

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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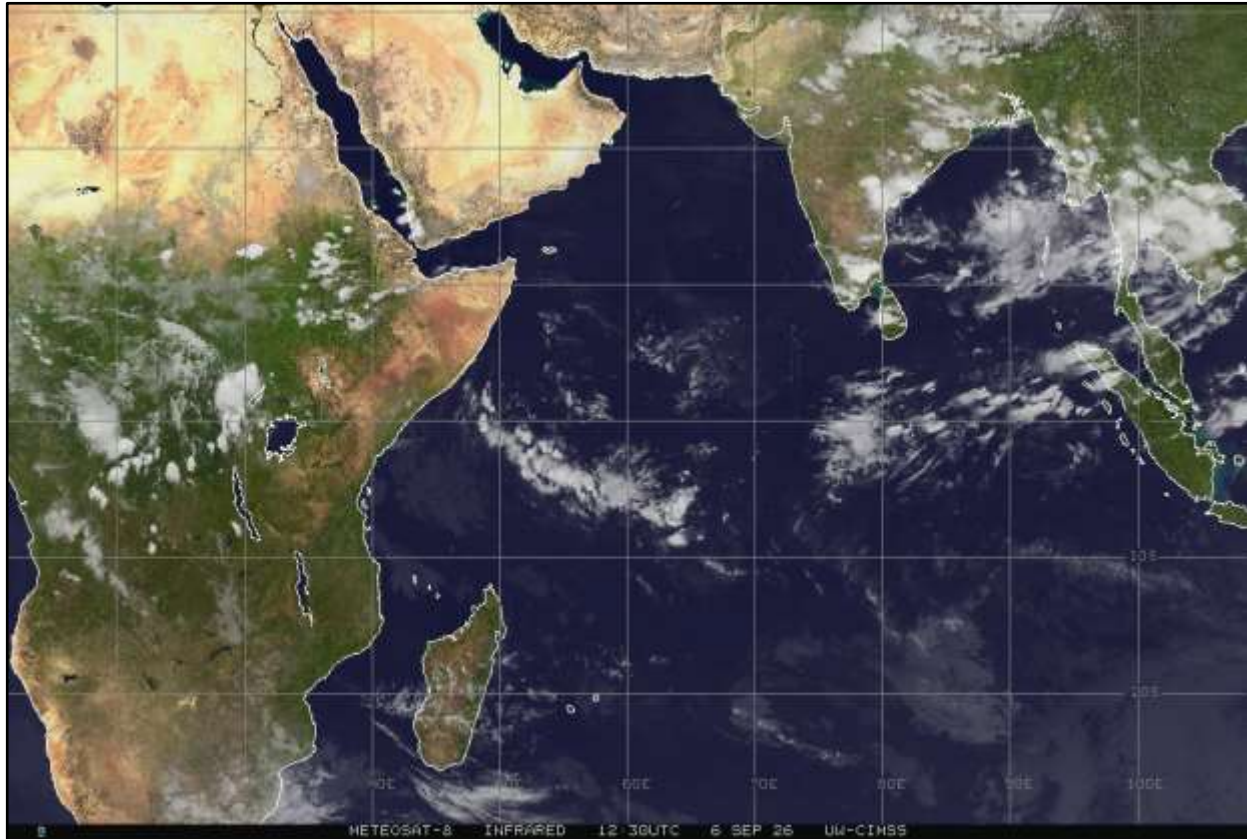
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Date 2026.09.06

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: 2026.09.05/0600UTC to 2026.09.05/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.09.05

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

Shear line is approximately along: 05N 60E, 07N 70E, 02N 80E, 04N 90E, 03N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 20, 35, 40, 50, 60, 65, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 05, 10, 15, 25, 30, 45, 55, 70

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 77E : NW'ly or variable/ (10-15) kts.

East of 77E : SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 05 and 10.

South of Shear line:

West of 80E : SE'ly / (10-20) kts.

