












MONTHLY INCIDENTS REPORT (MIR) - APR 25

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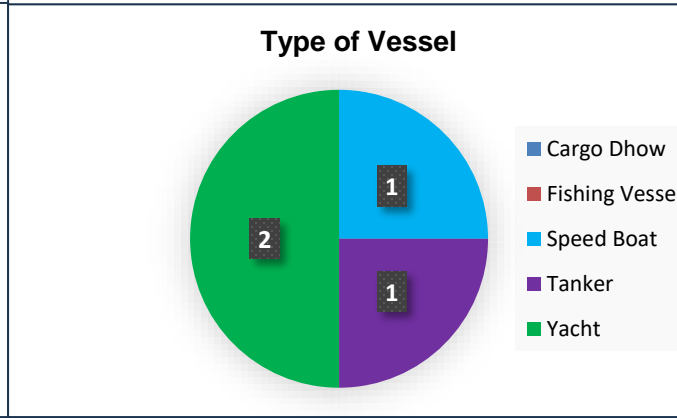
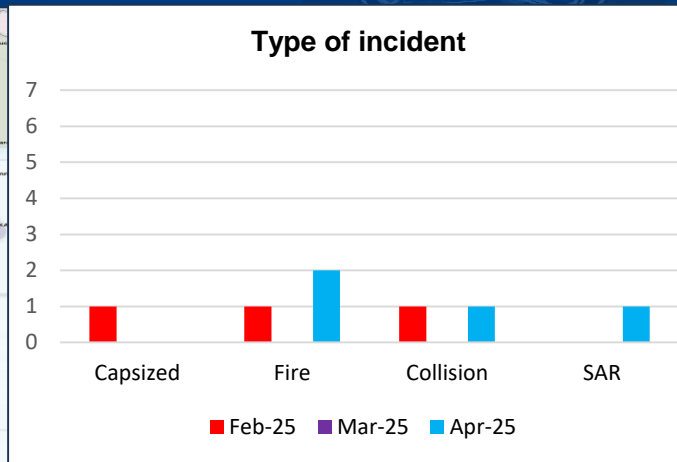
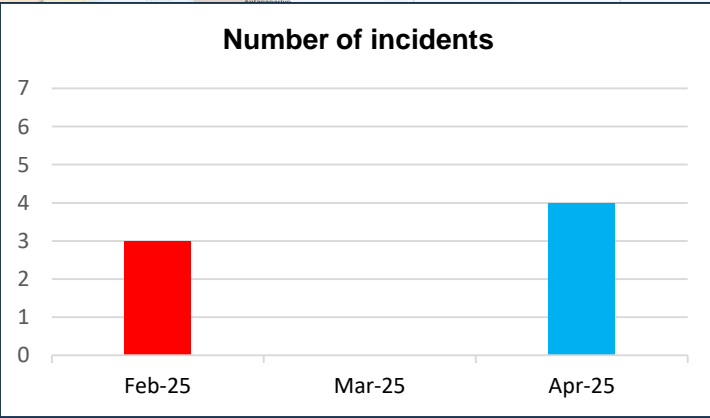
MARITIME INFORMATION SUMMARY APR-25

Category		No of Incidents
	Maritime Incidents (MI)	04
	Contraband Smuggling (CS)	10
	Theft, Robbery & Piracy at sea (TRAPS)	-
	Maritime Terrorism (MT)	03
	IUU Fishing	03
	Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	03
	Environmental Security (EVSEC)	01
	Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	-
	Others	-





