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



For the period of 19 – 25 Mar, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

Category	Number of Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	0	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	27	4-11
Illegal/ Unregulated/ Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	14	12-15
Contraband/ Weapons Smuggling (CS)	27	16-22
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	10	23-25
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	26
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	27
Others	0	28

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

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SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

24 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Overloading/ Container Vessel/ Off Shyamaprasad Mukherji Port, Kolkata, India/ DB250322

On 24 Mar, a container vessel capsized off Shyamaprasad Mukherji Port, Kolkata, India due to overloading.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/37669/berthed-container-ship-capsized-during-cargo-opera/>

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/bangladeshi-cargo-ship-sinks-kolkata-port-390754>

24 Mar – Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Seven Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ashmore Reef, Australia/ DB250322

On 24 Mar, seven were rescued after a fishing vessel went adrift off Ashmore Reef, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Provided by Australia ILO

23 Mar – MEDEVAC/ Cause Unknown/ Ro-Ro Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kochi, Kerala, India/ DB250322

On 23 Mar, one was rescued via a medevac operation onboard a Ro-Ro vessel off Kochi, Kerala, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR

<https://twitter.com/DefencePROkochi/status/1506653588449554432>

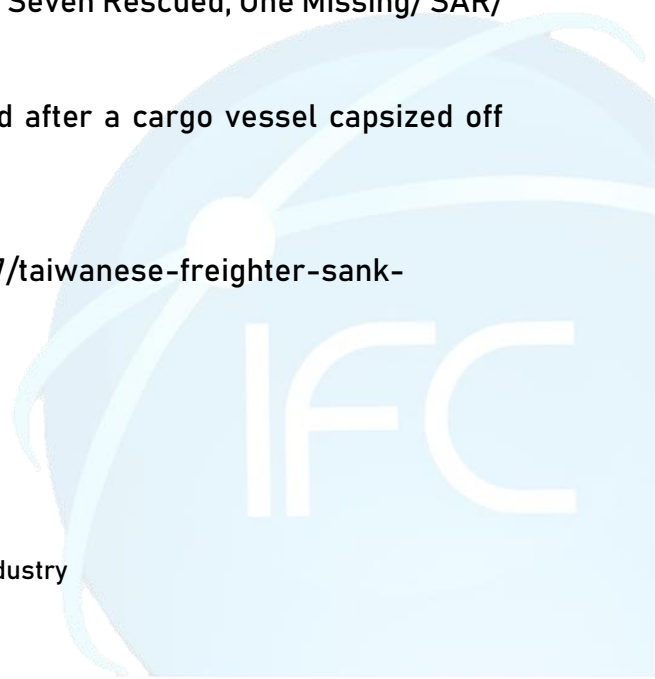
22 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Vessel/ Seven Rescued, One Missing/ SAR/ Off Taichung, Taiwan/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, one went missing and seven were rescued after a cargo vessel capsized off Taichung, Taiwan due to water ingress.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/37637/taiwanese-freighter-sank-taiwan-strait-1-crew-miss/>

<https://focustaiwan.tw/society/202203220023>



22 Mar – MOB (Work Accident)/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Missing/ SAR/ Off Kuantan, Malaysia/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, one went missing after a work accident onboard a fishing vessel off Kuantan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thesundaily.my/local/thai-fisherman-feared-drowned-in-kuantan-river-CA8983224>

21 Mar – Grounding/ Broke Moorings/ Tanker/ Jiaozhou Bay, Qingdao, China/ DB240322

On 21 Mar, a tanker ran aground at Jiaozhou Bay, Qingdao, China due to broken moorings.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/37641/vlcc-grounding-update-refloated/>
<https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1140250/Sanctions-busting-suspect-VLCC-runs-aground-in-China>

20 Mar – MEDEVAC (Violent Confrontation)/ Internal Dispute/ Bulk Carrier/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mumbai, India/ DB240322

On 20 Mar, local authorities conducted a MEDEVAC operation for one crew after a violent confrontation occurred onboard a bulk carrier off Mumbai, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR (<https://indiannavy.nic.in/ifc-ior/>)

19 Mar – Missing/ Bad Weather/ One Dead, One Missing/ SAR/ Off Guam/ DB230322

On 19 Mar, one died and one went missing off Guam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.postguam.com/news/search-for-fisherman-suspended/article_b677615a-a9ba-11ec-8a4a-a38caaffee08.html

21 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Dead, Eight Rescued, Three Missing/ SAR/ Off Pulau Pasir, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia/ DB230322

On 21 Mar, one died and eight went missing after a fishing vessel capsized off Pulau Pasir, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2022/03/22/one-dead-eight-missing-after-indonesian-fishing-boat-capsizes>
<http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/asiapacific/20220321/84d4347a540b40f9b40f8722658a2449/c.html>

21 Mar – Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Missing/ SAR/ Off Sungai Tembus, Penang, Malaysia/ DB220322

On 21 Mar, three fishermen went missing in a fishing vessel off Sungai Tembus, Penang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/03/21/three-fishermen-feared-drowned-after-failing-to-return-from-fishing-trip>

<https://www.hmetro.com.my/mutakhir/2022/03/823357/3-nelayan-dilaporkan-hilang-di-laut>

<https://www.scmp.com/news/asia/southeast-asia/article/3171156/2-migrants-dead-26-missing-after-indonesian-boat-bound>

