

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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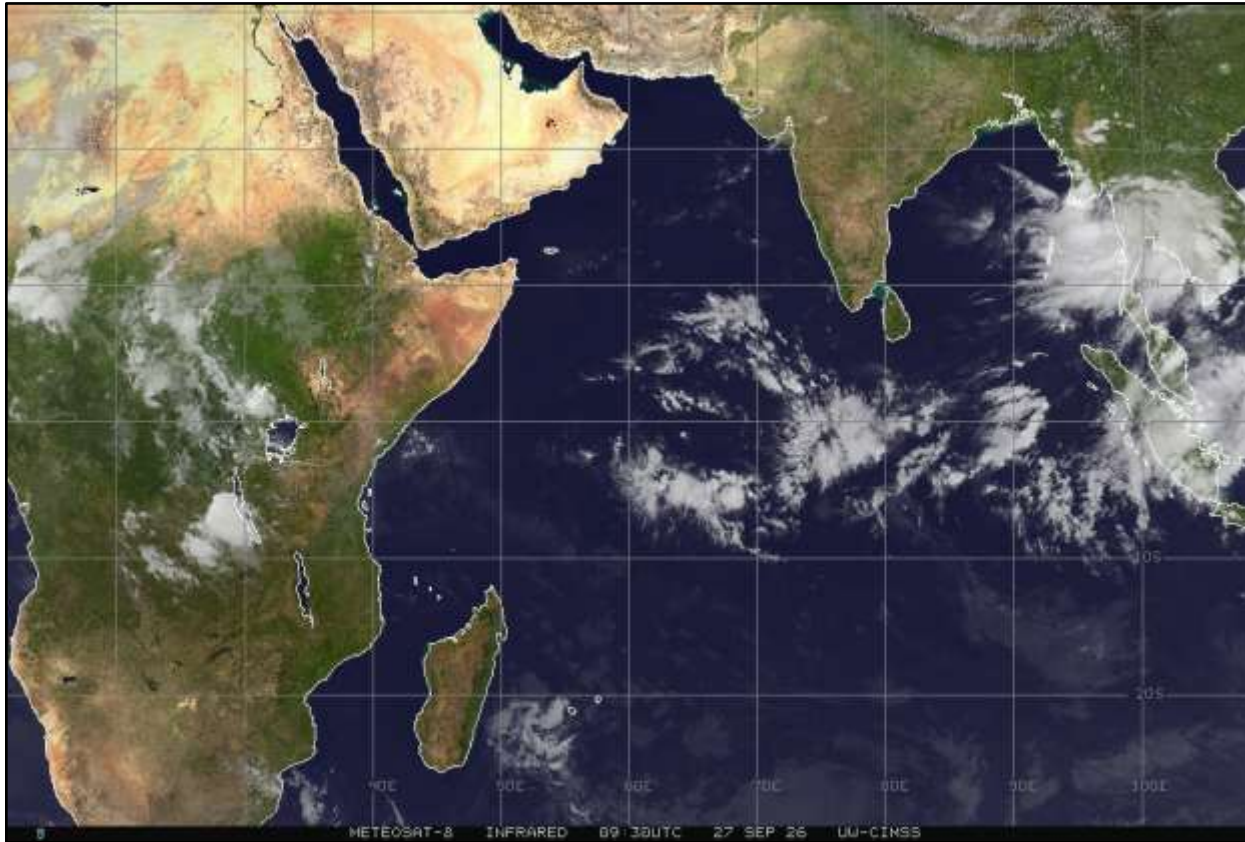
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Date 2026.09.27

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: 2026.09.27/1400UTC to 2026.09.28/0600UTC
Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.09.27

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

Shear line is approximately along: 04N 60E, 01N 70E, 01S 80E, EQ 90E, 06N 100E.

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 40, 60.
SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 15, 25, 30, 35, 45, 55.
ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line:

West of 80E : NW'ly to SW'ly / (10-15) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 05.
East of 80E : SW'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 10.

South of Shear line: E'ly to SE'ly / (10-20) kts; gusting up to 25 kts in sections 60 and 85.