MARITIME INCIDENTS



OBSERVATIONS

STATISTICS

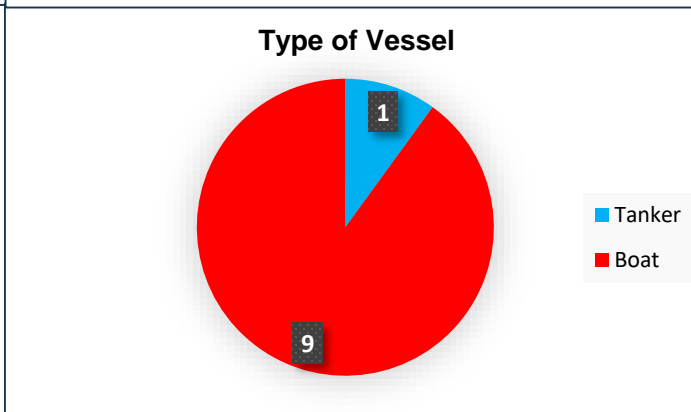
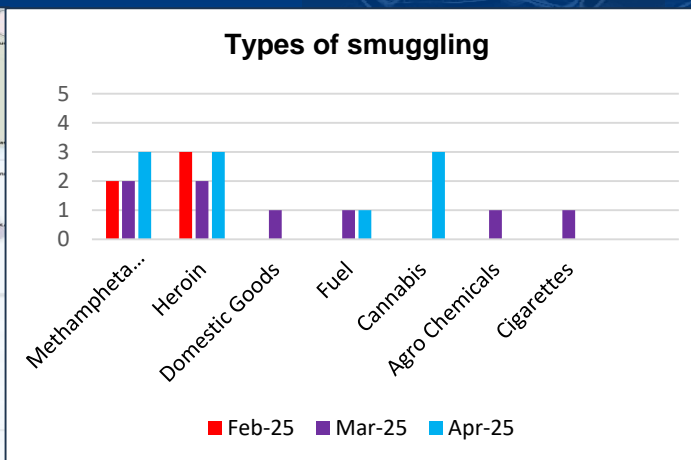
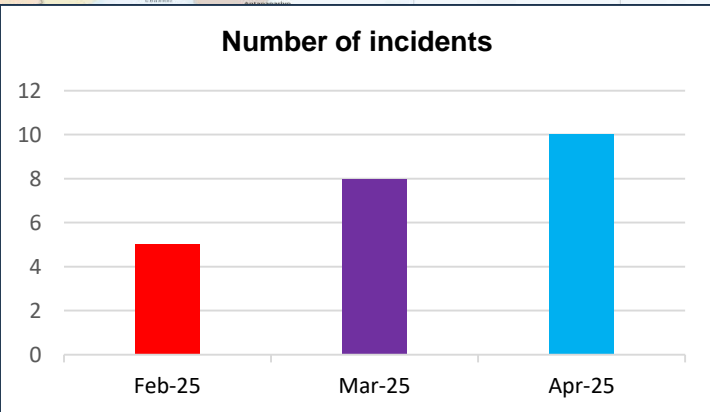
During Apr 25, 4 x Maritime Incidents (2 x Fire incidents, 1 x capsizing of livestock vessel & 1 x SAR incident) were recorded in general area off Somalia, Persian Gulf & Gulf of Oman

COMMENTS

- Slight variation is observed; wherein, 25% increase was observed in SOLAS related incidents in comparison with Feb 25.
- 1 x fire incident was recorded on MV INVICTUS. However, other incidents were reported on smaller vessels including yachts.
- Smaller boats may have been affected due to seasonal monsoon conditions
- Vessels are advised to ensure compliance with SOLAS conventions to ensure protection of lives onboard



CONTRABAND SMUGGLING



OBSERVATIONS

STATISTICS

- 10 x incidents were recorded in Arabian Sea, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf, Gulf of Aden, Red Sea, off Somalia and off Sri Lanka
- Out of 10 x incidents:
 - 9 x incidents were recorded involving Methamphetamine, hashish, cannabis & heroin
 - 1 x incident regarding fuel smuggling was recorded