21 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Rescued, One Missing/ Off Pulau Kendi, Malaysia/ DB220322

On 21 Mar, two fishermen were rescued and one went missing after a fishing vessel capsized off Pulau Kendi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/03/21/three-fishermen-feared-drowned-after-failing-to-return-from-fishing-trip>

21 Mar – Fire-Explosion/ Unknown Cause/ Container Vessel/ Four Rescued and Four Missing/ SAR/ Off Tanegashima, Japan/ DB220322

On 21 Mar, four crew were rescued and four went missing after a container vessel caught fire off Tanegashima, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www3.nhk.or.jp/news/html/20220321/k10013543701000.html>

20 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off San Carlos City, Negros Occidental, Philippines/ DB220322

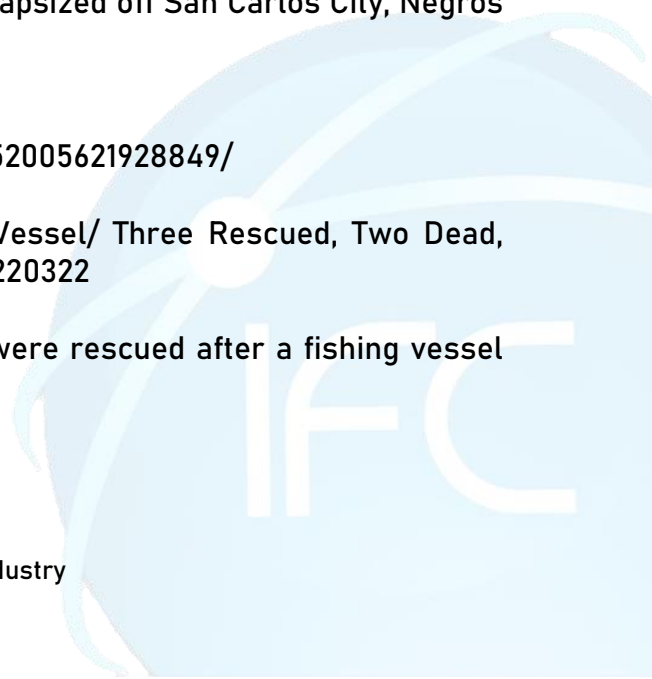
On 20 Mar, 11 people were rescued after a small boat capsized off San Carlos City, Negros Occidental, Philippines due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/146098862519537/posts/1352005621928849/>

20 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued, Two Dead, Seven Missing/ SAR/ Off Ashmore Reef, Australia/ DB220322

On 20 Mar, two dead, seven went missing and three were rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Ashmore Reef, Australia.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-03-21/multiple-fatalities-after-boating-accident-in-wa/100927204>

20 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 61 Rescued, Two Dead, 26 Missing/ SAR/ Off Panton Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB210322

On 20 Mar, two died, 26 went missing and 61 were rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Panton Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia due to water ingress.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/world/region/2022/03/781608/two-migrants-dead-26-missing-indonesia-boat-accident>

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2022/03/20/two-migrants-dead-26-missing-in-north-sumatra-boat-accident-.html>

<https://www.bernama.com/en/world/news.php?id=2063711>

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2022/03/20/two-migrants-dead-26-missing-in-indonesia-boat-accident>

<https://www.scmp.com/news/asia/southeast-asia/article/3171156/2-migrants-dead-26-missing-after-indonesian-boat-bound>

19 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Lighter Ship/ Five Missing, Eight Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB210322

On 19 Mar, five went missing and eight were rescued after a lighter ship capsized off Chattogram, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://bdnews24.com/bangladesh/2022/03/19/seven-sailors-missing-after-lighter-ship-sinks-off-chattogram-port>

19 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Khuk Khak, Phang Nga, Thailand/ DB210322

On 19 Mar, one was rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Khuk Khak, Phang Nga, Thailand.

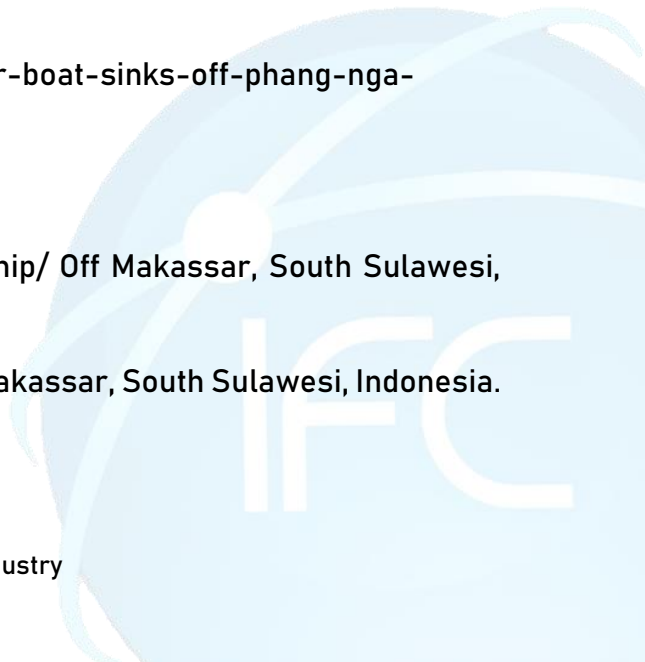
News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thephuketnews.com/fisherman-safe-after-boat-sinks-off-phang-nga-83512.php>

Out of Reporting Period:

16 Mar – Mechanical Failure/ Engine Failure/ Cargo Ship/ Off Makassar, South Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB250322/ DB250322

On 16 Mar, a cargo ship experienced engine failure off Makassar, South Sulawesi, Indonesia.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Lognus-6-9574999.html>

15 Mar – Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Entry/ Four Bangladesh Fishing Vessels/ Off Shahparir Dwip, Bangladesh/ DB240322

On 15 Mar, local authorities detained four Bangladesh fishing vessels off Shahparir Dwip, Bangladesh for unauthorised entry.

