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



For the period of 04 – 10 Sep, 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)	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	36	4-11
Illegal/ Unregulated/ Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	14	12-14
Contraband/ Weapons Smuggling (CS)	9	15-16
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	3	17
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	1	18
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	19
Others	0	20

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

01 Sep – Boarding/ Piracy/ No Injury/ Fishing Vessel/ Unknown Flag/ Off Arcottuthurai, India/ DB070921

Four fishermen were robbed by pirates off Arcottuthurai, India on 01 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Tiruchirapalli/fishermen-robbed-by-suspected-sea-pirates/article36273616.ece>



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

08 Sep – Water Ingress/ Damaged Hull/ Vehicle Carrier/ Off Mongla Port, Bangladesh/ DB100921

A vehicle suffered from water ingress due to a damaged hull off Mongla Port, Bangladesh on 08 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/bangladesh/nation/2021/09/08/ship-at-mongla-port-springs-leak-flooding-imported-cars-below-deck>

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/235331/casualties#317257>

08 Sep – Fire-Explosion/ Engine Room Fire/ Fishing Vessel/ 35 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nias, Indonesia/ DB100921

35 rescued from a fishing vessel that suffered a fire in the engine room off Nias, Indonesia on 08 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Indonesian National SAR Agency (BASARNAS)

07 Sep – Missing/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ One Missing/ SAR/ Off Cabang Town, Philippines/ DB100921

A fishing vessel and one crew went missing due to bad weather off Cabang Town, Philippines on 07 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1485746/zambales-fisherman-missing-at-sea>

06 Sep – Mechanical Failure/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Dua, Tual, Maluku, Indonesia/ DB100921

One rescued from a small boat that suffered a mechanical failure in the form of an engine failure off Pulau Dua, Tual, Maluku, Indonesia on 06 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.okezone.com/read/2021/09/06/340/2466915/sempt-hilang-dan-terombang-ambing-longboat-mati-mesin-di-pulau-dua-akhirnya-ditemukan>

05 Sep – Mechanical Failure/ Engine Failure/ Cargo Ship/ SAR/ Off Banggai Islands Regency, Indonesia/ DB100291

A cargo ship suffered a mechanical failure in the form of an engine failure off Banggai Islands Regency, Indonesia on 05 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.detik.com/berita/d-5714186/kapal-mati-mesin-di-perairan-banggai-sulteng-8-abk-hilang-kontak>

04 Sep – Fire-Explosion/ Welding Works/ Container Ship/ SAR/ Ho Chin Minh Port, Viet Nam/ DB100921

A fire erupted aboard a container ship due to sparks from welding works at Ho Chin Minh Port, Viet Nam on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/275636/casualties#317045>

08 Sep – Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Ship/ Off Naha, Japan / DB090921

A cargo ship went adrift in the Philippine Sea on 08 Sep. The vessel has drifted approximately 1,200 nautical miles from the Philippine coast and is currently in closer proximity to Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Philippine Navy OPCEN

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Aquaexplorer-9592800.html>

06 Sep – MOB/ Collision/ Government Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ Two Rescued/ Off Pushpavanam, India/ DB090921

Two fishermen fell from their fishing vessel after it collided with a government vessel off Pushpavanam, India on 06 Sep. They were rescued by nearby fishermen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/86021839.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cpps

<https://www.newindianexpress.com/states/tamil-nadu/2021/sep/08/coast-guard-ship-hits-boat-injures-two-nagapattinamfishers-2355756.html>