COMMENTS

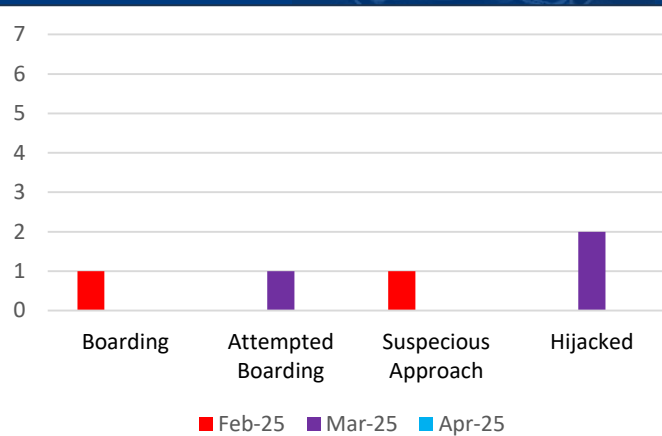
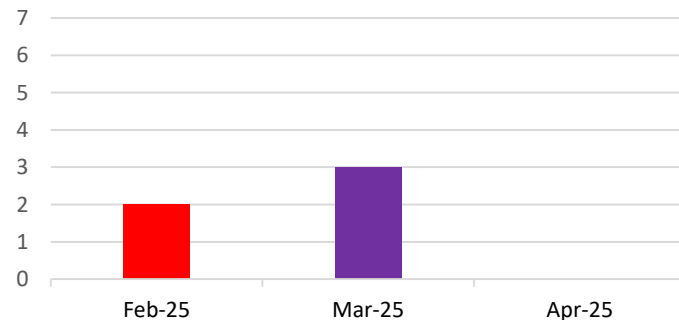
- Continuous increase observed:
 - 25 % increase than Mar 25 (8)
 - 100 % increase than Feb 25 (5)
- Smugglers are likely offloading narcotics stockpiles, exploiting the narrowing pre-monsoon window
- The apprehension of a tanker in the Gulf of Oman underscores persistent maritime security challenges
- Sea fearers are advised to stay alert & report any suspicious activity & promote judicious use of maritime space



THEFT, ROBBERY & PIRACY AT SEA (TRAPS)



Number of incidents



ZERO

INCIDENTS IN APRIL 2025

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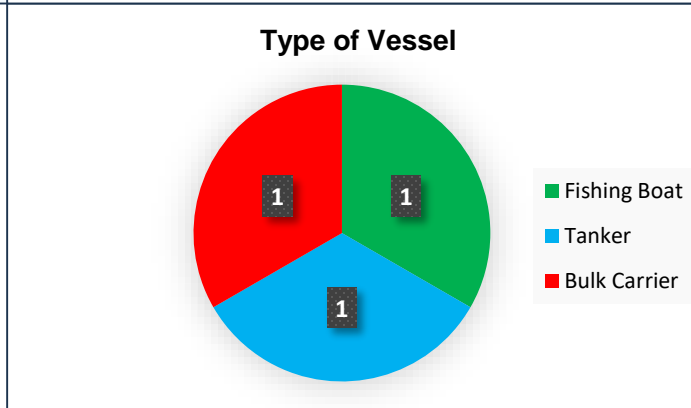
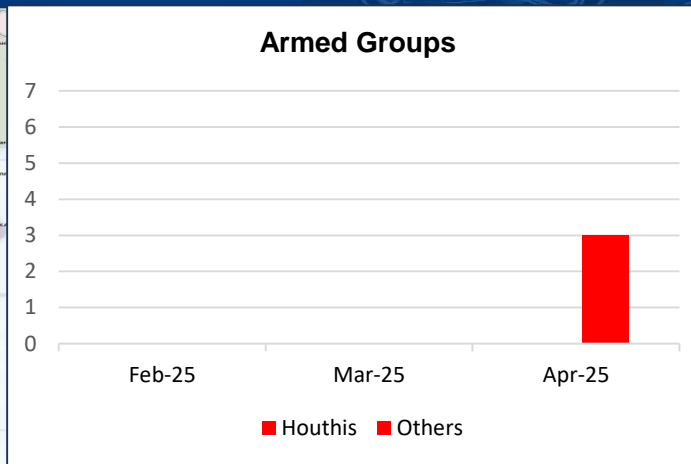
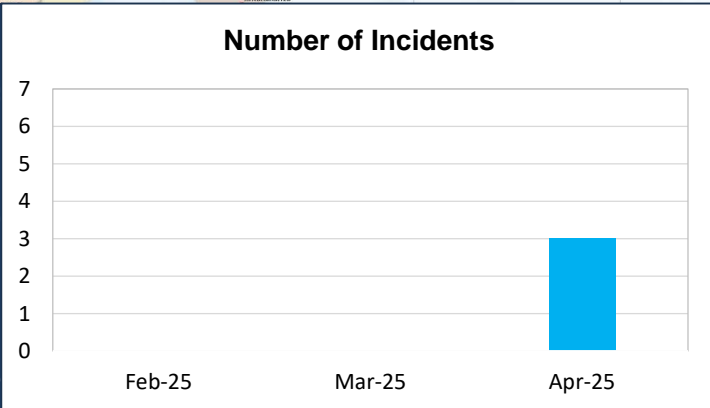
No incident regarding TRAPS was recorded during the month of Apr 25

