

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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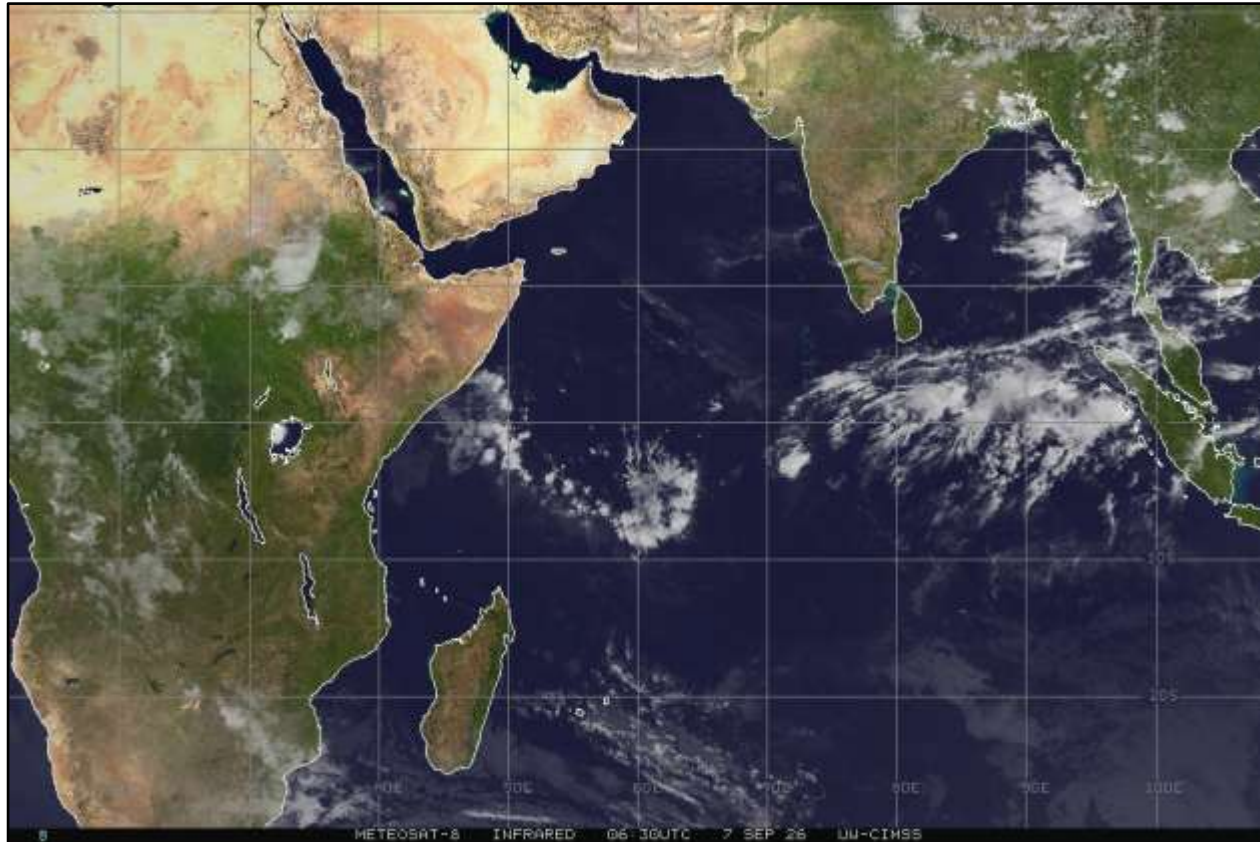
Date 2026.09.07

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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: 2026.09.07/1400UTC to 2026.09.08/0600UTC

Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.09.07

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

Shear line is approximately along: 09N 70E, 03N 80E, 05N 90E, 02N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 60.

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 20, 70, 85.

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

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

South of Shear line:

SE'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 55, 70, 75, 85.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in sections : 10, 75, 85.

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 05, 55, 70.