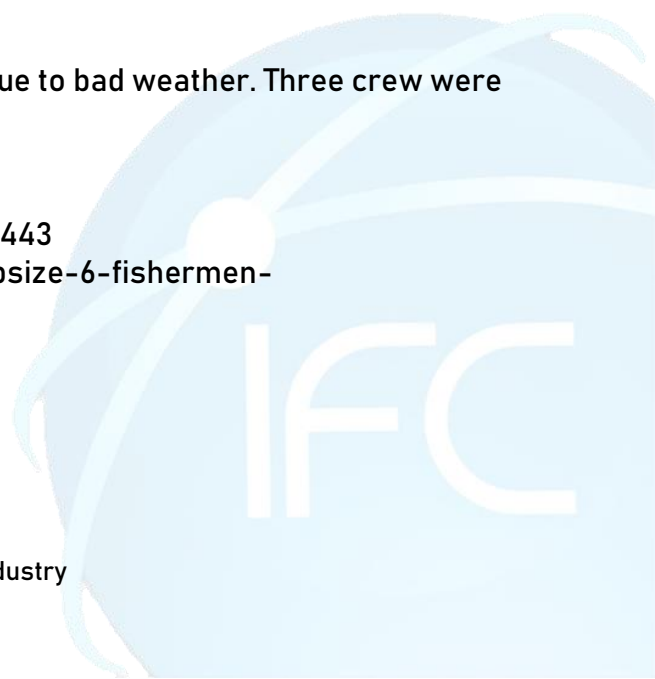
05 Sep – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ Off Kanchugodu, India/ DB090921

A fishing vessel sank off Kanchugodu, India on 05 Sep due to bad weather. Three crew were rescued by nearby fishermen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daijiworld.com/news/newsDisplay?newsID=870443>

<https://www.outlookindia.com/newscroll/2-boats-capsized-6-fishermen-rescued/2154835/?next>



05 Sep – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ Off Trasi, Hosapete, India/ DB090921

A fishing vessel sank off Trasi, Hosapete, India on 05 Sep due to bad weather. Three crew were rescued by local authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daijiworld.com/news/newsDisplay?newsID=870443>

<https://www.outlookindia.com/newscroll/2-boats-capsized-6-fishermen-rescued/2154835/?next>

04 Sep – Violent Confrontation/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat vs Fishing Vessel/ Off Kodiakkarai, India/ DB090921

Fishermen from India were involved in a violent confrontation with fishermen from Sri Lanka off Kodiakkarai, India on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/trichy/five-tn-fishermen-assaulted-in-sea-by-lankan-fishermen/articleshow/85960352.cms>

04 Sep – MEDEVAC/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ganjingzi, Liaoning, China/ DB090921

Local authorities rescued one fisherman from his fishing vessel off Ganjingzi, Liaoning, China on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn//2021/95110_0907/796.html

<https://weibo.com/ttarticle/p/show?id=2309404678919898137021>

08 Sep – Mechanical Failure (Adrift)/ Cause Unknown/ Passenger Vessel/ SAR/ Off Banda Island, Indonesia/ DB080921

A passenger vessel was reported adrift off Banda Island, Indonesia on 08 Sep 21. Rescue efforts are being coordinated by the authorities. Indonesia ILO updated that Indonesian SAR agency has rescued the vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Indonesia National SAR Agency

VCR Reporting

<https://www.liputan6.com/regional/read/4652734/km-simba-1-kecelakaan-akibat-patah-kemudi-ratusan-penumpang-berhasil-dievakuasi>

07 Sep – Missing/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessels/ Five Dead, 18 Missing, 50 Rescued / Off Samar, Philippines/ DB080921

Five dead, 18 missing and 50 rescued from the fishing vessels due to bad weather off Samar, Philippines on 07 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.cnnphilippines.com/regional/2021/9/7/PCG-verifying-reports-missing-fishermen-Samar-Jolina.html>

07 Sep - Others/ Inclement Weather/ Small Boat/ Two Rescued/ Off Barangay Maya, Philippines/ DB080921

Two fishermen were rescued by the local authorities off Baranagay Maya, Philippines on 07 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1906473/Cebu/Local-News/5-fishermen-rescued-in-Daanbantayan>

07 Sep - Others/ Inclement Weather/ Small Boat/ One Rescued/ Off Barangay Malbago, Philippines/ DB080921

One fisherman was rescued by the local authorities off Barangay Malbago, Philippines on 07 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1906473/Cebu/Local-News/5-fishermen-rescued-in-Daanbantayan>

