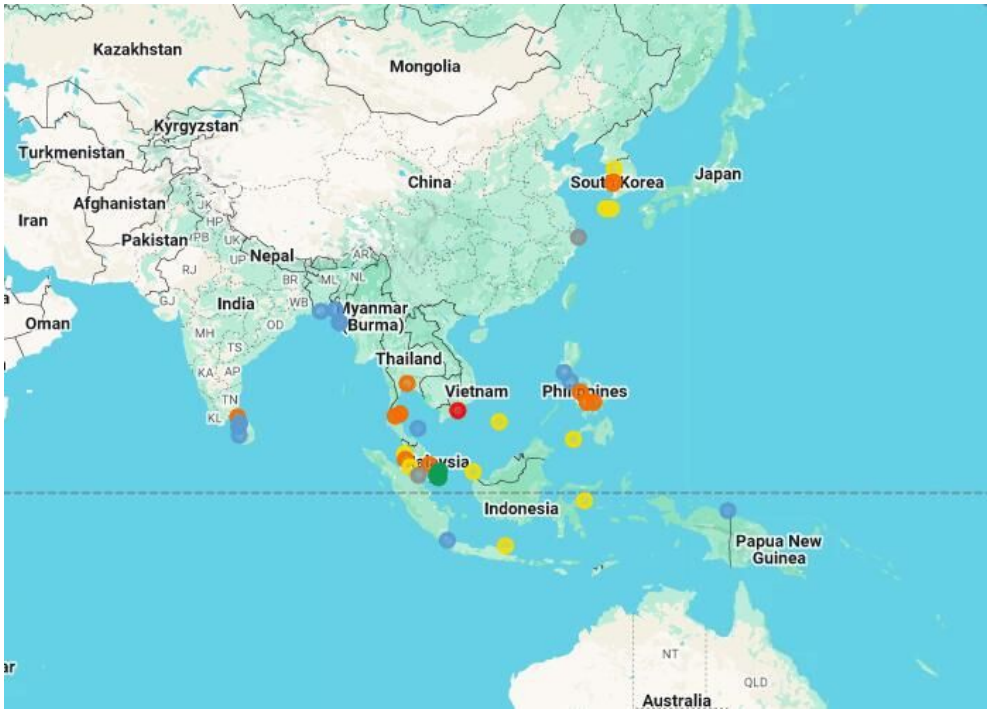


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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 03 Oct – 09 Oct 26, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

Category	Number of Updates	Number of Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery, and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	0	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	17	4-7
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	13	8-10
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	22	11-15
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	3	16
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	7	17-18
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	7	19-20
Others	1	0	21

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SECTION A: THEFT, ROBBERY AND PIRACY AT SEA (TRAPS)

Incidents:

03 Oct – Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Marshall Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam/ DB071026

On 3 Oct, an unauthorised boarding was reported involving a Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier at Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam, at 23:30 (UTC+7). While the vessel was anchored and awaiting reberthing instructions, unidentified persons approached the bulk carrier by boat and boarded the vessel.

The incident was promptly detected, and appropriate measures were taken to safeguard the vessel, personnel, and remaining stores. The perpetrators subsequently departed the vicinity. The ship master reported that paint drums were stolen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS)
VCG ILO

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SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

05 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Missing, 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chagwido, Hankyeong-myeon, Jeju, ROK/ DB061026

On 5 Oct, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown causes off Chagwido, Hankyeong-myeon, Jeju, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were two missing and nine rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=151724

04 Oct - Collision-Grounding/ Human Error/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chagwido Island, Hangyeong-myeon, Jeju, ROK/ DB061026

On 4 Oct, a fishing vessel ran aground due to human error off Chagwido Island, Hangyeong-myeon, Jeju, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were 11 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=151699

06 Oct - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Incheon Bridge, ROK/ DB071026

On 6 Oct, a fishing vessel caught fire due to unknown causes off Incheon Bridge, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=151751

04 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kerdau Island, Indonesia/ DB071026

On 4 Oct, a fishing vessel sank after striking a coral reef off Kerdau Island, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and the was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://batam.tribunnews.com/natuna/697193/pompong-nelayan-natuna-karam-di-perairan-pulau-kerdau-usai-hantam-karang?page=2#goog_rewarded

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03 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Banggai Islands, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB071026