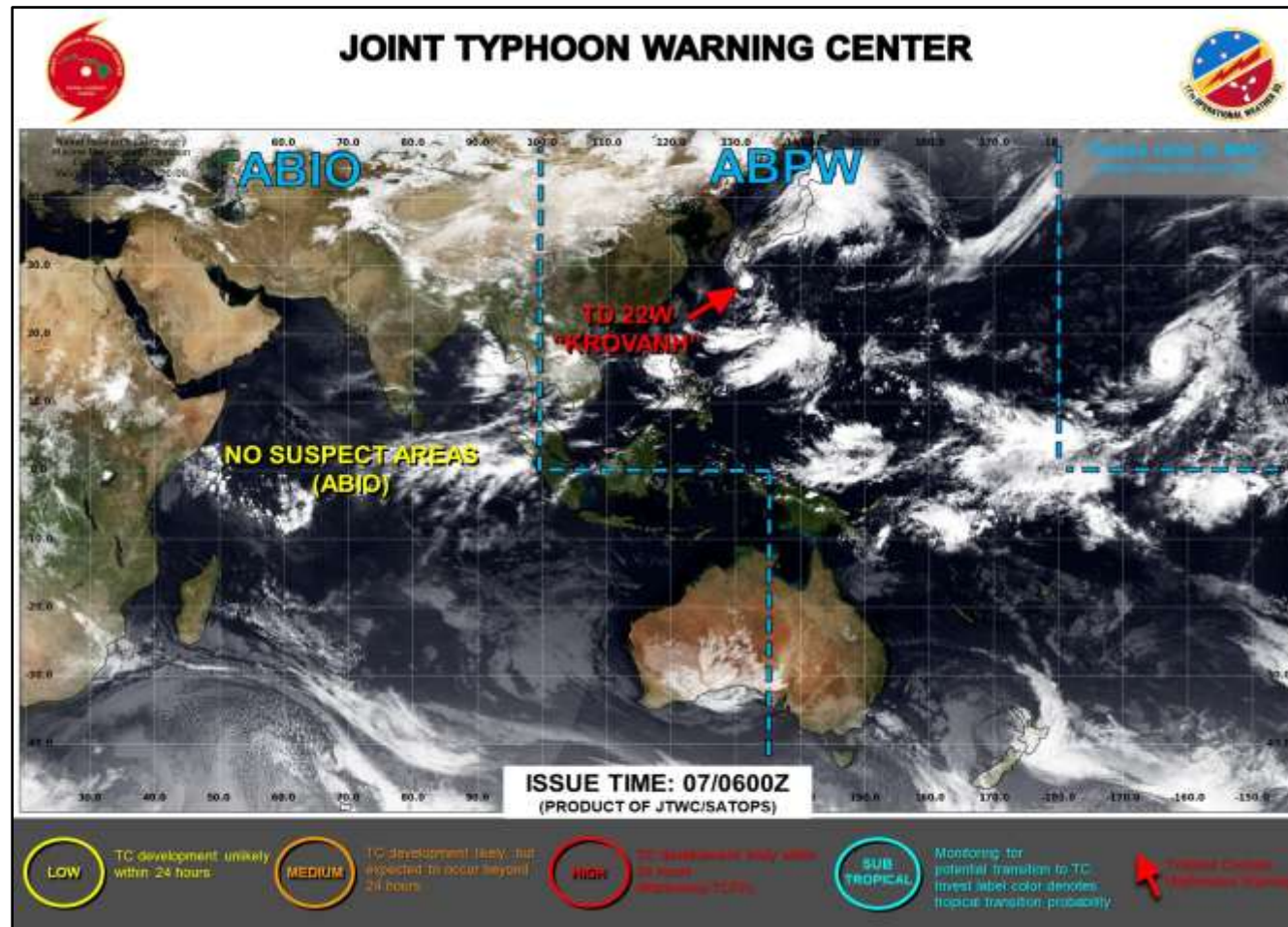
Moderate in sections : 45, 50, 60, 65.