06 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Electrical Short Circuit/ Tanker/ Off Pertamina Depot, Hulonthalangi District, Indonesia/ DB080921

A tanker had caught fire due to an electrical short circuit off Pertamina Depot, Hulonthalangi District, Indonesia on 06 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Julvinda-9755878.html>

<https://prosesnews.id/kapal-bermuatan-bbm-terbakar-satu-orang-nyaris-terpanggang/>

06 Sep - Mechanical Failure/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ Two Rescued/ Off Barangay Tapilon, Philippines/ DB080921

A small boat had suffered engine failure, two crew were rescued by the local authorities off Baranagay Tapilon, Philippines on 06 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1906473/Cebu/Local-News/5-fishermen-rescued-in-Daanbantayan>



06 Sep – Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Container Ship/ Off Vityaz Strait/ DB070921

A container ship was reported adrift off Vitayaz Strait on 06 Sep. The ship is still adrift, but seems to be under control, doesn't look like abandoned. AIS is on, new information appeared – port of destination Lae, ETA 07 Sep. Abandonment navigational alert was cancelled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/09/06/container-ship-adrift-abandoned-after-being-off-radar-for-3-weks/>

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Gazelle-Coast-9436874.html>

04 Sep – MOB (Missing)/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off U-Tapao Rayong-Pattaya, Thailand/ DB070921

A person was rescued by local authorities after going overboard from his fishing vessel off U-Tapao Rayong-Pattaya, Thailand on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/4944425642251580>

04 Sep – Mechanical Failure (Adrift)/ Engine Failure/ Cargo Ship/ Off Gulf of Tonkin/ DB070921

A cargo ship went adrift due to engine failure off Gulf of Tonkin on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/An-Hung-27-11532258.html>

Outside of reporting period:

03 Sep – MOB/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ Kalimantan Sea, Indonesia/ DB100921

One rescued after falling overboard a fishing vessel in the Kalimantan Sea, Indonesia on 03 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

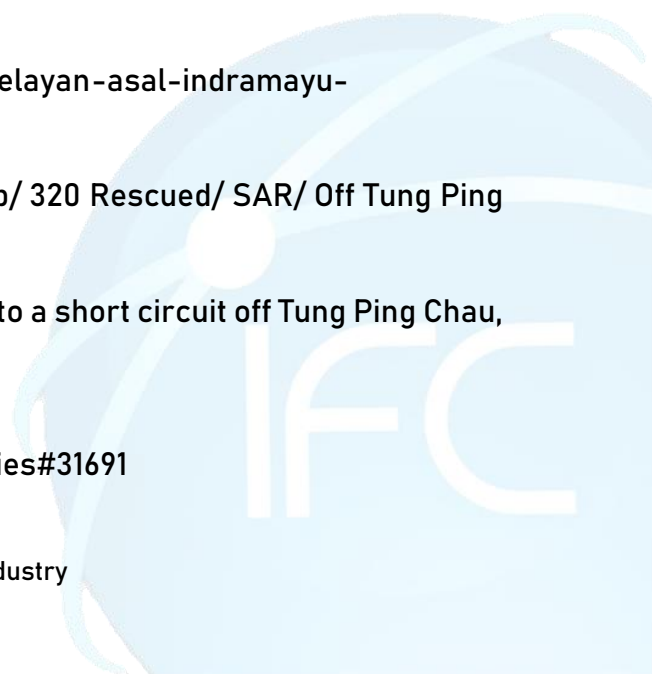
<https://www.timesindonesia.co.id/read/news/368192/nelayan-asal-indramayu-dikabarkan-alami-kecelakaan-di-perairan-kalimantan>

29 Aug – Fire-Explosion/ Short Circuit/ Passenger Ship/ 320 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tung Ping Chau, Hong Kong/ DB100921