East of 80E : SE'ly to E'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 55, 75, 85.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in sections : 75, 85

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 05, 10, 55

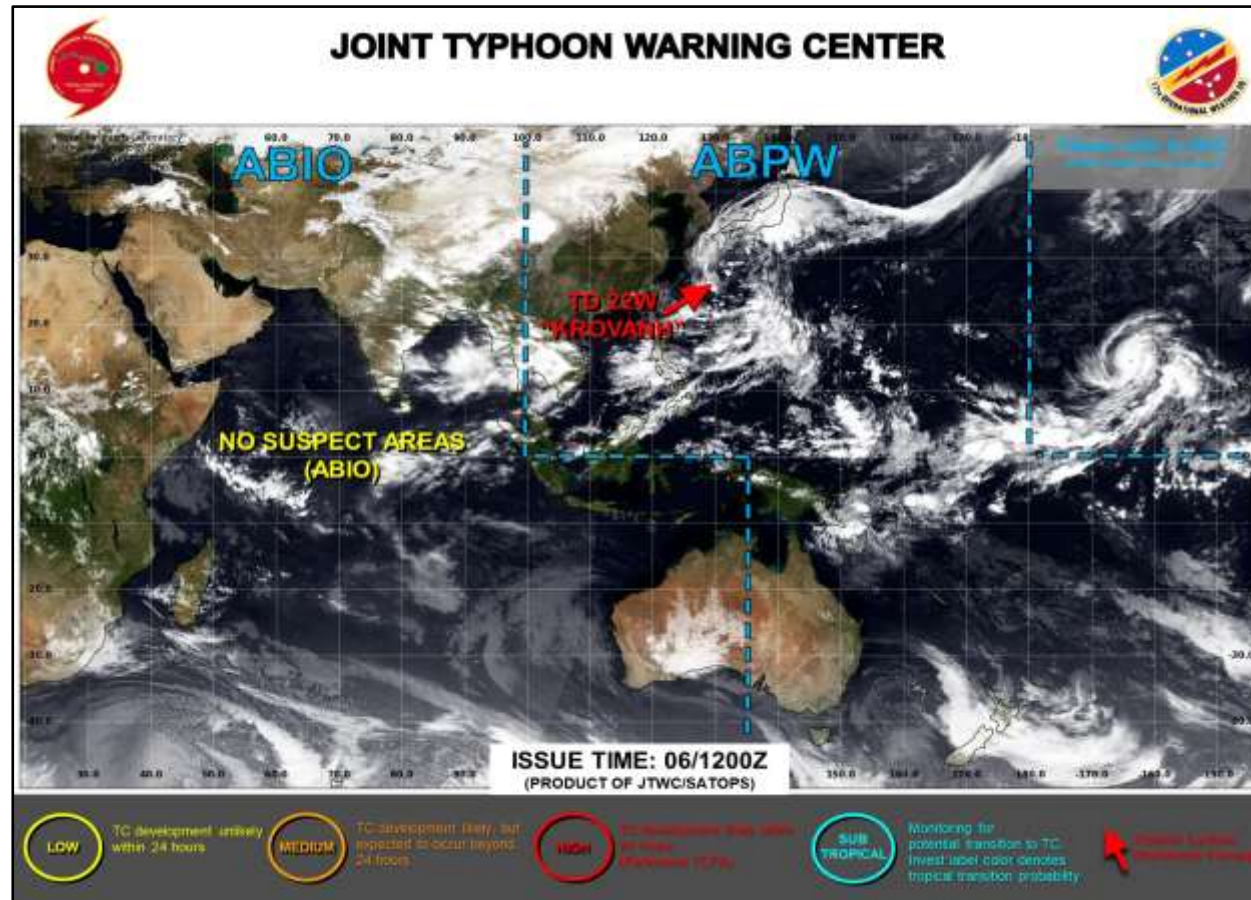
Moderate in sections : 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 80

