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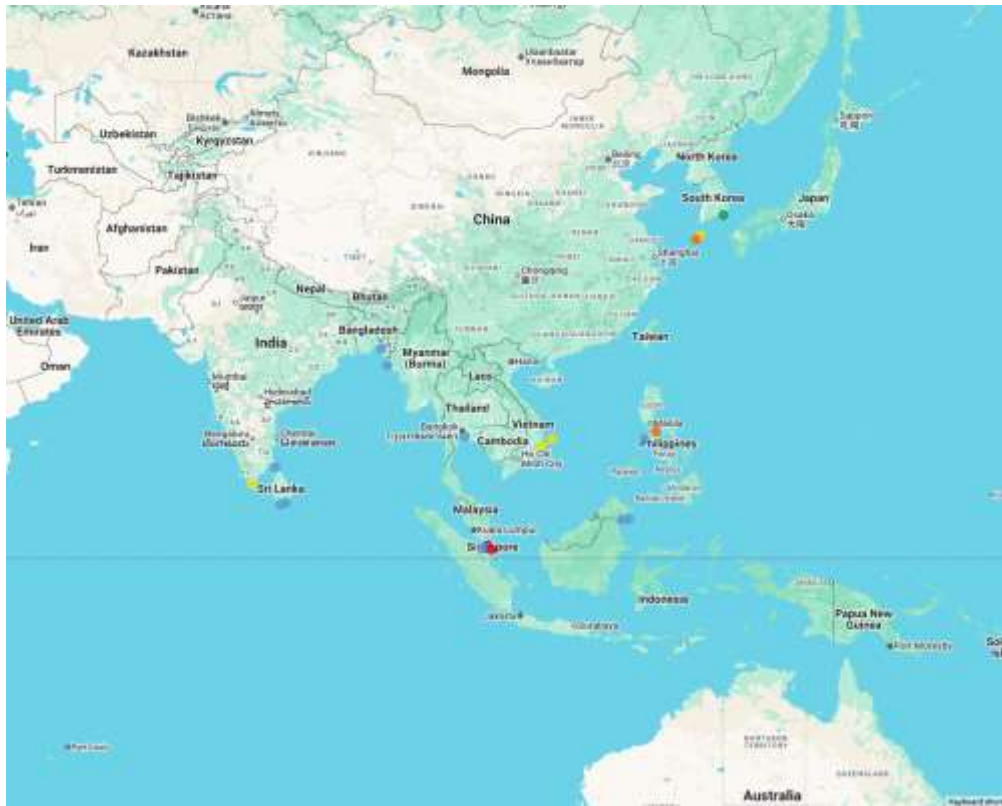
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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 07 Mar - 13 Mar 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 | 2 | 2 |
| Maritime Terrorism (MT) | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Maritime Incidents (MI) | 0 | 10 | 4-6 |
| Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF) | 0 | 8 | 7-8 |
| Contraband Smuggling (CS) | 0 | 22 | 9-13 |
| Irregular Human Migration (IHM) | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| Environmental Security (ENVSEC) | 0 | 1 | 15 |
| Cyber Security (CYBSEC) | 0 | 1 | 16 |
| Others | 0 | 0 | 17 |

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

Incidents:

07 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Palau-Flagged Tanker/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB090326

1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Palau-flagged tanker, as the vessel transited along Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°02'18.0"N 103°40'18.0"E) on 7 Mar, at 03:00 (UTC+8). Crew reportedly sighted seven perpetrators armed with knives in the engine room.

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and nothing stolen reported yet. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Dongguan, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime Port Authority (MPA) - Port Operations Control Centre (POCC)

Out of Reporting Period:

20 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Marshall Islands-Flagged Container Vessel/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Manila North Anchorage, Philippines/ DB090326

On 20 Feb, a sea theft incident was reported onboard a vessel at the Manila North Anchorage, Philippines.

At approximately 03:54 (UTC+8), a crew security patrol discovered the starboard hawse pipe cover open, indicating possible unauthorized access. The vessel immediately sounded the general alarm, including the typhoon signal.

At 03:55 (UTC+8), the crew notified the Philippine Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Management System via VHF channels 16 and 14. At the same time, radar detected a fast-moving target departing the vessel's vicinity.

A security search of the vessel commenced at 04:02 (UTC+8) and concluded at 04:30 (UTC+8), with no intruders found onboard.

