

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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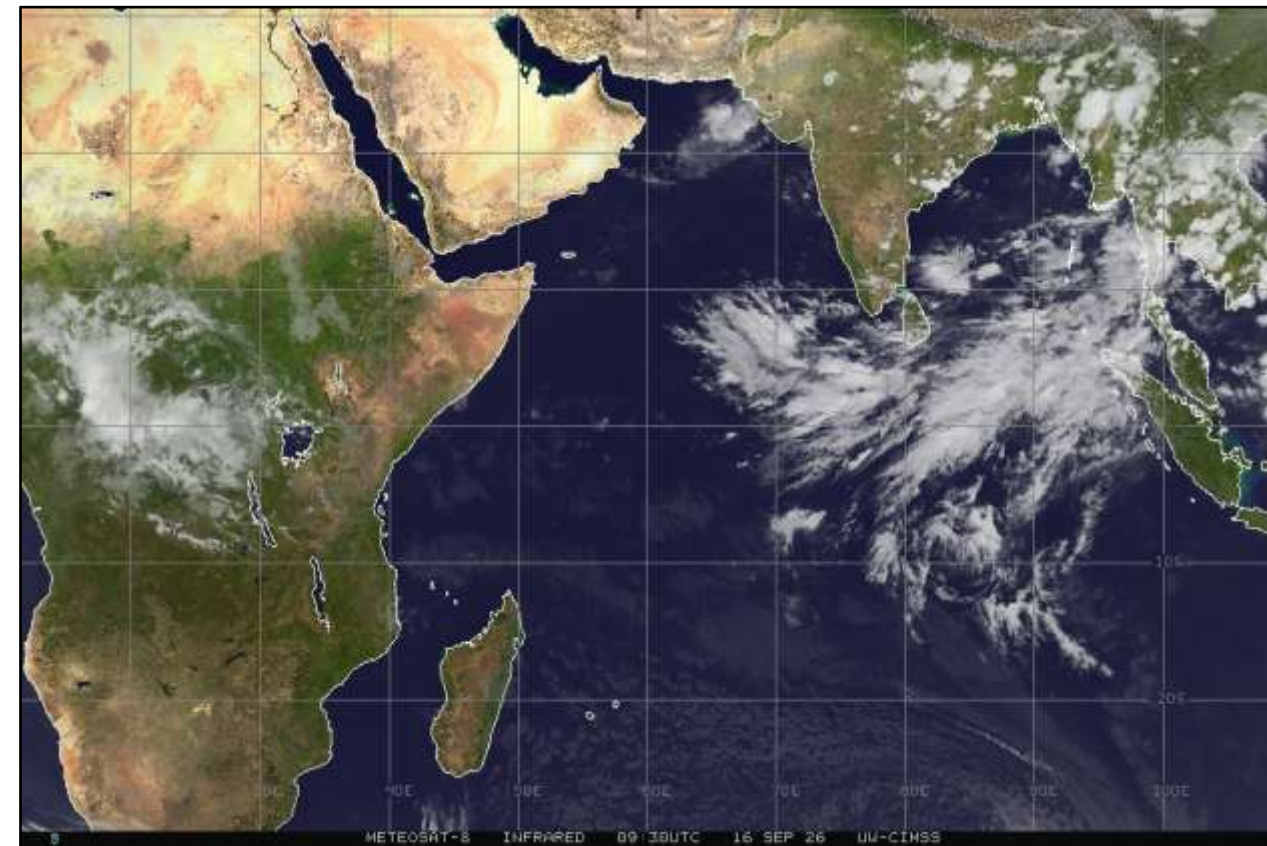
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Date 2026.09.17

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: 2026.09.16/1400UTC to 2026.09.17/0600UTC

Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.09.16

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

Shear line is approximately along: 03N 60E, EQ 70E, 01S 80E, 1N 90E, 1N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 10, 15, 25, 30, 35.

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 05, 45, 50, 60, 65, 70, 85 .

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 70E : SW'ly to NW'ly / (10-15) kts.

From 70E to 80E : NW'ly to SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 05, 25.

East of 80E : SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 30 kts in sections 10, 30.

South of Shear line:

SE'ly / (15-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 60, 65, 70 and gusting up to 30 kts in sections 80, 85.