320 rescued after fire erupted on a passenger ship due to a short circuit off Tung Ping Chau, Hong Kong on 29 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/12491171/casualties#31691>



15 Aug – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ Eight Missing, Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Bawean Island, Indonesia/ DB100921

Eight still missing and three rescued from a fishing vessel that sank due to water ingress off Bawean Island, Indonesia on 15 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://republika.co.id/berita/daerah/jawa-timur/gy6jik5022000/8-nelayan-lamongan-dilaporkan-hilang-di-baweanmasalembu>

01 Sep – Mechanical Failure/ Loss of Power/ Small Boat/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Baisuyan, Guangxi, China/ DB090921

A small boat suffered loss of power and were rescued by local authorities off Baisuyan, Guangxi, China on 01 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn//2021/95110_0907/796.html

<https://weibo.com/ttarticle/p/show?id=2309404678919898137021>

01 Sep – Sunk-Capsized (Adrift)/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Six Rescued/ Off Tioman Island, Malaysia/ DB080921

A fishing vessel sunk and drifted off Tioman Island, Malaysia on 01 Sep. Six crew were rescued by the local authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Rattana-Naree-9245055.html>

02 Sep – MOB/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Rayong Bay, Mueang District, Thailand/ DB070921

A fisherman was rescued by local authorities after falling overboard from his fishing vessel off Rayong Bay, Mueang District, Thailand on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/4938471276180350>

03 Sep – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Velsao, Salcete, India/ DB060921

14 rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Velsao, Salcete, India on 03 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/goa/fishermen-rescued-as-boat-capsizes-off-velsao/articleshow/85936202.cms>



02 Sep – Adrift (Grounding)/ Rough Seas/ Barge/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Palghar, India/ DB060921

One rescued from a barge that went adrift after grounding due to rough seas off Palghar, India on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/thane/palghar-boat-stuck-on-rocks-crewman-rescued-after-30-hrs/articleshow/85894687.cms>

02 Sep – Adrift/ Broken Anchor/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mumbai, India/ DB060921

One rescued from a fishing vessel that went adrift due to a broken anchor off Mumbai, India on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.aninews.in/news/national/general-news/coast-guard-rescues-man-from-launch-boat-off-maharashtra-coast20210903194605/>

02 Sep – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Four Dead, 12 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Azheekal Harbour, Kollam, India/ DB060921

Four dead and 12 rescued from a fishing vessel that capsized off Azheekal Harbour, Kollam, India on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.timesnownews.com/india/kerala/article/kerala-four-fishermen-die-after-their-boat-capsizes-near-kollam/806884>

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kochi/kerala-four-drown-as-fishing-boat-capsizes-off-kollam-coast/articleshow/85888130.cms>

31 Aug – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel vs Debris/ Nine Rescued/ SAR/ Off Puthuvype, India/ DB060921

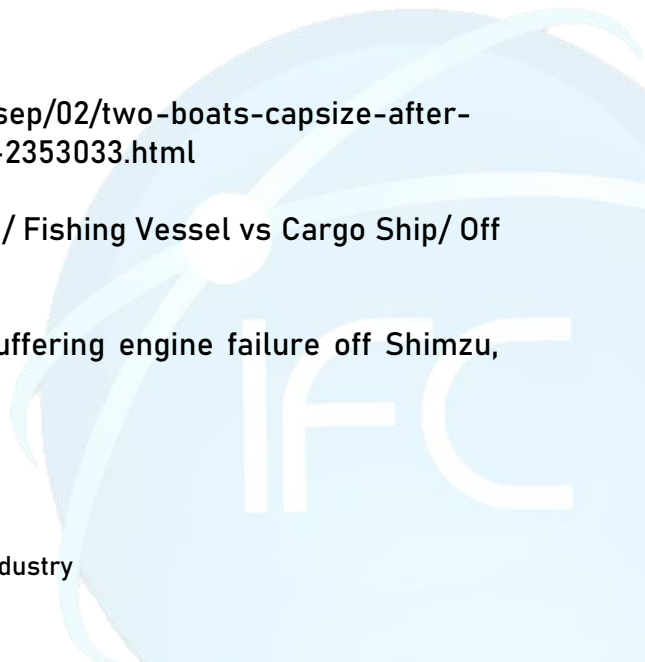
Nine rescued from a fishing vessel that capsized after colliding with debris of a sunken vessel off Puthuvype, India on 31 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.newindianexpress.com/cities/kochi/2021/sep/02/two-boats-capsize-after-hitting-debris-of-another-narrow-escape-for-fishers-2353033.html>