IFC Comments:

Myanmar ILO shared that this incident happened near the maritime boundary and the fishermen entered Myanmar waters without permission while retrieving floating timber.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://asianews.network/18-bangladeshi-fishermen-taken-away-by-myanmar-border-guard/>

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/nation/2022/03/18/abduction-of-18-fishermen-myanmar-yet-to-respond>

16 Mar – MEDEVAC/ Medical Issue/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Hambantota, Sir Lanka/ DB230322

On 16 Mar, a MEDEVAC operation was conducted for a fisherman with medical issues onboard a fishing vessel off Hambantota, Sir Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR <https://news.navy.lk/search-and-rescue/2022/03/17/202203171320/>

18 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ Three Dead/ SAR/ Off Kamaishi, Iwate Prefecture, Japan/ DB210322

On 18 Mar, three died after a small boat capsized off Kamaishi, Iwate Prefecture, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://japantoday.com/category/national/3-die-as-small-boat-capsizes-off-northeastern-japan>

17 Mar – Adrift (Mechanical Failure)/ Generator Failure/ Cargo Ship/ 19 Crew Rescued/ SAR/ South China Sea/ DB210322

On 17 Mar, 19 were rescued after a cargo ship went adrift in South China Sea due to mechanical failure.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Pacific-07-9237187.html>

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/316382/casualties#326306>



16 Mar – Adrift (Mechanical Failure)/ Engine Failure/ Container Vessel/ Off Port of Shimoda, Japan/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, a container vessel went adrift off Port of Shimoda, Japan due to engine failure.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Manet-9224958.html>

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/307625/casualties#326259>

16 Mar – Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Ship/ 38 Rescued/ SAR/ Off GA.Maarehaa, Maldives/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, 38 were rescued after a passenger ship ran aground off GA.Maarehaa, Maldives due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR (<https://indiannavy.nic.in/ifc-ior/>)

16 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Rescued/ Off Raa Atoll, Maldives/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, two were rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Raa Atoll, Maldives due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR (<https://indiannavy.nic.in/ifc-ior/>)

16 Mar – Others/ Unauthorised Entry/ 12 Fishing Vessels/ Off Pulau Perak, Kedah, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, local authorities thwarted 12 fishing vessels off Pulau Perak, Kedah, Malaysia for unauthorised entry.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.bernama.com/en/crime_courts/news.php?id=2062648

<https://www.airtimes.my/2022/03/17/op-benteng-kd-keris-kekang-pencerobohan-12-nelayan-asing/?fbclid=IwAR3QYENgUdCW6tUAadWi7nSxdV0MMxrL6wp7TuyqlQA7XPP-f7c3b1RUB3c>

11 Mar – Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pag-Asa Island/ DB210322

On 11 Mar, 19 were rescued after a fishing vessel ran aground off Pag-Asa Island.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/teamafp/status/1504042924656717826?s=11>

<https://palawan-news.com/pn-pcg-assist-filipino-fishing-boat-after-running-aground-in-pag-asa-island/>

Information Updates:

21 Mar – Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Sungai Tembus, Penang, Malaysia/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB220322)

Updated that the three fishermen were rescued by a trawler. They were found in their boat near Pulau Bidan at about 0930 (UTC+8). Their boat ran out of fuel causing them to be stranded in sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/03/22/missing-fishermen-found-uninjured-in-waters-off-penang-says-fire-and-rescue-dept>

<https://www.thesundaily.my/home/three-fishermen-reported-missing-since-sunday-rescued-LD8984278>

21 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Dead, Two Rescued/ Off Pulau Kendi, Malaysia/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB220322)

Updated that the captain was found dead in his boat by a private diver at around 1050 (UTC+8) west of Kendi Island on 22 Mar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/335434995276899>

<https://www.thesundaily.my/home/three-fishermen-reported-missing-since-sunday-rescued-LD8984278>

17 Mar – Adrift (Mechanical Failure)/Generator Failure/ Cargo Ship/ 19 Crew Rescued/ SAR/ South China Sea/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB210322)

Updated that the Tan Cang Marine Services Joint Stock Company then dispatched a tug to tow the bulk carrier to Vung Tau by March 24, where it will be handed over to the proper authorities and for repairs.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Pacific-07-9237187.html>

03 Mar – Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Ship/ 16 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Taitung Fugang Fishing Port, Taiwan/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB090322)

Updated that the stranded Belize-registered ship was successfully towed away yesterday morning (22 Mar), the Taiwanese Maritime and Port Bureau said.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://udn.com/news/story/7315/6148272>

<https://www.taipeitimes.com/News/taiwan/archives/2022/03/23/2003775308>



20 Mar – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Dead, 86 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pantan Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB230322
(Information Update to DB210322)