On 3 Oct, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Banggai Islands, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were 10 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://palu.tribunnews.com/sulteng/194652/kapal-nelayan-tenggelam-di-perairan-banggai-kepulauan-30-basket-ikan-hanyut#goog_rewarded

05 Oct - Collision-Grounding/ Other/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phu Quy, Vietnam/ DB081026

On 5 Oct, a fishing vessel ran aground due to shallow waters off Phu Quy, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://vishipel.com.vn/ho-tro-tau-ca-bd-97345-ts-thoat-khoi-bai-can.htm

04 Oct - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Small Boat/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cujangan Island, Hadji Muhtamad, Basilan, Philippines/ DB081026

On 4 Oct, a small boat was adrift due to equipment failure off Cujangan Island, Hadji Muhtamad, Basilan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 10 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tribune.net.ph/2026/10/06/10-crewmembers-rescued-from-disabled-motorboat-in-sulu

08 Oct - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 1 Tugboat and 1 Tanker/ Ship to Ship Transfer/ Off Selangor, Malaysia/ DB091026

On 8 Oct, local authorities detained a tugboat and a tanker due to unauthorised ship to ship transfer off Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1GgHQTBmti/

07 Oct - Missing/ Bad Weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kuala Gula Jetty, Malaysia/ DB091026

On 7 Oct, a fishing vessel went missing due to bad weather off Kuala Gula Jetty, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1CrWn7yK5M/

07 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ 1 Missing, 17 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Semen Tuban, Indonesia/ DB091026

On 7 Oct, a cargo vessel sank after colliding with a barge off Semen Tuban, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were 17 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://ronggo.id/kapal-mv-khatulistiwa-8-tenggelam-usai-tabrakan-satu-abk-dilaporkan-hilang/

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Oct - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 4 Dredgers, 1 General Cargo Vessel/ Meghna River, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 2 Oct, local authorities detained four dredgers and a general cargo vessel due to unauthorised operation in the Meghna River, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/24b957rf

02 Oct - Adrift/ Water Ingress/ 1 Tugboat/ 3 Rescued/ Off Naruto, Tokushima Prefecture, Japan/ DB061026

On 2 Oct, a tugboat was adrift due to water ingress off Naruto, Tokushima Prefecture, Japan. There were three rescued by a nearby fishing vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/e68b89974880f7e542ed50bb4a65f7d8163e99a5

30 Sep - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Small Boat/ 76 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Saint Martin's Island, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 30 Sep, a small boat was adrift due to equipment failure off Saint Martin's Island, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and there were 76 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.bssnews.net/others/430563

29 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Dead, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pamoekan, Sindangkerta Village, Cipatujah District, Tasikmalaya, West Java, Indonesia/ DB071026

On 29 Sep, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Pamoekan, Sindangkerta Village, Cipatujah District, Tasikmalaya, West Java, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were two dead and one missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.detik.com/berita/d-8691316/sempat-hilang-saat-kapal-terbalik-2-nelayan-di-tasikmalaya-ditemukan-tewas#:~:text=Sementara%20itu%2C%20SRU%202%20melakukan%20pencarian%20di,lainnya.%20(dek%2Fdek)%200.%20nelayan%20kapal%20terbalik%20tasikmalaya

02 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ Off Belawan Port, Indonesia/ DB081026

On 2 Oct, a fishing vessel sank after colliding with another fishing vessel off Belawan Port, Indonesia. There were four rescued by a nearby cargo vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.antarafoto.com/view/2878610/basarnas-dumai-evacuates-victims-of-a-sunken-fishing-boat

22 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 25 Rescued/ Off Sri Lanka/ DB081026

On 22 Sep, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown causes off Sri Lanka. There were 25 rescued by a nearby merchant vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/september/navy-brings-ashore-25-indonesian-fishermen-distressed-in-australias-search-and-rescue-region.html

01 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Arafura Sea, Merauke Regency, South Papua Province, Indonesia/ DB091026

On 1 Oct, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress in the Arafura Sea, Merauke Regency, South Papua Province, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were one missing and eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://rri.co.id/merauke/daerah-3t/2781590/kmn-rizki-jaya-utama-01-bocor-di-laut-arafura-satu-abk-masih-dalam-pencarian#1

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SECTION D: ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED, AND UNREGULATED FISHING (IUUF)

Incidents:

04 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Yeondo, Gunsan, North Jeolla Province, ROK/ DB061026

On 4 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Yeondo, Gunsan, North Jeolla Province, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=151713