Seas:

Fairly rough, rough at times in section : 10, 30, 80, 85.

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 05, 15, 25, 60, 65, 70.

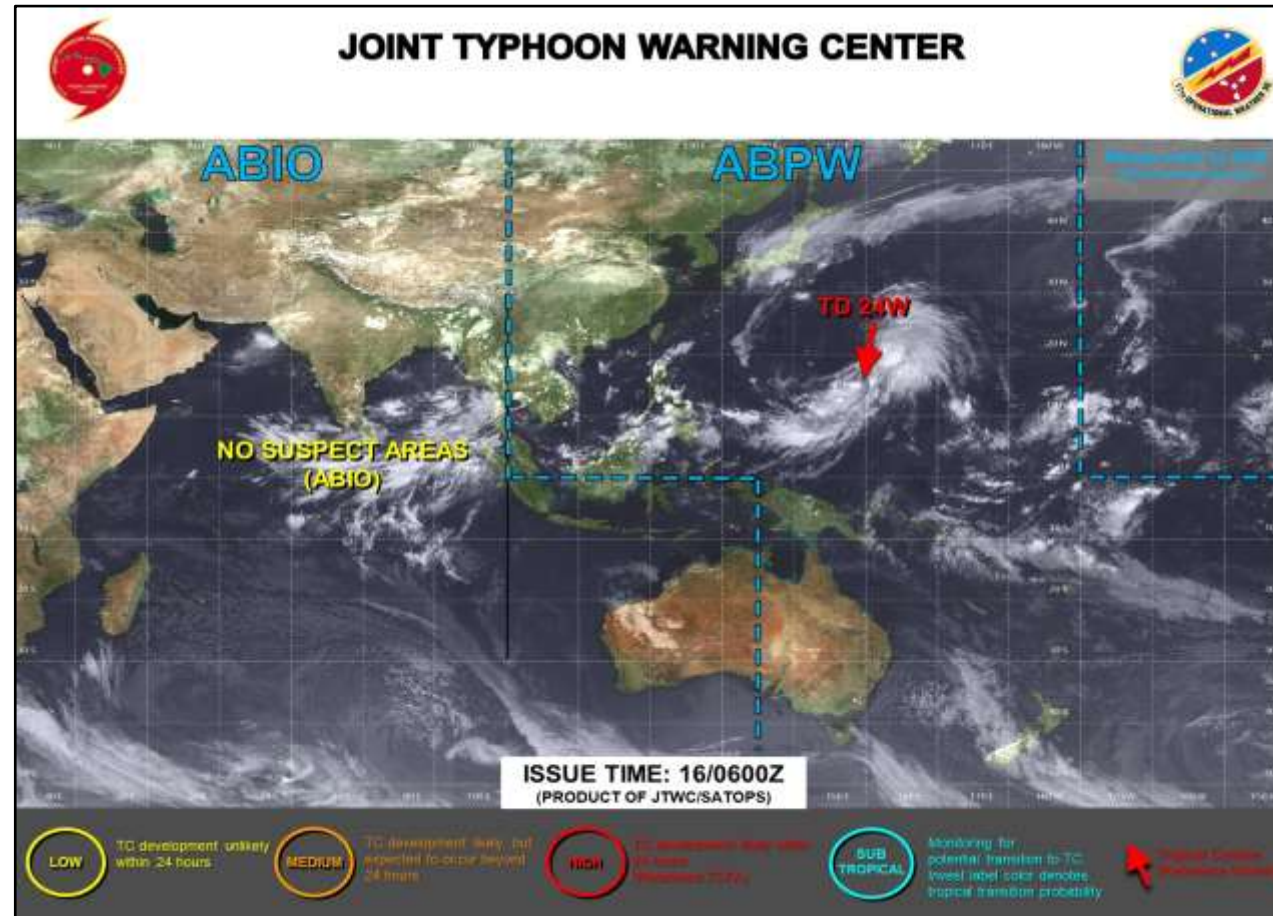
Moderate in sections : 55, 75.

