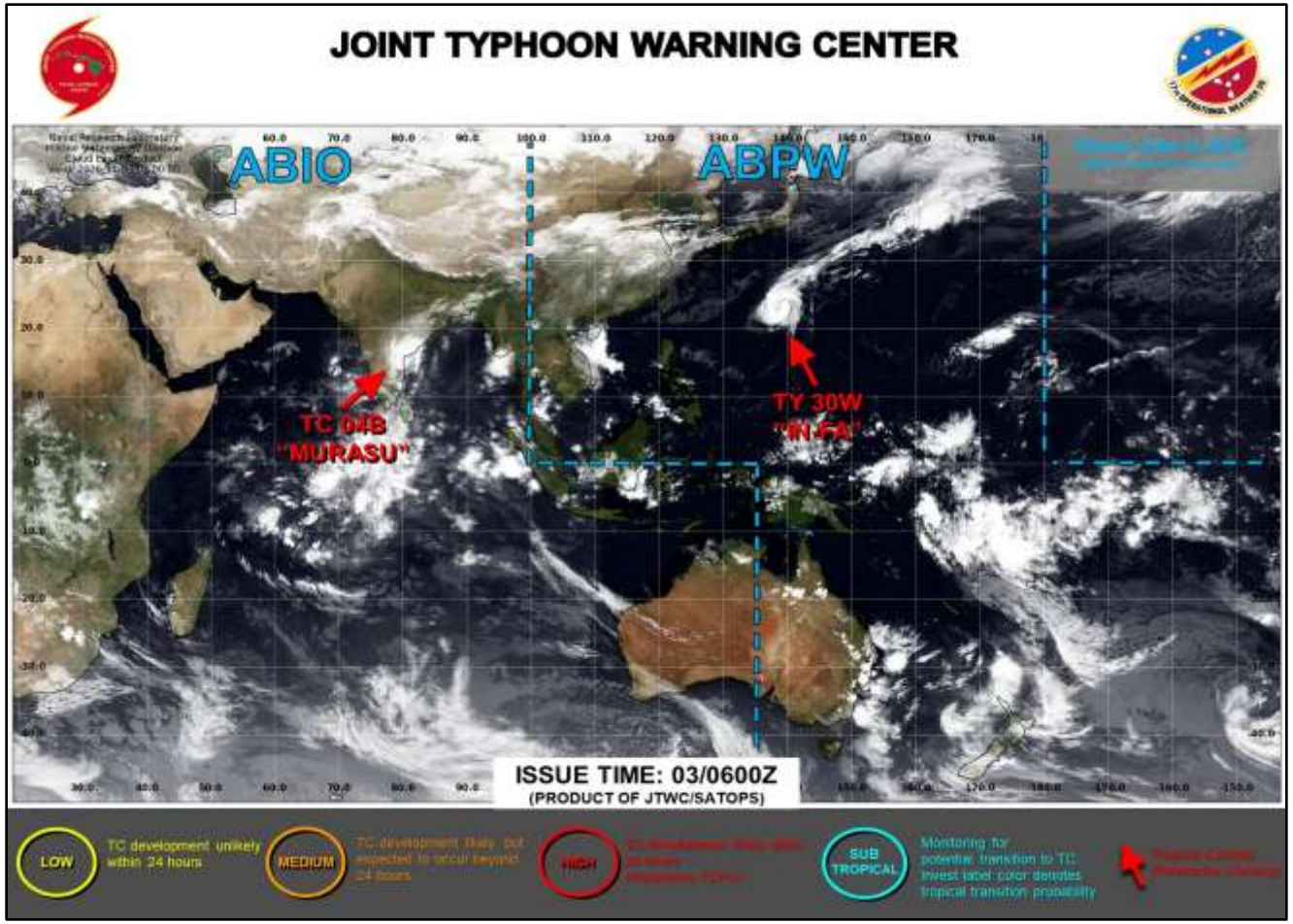
South of ITCZ:
West of 75E: Clockwise/ (10-15) kt; gusting up to 25 kt in sections 45, 80.

