DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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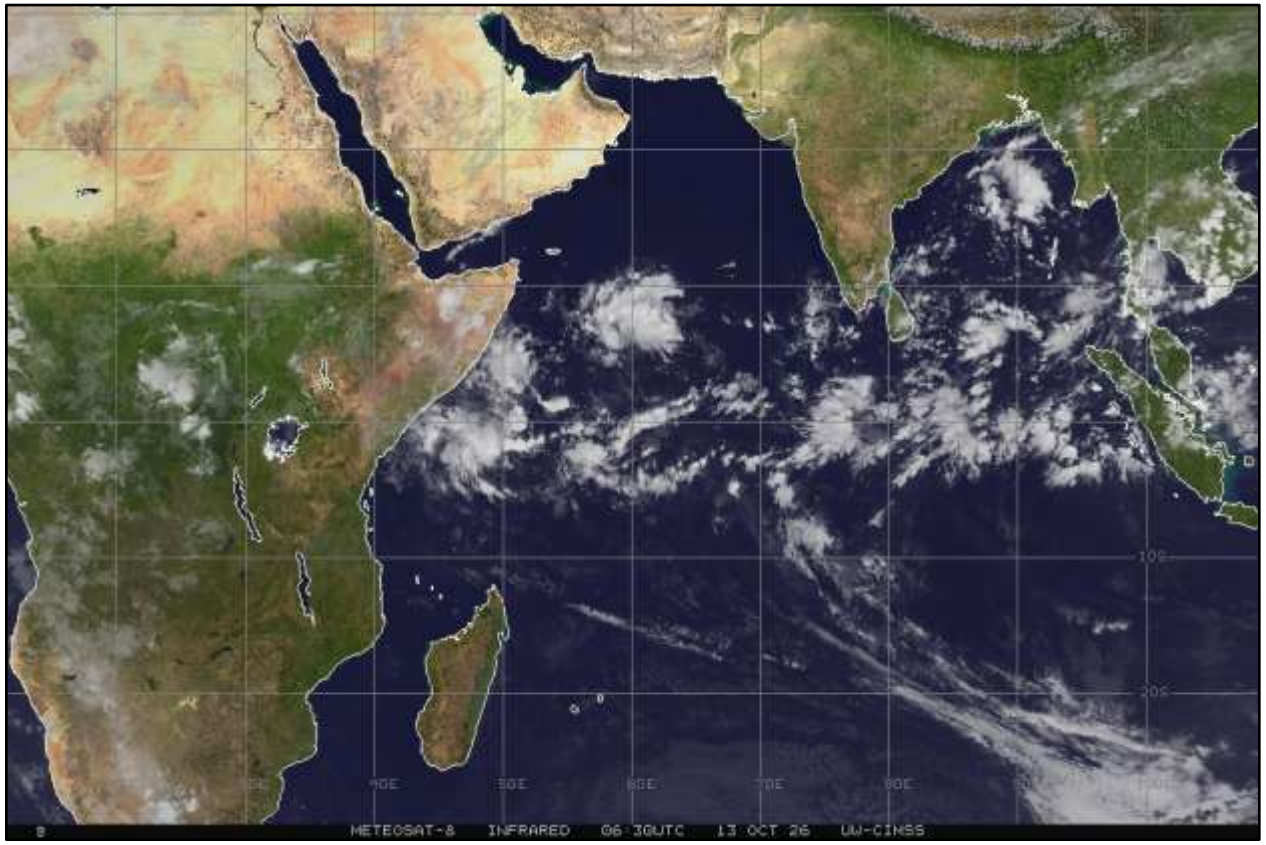


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WEATHER FORECAST

Weather Forecast for Next 24 hrs



Fleet Forecast for Area - E
Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.
Valid period: 2026.10.13/1400UTC to 2026.10.14/0600UTC
Issued at 1200UTC on 2026.10.13

To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard
Due to low-level atmospheric disturbance persists in the Bay of Bengal vicinity of Sri Lanka, an increase in rainfall is expected over the deep and shallow sea areas around the island during the next few daysThe naval and fishing communities, are requested to be attentive to the future forecasts and bulletins issued by the Department of Meteorology in this regard
Shear line is approximately along: 02S 60E, 04S 70E, 02S 80E, 04N 90E, 05N 100E.