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

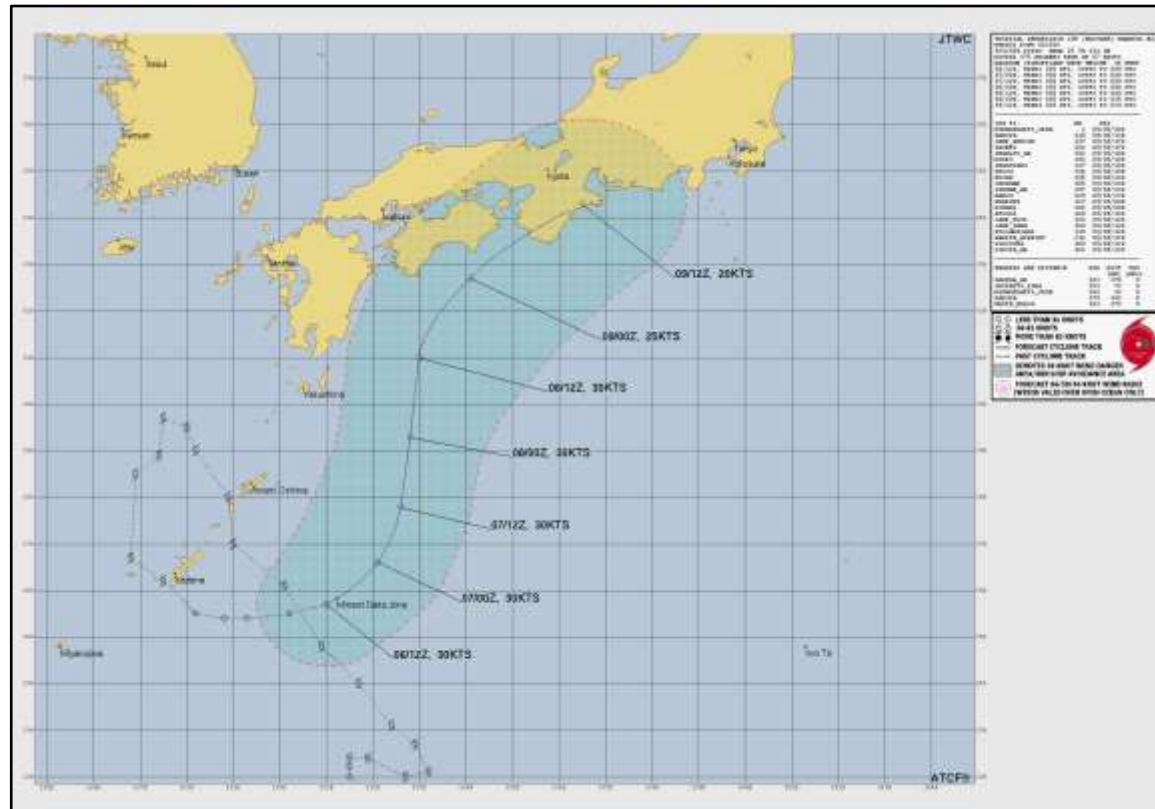


• Source: <https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>



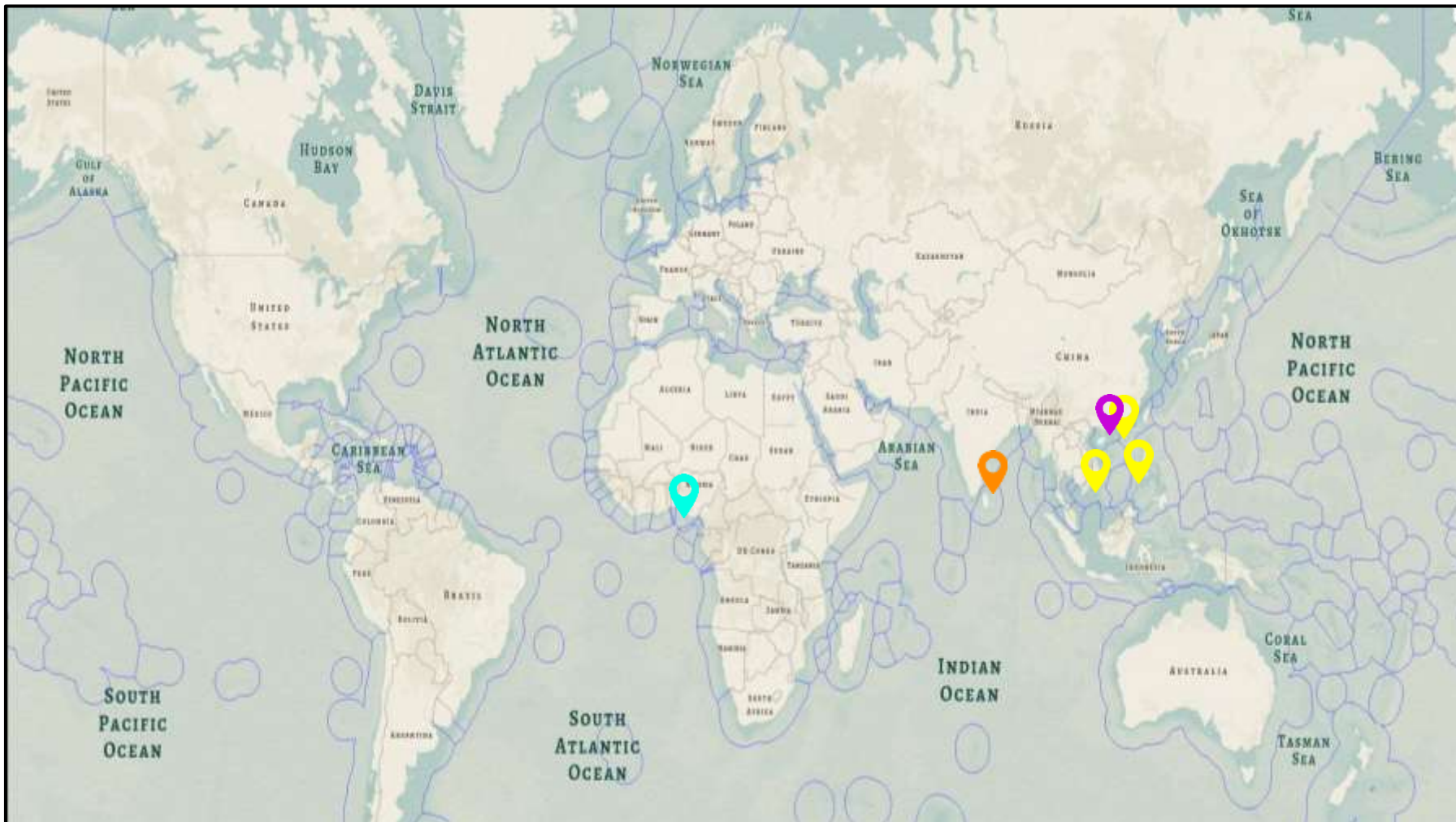
CYCLONE

TROPICAL CYCLONE "KROVANH"



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SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	03
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
 Smuggling	01
 IUU Fishing	01
 Narcotic	NIL
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
 Other	01
Total Incidents	06

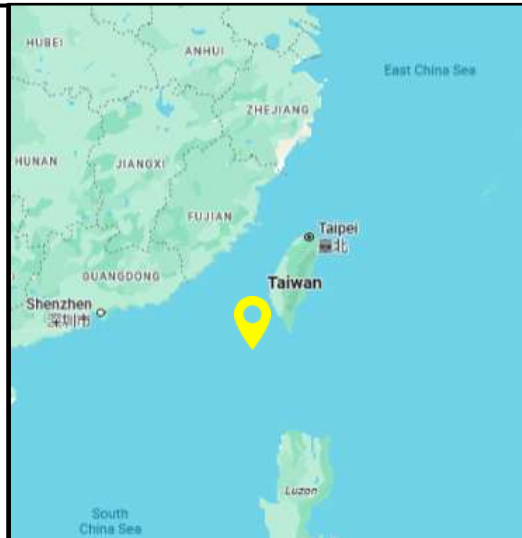
MARITIME INCIDENTS



02 Sep/Newly Delivered Smyril Line Cargo Vessel Caught Fire off Taiwan/Taiwan

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.02	Taiwan	off Taiwan	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Name: SKIPANES Type: Cargo IMO: 1052995	

The cargo vessel SKIPANES, flagged in the Faroe Islands, experienced an engine-room fire on 2 Sep 26 approximately 20 nm off Taiwan. All 23 crew members were safe. The vessel was subsequently redirected to the Chinese shipyard CIMC Raffles Offshore Limited for inspection and assessment before resuming commercial service.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/no/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13220/newly-delivered-smyril-line-cargo-vessel-caught-fire-off-tai>

MARITIME INCIDENTS



03 Sep/46 Containers Lost Overboard Off Philippines/Philippines

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.03	Philippines	Hamilo Point	Damage/Lost cargo	Name: MV SPAN ASIA 39 Type: Cargo	The communication focused on operational updates and strategies to mitigate hazards related to lost containers. The Philippine Coast Guard intends to deploy the BRP Malapascua, a 44 m multi-role response vessel, for search, drift-tracking, and containment operations, while also assessing nearby marine protected areas for potential environmental impacts.

The Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) warned vessels near Batangas after 46 empty containers fell from the cargo ship MV SPAN ASIA 39 on 3 Sep 26. The incident occurred approximately 1.78 nm from Hamilo Point due to loose container lashings during rough sea conditions. The ship, which had departed from Davao on 31 Aug was carrying 332 containers and heading to Manila. The Coast Guard has initiated recovery operations and issued navigational warnings to nearby vessels to ensure safe navigation. Another container fell and sank later that day as the ship moved towards Manila North Anchorage Area.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/46-containers-fall-overboard-from-cargo-ship-off-philippines-coast-guard-warns-ships/>

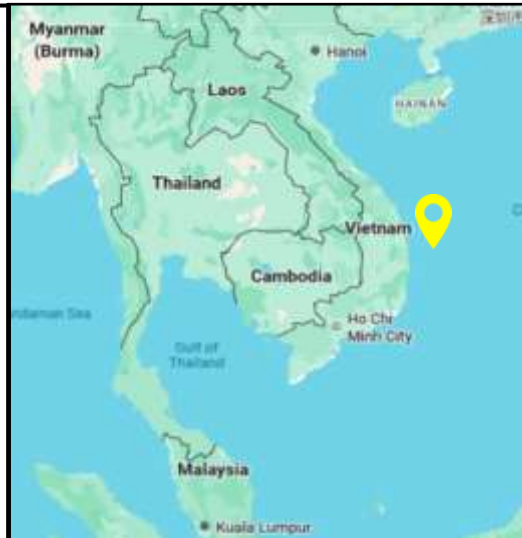
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05 Sep/Five crew members successfully rescued after shipwreck at sea/Vietnam

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	Vietnam	east of Quy Nhon	Search and Rescue (SAR)	Name: GL-91620-TS Type: Fishing vessel	On September 5th, leaders from the People's Committee of Hoai Nhon ward, Gia Lai province, visited and extended condolences to the family of Mr. Truong Van The, who passed away in a work accident at sea.

On 05 Sep 26 at 0520 hrs the fishing vessel GL-91620-TS sank 62 nm east of Quy Nhon. The BD-97532-TS, captained by Mr. Vo Van Hung, rescued all 5 crew members. The timing of BD-97532-TS's return remains undetermined. Earlier, on September 1st, the fishing vessel BD-98090-TS faced a labor accident, resulting in one death and one serious injury. The winch mechanism malfunctioned while fishing in the Truong Sa Islands, striking two crew members. Mr. Truong Van The was killed, and Mr. Nguyen Van Hien was severely injured. He received first aid before being transferred for further treatment, while Mr. The's body was brought ashore by BD-98090-TS.



Source -: <https://www.vietnam.vn/en/cuu-thanh-cong-5-thuyen-vien-trong-vu-tau-chim-tren-bien>

SMUGGLING



03 Sep/Suspected Oil Thieves Dead After Inhaling Fumes /Nigeria

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.03	Nigeria	Okrika jetty	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	This would be the worst fatal accident on record related to attempted oil theft since October 2023. The Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps stated that the circulating casualty figures are unverified and that they are collaborating with other security agencies to clarify the details.

Most victims died from inhaling hazardous fumes while attempting to steal crude oil at a jetty in Okrika, Rivers State, Nigeria. The Youth and Advocacy Centre reported the incident, acknowledging that other individuals are missing. Local police confirmed the deaths, noting that oil theft is rampant in the Niger Delta, leading to significant financial losses and environmental damage. The government has been making efforts to address the issue, as oil theft reportedly costs billions annually..