East of 75E : SE'ly / (10-15) kt; gusting up to 25 kt in sections 70, 75, 85.
Seas:
Fairly rough in section : 45, 70, 75, 80, 85
Moderate, Fairly Rough at times in sections : 60, 65.
Moderate in sections : 25, 40, 50, 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

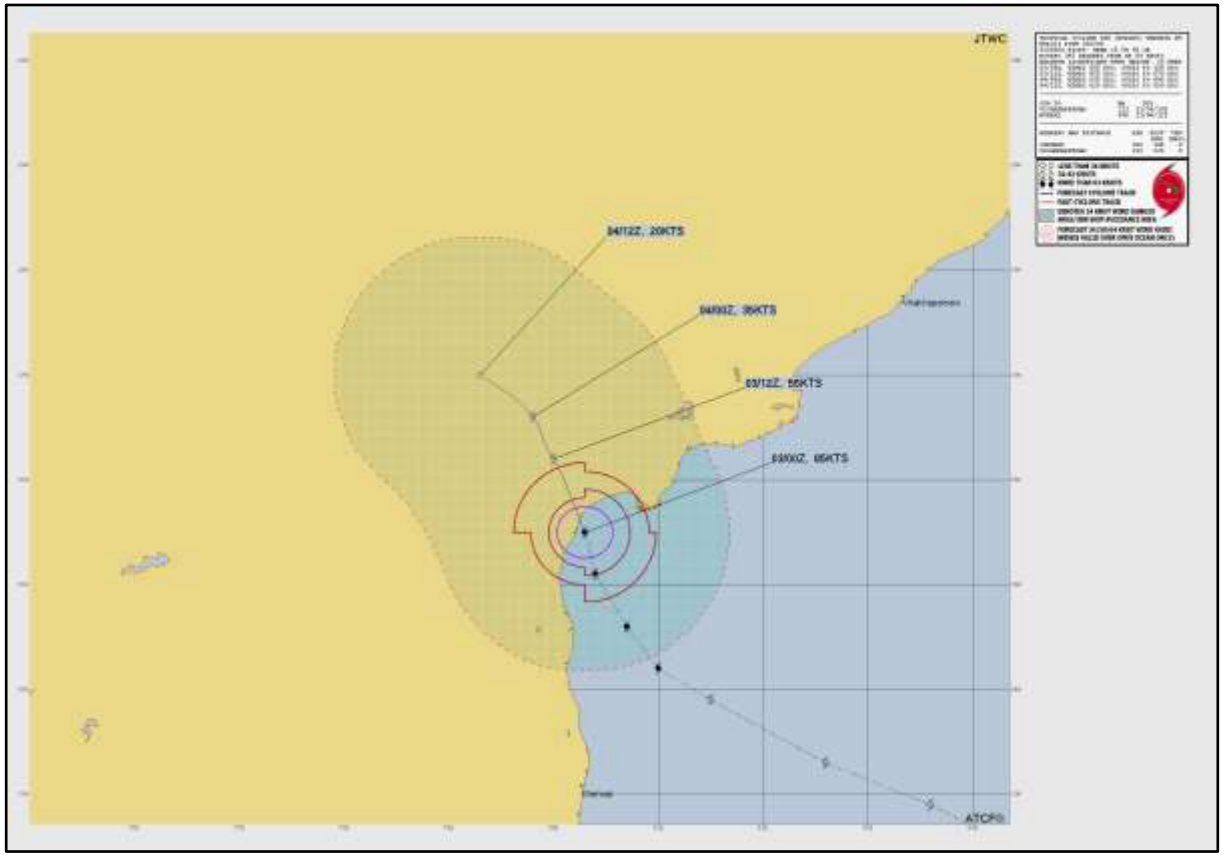
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- Source: https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html

