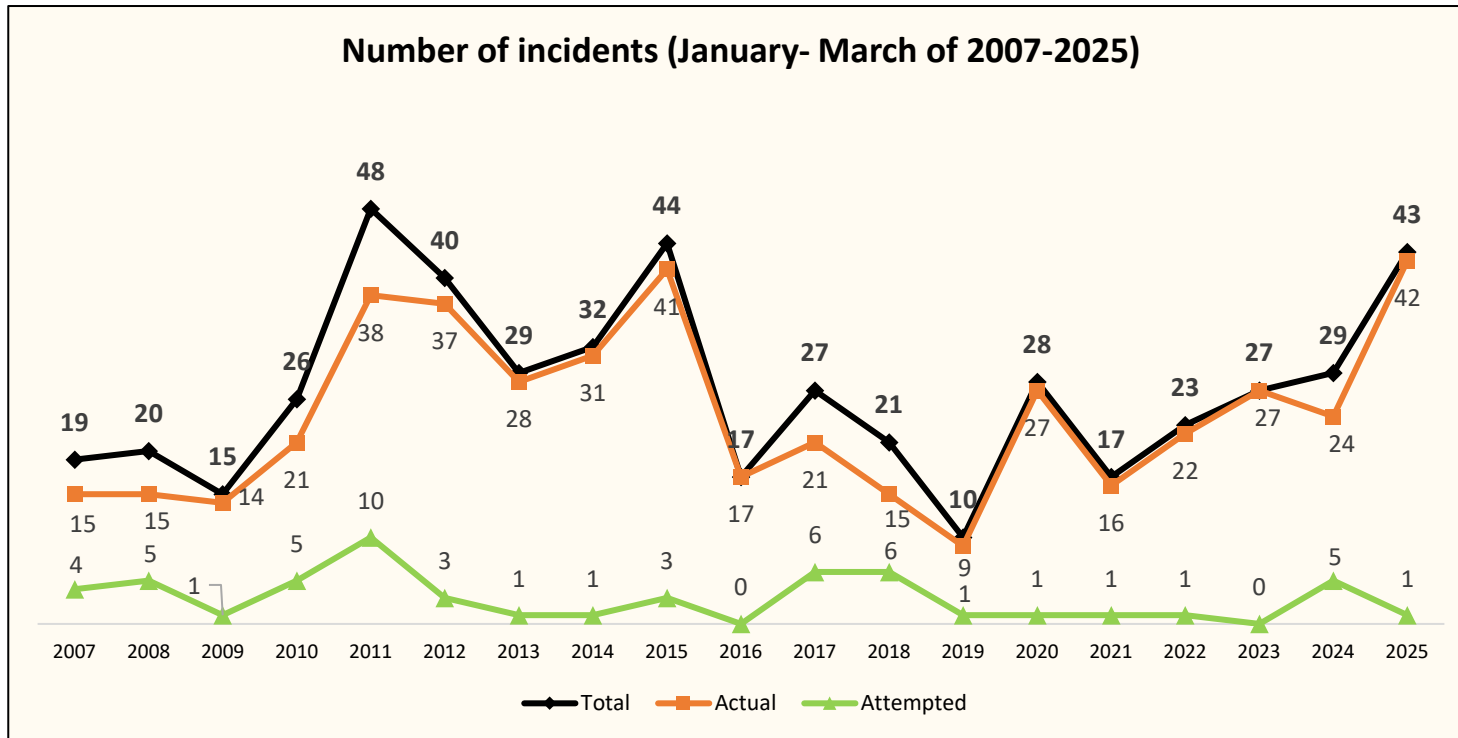


Situation Update – Jan-Mar 2025

1. Number of Incidents

- ❑ **43** incidents (42 actual and 1 attempted)
- ❑ **48% increase** in number of incidents compared to Jan-Mar 2024 (29 incidents)
- ❑ **Two incidents of piracy** (on high seas) & **41 armed robbery/theft incidents** (internal waters, territorial seas & archipelagic waters – coastal States' jurisdiction)