An inventory conducted at 04:35 (UTC+8) confirmed the theft of one six-person life raft, two immersion suits and one breathing apparatus set with mask. The incident report was confirmed by Philippine authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GSIS)

SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

NSTR



SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

09 Mar - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 34 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nha Trang, Vietnam/ DB110326

On 9 Mar, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Nha Trang, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were 34 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://nhandan.vn/cuu-nan-kip-thoi-34-ngu-dan-tau-qng-95157-ts-tren-vung-bien-ngoai-khoi-khanh-hoa-post947398.html>

08 Mar - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 2 Fishing Vessels, 2 Barges, 1 Small Boat/ SAR/ Daepo Port, ROK/ DB110326

On 8 Mar, two fishing vessels, two barges and a small boat caught fire due to unknown causes at Daepo Port, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=146281>

08 Mar - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 1 Fishing Vessel vs 1 Cargo Vessel/ 2 Missing, 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kanyakumari, India/ DB110326

On 8 Mar, a fishing vessel capsized due to collision with a cargo vessel off Kanyakumari, India. SAR was conducted and there were two missing and nine rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/thiruvananthapuram/fishing-boat-collides-with-vessel-2-workers-missing/articleshow/129231516.cms>

09 Mar - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 36 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Vung Ro, Vietnam/ DB130326

On 9 Mar, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Nha Trang, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were 36 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://moc.gov.vn/vn/tin-tuc/1346/92229/2-tau-ca-quang-ngai-hong-may--70-ngu-dan-can-ho-tro-tren-bien.aspx>

09 Mar - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nhat Le River, Vietnam/ DB130326

On 9 Mar, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather off Nhat Le River, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/don-bien-phong-nhat-le-cuu-nan-thanh-cong-tau-ca-bi-lat-khi-dang-vao-cua-nhat-le-post501282.html>

Out of Reporting Period:

06 Mar - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing and 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Sohasado, Ocheon-Myeon, Boryeong-Si, Chungnam, ROK/ DB090326

On 6 Mar, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown causes off Sohasado, Ocheon-Myeon, Boryeong-Si, Chungnam, ROK. SAR was conducted, and there was one missing and seven rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.jbnews.com/news/articleViewAmp.html?idxno=1499952>

03 Mar - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operations/ 1 Tugboat/ Off Sungai Miri, Sabah/ DB090326

On 3 Mar, a tugboat was detained due to unauthorised operations off Sungai Miri, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/100064312044774/posts/1345791610907894/?rdid=wc1FCDyLJZmGKTpu>

28 Feb - Missing/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Tugboat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nha Trang, Vietnam/ DB090326

On 28 Feb, a tugboat went missing due to equipment failure off Nha Trang, Vietnam. SAR was conducted, and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vishipel.com.vn/ho-tro-tim-kiem-03-tau-mat-lien-lac-tai-khu-vuc-quan-dao-truong-sa.htm>

26 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Davao City, Philippines/ DB090326

On 26 Feb, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown causes off Davao City, Philippines. SAR was conducted, and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/cgdsem/posts/pfbid036mgwni4AFfmifx7nVzWQP3NAZAEswNufMP4XksXoqyBvCL6ysjE48LrLdYRTcnql?rdid=sJlvzIcbT>

17 Feb - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ 2 Dead, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Yellow Sea, China/ DB100326

On 17 Feb, a fire broke out on a cargo vessel due to unknown causes off the Yellow Sea, China. SAR was conducted, and there were two dead and one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/629/dua-orang-tewas-dalam-kebakaran-di-kapal-kargo-mandy>



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

Incidents:

08 Mar - Local/ Unreported Fishing/ 2 Chinese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 18 Chinese Fishermen Arrested/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Chagwido, ROK/ DB100326

On 8 Mar, local authorities detained two Chinese fishing vessels and arrested 18 Chinese fishermen due to misreporting catches off Chagwido, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=146244>

11 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Tayabas Bay, Philippines/ DB120326

On 11 Mar, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested six local fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1D6dSdUvpb/>

Out of Reporting Period:

04 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Cavite City, Philippines/ DB090326

On 4 Mar, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested five local fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear and fishing in prohibited areas off Cavite City, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0m6E947k83Zr1sbD9f4wwtmK1hKvSNHzReqkZtbH7FxnHHy4g6SURHvvzbDVhxzgSl?rclid=HdSK4GM4Vib5tBy>

03 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ Fishing With Illegal Gear/ Off Mawasangka District, Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB100326

On 3 Mar, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel due to fishing with illegal gear off Mawasangka District, Sulawesi, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/637/polisi-gagalkan-aksi-bom-ikan-di-perairan-buton-tengah>

05 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Zamboanga Del Norte, Philippines/ DB110326