COMMENTS

- While no specific incidents related to TRAPS were recorded during Apr 25, the maritime environment remains susceptible to opportunistic and organized criminal activity in several high-risk regions
- Sea fearers are advised to maintain heightened vigilance and enforce ship security protocols while ensuring prompt reporting of suspicious activity



MARITIME TERRORISM



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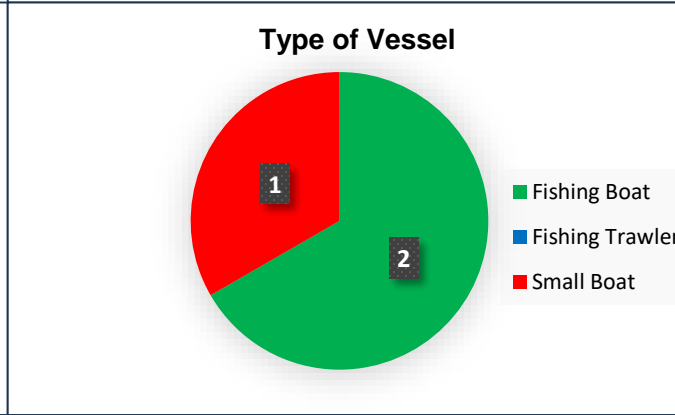
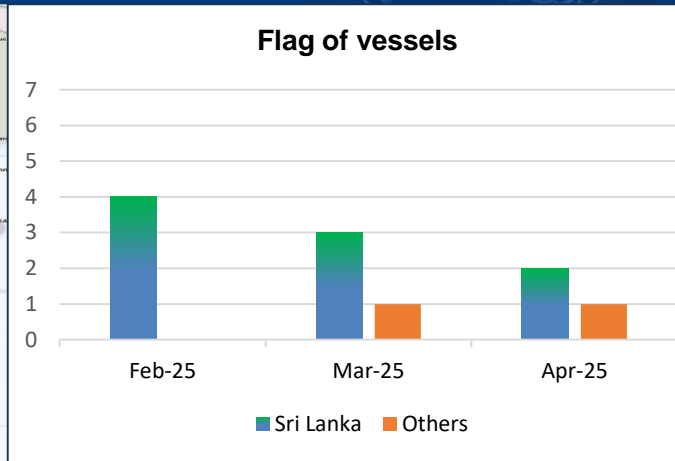
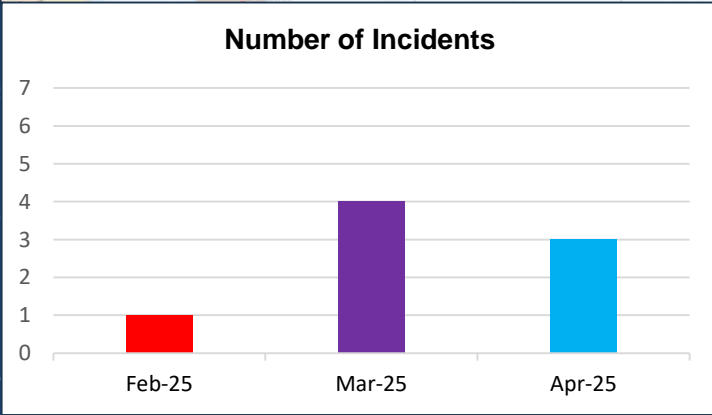
During Apr 25, 3 x incidents related to Maritime Terrorism were recorded in Red Sea & Gulf of Aden (GoA)

COMMENTS

- 1 x Panama & 1 x Malta flagged vessel were targeted in Southern Red Sea & 1 x unknown flagged vessel was targeted in GoA
- First Incident of Houthis attacks reported Since Feb 25
- The spike in attacks suggests retaliatory strikes against U.S. kinetic actions and also highlights the Houthis adaptive tactics
- Vessels are advised to exercise caution while traversing through Red Sea/ GoA