30 Aug – Collision (Mechanical Failure)/ Engine Failure/ Fishing Vessel vs Cargo Ship/ Off Shimzu, Japan/ DB060921

A fishing vessel collided with a cargo vessel after suffering engine failure off Shimzu, Japan on 30 Aug.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Kinsai-Mar-No.1-9882841.html>

26 Aug – Sunk-Capsized/ Rough Seas/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Rescued/ SAR/ Off Dalang Jiao, Sanya, China/ DB060921

Two rescued from a fishing vessel that capsized due to rough seas off Dalang Jiao, Sanya, China on 26 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn//2021/95110_0902/784.html

18 Aug – Adrift (Mechanical Failure)/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Five Rescued/ SAR/ Off Zhanjiang, Guangdong, China/ DB060921

Five rescued from a fishing vessel that went adrift due to mechanical failure off Zhanjiang, Guangdong, China on 18 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.ccg.gov.cn//2021/95110_0902/784.html

12 Jul – Others/ Internal Dispute/ Tanker/ Kakinada Anchorage, India/ DB060921

An internal dispute among the crew of a tanker occurred at Kakinada Anchorage, India on 12 Jul.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/09/04/tanker-immobilized-by-chinese-vs-indian-crews-standoff/>

<https://www.deccanchronicle.com/nation/in-other-news/040921/ship-stranded-at-kakinada-anchorage-port-chinese-capt-refuses-entry.html>

Information Updates:

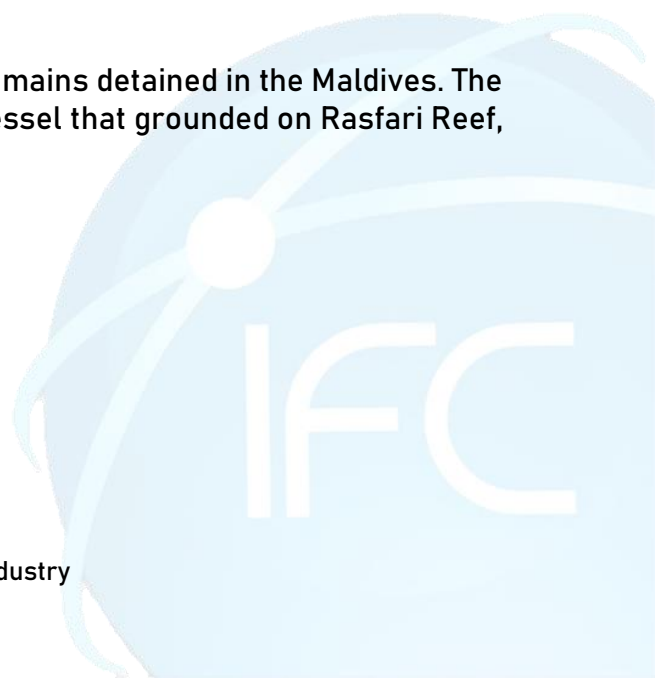
19 Aug – Mechanical Failure (Grounding)/ Engine Failure/ Cargo Ship/ Off Kaafu Atoll, Maldives/ DB060921

(Information Update from DB310821)

The vessel was successfully refloated on 29 Aug and remains detained in the Maldives. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has said the vessel that grounded on Rasfari Reef, wishes to depart from the Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://avas.mv/en/106216>