On 5 Mar, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested a local fisherman due to fishing with illegal gear off Zamboanga Del Norte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0TFu8pMZvyZCTfW3MgzEMH6GzuoDsywM3T19hpGa3d86auF1LsXB3zUojEKzW8b18l?rdid=6PoevMPtIB7gqsRZ#>

04 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fisherman Arrested/ License of Fishermen and License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Zamboanga Del Norte, Philippines/ DB110326

On 4 Mar, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and a local fisherman due to licence of fishermen and fishing vessel off Zamboanga Del Norte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0TFu8pMZvyZCTfW3MgzEMH6GzuoDsywM3T19hpGa3d86auF1LsXB3zUojEKzW8b18l?rdid=6PoevMPtIB7gqsRZ#>

05 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB120326

On 5 Mar, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested one local fisherman due to license of fishermen off Chattogram, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1DkzMAK3Ve/>

04 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB120326

On 4 Mar, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested two local fishermen due to license of fishermen off Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/06/202603061300/>

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SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

08 Mar - Domestic Products/ LPG (60 Cylinders)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ From Unknown to Sabah/ Tawau, Sabah/ DB100326

On 8 Mar, local authorities seized 60 LPG cylinders from a cargo vessel at Tawau, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1350405007113221&id=100064312044774&rdid=uPyWuckUo9ZFhxrh#

11 Mar - Domestic Products/ Cooking Oil (1,530 Packets)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sabah/ Off Bum Bum Island, Sabah/ DB110326

On 11 Mar, local authorities seized 1,530 packets of cooking oil from a small boat off Bum Bum Island, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/SABAHDIMENSI/posts/pfbid02rh8UuiJHEGq1TkvRMTqVVoeq63LmyC6AkKpH1HHfyKxYWUt4ggvqdvoJu6inXMTML?rdid=nzqAk9sNt74QOZSR#>

10 Mar - Drugs/ Narcotics (600kg)/ 1 Trawler/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Sri Lanka/ DB110326

On 10 Mar, local authorities seized 600kg of narcotics from a trawler off Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://dailynews.lk/2026/03/11/breaking-news/964899/trawler-with-600-kg-of-narcotics-seized/>

08 Mar - Drugs/ Heroin (102kg) and Cocaine (0.9kg)/ 1 Fishing Trawler/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Sri Lanka/ DB110326

On 8 Mar, local authorities seized 102kg of heroin and 0.9kg of cocaine from a fishing trawler off Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/08/202603081600/>

10 Mar - Drugs/ Meth (43 Sacks)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Philippines to Unknown/ Off Barangay Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro, Philippines/ DB120326

On 10 Mar, local authorities seized 43 sacks of meth from a small boat off Barangay Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/manila/p17b-worth-of-shabu-recovered-in-occidental-mindoro>

09 Mar - Natural Resources/ Gold (6.87kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Sri Lanka to Unknown/ Off Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB120326

On 9 Mar, local authorities seized 6.87kg of gold from a small boat off Jaffna, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/10/202603101215/>

11 Mar - Fuel/ Fuel/ Tanker/ From Unknown to Thailand/ Off Chonburi, Thailand/ DB130326

On 11 Mar, local authorities seized oil from a tanker off Chonburi, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=122167407308941463&id=61578243895689&rdid=kJHPcUY00mVvHbYu#

11 Mar - Domestic Products/ Charcoal (200,000kg)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ From Unknown to Indonesia/ Off Meranti Regency, Riau, Indonesia/ DB130326

On 11 Mar, local authorities seized 200,000kg of charcoal from a cargo vessel off Meranti Regency, Riau, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://wahanariau.com/news/detail/45428/tni-al-gagalkan-penyelundupan-200-ton-arang-bakau-ilegal-di-perairan->

08 Mar - Tobacco and Domestic Products/ Cigarettes (30,270) and Dried Goods (1,050kg)/ 2 Cargo Vessels/ From Unknown to Bangladesh/ Off Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB130326

On 8 Mar, local authorities seized 30,270kg of cigarettes and 1,050kg of dried goods from two cargo vessels off Chattogram, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tinyurl.com/h84nhmh8>

07 Mar - Drugs/ Cannabis (10.4kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Bangladesh/ Off St. Martin's Island, Bangladesh/ DB130326

On 7 Mar, local authorities seized 10.4kg of cannabis from a small boat off St. Martin's Island, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://tinyurl.com/2uv7n4yz>

Out of Reporting Period:

06 Mar - Fuel/ Petrol (15 Jerry Cans)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sabah/ Off Bum Bum Island, Sabah/ DB100326

On 6 Mar, local authorities seized 15 jerry cans from a small boat off Bum Bum Island, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02Uec67NhRHZw3FmnPfYiKh1QZsxnj26KxESho6MgHkZHv9iU2knlitmrE1WmwfKQ3l?rdid=WSkFlj9aluOh2LR4#>