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

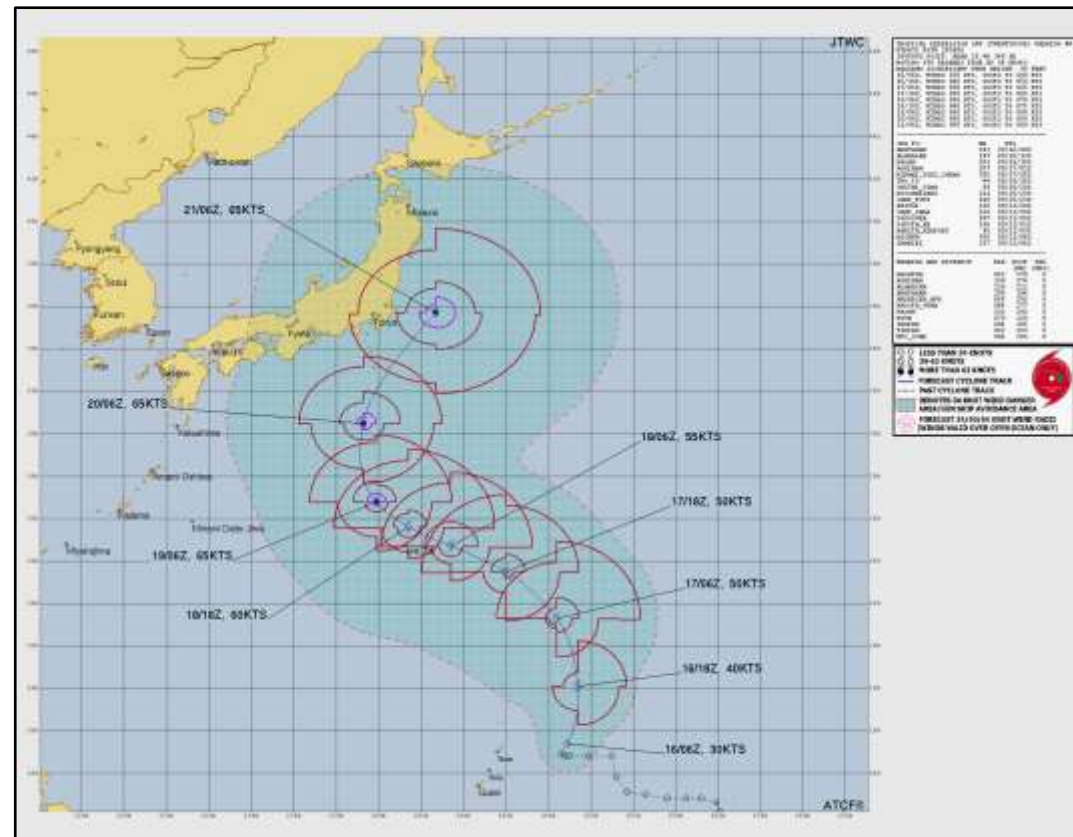


• Source: <https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>

CYCLONE



TROPICAL CYCLONE "TWENTYFOUR"



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SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

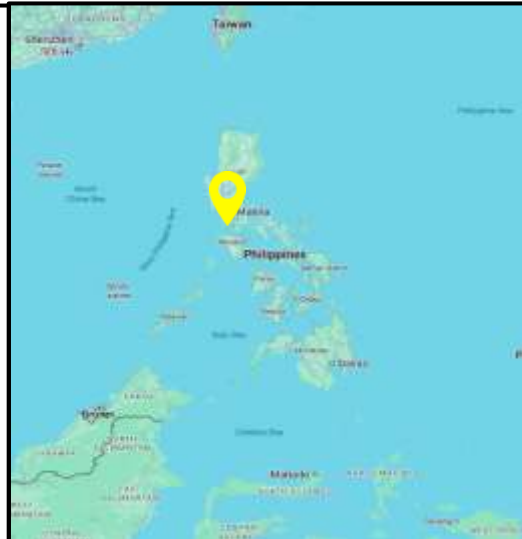
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17 Sep/Passenger Vessel Runs Aground Off Occidental Mindoro/Philippines

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.17	Philippines	Off Barangay Udalo	Grounding/Stranding	Name-IRORO Master 5 Type- Passenger	The RORO Master 5, a passenger Ro-Ro vessel, ran aground off Occidental Mindoro, Philippines, due to a gyrocompass failure that led it off course. All 80 passengers were safely evacuated, and there were no reports of marine pollution or water ingress.