03 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 10 Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Pulau Tukun, Perak, Malaysia/ DB061026

On 3 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested 10 local fishermen due to the violation of its commercial licensing terms off Pulau Tukun, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/14sNFRLiBs8/

03 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Bangchukdo, Gunsan, North Jeolla Province, ROK/ DB061026

On 3 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested four local fishermen due to fishing without the required permits off Bangchukdo, Gunsan, North Jeolla Province, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=151713

05 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Baliguian Island, Barangay Malangabang, Concepcion, Iloilo, Philippines/ DB071026

On 5 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested a local fisherman due to fishing with illegal gear off Baliguian Island, Barangay Malangabang, Concepcion, Iloilo, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/14pTEt97XUJ/

05 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Vietnamese Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Tanjung Agas, Pahang, Malaysia/ DB071026

On 5 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested six Vietnamese fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Tanjung Agas, Pahang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/14uSNjBhjQ3/

04 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 2 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Brgy. Sablayan, Romblon, Philippines/ DB071026

On 4 Oct, local authorities detained two local fishing vessel and arrested two local fishermen due to fishing without the valid permits off Brgy. Sablayan, Romblon, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/19dfhavMwN/

03 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indian Fishing Vessel Detained/ 9 Indian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Delft Island, Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB071026

On 3 Oct, local authorities detained an Indian Fishing vessel and arrested nine Indian fishermen after trespassing into Sri Lankan waters off Delft Island, Jaffna, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/indian-fishermen-and-fishing-boat-brought-to-kankasanthurai-harbour-after-illegal-fishing-in-sri-lankan-waters.html

03 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Barangay Paypay, Daanbantayan, Cebu, Philippines/ DB071026

On 3 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested four local fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Barangay Paypay, Daanbantayan, Cebu, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/19BABdvXdD/

06 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel, License of Fishermen/ Off Samut Prakan Province, Thailand/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen due to using an unregistered vessel and fishing without valid documents off Samut Prakan Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1FZ54JzG8v/

08 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas, Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Koh Phangan District, Surat Thani Province, Thailand/ DB091026

On 8 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested five local fishermen due to fishing on prohibited areas and fishing with illegal gear off Koh Phangan District, Surat Thani Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1GjCCqZsDg/

08 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Chaiya Bay, Chaiya District, Surat Thani Province, Thailand/ DB091026

On 8 Oct, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested four local fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Chaiya Bay, Chaiya District, Surat Thani Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/v/14vRwFbeBxp/

Out of Reporting Period:

27 Sep - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Out of Season/ Mori Port, Hokkaido Prefecture, Japan/ DB061026

On 27 Sep, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested five local fishermen due to fishing out of season at Mori Port, Hokkaido Prefecture, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/09e1a218fc60f40ad6a41d1c03732a85ff69eff5
https://news.ntv.co.jp/category/society/st9903cf9179ea450d90193aa9cd33f66d

29 Sep - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Foreign Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Scott Reef, Australia/ DB071026

On 29 Sep, local authorities detained a foreign fishing vessel and arrested unknown number of foreign fishermen due to license of fishing vessel off Scott Reef, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.abf.gov.au/newsroom-subsite/Pages/ABF-maintains-pressure-as-third-foreign-fishing-vessel-intercepted-off-WA.aspx

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

03 Oct - Domestic Products/ Clothes (22,581)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ From Unknown to Bangladesh/ Bishkhali River, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 3 Oct, local authorities seized 22,581 pieces of clothes from a fishing vessel in the Bishkhali River, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/4t2m4hv6

06 Oct - Domestic Products/ Cement (40,000kg)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ From Bangladesh to Myanmar/ Karnaphuli Channel, Patenga, Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB071026

On 6 Oct, local authorities seized 40,000kg of cement from a cargo vessel in the Karnaphuli Channel, Patenga, Chattogram, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/2wk6jbx7

04 Oct - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (37kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Seththappaduwa Lagoon, Negombo, Sri Lanka/ DB071026

On 4 Oct, local authorities seized 37kg of Kendu leaves from a small boat in Seththappaduwa Lagoon, Negombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/navy-seizes-stock-of-kendu-leaves-in-negombo.html

03 Oct - Domestic Products/ Frozen Chicken (1,380 Cartons), Frozen Fish Tofu (174 Cartons)/ From China to Philippines/ Port of Subic, Philippines/ DB071026

