DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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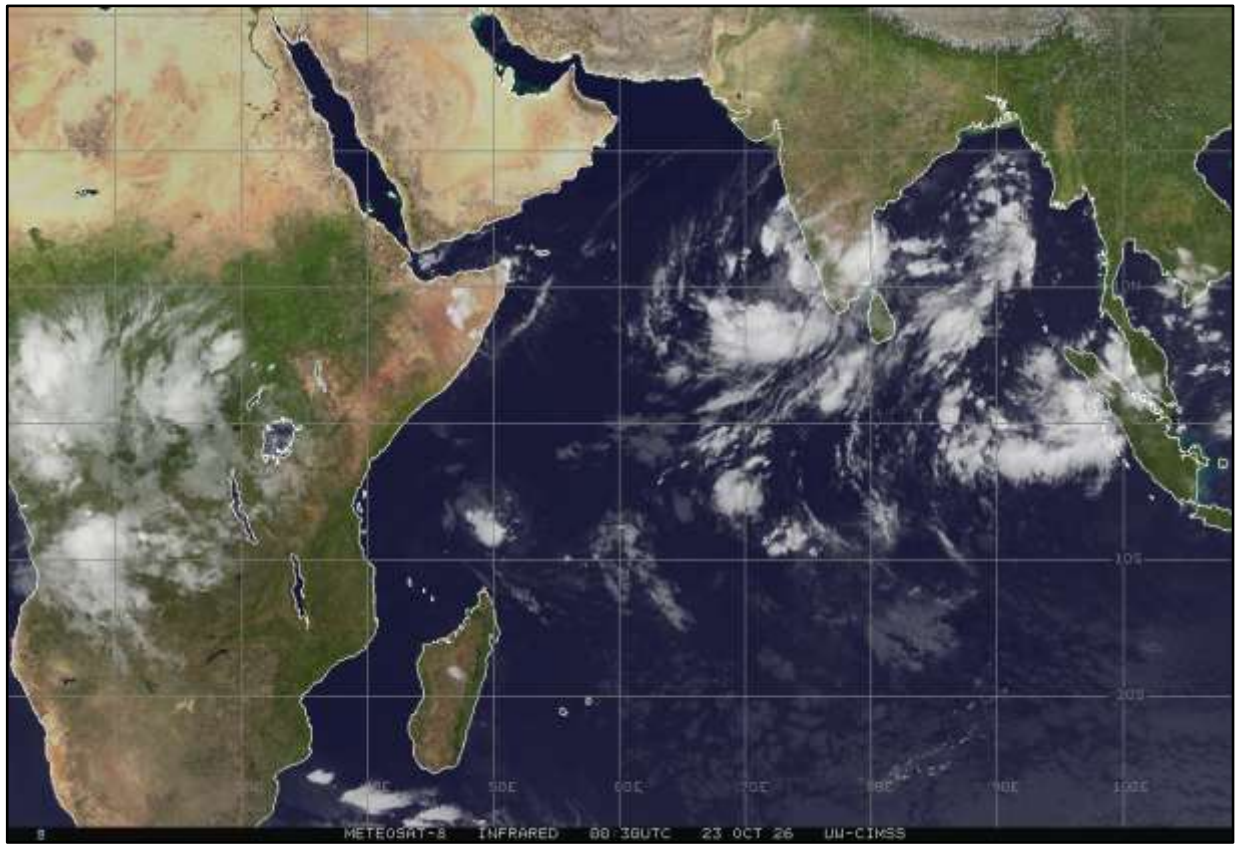


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Date 2026.10.23

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: 2026.10.23/0600UTC to 2026.10.23/1400UTC
Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.10.23
To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard
Northern limit of ITCZ is approximately along: 09N 60E, 10S 70E, 12N 80E, 16N 90E, 15N 100E.
Southern limit of ITCZ is approximately along: 01S 60E, 01S 70E, 03N 80E, 03N 90E, 01N 100E.