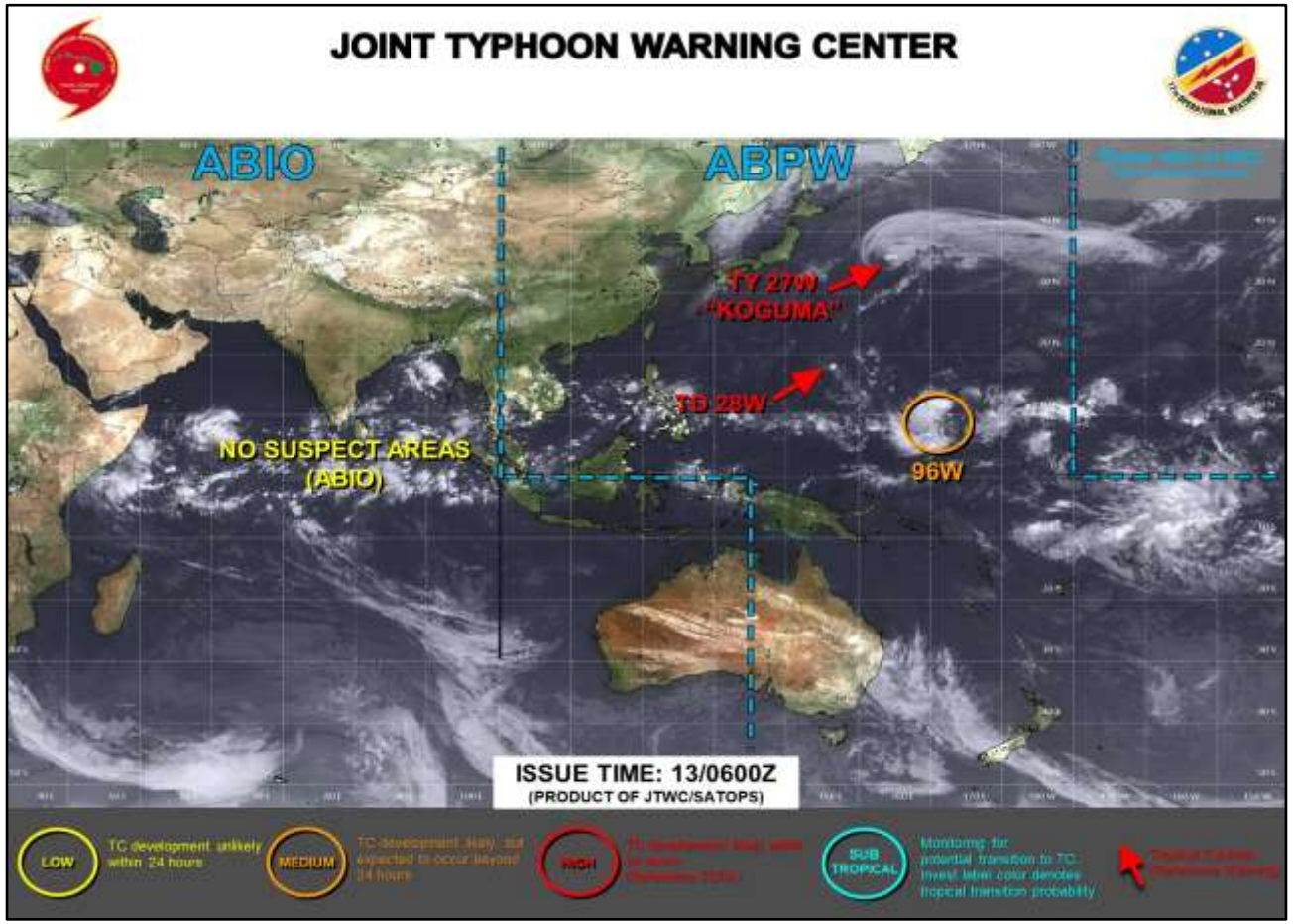
Weather:
OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50.
SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 05, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, 60, 65.
ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.
Winds:
North of Shear line:
West of 70E : SW'ly to SE'ly or Variable/ (05-15) kt.
In between 70E and 85E : SW'ly or Variable/ (05-15) kt; gusting up to 25 kt in sections 30.
East of 85E : SE'ly to S'ly or Variable/ (05-15) kt.

