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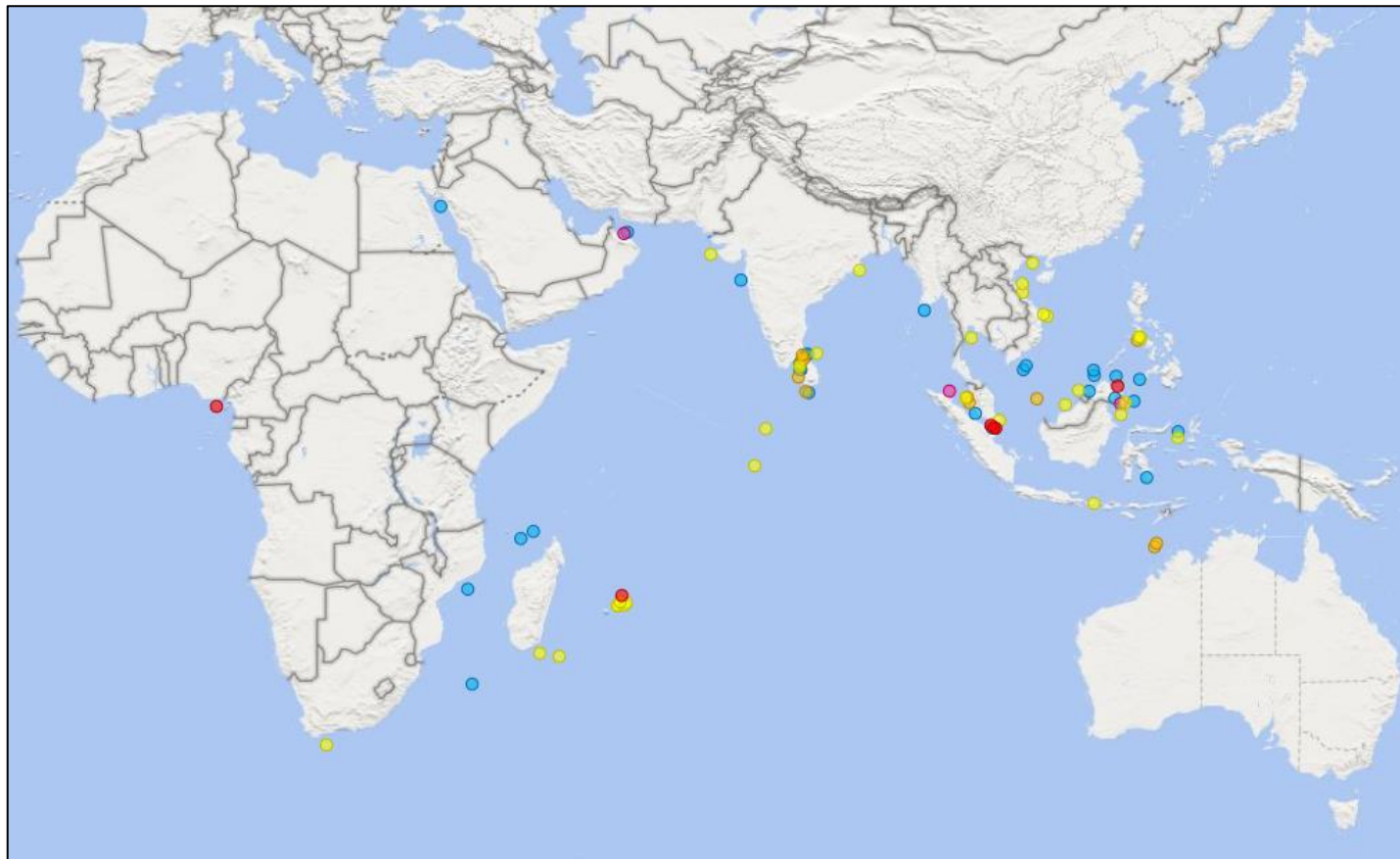
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**OVERVIEW**



Category	No
Piracy & Armed Robbery	06
Contraband Smuggling	27
IUU Fishing	20
Irregular Human Migration	03
Maritime Incidents	30
Maritime Security Threats (Hybrid)	Nil
Cyber Security Threats	Nil
Marine Environment Pollution	Nil
Climate Change & Security	Nil
Others	Nil
<b>Total incidents</b>	<b>86</b>
Cyclone(s)	Nil



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Sub-Category	No
● Attack	Nil
● Kidnap	Nil
● Hijack	Nil
● Hijack & Kidnap	Nil
● Sea Robbery	02
● Sea Theft	02
● Illegal Boarding	Nil
● Attempted Sea Robbery	01
● Attempted Sea Theft	01
● Attempted Boarding	Nil
● Suspicious Approach	Nil
<b>Total incidents</b>	<b>06</b>