Weather:
OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections: 05, 10, 15, 25, 30, 35, 50, 55
SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 25, 65, 70, 80, 85
ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

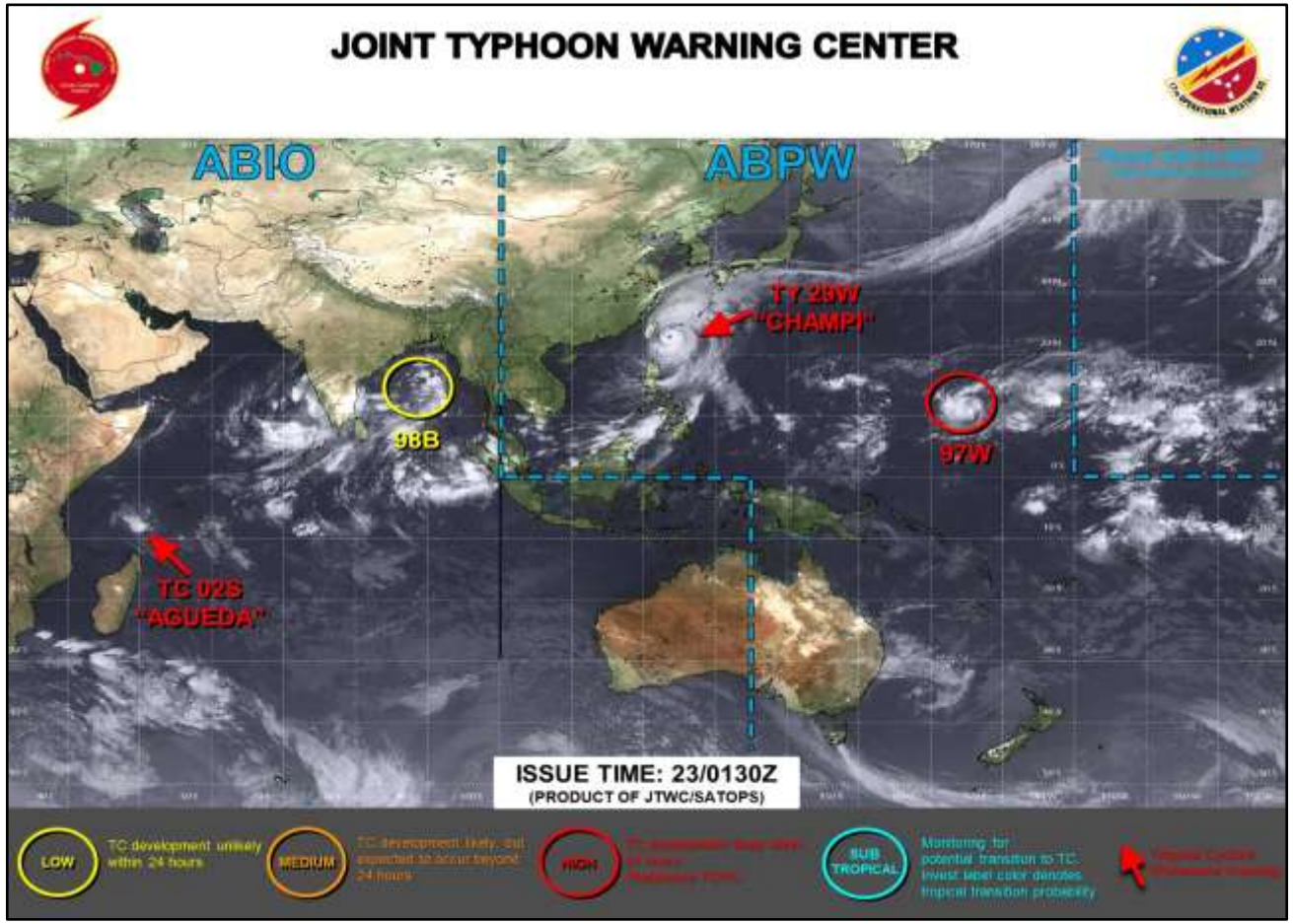
Winds:
North of Southern limit of ITCZ :
West of 70E : SW'ly to W'ly/ (10-20) kt
East of 70E : SW'ly/ (10-20) kt; gusting up to 30 kt in sections 05, 10.
South of Southern limit of ITCZ :
SE'ly / (10-20) kt; gusting up to 25 kt in sections 80, 85.