Updated that all passengers and crew of a wooden fishing boat that sank off the coast of Tanjung Api in Asahan, North Sumatra, over the weekend, have been accounted for according to local authorities. A total of 88 people, including four crew members, were rescued while a man and a woman died in the incident.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2022/03/21/all-passengers-accounted-for-after-sinking-of-boat-carrying-migrants-official.html>

13 Mar – Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Ship/ SAR/ Off Shenzhen, Guangdong, China/ DB210322
(Information Update to DB160322)

Updated that Firefighters had to cut open containers to extinguish the fire in them. 12 containers and their goods were damaged due to the fire and have been unloaded from the ship. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. As of 19 Mar, the ship is headed to Hong Kong from Cai Me.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Apl-Cairo-9234109.html>

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/313787/casualties#326072>



SECTION D: ILLEGAL/ UNREGULATED/ UNREPORTED FISHING (IUUF)

23 Mar – Poaching/ One Indian Trawler Detained/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Katchatheevu, Sri Lanka/ DB250322

On 23 Mar, local authorities detained one Indian trawler and arrested 12 foreign fishermen off Katchatheevu, Sri Lanka for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/asiapacific/20220324/9f8b99c24b3c4362a22ee2118b8a55cf/c.html>

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/03/24/202203240915/>

23 Mar – Poaching/ One Indian Trawler Detained/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Gulf of Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB250322

On 23 Mar, local authorities detained one Indian trawler and arrested four foreign fishermen in Gulf of Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/asiapacific/20220324/9f8b99c24b3c4362a22ee2118b8a55cf/c.html>

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/03/24/202203240915/>

22 Mar – Poaching/ One Vietnamese Trawler Detained/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Koh Kra, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand/ DB250322

On 22 Mar, local authorities detained one Vietnamese trawler and arrested five foreign fishermen off Koh Kra, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2284454/vietnamese-fishing-boat-seized-in-gulf>

21 Mar – Local/ One Trawler Detained/ Six Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Negambo Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka/ DB250322

On 21 Mar, local authorities detained one trawler and arrested six local fishermen at Negambo Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR

<https://coastguard.gov.lk/news/2022/03/23/202203232018/>



22 Mar – Sri Lankan Navy Nabs Suspect with Commercial Explosives in Trincomalee

A special operation conducted by the Navy in coordination with Police STF at Iranakeni in Trincomalee on 21st March 2022 made way to apprehend a suspect for transferring explosives by a motorbike. Among the items seized were 20 Water Gel sticks, a type of commercial explosive, and 25 non-electric detonators.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/03/22/202203222030/>

20 Mar – Poaching/ Two Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 33 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Tanjung Sirik, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB240322

On 20 Mar, local authorities detained two Vietnamese fishing vessels and arrested 33 foreign fishermen off Tanjung Sirik, Sarawak, Malaysia for illegal fishing.

IFC Comments:

Malaysia ILO shared that the registration number of the fishing vessels are unavailable, hence Vietnam ILO is unable to confirm the nationality of the two vessels.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2022/03/23/mmea-intercepts-vietnamese-fishing-vessels-in-sarawak-waters-detains-33-cre/2048996>

20 Mar – Poaching/ One Indonesian Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Pulau Lalang, Malaysia/ DB220322

On 20 Mar, local authorities detained one Indonesian fishing vessel and arrested some fishermen off Pulau Lalang, Malaysia for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia>

Out of Reporting Period:

17 Mar – Poaching/ Two Philippine Fishing Vessels Detained/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Pulau Lingkutan, Malaysia/ DB240322

On 17 Feb, local authorities detained two Philippine fishing vessels and arrested four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Pulau Lingkutan, Malaysia

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2022/03/18/empat-pti-ditahan-seludup-323-kg-minyak-masak-ke-negara-jiran?fbclid=IwAR0wpQBkxJaKbVJZ1Gc-2mY42L08qGXUAhi7B00ZEs87aYd0ohqQNB-a6Q>



13 Mar – Local/ One Trawler Detained/ Seven Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Beruwala Fishing Harbour, Beruwala, Sri Lanka/ DB230322

On 13 Mar, local authorities detained one trawler and arrested seven local fishermen off Beruwala Fishing Harbour, Beruwala, Sri Lanka for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://coastguard.gov.lk/news/2022/03/13/202203152111/>

22 Feb – Poaching/ 16 Indonesian Fishing Vessels Expelled & Three Indonesian Fishing Vessels Disposed/ No Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off North West Australia/ DB230322

On 22 Feb, local authorities expelled 16 Indonesian fishing vessels and disposed three others for illegal fishing off North West Australia.