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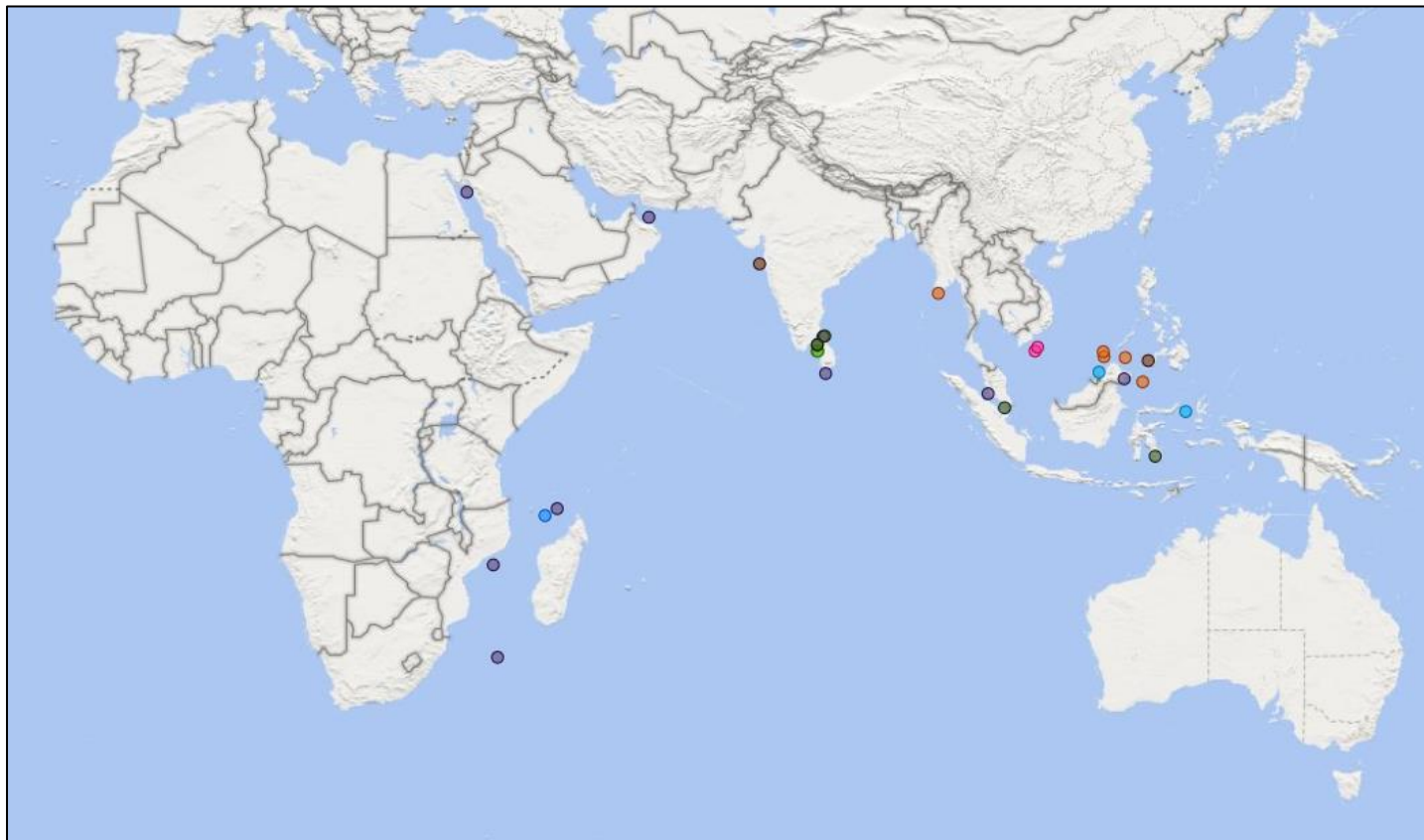
Sr	Date/ Time	Sub Category	Country/ Region	Location Lat/Long	Details of Vessels Involved	Incident Details	Crew Status	Vessel/ Post Incident Status	Responder(s)
1.	18 Oct 23 1030 LT	Sea theft	Malaysia/ Sulu Sea	05° 48'.50 N 118° 05'.00 E	<i>MAERSK VALENCIA</i> Container ship Flag - Panama IMO: 9344954 MMSI: 563122100	An unknown number of perpetrators boarded the vessel at anchor and escaped with a OBM of rescue boat.	All crew members safe	Safe	Indonesia authorities
2.	23 Oct 23 0100 LT	Sea robbery	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	01° 04'.00 N 103° 36'.03 E	<i>NAVIOS HELIOS</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Panama IMO: 9330317 MMSI: 371623000	04 - 05 perpetrators armed with knives boarded the vessel while underway and escaped with ship's stores.	Safe	Underway	Singapore authorities
3.	24 Oct 23 0113 LT	Attempted sea theft	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	01° 09'.47 N 103° 27'.45 E	<i>ETOILE</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Liberia IMO: 9232060 MMSI: 636022705	03 perpetrators armed with knives boarded the vessel while underway and escaped. Nothing reported stolen.	Safe	Underway	Singapore authorities
4.	25 Oct 23 Night time	Sea theft	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Grand Bay	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PC 2356 OL 33	An unknown number of perpetrators boarded the unmanned pleasure craft and escaped with vessel's items.	NA	Safe (moored)	Mauritius authorities
5.	25 Oct 23	Sea robbery	Nigeria/ Gulf of Guinea	In Akwa Ibom	01 fishing boat	Reportedly group of armed perpetrators stole cash and 10 outboard engines.	UNK	UNK	Nigeria authorities
6.	27 Oct 23 0430 LT	Attempted sea robbery	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	01° 24'.20 N 103° 03'.30 E	<i>MERCHIA</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Marshall Islands IMO: 9702493 MMSI: 538005964	05 - 10 perpetrators with knives boarded the vessel while underway. Nothing stolen. The shipmaster was injured during the incident and transferred to the hospital upon reaching Singapore for medical assistance.	Safe	Underway	Singapore authorities