South of Shear line:
West of 80E : SE'ly / (15-20) kt; gusting up to 25 kt in sections 60, 65, 80.
East of 80E : E'ly to SE'ly / (10-20) kt.
Seas:
Rough in sections : 30.
Fairly rough in sections : 60, 65, 80.
Moderate in sections : 05, 10, 20, 25, 40, 45, 50, 55, 70, 75, 85.
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

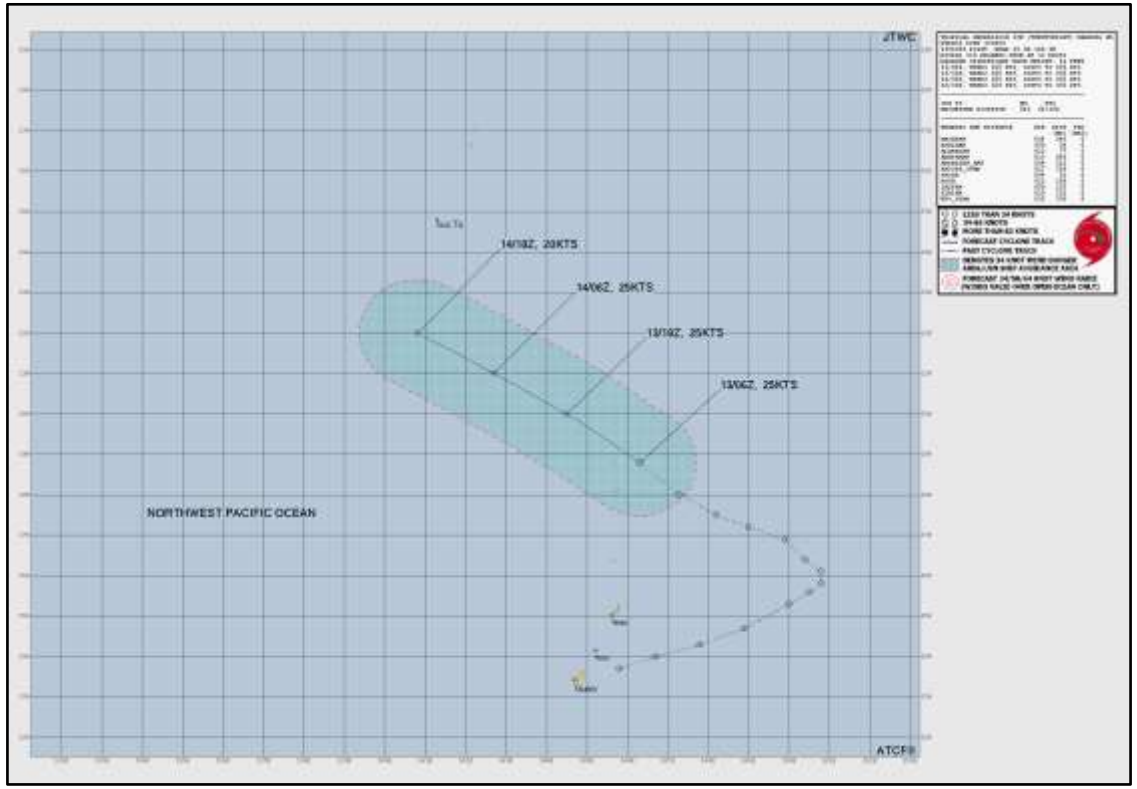
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- Source: https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html