IFC Comments:

This incident was shared as summary report from MBC.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime Border Command (MBC) in Australia

14 Mar – Local/ Two Fishing Vessels Detained/ Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Batangas, Philippines/ DB220322

On 14 Mar, local authorities detained two fishing vessels and arrested two local fishermen off Batangas, Philippines for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid02KT4GmZ6YHPbHsGiUoZCbR2V5KG4Pij8XiaLDRT1gsGMDbgHtvq6qhd7CCqjhFB>

17 Mar – Poaching/ Two Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Sandakan, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 17 Mar, local authorities detained two Vietnamese fishing vessels and arrested 12 foreign fishermen off Sandakan, Malaysia for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.airtimes.my/2022/03/18/polis-marin-tahan-nelayan-vietnam-rompak-hasil-laut-negara/?fbclid=IwAR2002zYsEF3AGdyaoFZpFtvS7y7o7eUg1WV2ExKT2MXQC0LrZrS1npAtP8>

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/469112621671506>



16 Mar – Poaching/ One Sri Lankan Fishing Vessel Detained/ Six Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Kanyakumari, India/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, local authorities detained one Sri Lankan fishing vessel and arrested six foreign fishermen off Kanyakumari, India for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.wionews.com/india-news/sri-lankan-boat-with-six-crew-held-for-fishing-in-indian-waters-463221>

<https://www.aninews.in/news/national/general-news/indian-coast-guard-apprehends-sri-lankan-boat-in-anti-poaching-operation20220317231734/>

https://twitter.com/Def_PRO_Chennai/status/1504432793551798273

<https://theprint.in/india/indian-coast-guard-apprehends-sri-lankan-boat-in-anti-poaching-operation/878239/>

16 Mar – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Eight Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Dikovta, Sri Lanka/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested eight local fishermen off Dikovta, Sri Lanka for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.coastguard.gov.lk/news/2022/03/18/202203181249/>

12 Mar – Local/ No Fishing Vessels Detained/ 26 Local Fishermen Detained/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Santa Cruz, Zambales, Philippines/ DB210322

On 12 Mar, local authorities arrested 26 local fishermen off Santa Cruz, Zambales, Philippines for using illegal fishing methods.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1570390/in-zambales-rampant-illegal-fishing-alarms-officials>

Information Updates:

20 Mar – Poaching/ One Indonesian Fishing Vessel Detained/ Three Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Pulau Lalang, Malaysia/ DB230322
(Information Update to DB220322)

Malaysia ILO updated that three Indonesian fishermen were arrested for poaching.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND AND WEAPONS SMUGGLING (CS)

24 Mar – Domestic Products/ Seaweed (2,025kg), LPG gas (17 units), Cooking Oil (306kg), Wheat Flour (810kg), Granulated Sugar (2,688kg), Canned Drinks (120)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Tawau, Malaysia/ DB250322

On 24 Mar, local authorities seized 2,025kg of seaweed, 17 units of LPG gas, 306kg of cooking oil, 810kg of wheat flour, 2,688kg of granulated sugar and 120 canned drinks from an unknown vessel at Tawau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR

<http://www.dailyexpress.com.my/news/189372/boat-with-goods-seized-in-tawau/>

23 Mar – Drugs/ Cocaine (350kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Panama to India/ Port of Colombo, Sri Lanka/ DB250322

On 23 Mar, local authorities seized 350kg of cocaine in a container ship from Panama at the Port of Colombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/asiapacific/20220323/f9920c0e20a64cf8bc7c0d16d7e7c9f5/c.html>

<https://weibo.com/6586732953/LkWlygVkW?pagetype=profilefeed>

23 Mar – Domestic Products/ Frozen Products (440 Tons)/ General Cargo Ship/ Jiangmen, Guangdong, China/ DB250322

On 23 Mar, local authorities seized 440 tons of frozen products from a general cargo ship at Jiangmen, Guangdong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://m.gmw.cn/2022-03/23/content_1302860812.htm

22 Mar – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (12,576 cartons)/ Cargo Ship/ Xinggang Town, Tienshan Port District, Beihai, China/ DB250322

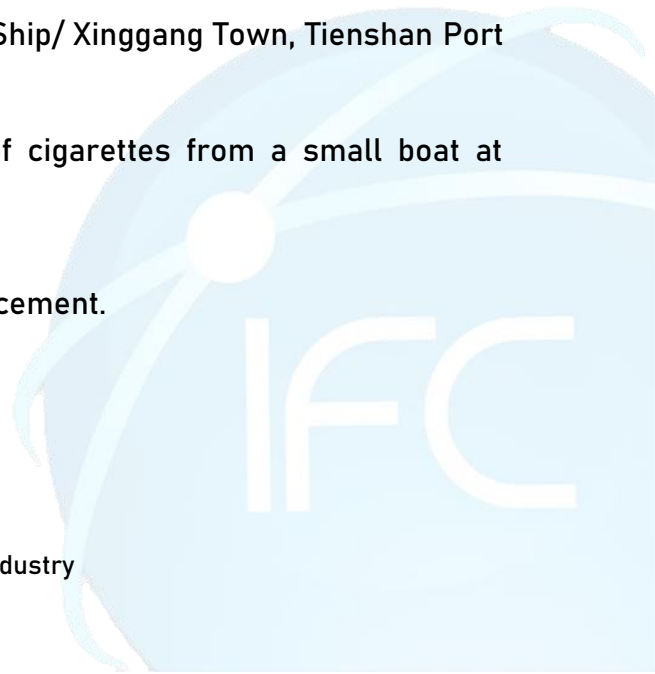
On 22 Mar, local authorities seized 12,576 cartons of cigarettes from a small boat at Xinggang Town, Tienshan Port District, Beihai, China.