IUU FISHING



OBSERVATIONS

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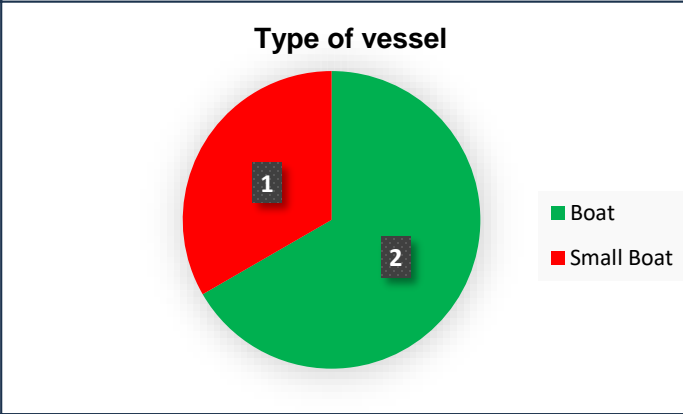
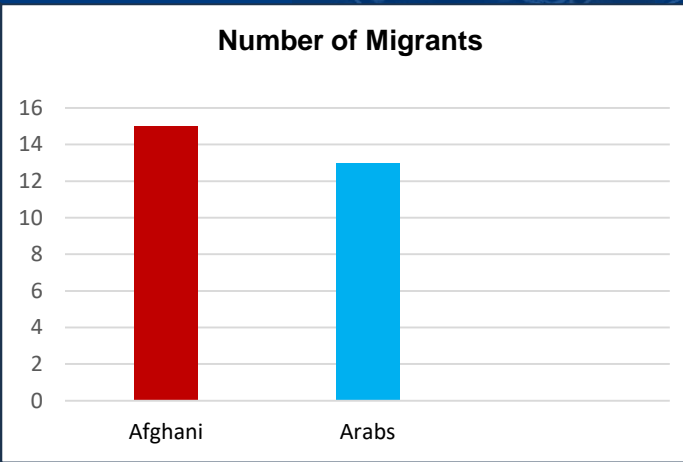
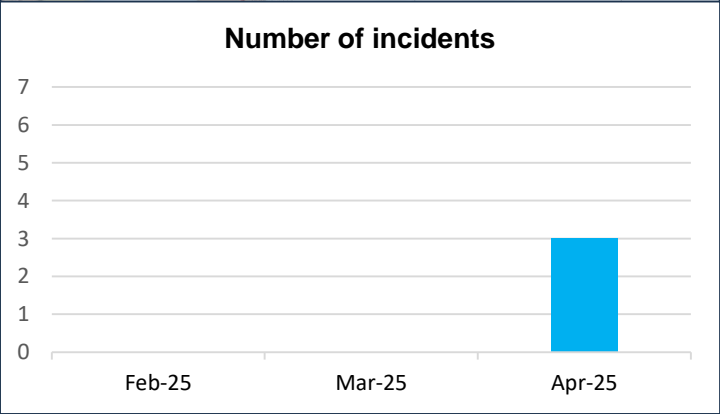
- 3 x incidents regarding illegal fishing were recorded off Sri Lanka & Persian Gulf

COMMENTS

- Slight variation observed in comparison with Feb & Mar 25
- The Gulf of Mannar area (off Sri Lanka) has been observed as a hotspot for IUU fishing. However, seasonal effects may restrict fishing activities, including IUU fishing.
- No incident of IUUF was reported/recorded in Arabian Sea
- Sea fearers are advised to stay alert and report illegal fishing practices to support enforcement measures



IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



OBSERVATIONS

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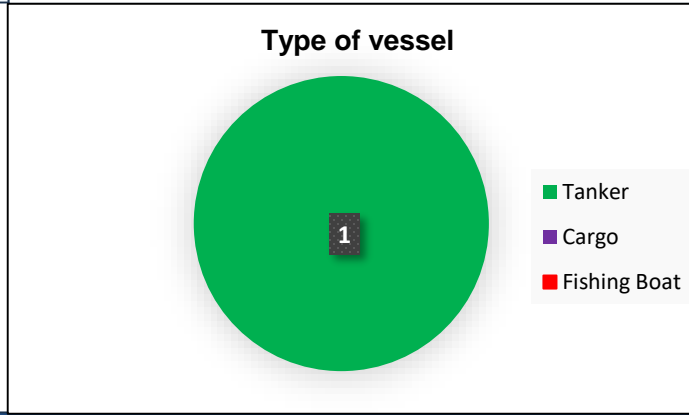
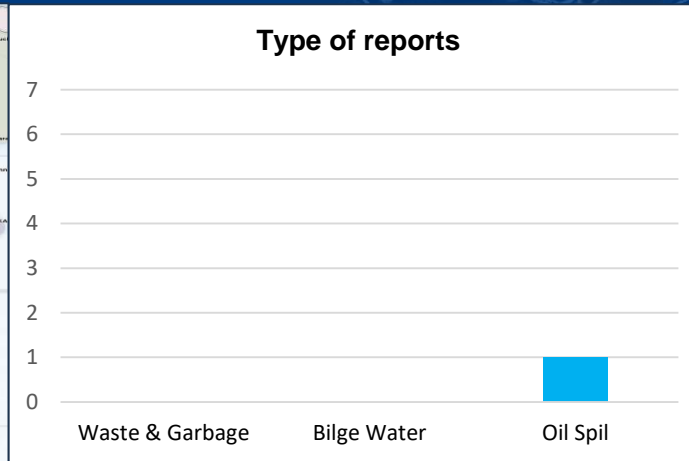
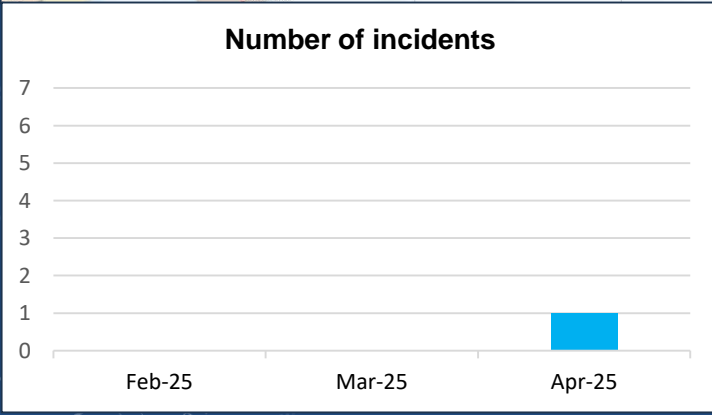
- 3 x incidents regarding Human Trafficking were recorded off Oman

COMMENTS

- No such incident was reported in Feb & Mar 25
- Persistent socio-economic hardships, regional conflicts and limited opportunities in less privileged states may drive migration
- Sea fearers are advised to report and prevent irregular human migration by sea to uphold maritime security and international law



ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY



OBSERVATIONS

STATISTICS

1 x Marine pollution incident (at Yemen oil terminal) was recorded in Red Sea

COMMENTS

- No such incident was reported in Feb & Mar 25
- The incident on Yemen's oil terminal underscores the urgent need for a comprehensive and coordinated approach to resolve conflict resolution in Yemen
- Seafarers are advised to protect the marine environment by ensuring eco-friendly practices



CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)



OBSERVATIONS

STATISTICS

No incident involving Cyber Security was reported during Apr 25



COMMENTS

Vessels are advised to remain vigilant against cybersecurity threats, particularly in light of recent incidents of GPS interference in the Red Sea/ Strait of Hormuz

No incident regarding CYBSEC recorded



MARITIME INCIDENTS

Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
22 Apr 25	Invictus (9536820)	Marshall Islands	Tanker	Somalia	The tanker Invictus caught fire off Mogadishu. The crew extinguished the fire, but flooding disabled the propulsion system. 1 x crew member was injured. The vessel remained adrift for an extended period.	
27 Apr 25	-	Oman	Yacht	Gulf of Oman	The Royal Oman Police rescued five people from a yacht that caught fire off Al Azaiba, Muscat. 1 x person was hospitalized for treatment, while the others were safely evacuated	

Link



<https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2025/12033/oil-tanker-invictus-battles-fire-left-adrift-off-somalia>

Link

<https://m.timesofoman.com/article/157391-yatch-catches-fire-in-muscat-five-rescued%C2%A0>





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Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
28 Apr 25	-	Somalia	Cargo Dhow	Off Ras Al-Arah (Yemen)	A livestock ship carrying thousands of sheep capsized off Ras Al-Arah, near Yemen's Lahj coast. The incident occurred while the vessel was en-route from Somalia to Djibouti. The cause of the incident is likely due to overloading.	
Link	https://www.marineinsight.com/shipping-news/watch-over-1000-sheep-drown-after-livestock-carrier-capsizes-off-yemen/					
28 Apr 25	-	UAE	Yacht	Dubai Harbour	A yacht caught fire at Dubai Harbour on 28 Apr 25. Emergency services responded quickly, and the fire was brought under control.	
Link	https://www.thenationalnews.com/news/uae/2025/04/27/yacht-sinks-in-dubai-harbour-after-catching-fire/					