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Alcohol	02
Domestic Products	06
Drugs	09
Fuel	02
Natural Resources	01
Tobacco	03
Weapons	Nil
Wildlife	04
Others	Nil
<b>Total incidents</b>	<b>27</b>



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1.	20 Oct 23	Philippines/ Sulu Sea	Off Barangay Sinunuc, Zamboanga	<i>MB UTOH MAT MAT</i> Motorboat	Tobacco	Cigarettes	423 master cases/ USD 432,222	Without valid documents. Suspected to be domestically smuggled. 05 suspects apprehended. Boat seized.	Philippines authorities
2.	21 Oct 23	South Africa/ Indian Ocean	In Durban	UNK	Drugs	Cocaine	228 kg/ USD 4,165,600	Concealed in meat boxes found in a container. Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country by sea. Container seized.	South Africa authorities
3.	21 Oct 23	Mayotte/ Indian Ocean	S of Mayotte	04 boats (kwassa-kwassa)	Tobacco and domestic products	Cigarettes and sheep	500 boxes and 09 sheep	04 suspects apprehended.	France authorities
4.	22 Oct 23	Indonesia/ Molucca Sea	At port of Bastiong, Ternate	<i>KM SUMBER RAYA 05</i> Passenger ship	Alcohol	Liquor (captikus)	23 plastic bags	Suspected to be domestically smuggled.	Indonesia authorities
5.	22 Oct 23	Indonesia/ Celebes Sea	Off Lok Agong Pulau Banggi	01 motorboat	Domestic products	Gas and flour	25 LPG cylinders and 40 kg of flour	Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. 05 suspects apprehended. Boat seized.	Indonesia authorities
6.	23 Oct 23	Myanmar/ Andaman Sea	At Myanmar Industrial Port, Yangon	UNK	Domestic products	Electrical accessories	USD 4,152	Found inside a container. Without valid documents.	Myanmar authorities
7.	23 Oct 23	Vietnam/ South China Sea	10 nm off Con Dao	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. TG 90297 TS	Fuel	Diesel	80,000 L	Without valid documents. 04 suspects apprehended. Vessel seized.	Vietnam authorities
8.	24 Oct 23	Saudi Arabia/ Red Sea	At Duba Port	UNK	Drugs	Captagon pills	932,980 pills	Concealed in a shipment of pomegranates. 02 suspects apprehended.	Saudi Arabia authorities



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9.	24 Oct 23	Sri Lanka/ Gulf of Mannar	At Keerimundalam, Kalpitiya	UNK	Natural resources	Kendu Leaves	288 kg	Found in 09 packages. Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country by sea. 01 suspect apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
10.	24 Oct 23	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	292 nm S of Dondra	VEENAS Multiday fishing trawler Flag - Sri Lanka	Drugs	Heroin	219.634 kg/ USD 13,754,596	Found in 200 packages. 05 suspects apprehended. Fishing vessel seized.	Sri Lanka Authorities`
11.	25 Oct 23	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	Off Karimun	01 speedboat	Wildlife	Lobster seeds	123,082/ USD 1,215,953	Found in 22 boxes. Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. Speedboat seized.	Indonesia authorities
12.	25 Oct 23	India/ Palk Bay	Off Dhanushkodi, Tamil Nadu	01 fishing trawler	Wildlife	Sea cucumbers	45 kg	Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. 05 suspects apprehended. Trawler seized.	India authorities
13.	25 Oct 23	Malaysia/ Sulu Sea	At Kunak	01 small boat	Drugs	Methamphetamine	0.2 kg	05 suspects apprehended. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities
14.	25 Oct 23	Oman/ Gulf of Oman	Off South Al Batinah, Muscat	01 boat	Drugs	Hashish and methamphetamine	30 kg and 50 kg	03 suspects apprehended.	Oman authorities
15.	25 Oct 23	Malaysia/ Straits of Malacca	At Port Klang	UNK	Drugs	Methamphetamine (Syabu) and Cocaine	411 kg and 101 kg/ USD 7,150,000	Found in a container filled with bags of onions. Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country via sea route. 07 suspects apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
16.	26 Oct 23	Indonesia/ Banda Sea	At Port of Murhum, South Sulawesi	KM NGAPULU Passenger ship	Wildlife	Birds (protected species)	24 birds/ USD 6,270	Suspected to be domestically smuggled.	Indonesia authorities
17.	26 Oct 23	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Tanjung Pegasan, Pitas	01 small boat	Domestic products	Oil and wheat Flour	400 kg and 50 Packs/ USD 3,350	03 suspects apprehended. Master failed to produce valid documents. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities





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18.	26 Oct 23	India/ Arabian Sea	At Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai	UNK	Tobacco	Cigarettes	6,300,000 cigarettes/ USD 1,321,612	Found in 933 thermal boxes, loaded in two containers. Mis-declared as domestic products. 02 suspect apprehended.	India authorities
19.	26 Oct 23	Sri Lanka/ Palk Bay	Off Mandaitivu	UNK	Wildlife	Sea cucumber	500	02 suspects apprehended. One three-wheeler seized.	Sri Lanka authorities
20.	27 Oct 23	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	Off Sibet, Lahad Datu	02 boats	Domestic products	Rice	1,520 kg/ USD 5,043	Suspects escaped. Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. Boats seized.	Malaysia authorities
21.	27 Oct 23	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Menumbok, Sabah	01 small boat	Alcohol	Liquor	154 cartons/ USD 5,249	Suspected to be domestically smuggled. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities
22.	27 Oct 23	Indian Ocean	N of the Mozambique Channel	01 dhow	Drugs	Methamphetamine	597 kg	Dhow seized	France authorities
23.	28 Oct 23	Mayotte/ Indian Ocean	At port of Mamoudzou (Mayotte)	01 ship	Drugs	Cannabis	46.8 kg	01 person apprehended.	France authorities
24.	29 Oct 23	Vietnam/ South China Sea	100 nm off Con Dao	ND 95368 Vessel	Fuel	Diesel	30,000 L	Without valid documents. 07 suspects apprehended. Vessel seized.	Vietnam authorities
25.	29 Oct 23	Malaysia/ Sulu Sea	Off Banggi Island, Sabah	01 passenger vessel	Domestic products and fuel	Cooking Oil, Cooking Gas, Petrol	816 Packets, 03 Canisters, 795 L/ USD 6,926	03 foreign suspects apprehended. Master failed to produce valid documents. Vessel seized.	Malaysia authorities
26.	29 Oct 23	Sri Lanka/ Gulf of Mannar	Off Kalpitiya	01 dinghy	Domestic products	Insecticide	15 sacks	02 suspects apprehended. Dinghy seized.	Sri Lanka authorities



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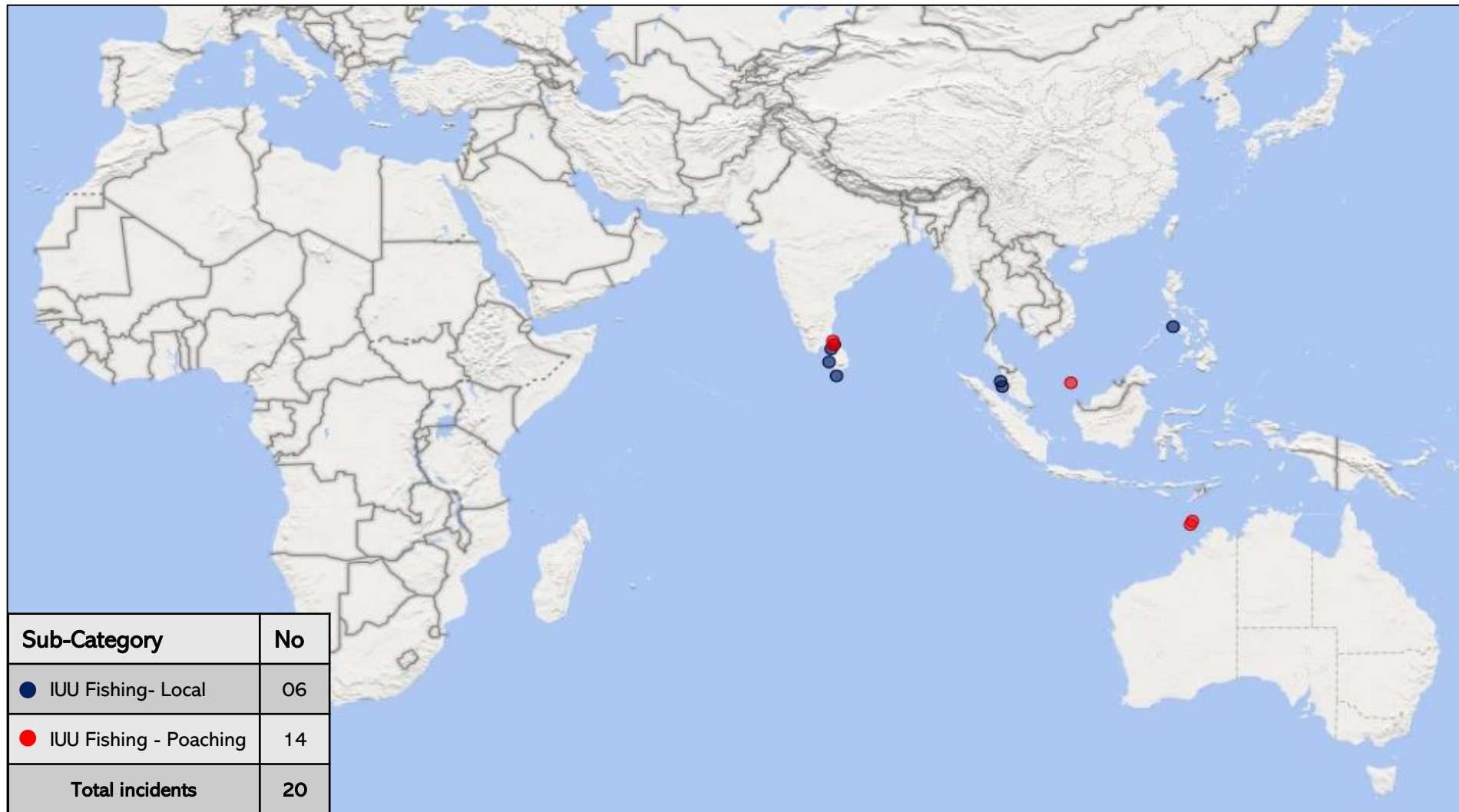
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27.	29 Oct 23	Sri Lanka/ Palk Strait	Off Vaddukodai, Jaffna	UNK	Drugs	Cannabis	104 kg / USD 125,173	Found in 03 sacks. 02 suspects apprehended. One three-wheeler seized.	Sri Lanka authorities