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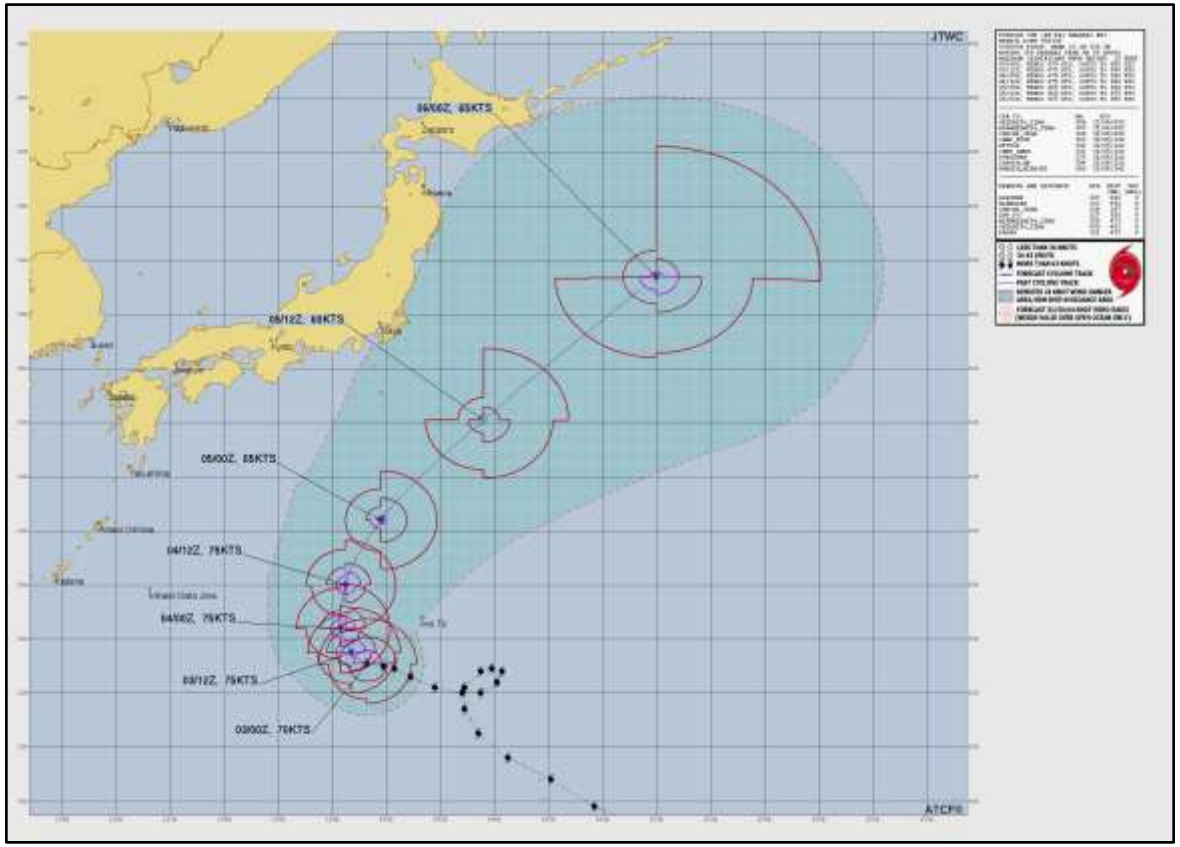
TROPICAL CYCLONE "MURASU"



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TROPICAL CYCLONE "IN-FA"



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SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