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

09 Sep – Local/ Two Fishing Vessels Detained/ Six Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Taman Laut, Malaysia/ DB100921

Two local fishing vessels detained and six local fishermen arrested for illegal fishing of Taman Laut, Malaysia on 09 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/09/09/two-boats-with-15-tonnes-of-fish-seized-for-illegal-fishing-off-johor-waters>

<https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/wilayah/2021/09/861694/6-nelayan-ditahan-ceroboh-taman-laut>

08 Sep – Poaching/ One Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Eight Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Tanjung Po, Malaysia/ DB100921

One Vietnamese fishing vessel detained and eight foreign fishermen arrested for illegal fishing off Tanjung Po, Malaysia on 08 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/4297973220294560>

08 Sep – Poaching/ Two Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Muara Tok Bali, Malaysia/ DB100921

Two Vietnamese fishing vessels detained, and 19 foreign fishermen arrested for illegal fishing off Muara Tok Bali, Malaysia on 08 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/4297964963628719>

04 Sep – Local/ Four Fishing Vessels Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Sethubhavachatram, India/ DB090921

Four fishing vessels with unknown number of crew were detained for illegally fishing with banned nets off Sethubhavachatram, India on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Tiruchirapalli/fishing-vessels-seized/article36319916.ece>



05 Sep - Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 10 Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Penghu Islands, Taiwan/ DB080921

One fishing vessel with 10 crew was detained by local authorities for illegally fishing off Penghu Islands, Taiwan on 05 Sep 21.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://taiwanenglishnews.com/chinese-fishing-boat-fitted-with-anti-boarding-spikes-fails-to-evade-taiwan-coast-guard/>

05 Sep - Local/ Two Fishing Vessels Detained/ 22 Local & Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Kuala Merchang, Marang, Malaysia/ DB070921

Two fishing vessels with 22 local and five foreign crew were detained for illegally fishing off Kuala Merchang, Marang, Malaysia on 05 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bernama.com/en/general/news.php?id=2000201>

Outside of reporting period:

01 Sep - Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Chagwi Island, Jeju Province, ROK/ DB090921

One fishing vessel with 11 foreign fishermen was detained for illegally poaching off Chagwi Island, Jeju Province, ROK on 01 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20210902112600056?input=1195m>

<https://www.news1.kr/articles/?4422576>

<https://www.jejunews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=2185355>

03 Sep - Local/ Two Fishing Vessels Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off East Aceh Regency, Indonesia/ DB060921

Two fishing vessels with unknown number of crew were detained for illegally fishing with non-environmentally friendly fishing gear off East Aceh Regency, Indonesia on 03 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

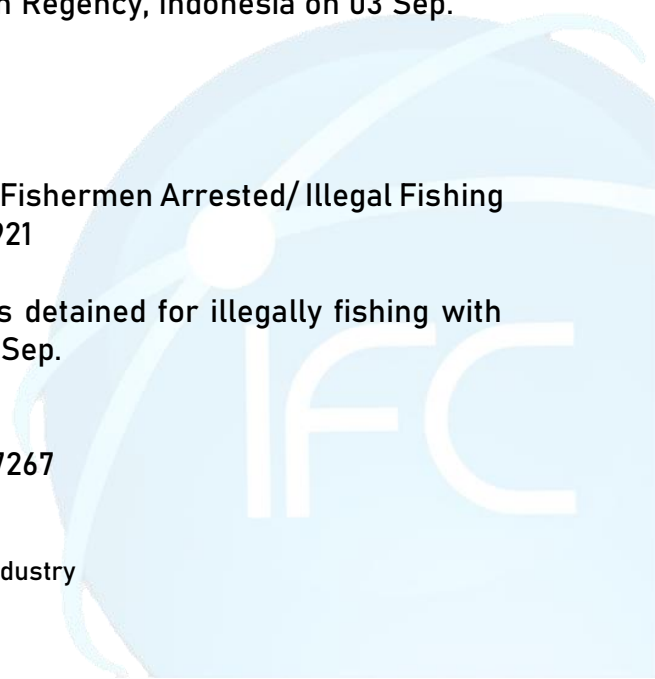
<https://kkp.go.id/>

02 Sep - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Pattani Bay, Rusamilae, Thailand/ DB070921

One fishing vessel with unknown number of crew was detained for illegally fishing with illegal tools off Pattani Bay, Rusamilae, Thailand on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100042119327267>