06 Mar - Fuel/ Diesel (50,000 Litres)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ From Unknown to Vietnam/ Off Hon Khoai, Vietnam/ DB100326

On 6 Mar, local authorities seized 50,000 litres of diesel from a fishing vessel off Hon Khoi, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://canhsatbien.vn/bat-giu-tau-ca-van-chuyen-da%CC%80u-d-o-trai-phep-tren-vung-bien-tay-nam/15164/81>

06 Mar - Natural Resources/ Sand (122 Sacks)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ From Unknown to Indonesia/ Tanjung Priok Port, Jakarta, Indonesia/ DB100326

On 6 Mar, local authorities seized 122 sacks of sand from a passenger vessel at Tanjung Priok Port, Jakarta, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/90587/TNI-AL-BERSAMA-STAKEHOLDER-TERKAIT-BERHASIL--GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-6,1-TON-PASIR-TIMAH-ILEGAL-DI-TANJUNG-PRIOK/>

05 Mar - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (102 Boxes)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ From Unknown to Philippines/ Basay, Philippines/ DB100326

On 5 Mar, local authorities seized 102 boxes of cigarettes from an unknown vessel in Basay, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://pilipinomirror.com/p50-22-m-cocaine-nasabat-sa-dalampasigan/>

05 Mar - Fuel/ Petrol (30 Jerry Cans)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sabah/ Off Bum Bum Island, Sabah/ DB100326

On 5 Mar, local authorities seized 30 jerry cans from a small boat off Bum Bum Island, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02Uec67NhRHZw3FmnPfyiKh1QZsxnj26KxESho6MgHkZHv9iU2knlitmrE1WmwfKQ3!?rdid=hURW0UIS8dW05yA5#>

14 Feb - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (637 Master Cases)/ 1 Container Vessel/ From UAE to Philippines/ Batangas Port, Philippines/ DB100326

On 14 Feb, local authorities seized 637 master cases of cigarettes from a container vessel at Batangas Port, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1270530>

24 Feb - Drugs/ Cocaine (5.5kg)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ From Unknown to Philippines/ Off Barangay Canipaan, Philippines/ DB100326

On 24 Feb, local authorities seized 5.5kg of cocaine from an unknown vessel off Barangay Canipaan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://pilipinomirror.com/p50-22-m-cocaine-nasabat-sa-dalampasigan/>

04 Mar - Chemical Substances/ Cyanide (1,400kg)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ From Unknown to/ Bitung Ferry Terminal, Indonesia/ DB110326

On 4 Mar, local authorities seized 1,400kg of cyanide from a passenger vessel at Bitung Ferry Terminal, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.antaranews.com/news/407399/indonesian-navy-seizes-14-tonne-cyanide-smuggled-from-philippines>

04 Mar - Drugs/ Cannabis (368kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Off Kayts Island, Sri Lanka/ DB110326

On 4 Mar, local authorities seized 368kg of cannabis from a small boat off Kayts Island, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/07/202603071200/>

03 Mar - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (953kg)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Off Marawila, Sri Lanka/ DB110326

On 3 Mar, local authorities seized 953kg of kendu leaves from an unknown vessel off Marawila, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/08/202603081000/>

06 Mar - Natural Resources/ Sea Cucumber (728kg)/ 2 Small Boats/ From Sri Lanka to Unknown/ Off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB120326

On 6 Mar, local authorities seized 728kg of sea cucumber from two small boats off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/10/202603101130/>

05 Mar - Natural Resources/ Sea Cucumber (418kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Sri Lanka to Unknown/ Off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB120326

On 5 Mar, local authorities seized 418kg of sea cucumber from a small boat off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/03/10/202603101130/>

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

11 Mar - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Small Boat/ 6 Indonesian Migrants/ From Malaysia to Unknown/ Off Johor, Malaysia/ DB120326

On 11 Mar, local authorities arrested six Indonesian migrants from a small boat off Johor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18Ks5MoaHK/>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

07 Mar - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ Gamcheon Port, ROK/ DB090326

On 7 Mar, there's an oil spill from a cargo vessel at Gamcheon Port, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=146216>



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

Out of Reporting Period:

11 Feb - Information Deception/ Fraudulent Registration/ 1 Tanker/ No Impact Reported/
South China Sea / DB110326

On 11 Feb, a tanker was transmitting a false name and IMO number in the South China Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
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SECTION I: OTHERS

NSTR



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:

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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.

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 Lane 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 Manila and Batangas anchorage.

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.

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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