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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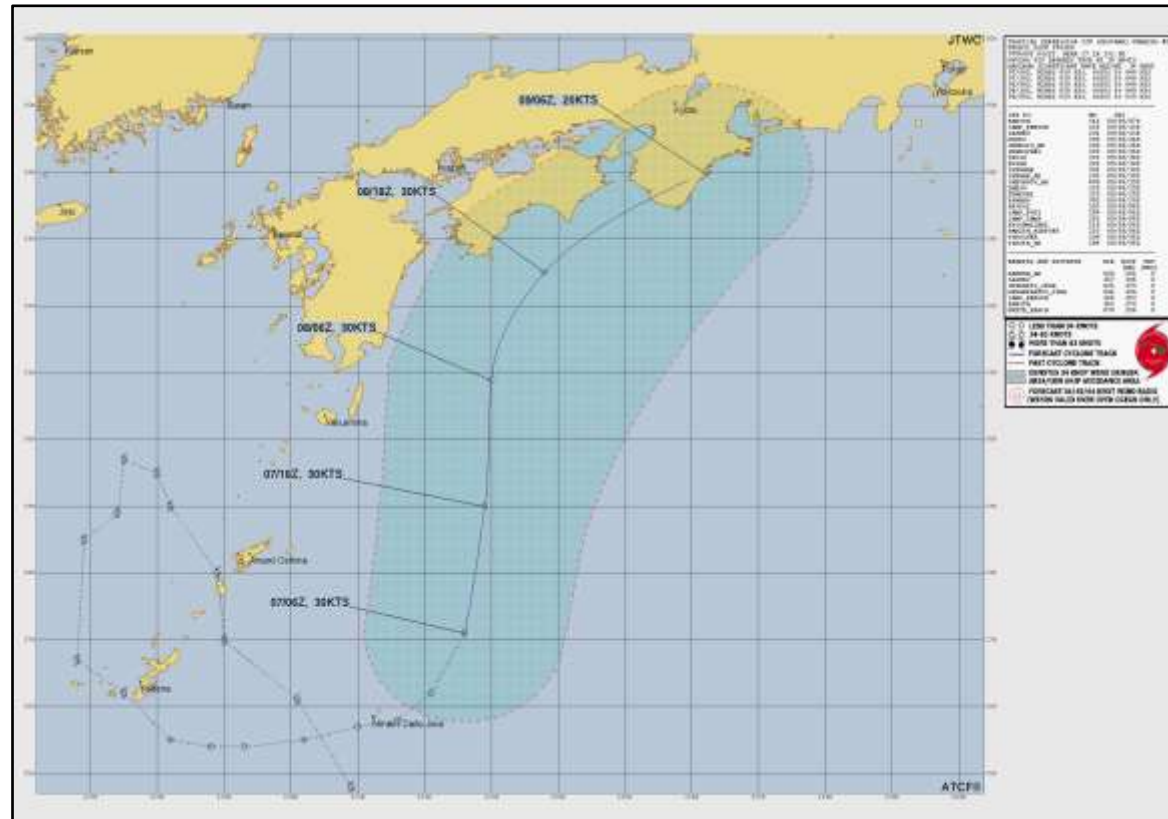


• Source: <https://www.metoc.dcn.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>

CYCLONE



TROPICAL CYCLONE "KROVANH"



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

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06 Sep/Canadian Sailor Rescued from Remote Indian Ocean Location/Australia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.06	Australia	Christmas Island	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	A Canadian sailor has been rescued by Australian authorities after his vessel began taking on water in the remote Indian Ocean.

The man was 1,000 kilometers southeast of Christmas Island when his boat started taking on water. The Australian Maritime Safety Authority located him, supplied him with essentials, and he was subsequently rescued by the Royal Australian Navy.



Source -: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2026-09-07/candian-sailor-rescued-indian-ocean-christmas-island/107125458>

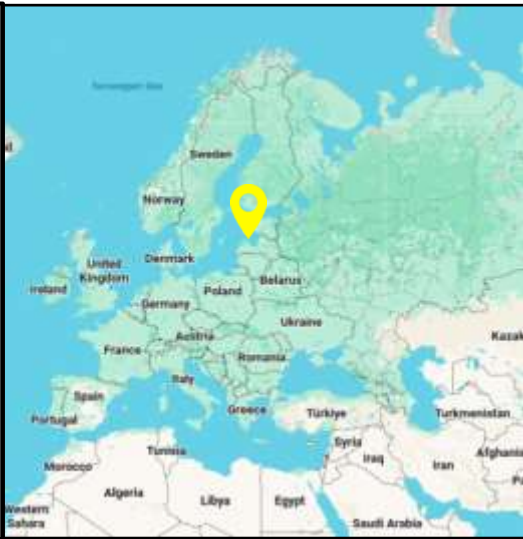
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05 Sep/Admiral Makarov Catches Fire During Repairs/Russia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	Russia	Near St. Petersburg	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Name : ADMIRAL MAKAROV Type : Icebreaker	A fire occurred on Russia's diesel-electric icebreaker Admiral Makarov during repairs at the Kronstadt Marine Plant near St. Petersburg.

The fire on 05 Sep 26 began in the steering-gear compartment at the stern of the ship, covering an area of approximately 80 square meters. Russian emergency services dispatched 52 personnel and 10 pieces of equipment, successfully controlling and extinguishing the flames within about two hours.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/russias-20000-ton-icebreaker-admiral-makarov-catches-fire-during-repairs-at-kronstadt-shipyard/>

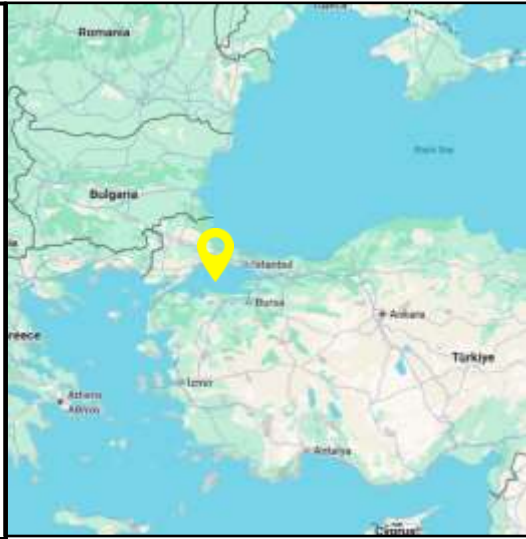
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05 Sep/Tanker Disabled by Engine Failure/Turkey