29 Aug – Local/ 12 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 12 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Sittaung River, Myanmar/ DB070921

12 fishing vessels with 12 local crew were detained for illegally fishing off Sittaung River, Myanmar on 29 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bnionline.net/en/news/illegal-fishing-gulf-martaban-almost-doubled>

09 Aug – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Pulau Tinggi Sadai, Indonesia/ DB070921

One fishing vessel with two local crew was detained for illegally fishing using explosives off Kuala Pulau Tinggi Sadai, Indonesia on 09 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://babel.inews.id/berita/bawa-bom-ikan-2-nelayan-toboali-ditangkap-polairud>

03 Sep – Poaching/ One Indian Fishing Vessel Detained/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Mongla, Bangladesh/ DB060921

One foreign fishing vessel detained and 13 foreign fishermen arrested for illegal fishing off Mongla, Bangladesh on 03 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.uniindia.com/13-indian-fishermen-seized-of-along-with-trawlers-by-b-desh-coast-guard/world/news/2495542.html>

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/bangladesh/nation/2021/09/03/13-indian-fishermen-detained-for-illegal-intrusion-into-bangladesh-2>

31 Aug – Local/ 29 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 95 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka/ DB060921

29 local fishing vessels detained and 95 local fishermen arrested for illegal fishing off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka on 31 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2021/09/02/202109021550/>

20 Aug – Local/ Nine Fishing Vessels Detained/ 165 Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Zhejiang, China/ DB060921

Nine local fishing vessels detained and 165 personnel arrested for illegal fishing off Zhejiang, China on 20 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://weibo.com/ttarticle/p/show?id=2309404677788518187036>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND AND WEAPONS SMUGGLING (CS)

06 Sep – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (17 million sticks)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Yuen Long, Hong Kong/ DB090921

17 million sticks of cigarettes were seized from an unknown vessel off Yuen Long, Hong Kong on 06 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3284.html

06 Sep – Drugs/ Cannabis (38.45kg)/ Adrift/ Off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka/ DB080921

Local authorities seized 38.45kg of cannabis that was adrift off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka on 06 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2021/09/07/202109071100>

05 Sep – Domestic Products/ Turmeric (1026kg)/ Two Small Boats/ To Sri Lanka/ Off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB060921

Local authorities seized 1026kg of turmeric being smuggled to Sri Lanka on two small boats off Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka on 05 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2021/09/05/202109051305/>

05 Sep – Drugs/ Cannabis (227.4kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Vettalakeni, Sri Lanka/ DB060921

Local authorities seized 227.4kg of cannabis from a small boat off Vettalakeni, Sri Lanka on 05 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2021/09/05/202109051320/>

04 Sep – Drugs/ Heroin (336.3kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ To Sri Lanka/ Off Colombo, Sri Lanka/ DB060921

Local authorities seized 336.3kg of heroin being smuggled to Sri Lanka on a fishing vessel off Colombo, Sri Lanka on 04 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2021/09/04/202109041700/>

<https://www.newsfirst.lk/2021/09/04/foreign-fishing-vessel-carrying-heroin-worth-over-rs-3-billion-intercepted-by-navy/>

Outside of reporting period:

18 Aug – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (2.36 million sticks)/ Off Ningbo, China/ DB070921

2.36 million sticks of cigarettes were seized off Ningbo, China on 18 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.customs.gov.cn/customs/xwfb34/mtjj35/3820061/index.html>