Seas:
Fairly rough, rough at times in sections :05, 10,
Fairly rough in sections :80, 85
Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections :15, 25
Moderate in sections :50, 55, 60, 70, 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

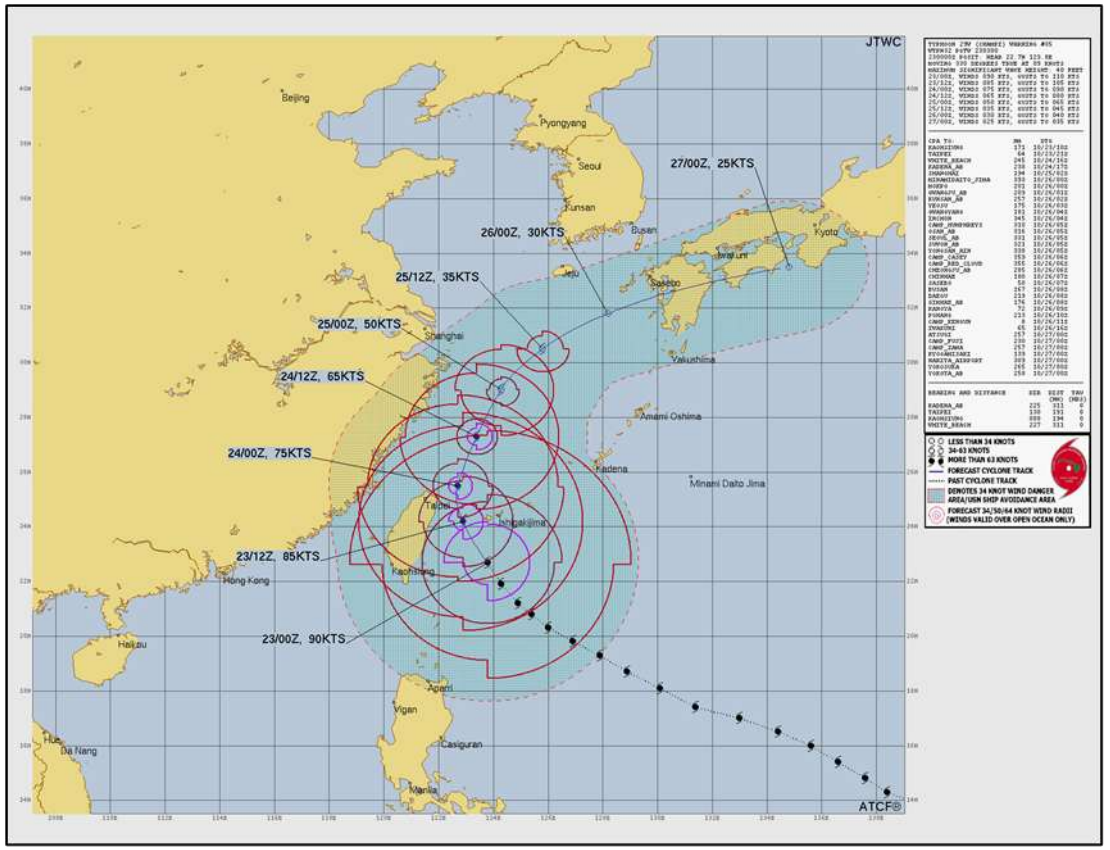
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- Source: https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html