On 3 Oct, local authorities seized 1,380 cartons of frozen chicken and 174 cartons of frozen fish tofu at the Port of Subic, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/19gUECJDSz/

07 Oct - Drugs/ Yaba (90,000 Pills)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Bangladesh/ Off Shahpari Island, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh/ DB081026

On 7 Oct, local authorities seized 90,000 Yaba pills from a small boat off Shahpari Island, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/yznbea2r

07 Oct - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (570kg)/ Ashore/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Ilanthadiya, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB081026

On 7 Oct, local authorities seized 570kg of Kendu leaves along the coast of Ilanthadiya, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/more-than-570kg-of-smuggled-kendu-leaves-seized-in-kalpitiya.html

07 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (12kg)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Batangas Port, Barangay Sta. Clara, Batangas City, Philippines/ DB081026

On 7 Oct, local authorities seized 12kg of meth from a passenger vessel at Batangas Port, Barangay Sta. Clara, Batangas City, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18UenNKp2j/

06 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (89kg), Etomidate (1,929), Liquid Etomidate (8.4 Litres)/ Unknown Vessels/ From Cambodia, Laos and Malaysia to Indonesia/ Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, local authorities seized 89kg of meth, 1,929 etomidate pills and 8.4 litres of liquid etomidate from unknown vessels at Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://lampung.tribunnews.com/lampung/1219820/bongkar-taktik-kurir-89-kg-sabu-segitiga-emas-polda-lampung-sita-rp250-juta

03 Oct - Weapons and Tobacco/ Ammunition (200 Rounds), Cigarettes (34 Packs)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Indonesia to Papua New Guinea/ Off Jayapura, Papua, Indonesia/ DB081026

On 3 Oct, local authorities seized 200 rounds of ammunition and 34 packs of cigarettes from a small boat off Jayapura, Papua, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/697/sinergitas-satgas-kepolisian-operasi-damai-cartenz-dan-bea-cukai-gagalkan-penyelundupan-200-butir-amunisi-di-perairan-jayapura

08 Oct - Drugs/ Yaba (410,000 Pills), Heroin (21.5kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Bangladesh to Myanmar/ Off St. Martin's Island, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh/ DB091026

On 8 Oct, local authorities seized 410,000 Yaba pills and 21.5kg of heroin from a small boat off St. Martin's Island, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/yhpukahx

07 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (1,178kg)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ From Thailand to Philippines/ Lower Gulf of Thailand/ DB091026

On 7 Oct, local authorities seized 1,178kg of meth from a fishing vessel in the Lower Gulf of Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.nationthailand.com/news/general/40072006

07 Oct - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (690kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Off Kallaru, Silawathura, Sri Lanka/ DB091026

On 7 Oct, local authorities seized 690kg of Kendu leaves from a small boat off Kallaru, Silawathura, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/navy-seizes-over-690kg-of-kendu-leaves-in-silawathura.html

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Oct - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (336kg)/ Ashore/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Keerimundalama Beach, Sri Lanka/ DB061026

On 2 Oct, local authorities seized 336kg of Kendu leaves at Keerimundalama Beach, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.navy.lk/operations-news/2026/october/navy-seizes-approx.-336kg-of-smuggled-kendu-leaves.html

01 Oct - Drugs/ Yaba (30,000 Pills)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Bangladesh/ Off Shahpari Island, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 1 Oct, local authorities seized 30,000 Yaba pills from a small boat off Shahpari Island, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/4pyfhu6z

01 Oct - Wildlife/ Sea Cucumbers (120kg)/ From Unknown to India/ Off Uchippuli Beach, India/ DB061026

On 1 Oct, local authorities seized 120kg of sea cucumbers off Uchippuli Beach, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1MU72KEEiC/

02 Oct - Fuel/ Diesel (50,000 Litres)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ From Unknown to Vietnam/ Off Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam/ DB071026

On 2 Oct, local authorities seized 50,000 litres of diesel from a fishing vessel off Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.bienphong.com.vn/hai-doan-bien-phong-18-tam-giu-phuong-tien-cho-khoang-50000-lit-dau-do-khong-ro-nguon-goc-post508343.html

30 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (3.17kg)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Burung Island, Indragiri Hilir, Indonesia/ DB071026