30 Jul – Drugs/ Meth (1.15kg)/ Two Speedboats/ Off Babel Islands, Indonesia/ DB070921

1.15kg of meth was seized from two speedboats off Babel Islands, Indonesia on 30 Jul.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.antaranews.com/berita/2300542/bnnp-babel-ringkus-empat-penyelundup-narkoba-jaringan-sumatera>

26 Aug – Domestic Products/ Beer/ Container Ship/ To Malaysia/ Off Port Klang, Malaysia/ DB060921

Local authorities seized beer being smuggled to Malaysia on a container ship off Port Klang, Malaysia on 26 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/09/03/customs-dept-foils-attempt-to-smuggle-contraband-beer-in-port-klang>

30 Jul – Drugs/ Ketamine (220kg)/ Container Ship/ From Pakistan to Hong Kong/ Off Kwai Chung, Hong Kong/ DB060921

Local authorities seized 220kg of ketamine being smuggled from Pakistan to Hong Kong on a container ship off Kwai Chung, Hong Kong on 30 Jul.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3280.html

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2021/09/04/hong-kong-customs-seizes-hk125-million-worth-of-ketamine-hidden-in-spools-of-yarn-in-largest-maritime-smuggling-case-since-2012>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

06 Sep – Human Smuggling/ 32 Indonesian and Two Myanmarse Migrants to Malaysia/ Off Jeram, Malaysia/ DB080921

Local authorities had detained 34 migrants going to Malaysia on 06 Sep 21.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/09/07/marine-police-nab-34-illegals-trying-to-go-ashore-at-kuala-selangor>

Outside of reporting period:

02 Sep – Human Smuggling/ 10 Indonesian Migrants to Malaysia/ Speedboat/ Off Nongsa, Batam, Indonesia/ DB060921

Local authorities arrested 10 Indonesian migrants being smuggled to Malaysia on a speedboat off Nongsa, Batam, Indonesia on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.batamnews.co.id/berita-80739-polda-kepri-tangkap-2-penyelundup-pmi-ilegal-10-perempuan-diamankan.html>

02 Sep – Human Smuggling/ 20 Indonesian Migrants to Malaysia/ Off Selangor, Malaysia/ DB060921

Local authorities arrested 20 Indonesian migrants being smuggled to Malaysia off Selangor, Malaysia on 02 Sep.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/4280840048674544>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

08 Aug – MARPOL/ Liquid/ Oil Spill/ Offshore Oil Rig/ Gas Bubbles Forming/ Off Kuala Idi, East Aceh, Indonesia/ DB100921

An oil spill from an offshore oil rig occurred causing gas bubbles to form off Kuala Idi, East Aceh, Indonesia on 08 Aug.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://regional.kompas.com/read/2021/09/03/114213978/tumpahan-minyak-di-laut-aceh-diduga-sudah-hampir-1-bulan>



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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SECTION I: OTHERS

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IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

IFC advises:

1. All mariners to report any incidents timely to the nearest coastal state and to the IFC at the earliest possible time.
2. Ships moving at slow speed or are choosing to remain at anchor in areas where sea robbery/theft is regularly reported should remain vigilant and adopt necessary and/or added security measures.
3. 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.
4. Shippers and Seafarers operating in the Sulu-Celebes seas are strongly recommended to be vigilant and to establish contact with the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia Authorities to report their presence. Please refer to IFC Spot Commentary 4/18 for the latest assessment of the situation in that affected area.
5. Shippers are advised to take note that the threat of terrorist activity in the maritime domain remains a possibility in the region due to ISIS and the Al-Qaeda. The possibility of this threat was previously quoted in Al-Qaeda's online magazine "Resurgence", which called for the disruption of global trade and shipping through acts of piracy, among other tactics. Shippers are therefore advised to exercise vigilance and to adopt self-defensive measures as stated in the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia, especially when transiting narrow choke points and areas which are known to have experienced incidents of sea robbery/piracy.



PAST IFC SPOT COMMENTARIES/ANALYST JOURNAL

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 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 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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