The vessel grounded about 30 metres from shore while traveling from Batangas Port to Abra de Ilog due to a gyrocompass failure. All 80 passengers and 24 units of rolling cargo were safe, and four liferafts were used for evacuation. No marine pollution or water ingress occurred, and a tugboat was arranged to refloat the vessel.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13248/passenger-vessel-runs-aground-off-occidental-mindoro-in-phil>

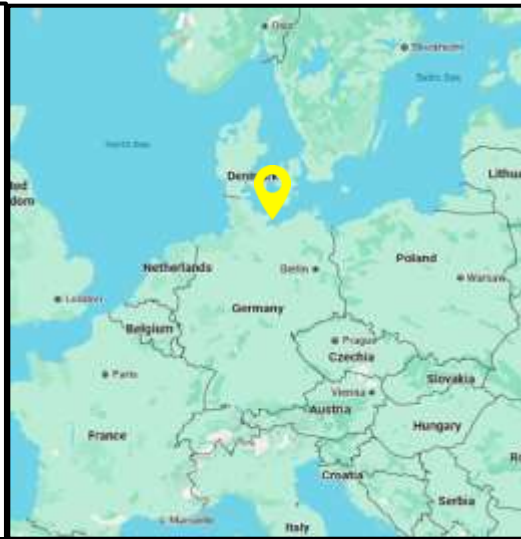
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16 Sep/Hazardous Substance Leak Forces Ferry Evacuation at Rostock Port /Germany

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.16	Germany	Rostock Port	Patient Onboard (POB)	Name-Vorpommern Tyep-- Ro-Ro Passenger Ship Flag-Sweden	A hazardous substance leak from a railway wagon on the Ro-Ro passenger ship Mecklenburg-Vorpommern at Rostock Port led to the evacuation of 168 passengers and 41 crew members. Three individuals suffered minor injuries, and four crew members were taken to the hospital for precautionary examination.

A hazardous substance leaked from a railway wagon during loading, prompting the evacuation of 168 passengers and 41 crew members. Three individuals incurred minor injuries, while four crew members were hospitalized for precautionary checks. Firefighters and water police successfully contained the area.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13247/hazardous-substance-leak-forces-ferry-evacuation-at-rostock->

IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



17 Sep/Yemenis take to boats to flee as Middle East war spreads/Yemen

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.17	Yemen	Red Sea, Yemen–Africa maritime route	Overcrowded vessels	Crowded migrant boat	Yemeni civilians are risking dangerous sea conditions to escape conflict, using crowded boats to reach Africa across the Red Sea.

Yemeni civilians fled fighting between Houthi fighters and Saudi-backed forces by boarding overcrowded boats across the Red Sea to Africa, facing seasickness during the journey.



Source -: <https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/trump-hopes-iran-war-nearing-end-houthi-saudi-fighting-escalates-2026-09-17/>

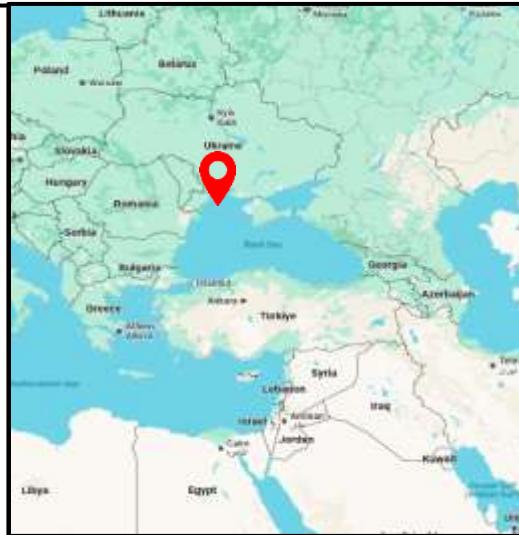


PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

16 Sep/Drone Attack Kills Master, Injures Three Crewmembers /Ukraine

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.16	Ukraine	Black Sea, near Odesa	Assault Violations	-	A Russian drone strike damaged the vessel's deck and superstructure. The Master was killed and at least three crew members were injured.

A Ukraine-bound merchant vessel was attacked by a Russian drone in the Black Sea near Odesa, resulting in the death of the Master and injuries to at least three crew members.