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1.	19 Oct 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Negombo	<i>BIYAN</i> / Fishing trawler	Illegal fishing of a protected species. (Whale shark)	Fishing trawler and a shark weighing 60 kg.	04 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
2.	22 Oct 23	Poaching	Indonesia/ South China Sea	Off Natuna	02 fishing vessels	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fishing vessels, 650 kg of fish and fishing paraphernalia	39 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Indonesia authorities
3.	22 Oct 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Mirissa Fishery Harbour	01 fishing trawler	Illegal fishing (shark)	Trawler, 51 pieces (800 g) of dried shark fins and 24 kg of dried shark (without fins)	06 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
4.	25 Oct 23	Local	Philippines/ Sulu Sea	Off Barangay Sibay	02 fishing boats	Fishing without valid documents	Fishing boats and fishing paraphernalia.	UNK	Philippines authorities
5.	25 Oct 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Gulf of Mannar	Off Talaimannar	01 dinghy	Illegal fishing (engaged in illegal night diving)	Dinghy, 120 sea cucumbers and fishing paraphernalia.	05 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
6.	26 Oct 23	Local	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	1.4 nm SW of Kuala Gula estuary, Perak	UNK	Banned fishing method (dragon bubu)	50 sets	UNK	Malaysia authorities
7.	27 Oct 23	Local	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	Off Talang Island, Perak	UNK	Banned fishing method	24 sets of dragon bubu	UNK	Malaysia authorities
8.	27 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	UNK	07 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
9.	28 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign sailing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fish (shark)	06 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
10.	28 Oct 23	Poaching	Sri Lanka/ Palk Strait	Off Delft Island,	03 fishing trawlers	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fishing trawlers	23 foreign fishermen apprehended	Sri Lanka authorities