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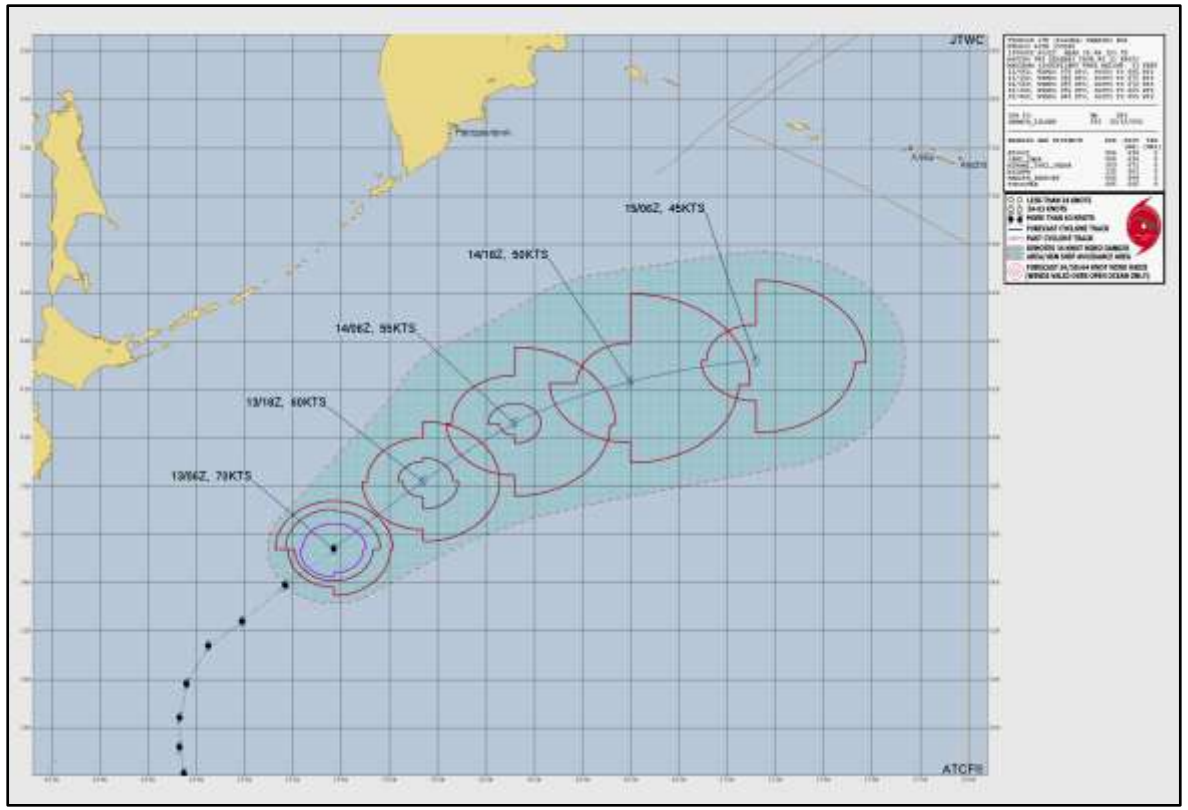
TROPICAL CYCLONE “Twentyeight”



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

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TROPICAL CYCLONE "KOGUMA"



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SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	NIL
Piracy & Armed Robbery	02
Smuggling	01
IUU Fishing	01
Narcotic	NIL
Irregular Human Migration	NIL
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	01
Total Incidents	05

PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

11 Oct/Two Seafarers Missing After Drone Attack on Tanker/Iran

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.11	Iran	Strait of Hormuz	Attacked in High-risk areas	-	UKMTO is observing increased geopolitical tensions, highlighted by over 20 suspected Iranian attacks in a month, causing a reduction in ballast voyage tanker traffic into the Gulf of Oman. At least 10 VLCCs and several Suezmaxes are diverting to Fujairah, a significant U.S.-backed export transfer location.