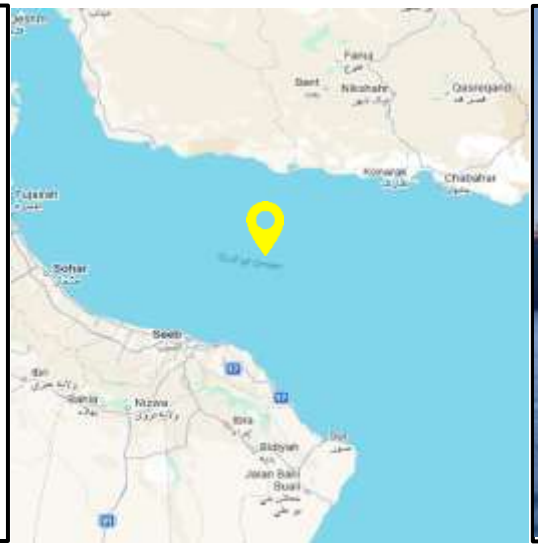
CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	03
Piracy & Armed Robbery	02
Smuggling	NIL
IUU Fishing	01
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	NIL
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	01
Total Incidents	07

MARITIME INCIDENTS

02 Nov/Indian Seafarer Killed as Aerial Object Strikes Cargo Vessel Off Oman Coast, 13 Rescued/Oman

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.02	Oman	Off the Coast of Oman	Fire/Folding/Explosion;	Name - MSV Al Jusuf Type - Cargo Vessel	The deceased seafarer was identified as Gandhar Nahim Ajij from Gujarat, India. Indian authorities condemned the attack and are coordinating with Oman to assist the rescued crew.

On 02 Nov 26, Indian-flagged cargo vessel MSV Al Jusufi was struck by an unidentified aerial object while navigating near the Coast of Oman. The incident resulted in the death of one Indian crew member, while the remaining 13 crew members were rescued by the Omani Coast Guard.





Source -: https://www.newindianexpress.com/india/2026/Nov/03/indian-seafarer-killed-as-aerial-object-strikes-cargo-vessel-off-oman-coast-13-rescued?utm

MARITIME INCIDENTS

02 Nov/Cargo Vessel Raasthaa in Distress Near Fuvahmulah, Maldives/Maldives

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.02	Maldives	12 NM off Fuvahmulah	Capsizing/Sinking	Name - Raasthaa Type - Cargo Vessel	The Maldives Police Service and Maldives National Defence Force responded to the incident, with efforts underway to stabilize the vessel and ensure the safety of the crew.

On 02 Nov 26, cargo vessel Raasthaa issued a distress call after beginning to sink in rough seas, approximately 12 NM off Fuvahmulah, Maldives, with five persons onboard.





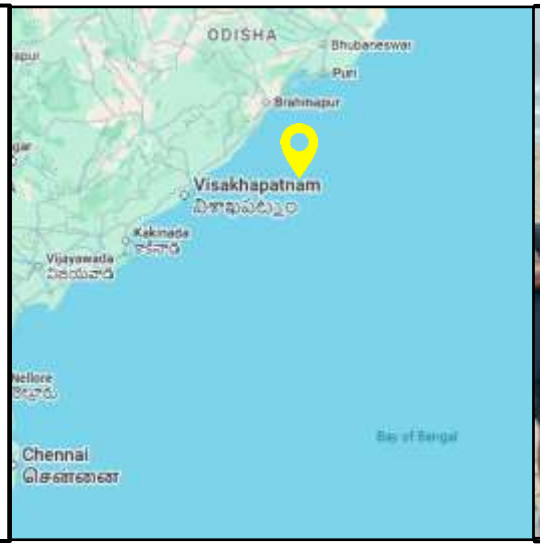
Source -: https://atollpost.com/news/cargo-boat-in-distress-near-fuvahmulah-prompts-police-and-mndf-response?utm

MARITIME INCIDENTS

02 Nov/Fishing Boat Runs Aground Near Rushikonda Beach/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.02	India	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Grounding/Standing	Reg No - IND.AP.V5.MM.255 Type - Fishing	Authorities planned to tow the vessel once sea conditions improved.

On 02 Nov 26, a mechanized fishing boat ran aground near Rushikonda Beach, Visakhapatnam, India, following engine failure and fuel exhaustion. All six fishermen escaped safely.