CONTRABAND SMUGGLING



Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
03 Apr 25	-	-	Boat	Red Sea	Egyptian Naval Forces thwarted a drug smuggling attempt in the Red Sea, arresting smugglers with a large quantity of hashish. The operation is indicative of effective maritime security efforts.	
08 Apr 25	Tanker	-	Tanker	Gulf of Oman	Iran's Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) seized a tanker carrying 100,000 litres of smuggled fuel, arresting six people. The reported seizure follows an operation last month in which IRGC detained two foreign tankers allegedly carrying over three million liters of smuggled diesel fuel.	

Link <https://www.sis.gov.eg/Story/206880/Egyptian-navy-foils-Red-Sea-drug-smuggling?lang=>

Link <https://www.iranintl.com/en/202504083032>





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Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
09 Apr 25	-	Yemen	Boat	Dhofar (off Oman)	Oman Coast Guard Police in Dhofar Governorate intercepted a Yemeni boat smuggling drugs off Mirbat, apprehending 3 x Yemeni nationals attempting illegal entry. Legal proceedings are in progress.	
Link	https://arabiandaily.com/three-yemenis-arrested-as-coast-guard-foils-drug-smuggling-near-mirbat/					
10 Apr 25	-	Iranian	Boat	Oman	Oman Coast Guard Police, with the Directorate General for Combating Narcotics, seized over 30 kg of marijuana and 44 kg of crystal meth, arresting two Iranians and one Afghan. Legal proceedings are in progress	
Link	https://arabiandaily.com/iranian-afghan-nationals-caught-in-74kg-drug-smuggling-attempt-in-oman/					



CONTRABAND SMUGGLING


Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
11 Apr 25	-	Sri Lanka	Fishing boat	Dikkowita Harbour (Sri Lanka)	Sri Lanka Navy seized 77kg heroin, 42kg methamphetamine from a fishing trawler on 11 Apr, arresting six suspects.	
15 Apr 25	-	-	Boat	Arabian Sea	The Gujarat ATS and Coast Guard seized 300 kg of methamphetamine worth Rs 1,800 crore in the Arabian Sea on April 12-13. Seized items were handed over to concerned authorities for legal formalities.	

Link <https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/04/12/202504121600/>

Link <https://www.dailypioneer.com/2025/page1/300kg-drugs-recovered-off-gujarat-coast.html>






CONTRABAND SMUGGLING

Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
17 Apr 25	-	-	Fishing Boat	off Oman	Omani Coast Guards seized over 180 kg of illicit drugs, including crystal meth, hashish, and marijuana, from a smuggling boat. Three individuals were arrested and legal proceedings were initiated.	
Link	https://www.thearabianstories.com/2025/04/17/180kg-of-drugs-seized-three-expats-caught-in-smuggling-sting-in-oman/					
23 Apr 25	-	-	Dhow	Somalia	U.S. Africom bombed a vessel suspected of smuggling arms to al-Shabaab in Somalia. The strike targeted an unflagged ship, with all individuals aboard reportedly neutralized.	Picture not available
Link	https://maritime-executive.com/article/africom-ordered-airstrike-on-stateless-smuggling-boat-off-somalia					



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Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
23 Apr 25	-	-	Boat	Gulf of Oman	Omani Coast Guard arrested three suspects attempting to smuggle drugs into Oman. They were apprehended during maritime patrols and legal proceedings were initiated.	 
27 Apr 25	-	-	Fishing Boat	Gulf of Oman	Oman authorities arrested two individuals attempting to smuggle over 50kg of marijuana, 3kg of hashish and 5,000 psychotropic pills.	