IFC Comments:

Date of incident unknown. Date used is date of announcement.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://xw.qq.com/cmsid/20220323A00BBG00>



19 Mar – Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (170 Tons)/ Cargo Vessel/ From China/ Off Zhuhai Dazhizhou, China/ DB250322

On 19 Mar, local authorities seized 170 tons of frozen goods from a cargo vessel off Zhuhai Dazhizhou, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1727730149125822362&wfr=spider&for=pc>

22 Mar – Drugs/ Cannabis (446kg)/ Adrift/ Off Kuara Muara, Malaysia/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB230322)

Updated that the cannabis was found from Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.hmetro.com.my/mutakhir/2022/03/823860/apmm-temu-446-ketulan-ganja-bernilai-rm223-juta-dihanyutkan-metrotv>

22 Mar – Natural Resources/ Red Sanders (2,200kg)/ Container Ship/ From India to UAE/ Kochi, Kerala, India/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, local authorities seized 2,200kg of red sanders from a container ship at Kochi, Kerala, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.indiatoday.in/india/story/2-200-kg-red-sanders-logs-concealed-in-oil-container-seized-in-kerala-kochi-1928327-2022-03-23>

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kochi/2200kg-red-sanders-seized-in-kochi/articleshow/90386238.cms>

22 Mar – Natural Resources/ Sea Sand (1,700 Tonnes)/ Two Bulk Carriers/ Off Wusongkou, China/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, local authorities seized 1,700 tonnes of sea sand from two bulk carriers off Wusongkou, China

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn/2022/95110_0322/1476.html

<https://weibo.com/6586732953/LkWlygVkW?pagetype=profilefeed>

22 Mar – Drugs/ Cannabis (581kg)/ Ashore/ Off Mampuri Beach, Sri Lanka/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, local authorities seized 581kg of cannabis ashore off Mampuri Beach, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/03/22/202203221930/>



21 Mar – Drugs/ Meth (84kg) and Cannabis (20kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off East Aceh, Indonesia/ DB240322

On 21 Mar, local authorities seized 84kg of meth and 20kg of cannabis from a small boat off East Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.niaga.asia/bareskrim-polri-sita-84-kilogram-dan-ganja-20-kilogram-di-aceh/>

<https://www.beacukai.go.id/berita/sinergi-aparat-penegak-hukum-gagalkan-penyelundupan-84-16-kg-sabu-di-wilayah-perairan-aceh.html>

22 Mar – Drugs/ Cannabis (446kg)/ Adrift/ Off Kuara Muara, Malaysia/ DB230322

On 22 Mar, local authorities seized 446kg of cigarettes that were adrift off Kuara Muara, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=335477848605947&set=pcb.335478135272585>

21 Mar – Drugs/ Cocaine (3kg)/ Adrift/ Off Abulug and Ballesteros, Cagayan, Philippines/ DB230322

On 21 Mar, local authorities seized 3kg of cocaine adrift off Abulug and Ballesteros, Cagayan, Philippines.

IFC Comments:

The contraband is around three kilos and was found wrapped in sealed plastic bags with packing tape and black rubber.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/03/23/news/regions/cocaine-found-off-cagayan-waters/1837236> <https://www.philstar.com/nation/2022/03/23/2169260/fishermen-net-p15-million-cocaine-cagayan>

20 Mar – Drugs/ Ketum Leaves (2.2 tonnes)/ Kuala Kedah, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 20 Mar, local authorities seized 2.2 tons of ketum leaves at Kuala Kedah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia>

Out of Reporting Period:

16 Mar – Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (200 Tons)/ Unknown Vessel/ Weihai, Shandong, China/ DB250322

On 16 Mar, local authorities seized 200 tons of frozen goods from an unknown vessel at Weihai, Shandong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1727475148946997803&wfr=spider&for=pc>

14 Mar – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (7.92 million Sticks)/ Container Ship/ From China to Malaysia/ Bintulu Port, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB250322

On 14 Mar, local authorities seized 7.92 million sticks of cigarettes from a container ship at Bintulu Port, Sarawak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/03/24/customs-seizes-contraband-cigarettes-with-over-rm5-3-mln-unpaid-duties/>

08 Mar – Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (150 Tons)/ Cargo Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Zhuhai Dazhizhou, China/ DB250322

On 08 Mar, local authorities seized 150 tons of frozen goods from a cargo vessel off Zhuhai Dazhizhou, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1727256845141156077&wfr=spider&for=pc>

17 Mar – Natural Resources/ Logs (700)/ Two Tug and Two Barge/ From Papua New Guinea to Malaysia/ Off Sungai Kemena, Bintulu, Malaysia/ DB240322
(Information Update to DB230322)

Updated that two barges and two tugs were involved.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/03/18/mmea-bintulu-seizes-700-logs-believed-from-papua-new-guinea-15-held/>

17 Mar – Domestic Products/ Cooking Oil (323kg)/ Two Small Boats/ From Malaysia to Philippines/ Off Pulau Lingkutan, Malaysia/ DB240322