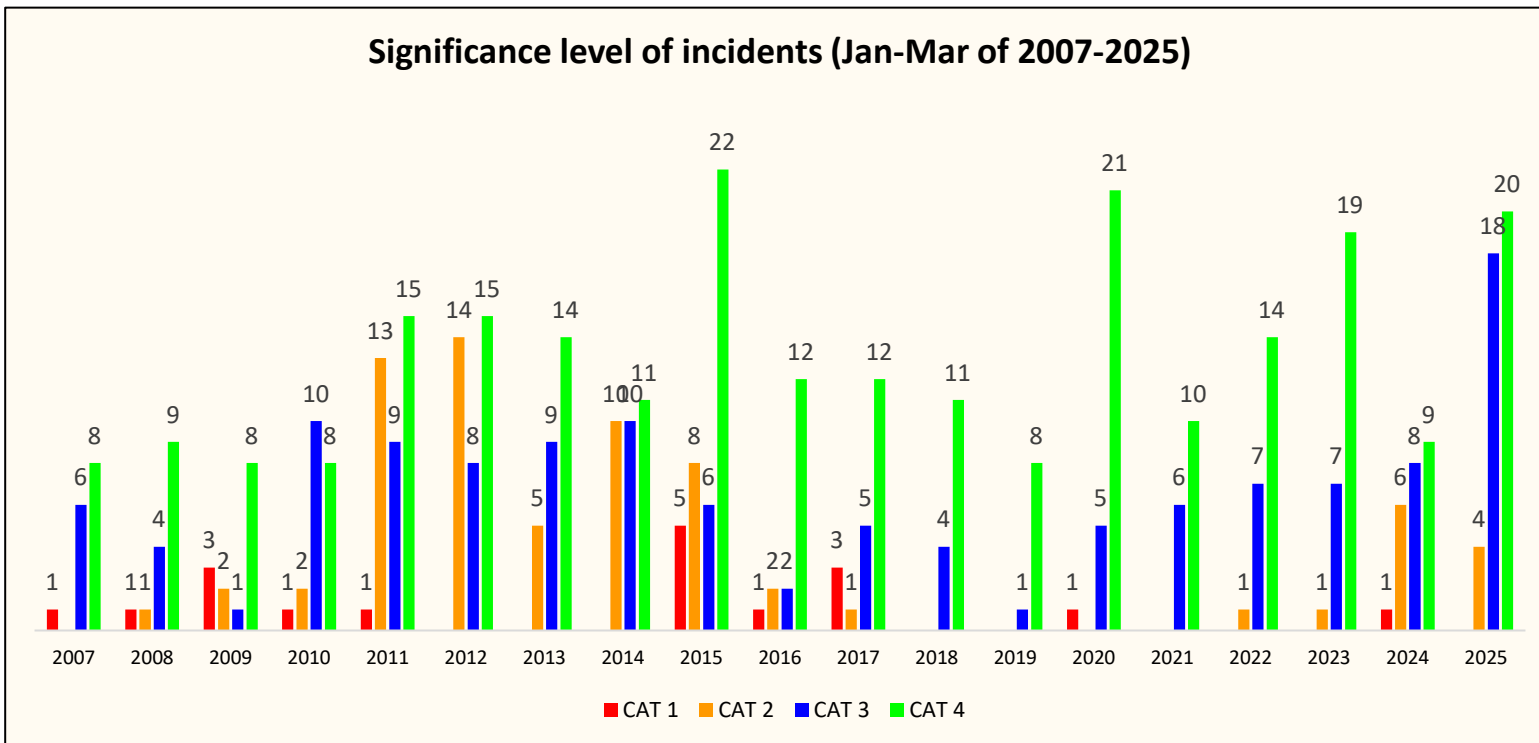


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2. Severity of Incidents

❑ 42 actual incidents

- 4 x **CAT 2**, 18 x **CAT 3** & 20 x **CAT 4**
- Compared to 2024: **Increase** in **CAT 3** incidents (*perpetrators carried knives, gun-like objects, crew not injured*) & **CAT 4** (*perpetrators not armed & crew not injured*) incidents
- **Decrease** in **CAT 1** and **CAT 2**