Source -: <https://www.tbsnews.net/worldbiz/africa/suspected-oil-thieves-dead-after-inhaling-fumes-nigeria-1533791>

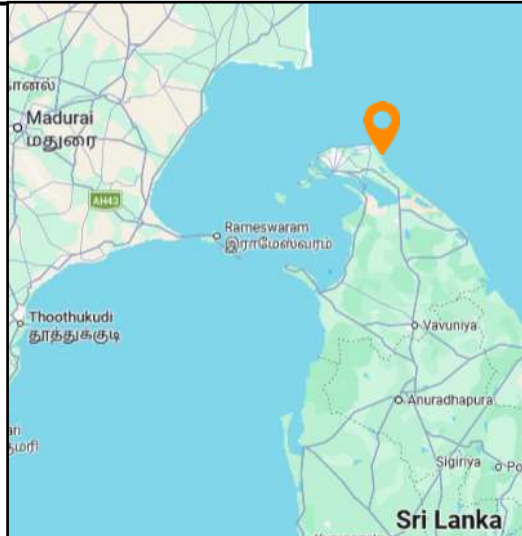
IUU FISHING



05 Sep/Navy Nabs 3 for Transferring Illegally Harvested Sea Cucumbers/Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	Sri Lanka	Kudarappu	Illegal Methods	-	The three suspects, aged 51 to 56, are from the Mannar area. They were apprehended along with sea cucumbers, a boat, and fishing equipment, which were submitted to the Jaffna Fisheries Inspector for further legal proceedings.

The Navy apprehended three individuals and seized a boat transporting 673 illegally harvested sea cucumbers in Kudarappu, Jaffna, during a search operation on 5 Sep 26. This operation was conducted by personnel from the Naval Deployment Veththalakerni under the Northern Naval Command, who intercepted a suspicious boat involved in illegal night diving activities.



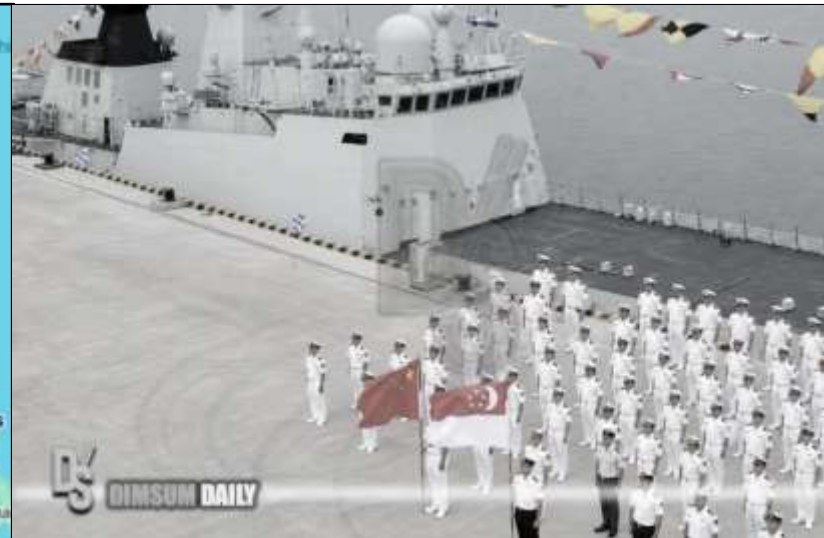
Source -> <https://maritime-executive.com/article/spanish-authorities-catch-go-fast-boat-carrying-three-tonnes-of-cocaine>



05 Sep/China and Singapore Launch Joint Maritime Exercise in Zhanjiang/China

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	China	Zhanjiang	Foreign affairs	-	Since 2015, military ties between China and Singapore have increasingly included regular joint exercises, with the Chinese Navy also engaging in routine training with neighboring countries like Thailand and Cambodia.

China and Singapore initiated a joint maritime exercise in Zhanjiang on 5 Sep 26 marking their fifth collaboration. This exercise involves the Chinese frigate Dali and Singapore's RSS Steadfast, featuring live-fire drills, replenishment-at-sea operations, and joint search-and-rescue exercises. Both navies aim to enhance mutual trust and operational partnership, exchanging expertise in various maritime operations. The exercise, conducted in two phases, focuses on maintaining regional peace and stability, emphasizing the importance of search-and-rescue practices in busy shipping routes and challenging sea conditions.



Source -: https://www.ft.com/content/7c7c07db-cde5-474d-9a20-8e2c2f273d4e?utm_source=chatgpt.com&syn-25a6b1a6=1



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