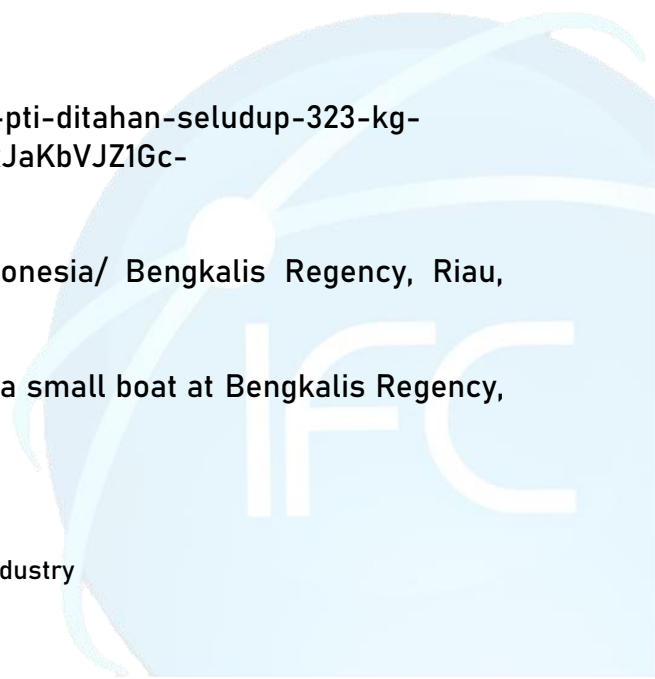
On 17 Mar, local authorities seized 323kg of cooking oil from two small boats off Pulau Lingkutan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2022/03/18/empat-pti-ditahan-seludup-323-kg-minyak-masak-ke-negara-jiran?fbclid=IwAR0wpQBkxJaKbVJZ1Gc-2mY42L08qGXUAhi7B00ZEs87aYd0ohqQNB-a6Q>

06 Mar – Drugs/ Meth (56kg)/ Small Boat/ To Indonesia/ Bengkalis Regency, Riau, Indonesia/ DB240322

On 06 Mar, local authorities seized 56kg of meth from a small boat at Bengkalis Regency, Riau, Indonesia.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.beacukai.go.id/berita/bea-cukai-dan-polri-gagalkan-penyelundupan-56-kilogram-sabu-di-perairan-bengkalis.html>

17 Mar – Natural Resources/ Logs (700)/ Tug and Barge/ From Papua New Guinea to Malaysia/ Off Sungai Kemena, Bintulu, Malaysia/ DB230322

On 17 Mar, local authorities seized 700 logs from Papua New Guinea in a tug and barge off Sungai Kemena, Bintulu, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC-IOR

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/03/18/mmea-bintulu-seizes-700-logs-believed-from-papua-new-guinea-15-held/>

16 Mar – Drugs/ Meth (1,000kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Pangandaran Regency, West Java, Indonesia/ DB230322

On 16 Mar, local authorities seized 1,000kg of meth from an unknown vessel off Pangandaran Regency, West Java, Indonesia.

IFC Comments:

This article was translated to English by Google. This is the first time IFC recorded meth transfer involving possible Iran vessel in this part of IFC AOI.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.cnnindonesia.com/nasional/20220316184805-12-772250/penyelundupan-sabu-1-ton-dari-iran-digagalkan-di-pangandaran>

14 Mar – Chemical Substances/ Aluminium (18 Containers)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai, India/ DB230322

On 14 Mar, local authorities seized 18 containers of aluminium from an unknown vessel off Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.freepressjournal.in/mumbai/mumbai-customs-officials-seize-18-containers-having-hazardous-aluminium-dross-in-a-week>

17 Mar – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (10.2m)/ Unknown Vessel/ Vietnam to Philippines/ Tsing Yi Customs, Hong Kong/ DB220322

On 17 Mar, local authorities seized 10.2m of cigarettes en route from Vietnam to Philippines at Tsing Yi Customs, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3415.html



18 Mar – Domestic Products/ Frozen Products (120 tonnes)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Fuzhou, China/ DB210322

On 18 Mar, local authorities seized 120 tons of domestically smuggled frozen products from an unknown vessel at Fuzhou, China.

IFC Comments:

Incident date is date of publication.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn//2022/95110_0318/1452.html

18 Mar – Drugs/ Cannabis (175kg)/ Small Boat/ India to Sri Lanka/ Off Oluthuduwai, Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB210322

On 18 Mar, local authorities seized 175kg of cannabis from India in a small boat off Oluthuduwai, Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/03/18/202203182030/>

16 Mar – Natural Resources/ Sandalwood (4,670kg)/ From Malaysia to Hong Kong/ Hong Kong/ DB210322

On 16 Mar, local authorities seized 4,670kg of sandalwood from Malaysia at Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3414.html

15 Mar – Drugs/ Unknown Drugs (12kg)/ Small boat/ Off Viligili, Maldives/ DB210322

On 15 Mar, local authorities seized 12kg of drugs from a small boat off Viligili, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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14 Mar – Drugs/ Ketamine (25kg)/ Khong Yai, Trat, Thailand/ DB210322

On 14 Mar, local authorities seized 25kg of ketamine at Khong Yai, Trat, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thethaiger.com/hot-news/drugs/25-kilograms-of-ketamine-in-tea-bags-wash-up-on-eastern-thailand-beach>

10 Mar – Fuel/ Fuel Oil (2,100 tonnes)/ Tanker/ Domestic Smuggling/ Rugao Port, Nantong, China/ DB210322

On 10 Mar, local authorities seized 2,100 tonnes of domestically smuggled fuel oil from a tanker at Rugao Port, Nantong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.manifoldtimes.com/news/nantong-authorities-catches-tanker-falsely-declaring-fuel-oil-cargo-as-asphalt/>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

21 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 12 Indonesia Migrants Going to Malaysia/ Small Boat/ Assam Jawa, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB250322

On 21 Mar, local authorities arrested 12 Indonesia migrants from a small boat at Assam Jawa, Selangor, Malaysia.