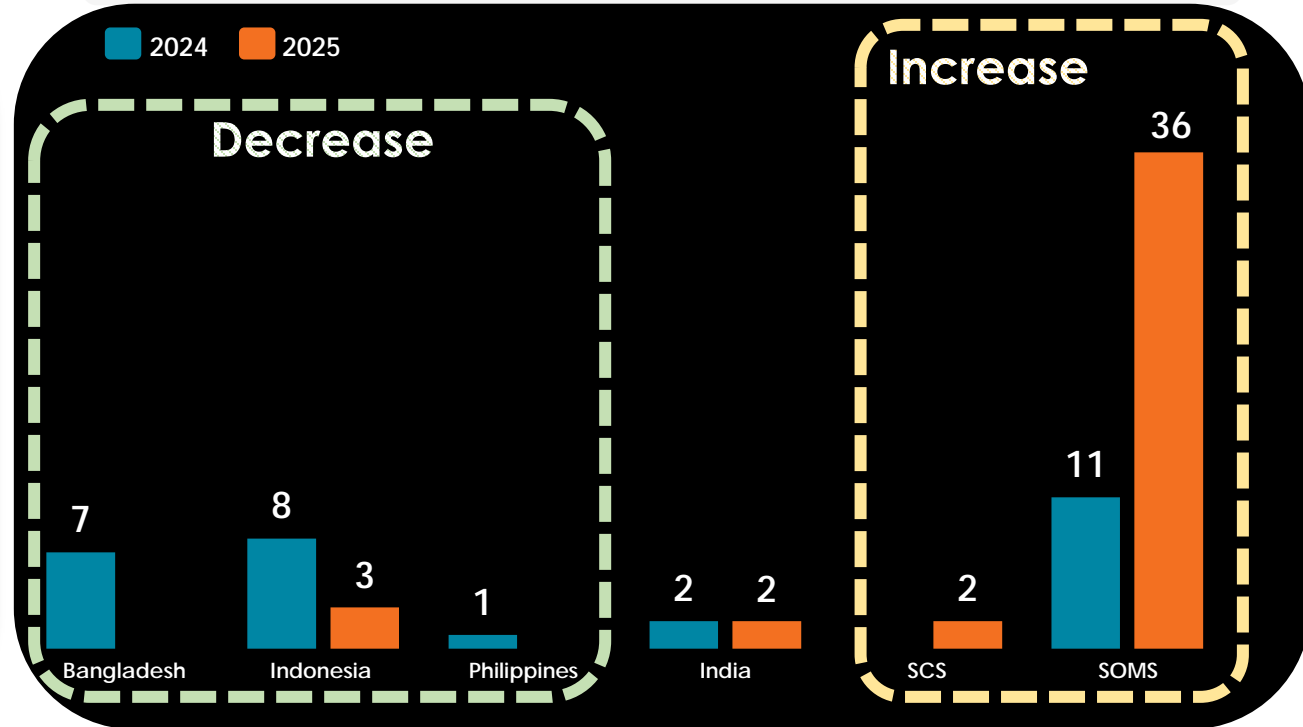


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3. Location of Incidents

Jan-Mar 2024 Vs Jan-Mar 2025

- Straits of Malacca & Singapore (SOMS) (36)
- Indonesia (3)
- India (2)
- South China Sea (SCS) (2)