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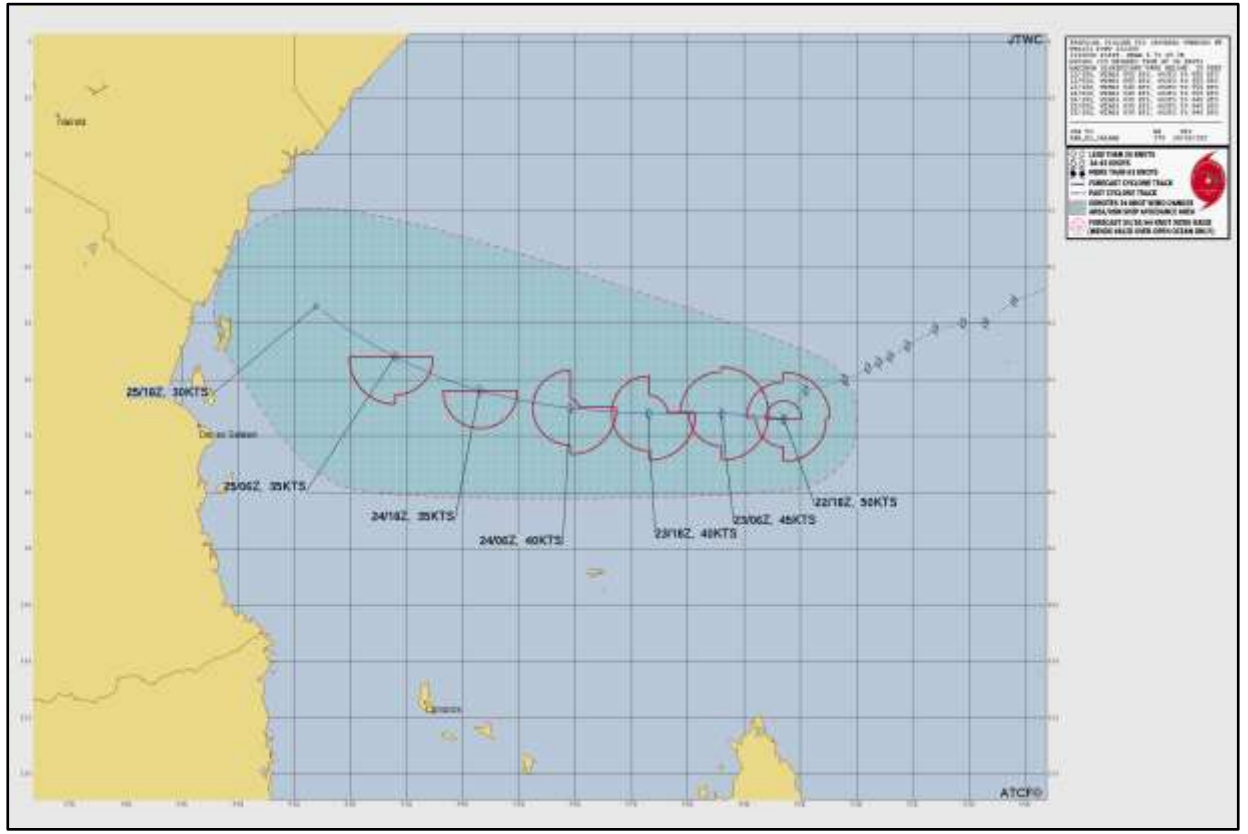
TROPICAL CYCLONE "CHAMPI"



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TROPICAL CYCLONE "AGUEDA"



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SUMMARY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



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

MARITIME INCIDENTS

22 Oct/ Houthis Claim They Rescued 14 Indians From Yacht, India Says Extending Help/ Yemen

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.22	Yemen	Near Zuqar Island	Search and Rescue (SAR)	Yacht	Yemen's Houthi forces alleged that Saudi Arabia attacked a yacht with 14 Indian nationals near Zuqar Island in the southern Red Sea, stating they were attempting to rescue those on board.

The Saudi enemy targeted an Indian yacht, carrying 14 Indian nationals, near Zuqar Island, prompting the Yemeni Armed Forces to conduct a rescue operation. This incident threatens international navigation in the Red Sea, prompting calls for the international community to intervene against such reckless actions by Saudi forces.