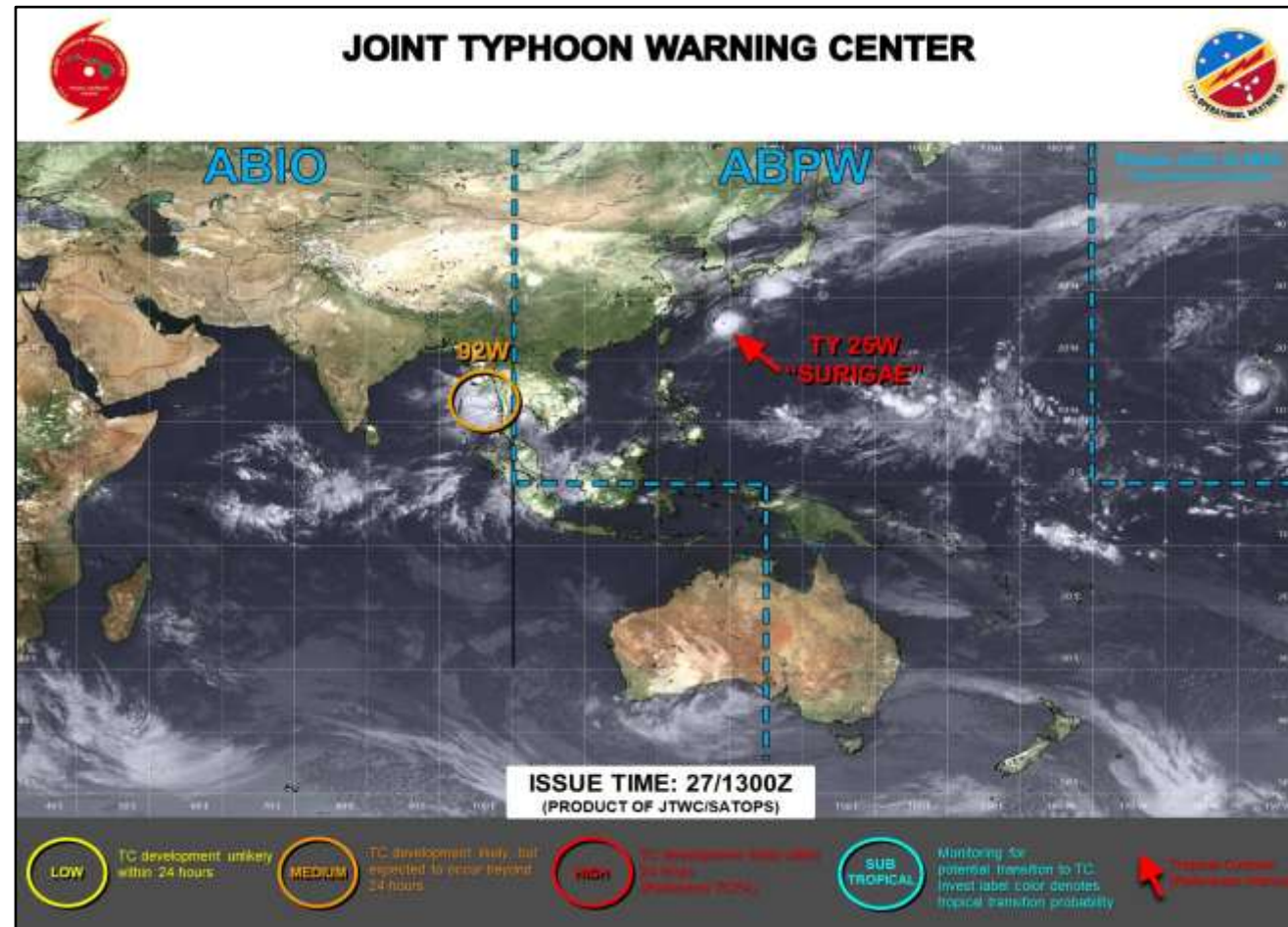
Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 10, 60, 85.
Slight, fairly rough at times in section : 05.
Moderate in sections : 15, 65, 75, 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>

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



SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	02
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
 Smuggling	NIL
 IUU Fishing	NIL
 Narcotic	01
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marine Environment Pollution	01
 Other	NIL
Total Incidents	04

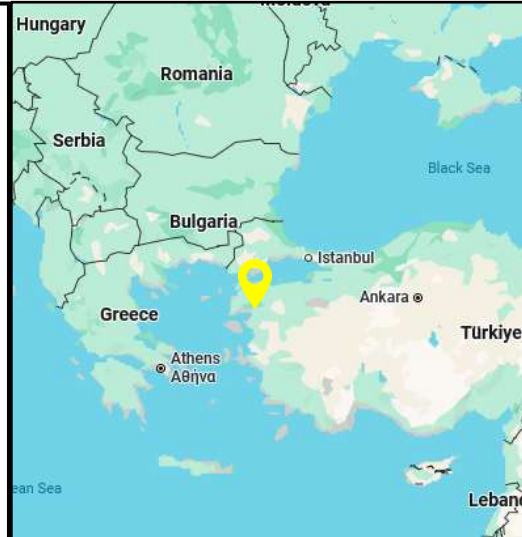
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26 Sep/ Oil Tanker Towed After Machinery Failure in Çanakkale Strait/Turkey

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.26	Turkey	Off Nara	Mechanical breakdown/Engine Failure /No Communication	Name: BALTIC STAR Type: Tanker IMO: 9327396	Baltic Star has safely anchored in the Dark Harbor Anchorage Area of Canakkale following an incident.