On 30 Sep, local authorities seized 3,17kg of meth from a cargo vessel off Burung Island, Indragiri Hilir, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://pelitariau.com/berita/detail/37316/sinergi-bea-cukai-dan-polres-inhil-gagalkan-peredaran-317-kg-sabu-di-perairan-pulau-burung

24 Sep - Drugs/ Cannabis (391kg)/ 1 Container Vessel/ From Unknown to Singapore/ Pasir Panjang Scanning Station, Singapore/ DB081026

On 24 Sep, local authorities seized 391kg of cannabis from a container vessel at Pasir Panjang Scanning Station, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.facebook.com/share/r/196zn5zgLW/

12 Sep - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (20,000 Cartons)/ 1 Speed Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Longtousha, Lianjiang City, Zhanjiang, China/ DB081026

On 12 Sep, local authorities seized 20,000 cartons of cigarettes from a speed boat off Longtousha, Lianjiang City, Zhanjiang, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.nbd.com.cn/articles/2026-09-16/4583601.html

09 Aug - Wildlife/ Ivory Tusk (1)/ Ashore/ From Unknown, Through Singapore to Indonesia/ PSA Keppel Crew Entrance, Singapore/ DB081026

On 9 Aug, local authorities seized one ivory tusk at PSA Keppel Crew Entrance, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.asiaone.com/singapore/indonesian-ship-crew-smuggle-elephant-ivory-tusk-ica-keppel

06 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (2,182 Reams)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Philippines/ Off Layag-Layag Island in Barangay Talon-Talon, Zamboanga City, Philippines/ DB081026

On 6 Aug, local authorities seized 2,182 reams of cigarettes from a small boat off Layag-Layag Island in Barangay Talon-Talon, Zamboanga City, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.sunstar.com.ph/manila/p65-m-smuggled-cigarettes-seized-off-zamboanga

06 Aug - Wildlife/ Goats (8), Pigeons (3 Boxes)/ 1 Small Boat/ From India to Sri Lanka/ Off Therespuram Anna Colony Beach, India/ DB081026

On 6 Aug, local authorities seized eight goats and three boxes of pigeons from a small boat off Therespuram Anna Colony Beach, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://news.webindia123.com/news/Articles/India/20260807/4484235.html

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

Out of Reporting Period:

30 Sep - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Small Boat/ 65 Unknown Migrants/ From Bangladesh to Malaysia/ Off Saint Martin's Island, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 30 Sep, local authorities arrested 65 unknown migrants from a small boat off Saint Martin's Island, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.bssnews.net/others/430563

01 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Speed Boat/ 2 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Batam, Indonesia/ DB071026

On 1 Oct, local authorities arrested two Indonesian migrants from a speed boat off Batam, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tribratanews.polri.go.id/blog/hukum-4/polisi-gagalkan-pengiriman-cpmi-ke-malaysia-106858

27 Sep - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Speed Boat/ 16 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Batam, Indonesia/ DB081026

On 27 Sep, local authorities arrested 16 Indonesian migrants from a speed boat off Batam, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://mediaindonesia.com/nusantara/941748/3-abk-speedboat-jadi-tersangka-fasilitasi-15-pmi-nonprosedural-ke-malaysia

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

06 Oct – Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ West of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, a 14km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 2.755, 104.791 (West of South China Sea).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

06 Oct – Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 06 Oct, an 8km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 2.166, 104.401 (EOPL area, SW of South China Sea)

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
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06 Oct – Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, two 7km long pollutions (oil spill or oily water discharge) were observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 2.550, 104.585 (EOPL area, SW of South China Sea).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
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06 Oct – Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, a 6km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 1.873, 104.679 (EOPL area, SW of South China Sea).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
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06 Oct - Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, a 7km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 2.226, 104.640 (EOPL area, SW of South China Sea).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

06 Oct - Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB081026

On 6 Oct, an 8km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 1.941, 104.585 (EOPL area, SW of South China Sea).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Oct - Maritime Illegal Exploitation/ Sand/ 4 Dredgers, 1 General Cargo Vessel/ No Impact/ Meghna River, Bangladesh/ DB061026

On 2 Oct, local authorities detained four dredgers and a general cargo vessel for illegally mining sand in the Meghna River, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://tinyurl.com/24b957rf

SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

05 Oct - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 Tug/ No Impact/ Straits of Malacca and Singapore (SOMS)/ DB091026

An 8,156-ton tug identifying itself as STINGRAY 1, Malaysia-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 1091604), at position 2.205, 102.163 (SOMS), is using an IMO number referring to an unknown flag in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

05 Oct - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 LPG Tanker/ No Impact/ East China Sea/ DB091026

A 46,000-ton LPG tanker, Angola-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 9397080), at position 30.286, 122.073 (East China Sea), is using an IMO number referring to a false flag (Angola False) and the name SIA in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Oct - Underwater Infrastructure/ Telecom Cable/ Internet Disruption/ Philippines/ DB061026

On 2 Oct, the Philippines experienced internet disruption after an undersea cable went offline.