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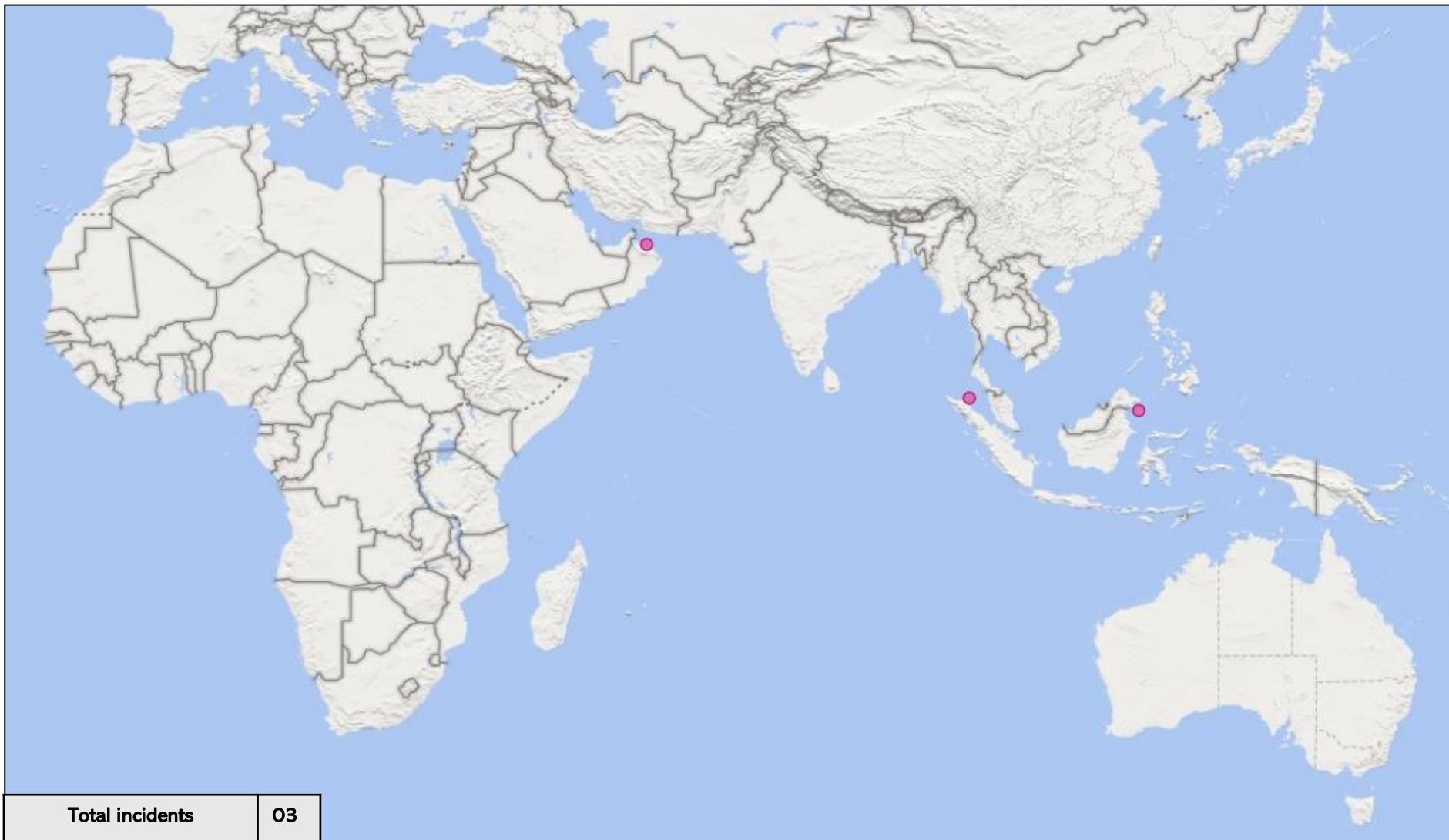
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11.	29 Oct 23	Poaching	Sri Lanka/ Palk Strait	Off Delft Island	02 fishing trawlers	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fishing trawlers	14 foreign fishermen apprehended	Sri Lanka authorities
12.	29 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign sailing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fish (shark)	06 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
13.	29 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	NW of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	UNK	06 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
14.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	10 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
15.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	NW of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	07 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
16.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	11 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
17.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	07 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
18.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	09 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
19.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	NW of Australia	01 fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Sea cucumbers	05 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities
20.	30 Oct 23	Poaching	Australia/ Indian Ocean	N of Australia	01 foreign fishing vessel	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Fish and sea cucumbers	11 foreign fishermen. Vessel and fishermen were subsequently released.	Australia authorities