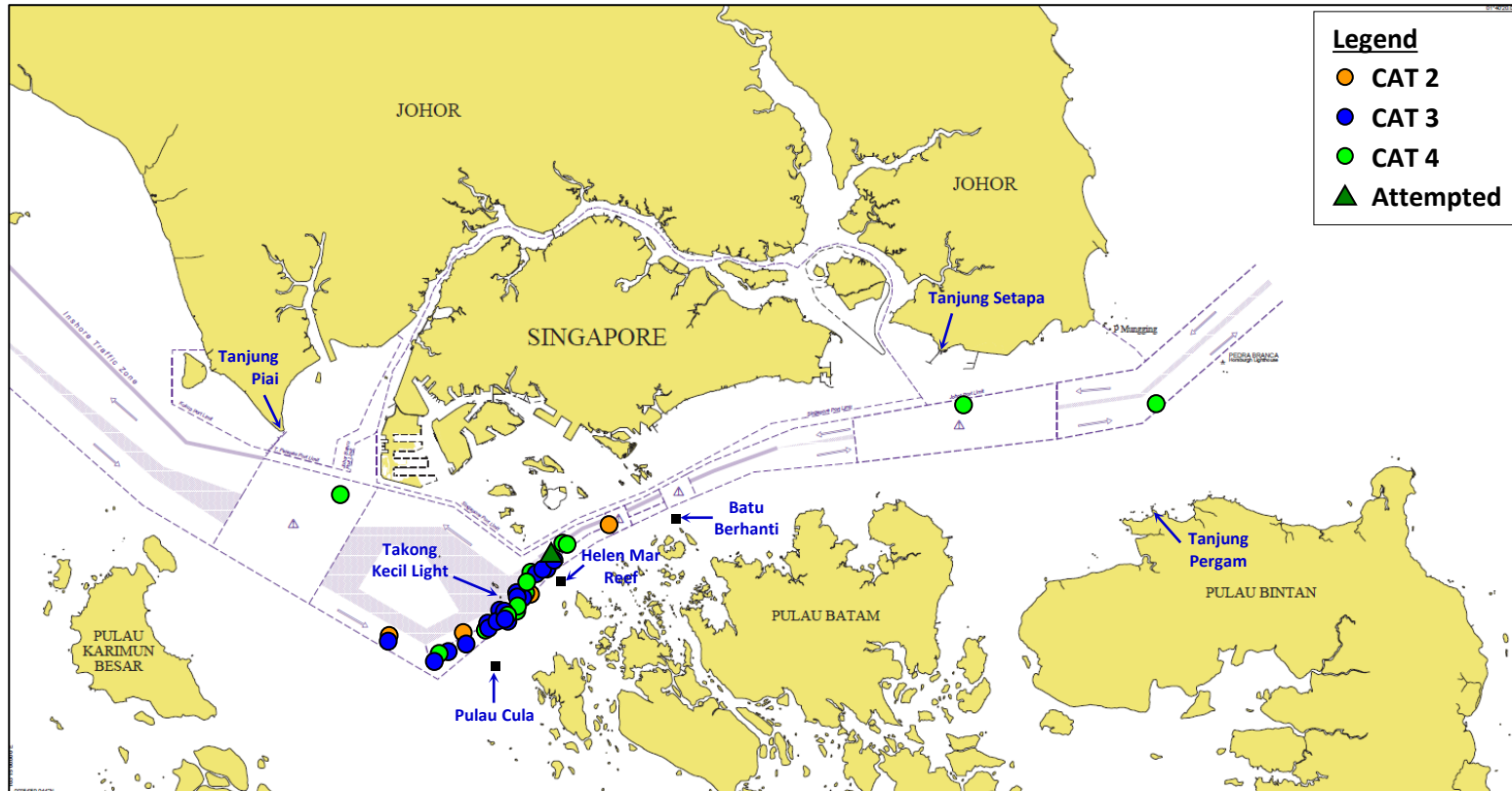


Areas of Concern

- Continued occurrence of incidents in SOMS
- Threat of abduction of crew for ransom in Sulu-Celebes Seas

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4. Straits of Malacca & Singapore (SOMS) – 36 incidents



- ❑ Significance level of incidents: 4 x **CAT 2**, 18 x **CAT 3**, 13 x **CAT 4**, 1 x **Attempted**
- ❑ Type of ships boarded: **Bulk carriers (18)**, Tankers (8), Container ships (5), Tug boats towing barges (3), & General cargo ships (2)
- ❑ Time of incidents: 2000-2059 hrs (1), **2300-0559 hrs (32)**, 0600-0759 hrs (3)
- ❑ Traffic Separation Scheme [TSS]: **Eastbound lane (34)**, Westbound lane (1), Precautionary area (1)

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5. Abduction of Crew in Sulu-Celebes Seas

- **No incident** reported since January 2020 & **no crew** currently in captivity
- Philippine Coast Guard downgraded threat of abduction of crew



- **LOW** : ***'No information or monitored activities suggest an impending attack; hence incidents are not expected to occur'***
- ReCAAP ISC updated Advisory to ships to ***"exercise vigilance when transiting the Sulu-Celebes Seas & report incidents to the Operation Centres of the Philippines & Eastern Sabah Security Command (ESSCOM)"***
- ReCAAP ISC commends coordinated efforts of littoral States of Sulu-Celebes Seas in ensuring incident-free passage for seafarers

6. Thrust Area

- ❑ Maintain latest situation update
 - ❖ ReCAAP Interactive Dashboard – *'Re-VAMP'*
- ❑ Crew to maintain lookout, exercise caution, implement BMP when transiting areas of concern & ensure CCTV, VDR, camera operational to capture data
 - ❖ *'Regional Guide 2 to Counter Piracy & Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia'*
- ❑ Use **Mobile App & Posters** to facilitate timely reporting of incident (actual & attempted) to nearest coastal State's RCC & flag State -
 - ❖ *Mobile Application - 'ReCAAP' (download from Apple Store or Goggle Play Store)*
 - ❖ *'Piracy & Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia: Reporting of Incidents - Contact Details'*
 - ❖ *'Guidelines & Reporting of Incident by Vessels – Straits of Malacca & Singapore'*
- ❑ Report all incidents, suspicious activities & sightings of boats in vicinity
 - ❖ *'Guide Book on Identification of Fishing Boats in Asian Waters (version 2)'*