IFC Comments:
Location is indicative of effect, not precise location of the cable fault.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.rappler.com/technology/submarine-cable-cut-philippines-singapore-disrupts-internet-services/

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02 Oct - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 Platform Supply Ship/ No Impact/ South China Sea/ DB091026

A 500-ton platform support ship, identifying itself as WANXIANG178, Tanzania-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 6718049), at position 13.042, 100.905 (South China Sea), is using an IMO number referring to a false flag (Mali False) and to another name (SIGMA 99) in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

23 Sep - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 Tanker/ No Impact/ Straits of Malacca and Singapore (SOMS)/ DB091026

A tanker identifying itself as SEA HONOR, Tuvalu-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 9153501), at position 5.694, 96.365 (SOMS), is using an IMO number inexistent in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

15 Sep - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 Tanker/ No Impact/ Bay of Bengal/ DB091026

A 160,000-ton tanker identifying itself as KALLISTA, Panama-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 9411965), at position 17.391, 85.897 (Bay of Bengal), is using an IMO number referring to an unknown flag in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

14 Sep - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 LPG Tanker/ No Impact/ East China Sea/ DB091026

A 45,000-ton LPG tanker identifying itself as PYRA, Mozambique-flagged on AIS (indicated IMO: 9002491), at position 30.010, 123.131 (East China Sea), is using an IMO number referring to a false flag (Mozambique False) in the GISIS database.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

SECTION I: OTHERS

Updates:

26 Sep - Others/ 1 Tanker/ 4 Dead, 3 Arrested, 1 Escaped/ Aground/ Off Manori Island, Mumbai, India/ DB021026

India ILO received updated information that the vessel was under sanctioned list and was apprehended by the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and was later towed to anchorage which during monsoon it got drifted and became aground vessel. This vessel did not have any flag, no agent, no crew and was waiting to be taken to ship breaking yard for further disposal and was technically a wreck when this incident took place. Therefore, it is reclassified as 'Others'.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/mumbai/blast-on-stranded-ship-3-held-for-copper-theft-gang-may-have-targeted-it-twice-before/amp_articleshow/134624880.cms
https://www.latestly.com/india/news/mumbai-4-men-die-inhaling-toxic-gas-during-theft-attempt-on-stranded-ship-off-coast-7628856.html
India ILO

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IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

1. All mariners report any maritime security incidents timely to the nearest coastal state and inform the IFC at the earliest possible time.

2. All mariners are strongly recommended to be vigilant, in particularly when operating in IFC identified hotspots (Sulu-Celebes seas, Eastbound Lane of Traffic Separation Scheme in Singapore Strait, Jakarta Port in Indonesia and South Harbor Anchorage in Philippines).

3. All mariners are advised to adopt Ship Protection Measures recommended in the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia (e.g., illuminating the accommodation block and poop deck, deploying sentries and increase frequency of security rounds).

4. All mariners to take note of the description of the perpetrators and to take photos of the perpetrators if possible. Where available, CCTV footage capturing the incident should be provided to the coastal state authorities for follow-on investigation.

5. All mariners are advised to participate in IFC Voluntary Community Reporting (VCR) as depicted in MARSEC Chart Q6112 and Q6113. In case of any doubt, incident at sea, suspicious approach or unusual observed activity at sea, please contact the IFC Duty Officer:

   Email: information_fusion_centre@defence.gov.sg
   Tel: +65 9626 8965 (Hotline)
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The IFC seeks your observations during your normal business. The IFC would like to remind mariners to be mindful of national and international laws, company and other policy requirements and health and safety obligations, whilst recording these observations. The reporting of such events to IFC does not absolve you of your obligations towards coastal/ port/ flag authorities.