Link <https://www.muscatdaily.com/2025/04/23/three-arab-nationals-arrested-in-dhofar-for-drug-smuggling/>

Link <https://www.omanobserver.om/article/1169775/oman/rop/major-drug-smuggling-attempt-foiled>



MARITIME TERRORISM


Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
15 Apr 25	Unknown	Unknown	Bulk	Gulf of Aden	A bulk carrier evaded multiple small craft near Aden, Yemen. The identities of attackers remain unclear. However, possibilities include pirates or Houthis. UKMTO urged all maritime entities to exercise caution.	
27 Apr 25	Andromeda Star (9402471)	Panama	Tanker	Yemen Coast	Panama-flagged ship Andromeda Star was struck by two missiles off Mocha, Yemen. Houthis claimed responsibility and ship suffered minor damage. It was previously UK-owned and was en-route from Russia to India.	

Link <https://maritime-executive.com/article/first-suspicious-approach-of-2025-reported-in-gulf-of-aden>

Link <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle-east-68909912>



MARITIME TERRORISM



Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
30 Apr 25	Cyclades (9799616)	Malta	Bulk	Red Sea	Yemen's Houthi rebels attacked the Malta-flagged MV Cyclades in the Red Sea near Mocha, causing damage but no injuries reported. The crew remained safe and the ship continued its voyage.	

Link <https://www.seatrade-maritime.com/dry-bulk/houthi-missile-hits-bulker-in-the-red-sea>





IUU FISHING


Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
06 Apr 25	-	-	Fishing Boat	Valeipadu (Sri Lanka)	Sri Lankan Navy apprehended 43 individuals for illegal fishing activities across multiple coastal locations. The operations led to the seizure of 45 unauthorized nets, 5005 sea cucumbers, explosives and fishing gear.	
07 Apr 25	-	Sri Lanka	-	Vankalai (Sri Lanka)	Sri Lankan Navy conducted a series of search operations with Fisheries Inspectors, many individuals involved in various illegal fishing activities were apprehended. The operations took place across several coastal and lagoon areas. Those caught were engaged in illegal night diving, unauthorized harvesting of sea cucumbers.	

Link <https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/04/11/202504111600/>

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IUU FISHING



Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
17 Apr 25	-	-	Fishing Boat	Persian Gulf	The Environment Agency - Abu Dhabi fined fishermen using nylon nets, urging adherence to fishing laws for marine protection. Recreational fishing is allowed with specific equipment like lines, hooks, and diving rifles only.	

Link

<https://www.gulftoday.ae/news/2025/04/17/abu-dhabi-fines-fishermen-for-illegal-fishing-using-nylon-nets>



IRREGUALR HUMAN MIGRATION


Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
09 Apr 25	-	-	-	Off Khasab (Persian Gulf)	9 x Afghan nationals were arrested by Royal Oman Police for attempting to enter Oman illegally in Khasab. Legal procedures are currently underway against the individuals.	
10 Apr 25	-	-	-	Off Bukha (Persain Gulf)	6 x Afghan nationals were arrested by Omani Coastguard for attempting to enter in Oman illegally.	

Link <https://timesofoman.com//article/156699-nine-arrested-for-trying-to-enter-oman-illegally-1#>:

Link <https://arabiandaily.com/six-afghans-arrested-for-illegal-entry-in-bukha-oman/>



IRREGUALR HUMAN MIGRATION

Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
27 Apr 25	-	-	-	Musandam (Gulf of Oman)	The Coast Guard Police in Musandam arrested 13 personnel attempting to enter Oman illegally. Legal procedures are underway, with authorities emphasizing border security and urging public cooperation in reporting suspicious activities	


Link

<https://www.muscatdaily.com/2025/04/27/coast-guard-apprehends-13-illegal-entrants-in-musandam/>





ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY

Date	Ship Name (IMO No)	Flag	Type	Location	Brief Description	Picture
18 Apr 25	-	-	-	Ras Isa Oil Terminal (Red Sea)	U.S. airstrikes on Yemen's Ras Isa oil terminal have triggered a significant oil spill, releasing an estimated 25,000 to 30,000 barrels of crude into the Red Sea. The incident has raised alarm over potential long-term ecological damage, Cleanup efforts are severely hampered by ongoing conflict and restricted access. Authorities and environmental monitors warn of escalating challenges in mitigating the spill's impact amid limited containment infrastructure and fragile marine ecosystems	

Link

https://nypost.com/2025/04/18/us-news/us-forces-destroy-houthi-controlled-fuel-port-in-yemen-key-source-of-revenue-for-the-terror-group/?utm_source=chatg



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