Source -: https://thecoastaltimes.in/six-fishermen-escape-as-boat-runs-aground-at-rushikonda/?utm

PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

01 Nov/Vessel Reportedly Struck by Unknown Projectile in Strait of Hormuz/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.01	Iran	Strait of Hormuz	Attacked in High-risk areas	Merchant vessel	Extent of damage and source of the projectile have not been confirmed. UKMTO advised vessels transiting the area to exercise caution and report suspicious activities while investigations continue.

On 01 Nov 26, a merchant vessel was reportedly struck by an unknown projectile in the Strait of Hormuz. UKMTO advised vessels to transit with caution.





Source -: https://www.aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/vessel-reportedly-struck-by-unknown-projectile-in-strait-of-hormuz-uk-maritime-agency/4108246?utm

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02 Nov/Indian Navy Rescues 20 Crew Members from Pirated Fishing Vessel in Arabian Sea/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.02	India/Arabian Sea (incident location).	More than 3,000 km from Mumbai, India	Piracy	Name - Azini Type - Fishing	The operation successfully located and intercepted the vessel with the support of the Indian Air Force, leading to the safe release of the crew and vessel from heavily armed pirates after 48 hours.

On 02 Nov 26, the Indian Navy rescued all 20 crew members of the fishing vessel Azini, which had been hijacked by armed pirates in the Arabian Sea, following a coordinated 48-hour operation.





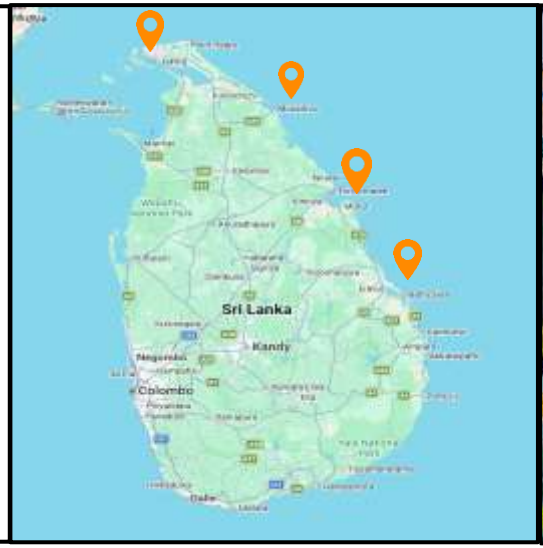
Source -: https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/indian-navy-rescues-all-20-crew-of-pirated-fishing-vessel-in-arabian-sea-12273779?pfrom=home-ndtv_mainnavigation&utm

IUU FISHING

17-31 Oct/Navy Nabs 47 Persons Over Illegal Fishing Activities/Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.17/31	Sri Lanka	Trincomalee, Jaffna, Batticaloa and Mullaitivu	Illegal fishing apparatus	-	The three Naval Commands handed over the apprehended persons, seized boats and fishing gear to Fisheries officials for legal action.

The Sri Lanka Navy apprehended 47 persons for engaging in illegal fishing activities during operations conducted in several coastal areas between 17 and 31 Oct 26. A total of 11 dinghies and two traditional boats were also seized.





Source -: https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/november/navy-nabs-47-persons-over-illegal-fishing-activities.html

OTHERS

04-06 Nov/Aircraft Firing Practice Scheduled Off Middle Andaman Island/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.11.04/06	India	Andaman Sea	Other Military /Coastguard activities	-	Mariners were advised to avoid the designated danger area during firing practice and navigate with caution. The warning expires at 1130 UTC on 06 November 2026.

Aircraft firing practice is scheduled in a designated danger area off Middle Andaman Island on 04 and 06 Nov 26, from 0830 to 1030 UTC each day.





Source -: https://www.sealagom.com/navarea/8/message/25456/1153-26-andaman-sea-off/?utm



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