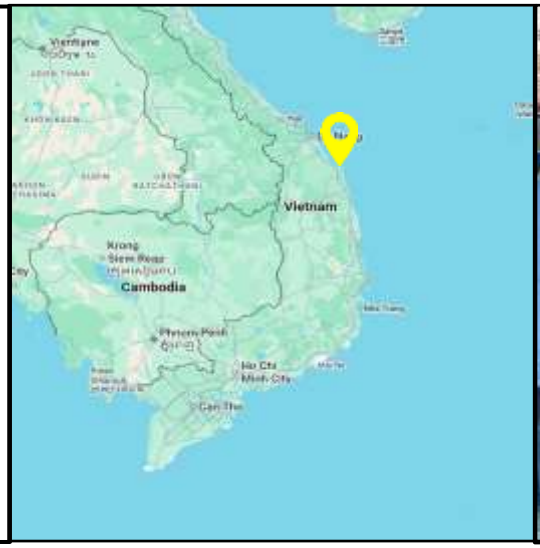
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22 Oct/ Foreign Ship Carrying 170,000 Tons of Australian Ore Arrested in After Pier Crash/ Vietnam

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.22	Vietnam	Dung Quat port	Collisions	Name- Aquacharm Type – Cargo Flag - Marshall Islands	A Marshall Islands-flagged ship with over 170,000 tons of iron ore has been detained for 30 days by a court in central Vietnam following a collision with a pier at Hoa Phat's Dung Quat port.

The 292-meter bulk carrier arrived in Dung Quat on 14 Oct 26, carrying 170,586 tons of iron ore from Port Hedland, Australia, with a crew of 22. On 18 Oct 26, while being guided to berth No. 10, the ship collided with Hoa Phat Dung Quat's pier, resulting in a 5-meter tear in its bow and hull damage. No injuries or oil spills occurred, but the pier is awaiting a damage assessment.





Source -: https://e.vnexpress.net/news/news/traffic/foreign-ship-carrying-170-000-tons-of-australian-ore-arrested-in-vietnam-after-pier-crash-5135771.html

IUU FISHING

21 Oct/ Intercepts 154 Illegal Fishing Vessels in Nine Months/ Indonesia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.21	Indonesia	Country's Waters	Poaching /Maritime boundary violations	fishing Vessels	Indonesia's Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries intercepted 154 vessels suspected of illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing in its waters from January to September 2026.

Minister of Marine Affairs and Fisheries Sakti Wahyu Trenggono emphasized the importance of intensified surveillance operations to prevent the plundering of marine resources and maximize economic benefits for local coastal communities. He also highlighted the government's initiative to expand marine protected areas (MPAs), which currently cover 31.6 million hectares as of October 2026.





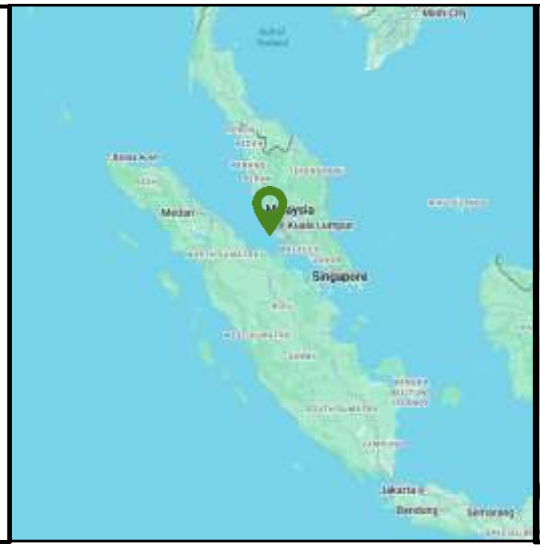
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MARINE ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION

22 Oct/ Haze or Ship Fumes? Maritime Experts Want Closer Watch on Vessel Emissions at Ports/ Malaysia

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.10.22	Malaysia	Major Ports	Air Pollution from ships	-	Authorities should assess the contribution of ship emissions to air pollution near major ports, especially during haze events from Indonesia, according to maritime expert Datuk Seri Jeyenderan M. Ramasamy.

Jeyenderan, CEO of Maritime Network Sdn Bhd, highlighted Malaysia's advantageous position along the Strait of Malacca for developing its marine fuel supply sector. However, he emphasized the importance of addressing environmental concerns, particularly the air pollutants emitted by ships using heavy fuel oil, including sulfur oxides and particulate matter.





Source -: https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2026/10/21/haze-or-ship-fumes-maritime-experts-want-closer-watch-on-vessel-emissions-at-malaysian-ports/240090



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