The Liberian-flagged oil tanker BALTIC STAR experienced a machinery breakdown off Nara in the Çanakkale Strait on 26 Sep 26, while sailing from Spain to Tuzla. The vessel was safely towed by Rescue-13 and Rescue-17 under the coordination of the Çanakkale Ship Traffic Services Center.



Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/no/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13266/oil-tanker-towed-after-machinery-failure-in-turkish-strait>

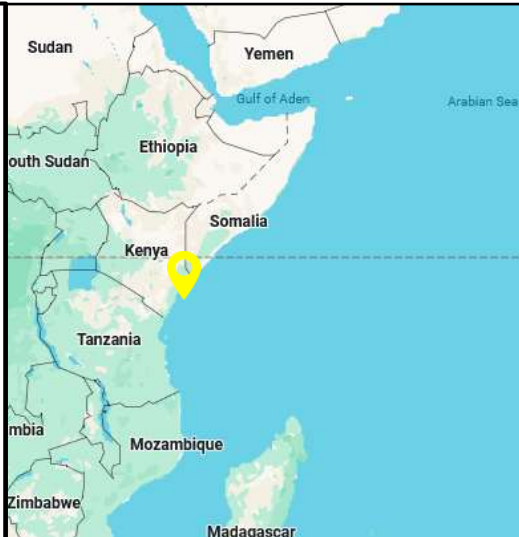
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23 Sep/ Boat Capsizes Off Lamu Coast, 4 Missing/Kenya

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.23	Kenya	Off Lamu	Capsizing/Sinking	Name: MV SHUKRANI	Authorities are intensifying search and rescue operations in response to rising incidents of vessel capsizing along the coast, attributed to rough waters. Investigations into the causes of these incidents are also underway at the coast amid calls for caution because of the rough waters.

Six crew members were rescued, while four are still missing after MV SHUKRANI capsized off Lamu county at around 2200 hrs on 23 Sep 26. Fishermen nearby responded and saved six of the ten people on board. The rescued individuals were treated at Kiwayu Dispensary and later questioned by police, who are investigating the incident. The boat was reportedly en route from Lamu to Somalia, carrying foodstuffs. Search efforts for the missing crew members are ongoing.



Source -: <https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2026-09-27-four-missing-after-boat-capsizes-off-lamu-coast>

NARCOTIC



27 Sep/Sri Lanka Navy Seizes 45.5kg of Ice and 35.7kg of Heroin in Northern Coast Raid/Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.27	Sri Lanka	Kusumanthurei	Seizure of narcotics	One dinghy	The narcotics consignment, suspect, and dinghy were transferred to the Jaffna Police Narcotic Bureau for legal proceedings.

The Sri Lanka Navy seized narcotics worth over Rs 1.5 billion at Kusumanthurei, Jaffna, on 27 Sep 26, apprehending one suspect and confiscating a dinghy. Acting on credible information, personnel from SLNS Agbo intercepted the smuggling operation, leading to the seizure of approximately 45.5 kg of Ice (Methamphetamine) and 35.7 kg of Heroin, totaling around 81 kg of narcotics.



Source -: <https://www.lankapress.com/sri-lanka-navy-seizes-45-5kg-of-ice-and-35-7kg-of-heroin-in-northern-coast-raid/>

MARINE ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION



24 Sep/Sri Lanka Coast Guard Swiftly Responds to Oil Spill at Dikovita International South Harbour/Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.09.24	Sri Lanka	Dikovita Harbour	Oil Spill	Name- TROPIC FISHERY 102	The containment and skimming operations are still in progress.

The Sri Lanka Coast Guard Oil Spill Response teams promptly addressed an oil spill at Dikovita International South Harbour on 24 Sep 26. The spill originated from the fishing vessel IMUL -A- 0074-CBO TROPIC FISHERY 102, berthed at Finger 1 pier, and was detected around 1500hrs. The response teams were immediately deployed to initiate containment measures.



Source -: <https://news.coastguard.gov.lk/news/2026/09/26/202609261400/#prettyPhoto>



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