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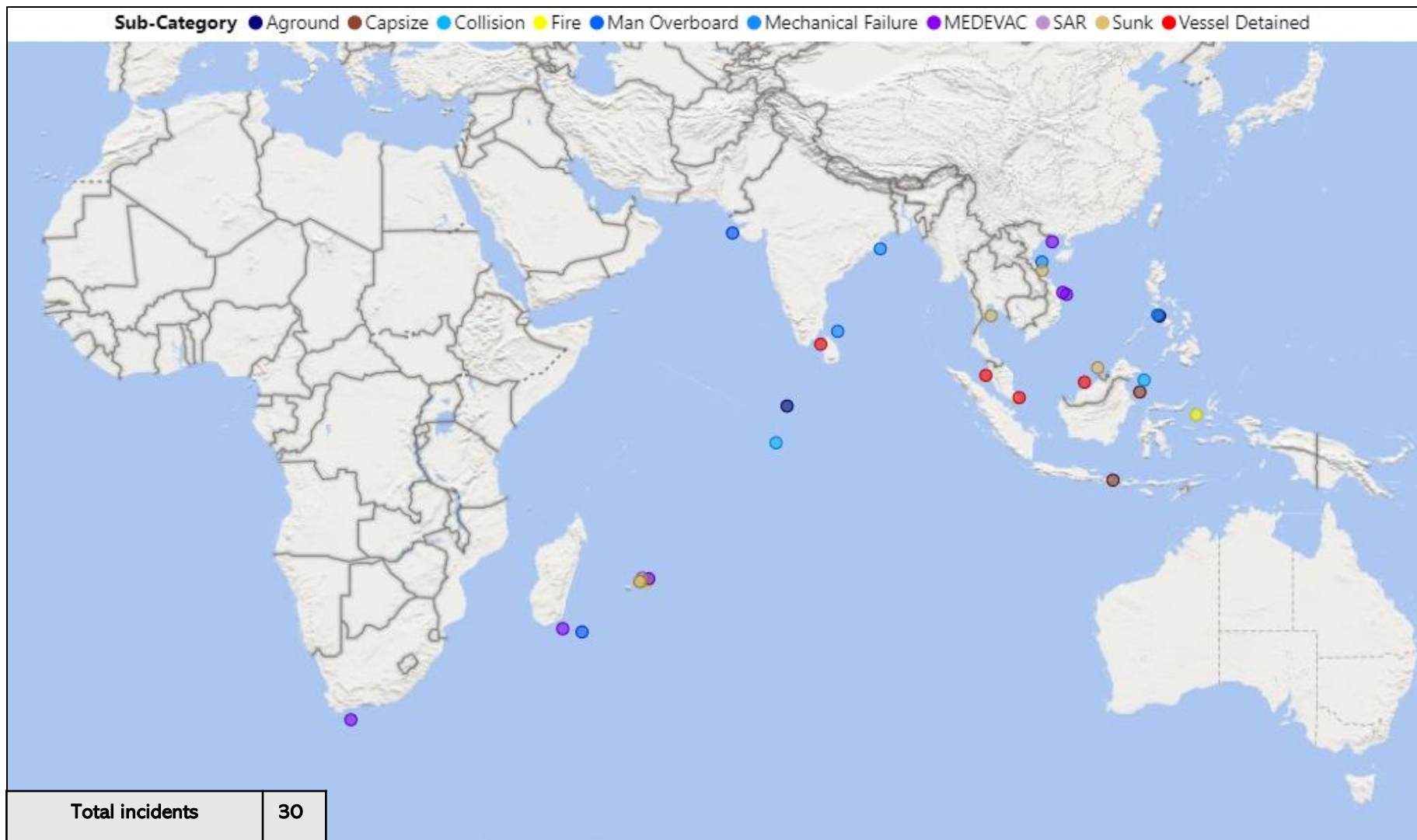
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1.	16 Oct 23	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	Myanmar/ Indonesia	Off Seunuddon	01 boat	36 apprehended.	Migrants were attempting to reach a foreign country by sea.	Indonesia authorities
2.	25 Oct 23	Oman/ Gulf of Oman	UNK/ Oman	Off Al Btinaha	01 boat	03 apprehended	Attempting to enter the country illegally by sea.	Oman authorities
3.	25 Oct 23	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	Philippines/ Malaysia	Off Semporna, Sabah	01 small boat	03 apprehended	Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities



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1.	21 Oct 23	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	1.5 nm of DK-21 Platform	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QNg 95139 TS	Underway	01 crew member evacuated (food poisoning).	Vietnam authorities
2.	21 Oct 23	Vessel detained	Sri Lanka/ Gulf of Mannar	Off Talaimannar	02 dinghies	Detained	Reportedly, the vessel was suspected to be involved in illegal activities. 04 suspects apprehended. Dinghies seized.	Sri Lanka authorities
3.	21 Oct 23	Sunk	Thailand/ Gulf of Thailand	13°26' 50"N 100° 39' 41"E	<i>WATTANA 5</i> Towing boat	Salvaged and towed ashore	Heavy weather. No casualties. No oil pollution.	Thailand authorities and <i>WATTANA 1</i>
4.	22 Oct 23	Sunk	Brunei/ South China Sea	Off Limbag	01 fishing boat	Sank	Heavy weather. 02 fishermen missing.	Brunei authorities
5.	23 Oct 23	Vessel detained	Malaysia/ South China Sea	32.1 nm E of Tanjung Sedili	<i>ARTEMIS III</i> Crude oil tanker Flag - Panama IMO: 9102241 MMSI: 334983000	Detained	Illegal ship-to-ship oil transfer. Without valid documents. 52 crew members apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
					<i>OCEAN HERMANA</i> Crude oil tanker Flag - Honduras IMO: 9286229 MMSI: 352001283			
6.	23 Oct 23	Vessel detained	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	24 nm of Cape Coral	<i>TRANSAMERICA</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Liberia IMO: 9486257 MSIS: 636020457	Detained	Illegal anchoring. 23 crew apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
7.	24 Oct 23	Mechanical failure	India/ Bay of Bengal	35 nm of Paradip, Odisha	<i>SAMUDRA KAUSTUBH</i> Research vessel Flag - India IMO: 8316778 MMSI: 419321000	Towed ashore	Encountered engine failure. All 25 crew members safe.	India authorities