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PAST IFC SPOT COMMENTARIES/ANALYST JOURNAL

2025

IFC Infographic on CCTV Footage and Photo Evidence of Sea Robbery Incidents in the Singapore Strait
IFC Recommended Measures to Deter Unauthorised Boardings in Singapore Strait
IFC Spot Commentary 02/25 – Phillip Channel - 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night on 5 Jun 2025
IFC Spot Commentary 01/25 – Observations of TRAPS Incidents in the Phillip Channel in 2025

2024

IFC Spot Commentary 03/24 –Phillip Channel – 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night
IFC Spot Commentary 02/24 – Observations of TRAPS Incidents in the Phillip Channel in 2024
IFC Spot Commentary 01/24 – Singapore Strait – 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night

2023

IFC Spot Commentary 01/23 – Observations of Three TRAPS Incidents in One Night, Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait

2022

IFC Spot Commentary 01/22 – Observations of Sea Theft Incidents Involving Tugs and Barges in Waters off Tanjung Piai and Eastbound Lane of Singapore Strait in 2022

2021

IFC Spot Commentary 01/21 - Observations of Sea Robbery and Sea Theft in Manila South Harbour Anchorage, Philippines

2020

Spot Commentary 2/20 - Observations of Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Eastbound Land of Singapore Strait
Analyst Journal 2/20 - Observations of Rohingya Migrants' Movement within the IFC Area of Interest (AOI)
Analyst Journal 1/20 - Sea Robberies, Sea Thefts and Attempted Actions in the Singapore Strait and Approaches
IFC SPOT COMMENTARY 01/20 - Observations of Sea Robbery, Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Manilla and Batangas anchorage.

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2019

IFC Spot Commentary 3/19 – Observations of Sea Robbery, Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Singapore Strait and Approaches
IFC Spot Commentary 2/19 - Observations of TRAPS incidents in the Southern Approaches-South China Sea (SCS) since 31 May to 26 Sep 2019
IFC Spot Commentary 1/19 – Observations of TRAPS incidents in the area off Tg Piai, Malaysia/Western Approaches-Singapore Strait since 1 January to 27 May 2019

2018

IFC Spot Commentary 4/18 – Observations between 5 to 8 December for incidents in the Sulu-Celebes Sea/Eastern Sabah
IFC Spot Commentary 3/18 – Kidnapping Incident of Two Crew on Fishing Vessel "DWIJAYA 1", Off Semporna.
IFC Spot Commentary 2/18 – Attempted Actions on Tugboat "EVER ALPHA", Pulau Tambisan, Malaysia.
IFC Spot Commentary 1/18 – Observations on Sea Theft and Robberies recorded in Singapore Strait and its approaches – January to December 2017.

2017

IFC Spot Commentary 5/17 – Abduction of 5 Local Fishermen off Poblacion coast, Pangutaran, Sulu, Philippines.
IFC Spot Commentary 4/17 – Attempted Piracy / Oil Siphoning Incident on Oil Tanker MT MGT 1, Malaysia.
IFC Spot Commentary 3/17 – Abduction of Crew from SUPER SHUTTLE TUGBOAT 1, Basilan Strait.
IFC Spot Commentary 2/17 – Abduction of Crew of Giang Hai off Sibutu Passage.
IFC Spot Commentary 1/17 – Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

2016

IFC Spot Commentary 2/16 - Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.
IFC Spot Commentary 1/16 – Kidnapping at Sea by Armed Groups in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

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Note: Information herein were derived and compiled through the collaborative efforts of our International Liaison Officers (ILOs), utilising a combination of open-source news/reports and voluntary data-sharing from various internal and external sources such as Focal Points, OPCENs, and other maritime stakeholders.

Given that IFC's information-sharing mechanism relies heavily on availability of reports online and voluntary contributions, certain data gaps or "blind spots" may exist in terms of trending and analysis. Areas that have no or limited reported incidents should thus not be assumed to be "incident free"; likewise, in comparison, areas with high reported incident numbers should not be assumed to be "danger areas". We applaud all partners who have stepped up enforcement efforts and openly reported the incidents for shared awareness. Seafarers should remain vigilant at all times, especially in areas where the threat level is assessed to be of concern in accordance with the IFC's Assessments via its Weekly Report or Spot Commentaries.

Ships should apply the appropriate security measures (such as Tugs and Barge Guide, Guide for Tankers Operating in Asia, or Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia). Ship masters should also be aware and refer to the Maritime Security Charts Q6112 and Q6113, both published by the UK Hydrographic Office.

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