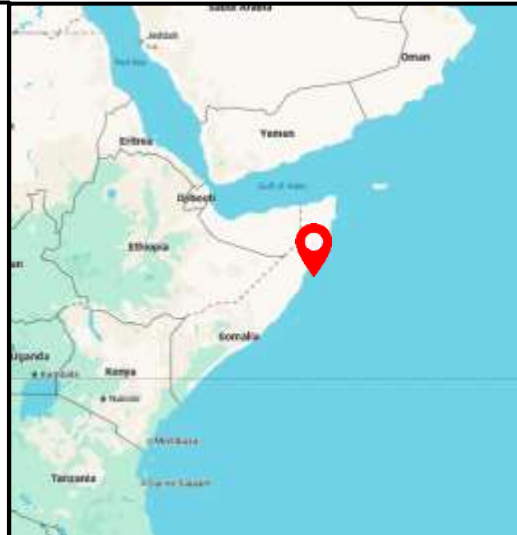
Source -: <https://maritime-executive.com/article/drone-attack-kills-master-injures-three-crewmembers-in-black-sea>

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11 Sep/General Cargo Vessel Released By Pirates After Months in Captivity/Somalia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.11	Somalia	Near Garacad, Puntland	Piracy	Name -MV Sward Tyep –Cargo Flag - Saint Kitts and Nevis	The general cargo vessel Sward was released by Somali pirates near Garacad, Puntland, on 11 Sep, after being held since 26 April. All 17 crew members were reported safe, and the pirates abandoned the vessel in small boats.

The vessel was hijacked off Dhinowda, northern Somalia, on 26 Apr 26, and later used as a mothership by pirates. It was released near Garacad on 11 Sep after several months in captivity, with all 17 crew members reported safe. A ransom payment was mentioned but remains unconfirmed.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13249/general-cargo-vessel-released-by-pirates-after-months-in-cap>

OTHER



17 Sep/India says new US tariffs over Russian oil could hit ties, vows to protect energy security/India

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.17	India	New Delh	Foreign Affairs	-	India cautioned that the U.S. tariffs on Russian oil buyers may impact bilateral relations, while reiterating its dedication to energy security and diversification of oil suppliers.

India has expressed concerns that the proposed U.S. tariffs on countries buying Russian oil may impact bilateral relations. The country remains focused on securing reliable and affordable energy from various sources while protecting its trade and economic interests.



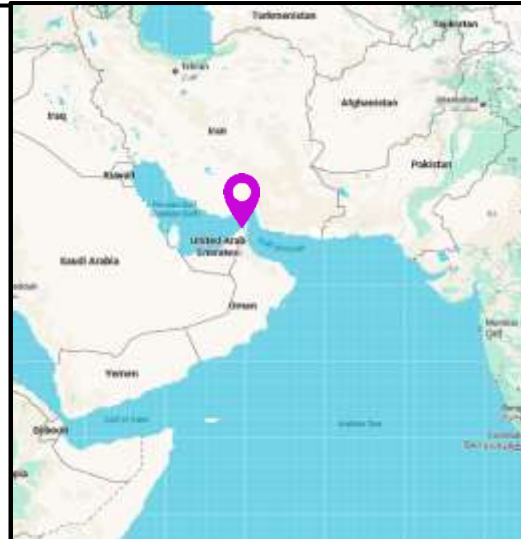
Source -: https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/india-vows-protect-energy-security-warns-us-tariffs-could-hit-ties-2026-09-17/?utm_source=chatgpt.com



17 Sep/Hormuz Route Negotiations Would Have Handed Entry and Exit Control/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.17	Iran	Strait of Hormuz, Gulf Region	Foreign affairs	-	Diplomatic negotiations concerning navigation in the Strait of Hormuz have encountered resistance from GCC states, amid ongoing tensions in Yemen and regional military developments that threaten maritime security and commercial shipping.

Negotiations between Iran and Oman regarding navigation in the Strait of Hormuz encountered resistance from other GCC states over control arrangements and their impact on international navigation rights. Additionally, the report highlights ongoing security issues in Yemen and a CENTCOM meeting with GCC and regional officials about sustaining U.S. military presence and ensuring safe passage for commercial shipping.



Source -: https://maritime-executive.com/editorials/hormuz-route-negotiations-would-have-handed-substantial-control-to-iran?utm_source=chatgpt.com



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