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8.	24 Oct 23	Sunk	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Baie du Cap	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PC 8494 OL 06	Sank	Unmanned pleasure craft.	Mauritius authorities
9.	24 Oct 23	MEDEVAC	Madagascar/ Indian Ocean	100 nm SE of Fort-Dauphin	<i>LNG KANO</i> Tanker Flag - Bermuda IMO: 9311567 MMSI: 310534000	Underway	01 crew member evacuated.	France and Madagascar authorities
10.	25 Oct 23	Fire	Indonesia/ Molucca Sea	Off Doko and Palamea Island, South Halmahera	<i>KM INKA MINA</i> <i>MARITIME 036</i> Fishing vessel	Sank	All 13 fishermen rescued.	Indonesia authorities
11.	25 Oct 23	Vessel detained	Malaysia/ South China Sea	05 nm off Tanjung Kidurong	01 tug 01 barge	Detained	Operating without valid documents. 11 crew members (04 local and 07 foreign) apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
12.	26 Oct 23	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	At Southwest Sea	01 fishing boat Reg. No. KG 93705 TS	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated. 01 dead.	Vietnam authorities
13.	26 Oct 23	Capsize	Indonesia/ Java Sea	Off Amed	01 fishing boat	Capsized	Heavy weather. 01 fisherman rescued.	Indonesia authorities and local fishing boat
14.	26 Oct 23	Mechanical failure	Philippines/ South China Sea	Off Bulig Shoal	<i>FB LANTIS ANDREI</i> Fishing vessel	Towed ashore	Encountered engine failure. 02 fishermen rescued.	Philippines authorities and <i>BRP SINDANGAN</i> ( <i>MRRV - 4407</i> )
15.	26 Oct 23	SAR	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Blue Bay	01 small boat	Towed ashore	03 French nationals rescued. Boat towed ashore.	Mauritius authorities
16.	26 Oct 23	Man overboard	Madagascar/ Indian Ocean	26° 24' S 047° 21' E	<i>FPMC NOBLE</i> Tanker Flag - Liberia IMO: 9419955 MMSI: 636015471	Underway	01 crew recovered.	Cargo ship <i>HELLAS SHIP</i>



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18.	27 Oct 23	Sunk	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off La Prenuese	01 Pleasure craft Reg. no. PC 7801 OL 08	Towed ashore	Water ingress. 02 crew members rescued.	Mauritius authorities
19.	28 Oct 23	Aground	Philippines/ Sulu Sea	Off Barangay Busay, San Jose	<i>ELLIS MARI IV</i> General cargo Flag - China IMO: 1019022 MMSI: 413487510	Aground	Heavy weather. Sustained minor damages on the starboard side near the stern area. All crew members safe. No oil spill or marine environment pollution reported.	Philippines Authorities
20.	28 Oct 23	Mechanical failure	Vietnam/ South China Sea	12 nm off Cua LOc, Ha Tinh	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. NA 96186 TS	Towed ashore	Encountered engine failure. All 08 fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities and local fishing boat
21.	28 Oct 23	Capsize	Indonesia/ Celebes Sea	Off Borneo	01 Barge	Sunk	Water Ingress. SAR initiated.	Indonesia authorities
22.	28 Oct 23	Man overboard	India/ Arabian Sea	Off Okha Harbour	01 fishing boat	UNK	Heavy weather. 01 fisherman fell overboard and was rescued by India Authorities.	India authority
23.	28 Oct 23	Mechanical failure	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	06° 40' N 085° 01' E	<i>DENUWARA MANIKE</i> Multiday Fishing Trawler Flag - Sri Lanka Reg. No. IMUL-A-0918 TLE	Underway	Encountered engine failure. Temporary repairs undertaken by ship's crew. All 06 fishermen safe.	Sri Lanka authorities and ship's crew
24.	28 Oct 23	Fire	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	Off K.Riz Carlton resort	<i>YACHT MAJESTY 62</i> Passenger boat	Damaged	All passengers evacuated. No casualties.	Maldives authorities
25.	28 Oct 23	Collision	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	Off Nayaa Daisy, Ihavandhoo	01 speed boat	Damaged	02 persons injured. 01 dead	Maldives authorities
					01 local boat ( <i>dhon</i> )	Damaged	UNK	
26.	29 Oct 23	Collision	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	Off Labuan Haji, Semporna	01 fishing boat	UNK	01 fisherman dead.	Malaysia authorities
					01 Passenger Vessel	UNK	UNK	



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Sr	Date	Sub Category	Country/ Region	Location	Details of Vessels Involved	Vessel Status	Additional Details	Responder(s)
27.	29 Oct 23	Aground	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	Off Lh.Vaavaru Island	<i>ZULFIGAARU</i> Ferry boat	Towed ashore	All passengers rescued.	Maldives authorities and locals
28.	29 Oct 23	MEDEVAC	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Grand Bay	<i>DANCE ON THE WAVE</i> Pleasure craft Reg. No. PC 8706 OL 14	Underway	01 passenger evacuated.	Mauritius authorities
29.	31 Oct 23	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Quang Ngai Province	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QNg 98308 TS	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated.	Mauritius authorities
30.	31 Oct 23	Sunk	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Nhat Le, Dong Hoi	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QB 11393 TS	Sank	Heavy weather.	Vietnam authorities



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- **Local multiday fishing trawler with over 219 kg of heroin valued over USD 13,754,596**

On 24 Oct 23, Sri Lanka authorities apprehended five suspects and seized the local multiday fishing trawler *VEENAS* with 219.634 kg of heroin in 200 packages found in nine sacks about 292 nm S of Dondra, Sri Lanka. Reportedly, the estimated value of the seizure was USD 13,754,596.



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