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	Turkey	Marmara	Mechanical breakdown/Engine Failure /No Communication	Name : PIONER 1 Type : Tanker	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.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13223/russian-flagged-tanker-disabled-by-engine-failure-off-marmar>

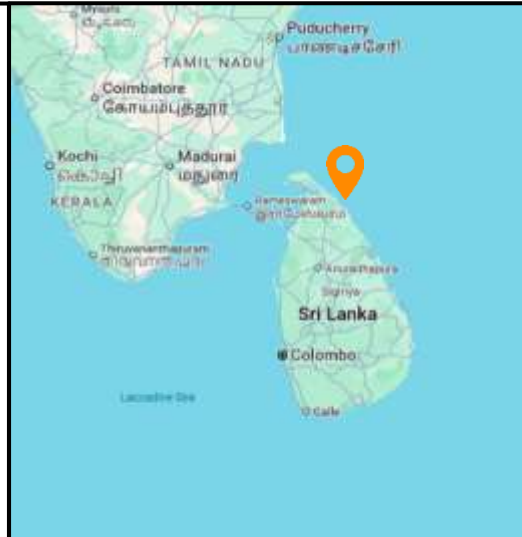
IUU FISHING



07 Sep/Stock of Fish Caught Using Explosives Seized in Mullaitivu/Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.07	Sri Lanka	Mullaitivu	Destructive Fishing practices		The stock of fish and a 38-year-old woman from Pudukuduiruppu, linked to the incident, were transferred to the Mullaitivu Office of the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources for legal proceedings.

A joint operation by the Sri Lanka Navy and the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources resulted in the seizure of over 3,200kg of fish caught with explosives in Mullaitivu on 7 September 2026. The search, conducted by SLNS Gotabaya and local fisheries officers, targeted a suspicious fish collecting center at Puttumatalan beach.



Source -: <https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/september/stock-of-fish-caught-using-explosives-seized-in-mullaitivu.html>



05 Sep/US Strikes and Disables Three Oil Tankers/United States

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.05	Iran	Gulf Of Oman	Other Military /Coastguard activities	Name : DOWNY Name : STARK I Name : KYLO	US forces disabled three crude oil tankers in retaliation for an unprovoked missile attack by the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) on US aircraft carriers on September 5. CENTCOM confirmed that the aircraft carriers successfully evaded the missiles.

The US attacked three Iranian oil tankers: the Downy, which is now disabled off Kharg Island; the Stark 1, disabled near Jask; and the Kylo, reportedly destroyed in the Gulf of Oman. CENTCOM linked these ships to a network supporting the IRGC, warning that further attacks could result in heightened economic repercussions. Iran condemned the strikes as violations of the UN Charter, while the IRGC claimed to have damaged three US vessels in retaliation, a claim CENTCOM denies. Additionally, Iran plans to announce a Restricted Navigation Zone outside the Strait of Hormuz, impacting vessels that do not coordinate with Tehran.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13224/us-strikes-and-disables-three-oil-tankers-in-retaliation-for>



07 Sep/Indian Navy Seeks Indigenous SATCOM Terminals for Warship Connectivity/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.07	India	-	Naval Activities	-	The Indian Navy aims to develop satellite communication terminals for its warships to enhance secure communications and strengthen network-centric warfare capabilities.

The Navy has issued an Expression of Interest (EoI) for ship-based C-band and Ku-band SATCOM terminals under the Make-II procurement framework. These systems will enable warships to maintain secure voice, data, and video links at significant distances from shore, reducing reliance on imported equipment. Initially, three prototypes will be developed: a large C-band terminal, a large Ku-band terminal, and a smaller Ku-band terminal, with potential production of about 30 units thereafter.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/indian-navy-seeks-indigenous-satcom-terminals-to-improve-connectivity-between-warships/>



07 Sep/Indo-German Maritime Pact Boosts Specialized Vessel Construction/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.07	India	-	Foreign affairs	-	India and Germany have signed a Letter of Intent at SMM 2026 to enhance maritime growth, during an event that attracted over 50,000 participants from 120 countries.

Buoyancy Consultants, a leading Indian naval ship design firm, has partnered with German company Neptune Ship Design GmbH to create specialized vessels for various sectors, including container shipping and hospitality. This collaboration aims to address India's reliance on foreign shipping for its import-export trade, which costs approximately \$75 billion annually.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/indo-german-maritime-pact-to-boost-construction-of-specialised-container-passenger-research-vessels/>



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