IFC Comments:

Malaysia ILO updated that the migrants were of Indonesian nationality.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/471689204747181>

22 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 10 Sri Lankan Migrants from Sri Lanka to India/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Rameswaram, India/ DB240322

On 22 Mar, local authorities arrested ten Sri Lankan migrants in an unknown vessel off Ramedhearam, India.

IFC Comments:

The incident involving the first group of six migrants was reported in DB230322.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/madurai/16-refugees-land-in-state-as-economic-crisis-squeezes-sl/articleshow/90385269.cms>

21 Mar – Human Smuggling/ Seven Indonesian Migrants going from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Small Boat/ Off Tanjung Sentau Hulu, Indonesia/ DB240322

On 21 Mar, local authorities arrested seven Indonesian migrants in a small boat off Tanjung Sentau Hulu, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.antaranews.com/news/221189/naval-officers-foil-smuggling-of-migrant-workers-to-malaysia-in-dumai>

20 Mar – Illegal Documentation/ 15 Unknown Migrants Arrested/ Two Fishing Vessels/ Warasin Pier, Samae San, Thailand/ DB240322

On 20 Mar, local authorities arrested 15 migrants in two fishing vessels at Warasin Pier, Samae San, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.pattayamail.com/news/15-illegal-migrant-fishermen-jailed-boat-owners-face-massive-fines-393060>

22 Mar – Human Smuggling/ Six Sri Lankan Migrants Going from Sri Lanka to India/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Ramedhearam, India/ DB230322

On 22 Mar, local authorities arrested six Sri Lankan migrants in an unknown vessel off Ramedhearam, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/IndianCoastGuard/posts/1113673686153371>

21 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 17 Filipino Migrants Going from Philippines to Malaysia/ Two Small Boats/ Semporna, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB230322

On 21 Mar, local authorities arrested 17 Filipino migrants in two small boats at Semporna, Sabah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/471112374804864>

20 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 89 Indonesian Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Fishing Boat/ Off Pantan Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB220322

On 20 Mar, local authorities arrested 89 Indonesian migrants in a fishing boat off Pantan Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.airtimes.my/2022/03/19/polis-marin-usir-bot-6-pati-termasuk-juragan-ceroboh-perairan-tawau/?fbclid=IwAR2oCHCeyuRNC7IYVJ_7xL6hB4v20_-ViDn0_7Y7eI2_AzbB218RfDi8HMA

19 Mar – Human Smuggling/ Six Indonesian Migrants going from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Small Boat/ Off Tawau, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 19 Mar, local authorities arrested six Indonesian migrants in a small boat off Tawau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.airtimes.my/2022/03/19/polis-marin-usir-bot-6-pati-termasuk-juragan-ceroboh-perairan-tawau/?fbclid=IwAR2oCHCeyuRNC7IYVJ_7xL6hB4v20_-ViDn0_7Y7eI2_AzbB218RfDi8HMA

Out of Reporting Period:

18 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 27 Indonesian Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Unknown Vessel/ Banting Beach, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 18 Mar, local authorities arrested 27 Indonesian migrants in an unknown vessel at Banting Beach, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.utusan.com.my/luar-negara/2022/03/bot-bawa-pati-indonesia-ke-malaysia-karam-dua-maut-26-hilang/?fbclid=IwAR2T4Iz3Lyb3yRWkuC1cEEBpLWakTwl096osUo74f1Z5loC4p_tlyTDUTJ0

17 Mar – Human Smuggling/ Seven Migrants/ Small Boat/ Off Tambak Jawa, Indonesia/ DB220322

On 17 Mar, local authorities arrested seven migrants in a small boat off Tambak Jawa, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/469110875005014>

18 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 27 Indonesian Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Unknown Vessel/ Banting Beach, Malaysia/ DB210322

On 18 Mar, local authorities arrested 27 Indonesian migrants in an unknown vessel at Banting Beach, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/193531/BERITA/Semasa/27-PATI-baru-mendarat-dicekup?fbclid=IwAR1MMBP8R2Sua9Mj1-3IUAVE1iqTwxa9dZeAisdpkVf9eYJ7G9c3F2C85Hk>

Information Updates:

20 Mar – Human Smuggling/ 88 Indonesian Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Fishing Boat/ Off Pantan Bagan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB230322
(Information Update to DB220322)

Updated that all passengers and crew of a wooden fishing boat that sank off the coast of Tanjung Api in Asahan, North Sumatra, over the weekend, have been accounted for according to local authorities. A total of 88 people, including four crew members, were rescued while a man and a woman died in the incident.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2022/03/21/all-passengers-accounted-for-after-sinking-of-boat-carrying-migrants-official.html>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

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SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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SECTION I: OTHERS

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IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

1. All mariners to 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 on 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:

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The IFC seeks your observations in the course of your normal business. The IFC would like to remind mariners to be mindful of national and international laws, company and other policy requirements and also 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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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 Tug boat "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.



Note: Information herein were derived from various internal and external sources such as Focal Points, OPCENs and other maritime stakeholders. Seafarers should remain vigilant 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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