On 11 Oct 26, UK Maritime Trade Operations reported six unprecedented attacks on ships in the Strait of Hormuz, targeting tankers and a container ship, although crews remained unharmed in some cases. The Iranian IRGC Navy also claimed an attack on a tanker, intensifying maritime tensions. Additionally, a recent strike on the Petro Dolphin resulted in two seafarers missing, following prior incidents from October 9-10 that damaged several vessels. UKMTO is actively monitoring the escalating situation.





Source -: https://maritime-executive.com/article/ukmto-reports-third-strike-in-a-day-on-a-tanker-in-the-mideast

PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

11 Oct/Pakistan Coast Guards Repel BLA Ambush Near Jiwan/Pakistan

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.11	Pakistan	Near Jiwan	Assault violations	-	The recent arrest in Gwadar and the weapon recovery near Gabd–Jiwani highlight the significance of intelligence-led operations to uncover suspected terrorist networks and concealed arms. These actions are part of a broader security initiative in Balochistan aimed at dismantling such networks and preventing future attacks.

On 11 Oct 26 Pakistan Coast Guards thwarted a terrorist ambush by the banned BLA near Jiwani during an anti-smuggling patrol, resulting in the deaths of at least 28 attackers. The Coast Guards responded effectively after being fired upon, with no fatalities reported among their ranks, although six personnel were injured. Following the incident, BLA claimed success using selective footage, which the Coast Guards disputed. Additionally, a joint operation on October 8-9 led to a significant seizure of weapons and explosives near Gabd-Jiwani, disrupting potential terrorist operations in the coastal region.





Source -: https://balochistanpulse.com/jiwani-ambush-foiled-28-bla-terrorists-killed-gwadar/

SMUGGLING

08 Oct/Navy seizes consignment of smuggled dry ginger off Kalpitiya /Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.08	Sri Lanka	off Kalpitiya	Contraband/Goods smuggling	-	The seized consignment will be handed over to the Kalpitiya Police for onward legal action.

The Sri Lanka Navy seized over 1,189kg of suspected smuggled dry ginger during a search operation off Thalawila, Kalpitiya on 13 Oct 26. Conducted by SLNS Vijaya from the Northwestern Naval Command, the operation involved inspecting 26 suspicious sacks of dry ginger found floating in the sea, believed to have been abandoned by smugglers due to increased naval surveillance in the region.





Source -: https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/navy-seizes-consignment-of-smuggled-dry-ginger-off-kalpitiya.html

IUU FISHING

11 Oct/Nine Foreign Fishermen Detained off Selangor/Malaysia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.11	Malaysia	off Selangor	Fishing without license	-	Approximately 1,450kg of mixed fish were seized, and the vessels were taken to the Marine Police jetty for investigation under the Fisheries Act 1985 and Immigration Act 1959/63 due to fishing license violations and document failures..

Foreign fishermen were detained by the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) for lacking valid identification and work permits during operations involving two fishing vessels off Selangor. The detentions, which included five Myanmar and four Indonesian nationals, occurred during routine patrols.

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Source -: https://thesun.my/news/nine-foreign-fishermen-detained-selangor-maritime/

OTHERS

12 Oct/French Navy Boards Russia-Linked Tanker in the Indian Ocean/Reunion Island

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.12	Reunion Island	seas of the Indian Ocean	Naval activities	Name- DF Peak Type- Tanker	The French Navy conducted a boarding operation on 12 October 2026, following international maritime law, targeting a tanker linked to suspected illicit activities associated with Russia in the Indian Ocean.

The French Navy boarded the sanctioned, Russia-linked shadow fleet tanker DF PEAK on the high seas of the Indian Ocean, approximately 450 nm south of Réunion Island. French President Emmanuel Macron stated that the vessel was suspected of flying a false flag and engaging in illicit fuel transportation activities.





Source https://maritime-executive.com/article/french-navy-boards-russia-linked-tanker-in-the-indian-ocean



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