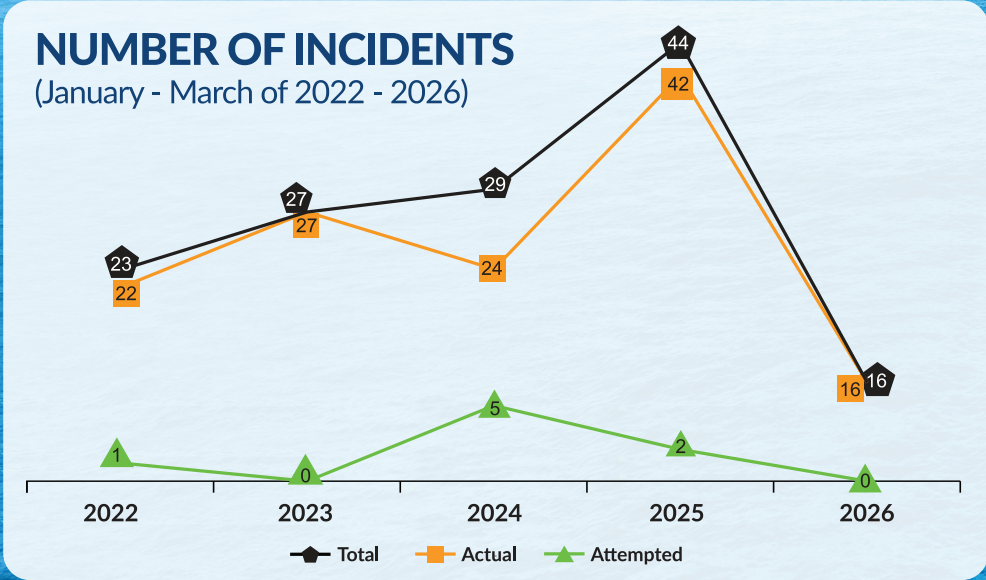


PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA

JANUARY - MARCH 2026

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS **16**

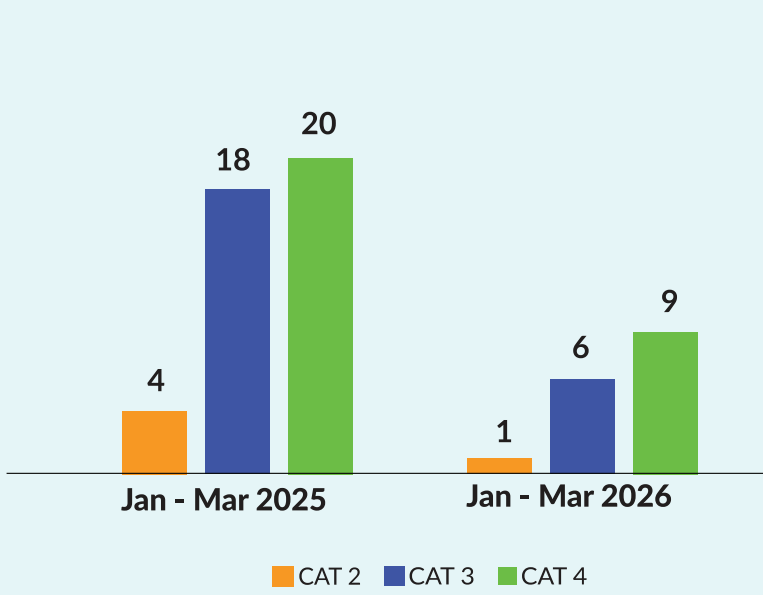
COMPARED TO JAN-MAR 2025 (44) **64%**



LOCATION OF INCIDENTS
 STRAITS OF MALACCA & SINGAPORE **10**
 Philippines **6**

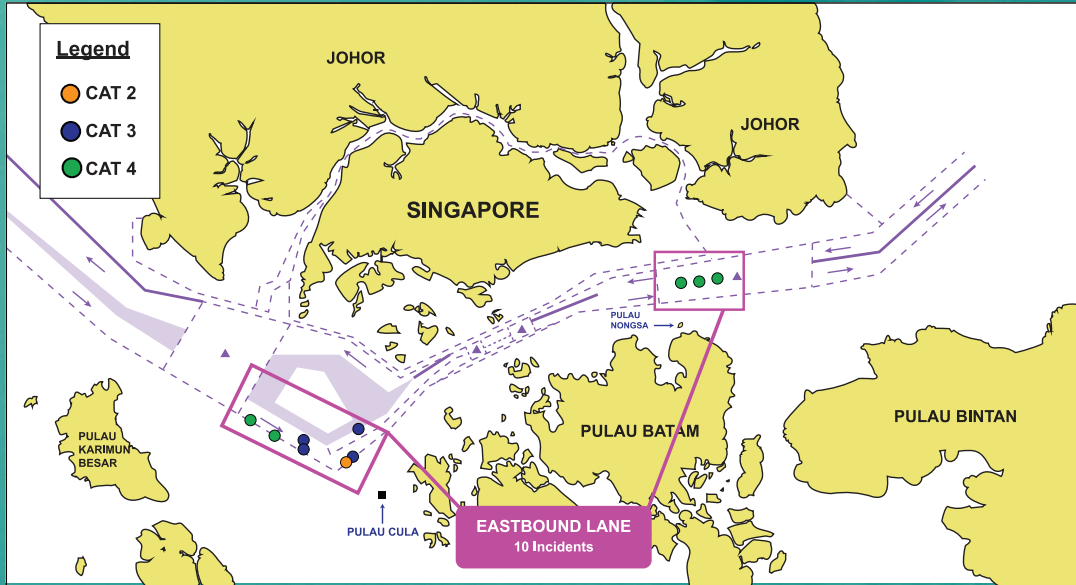
SEVERITY OF ACTUAL INCIDENTS

Jan-Mar 2025 **VS** Jan-Mar 2026



- No CAT 1 incident reported
- Decrease in overall severity level
- Bulk of the incidents involved 4-6 men
- More than half of the incidents involved perpetrators carrying knives to intimidate crew
- Unsecured items commonly stolen; 25% of incidents reported perpetrators escaped empty-handed

STRAITS OF MALACCA & SINGAPORE



10 INCIDENTS

Compared to Jan-Mar 2025 (36)

72%

INCIDENTS



60%
BULK CARRIERS



30%
TUG BOATS
TOWING BARGES



10%
TANKERS



2000-0559 hrs

70%

1100-1759 hrs

30%

ABDUCTION OF CREW IN SULU-CELEBES SEAS AND WATERS OFF EASTERN SABAH



No incident reported for 6th consecutive year; last incident -17 Jan 2020



THREAT LEVEL: 'LOW'

'No information or monitored activities suggest an impending attack; hence incidents are not expected to occur.'



ADVISORY & GUIDANCE

ReCAAP ISC Advisory – exercise vigilance when transiting the Sulu-Celebes Seas and report incidents to the Operation Centres of the Philippines and Eastern Sabah Security Command (ESSCOM)



REFER TO GUIDANCE ON ABDUCTION OF CREW IN THE SULU-CELEBES SEAS AND WATERS OFF EASTERN SABAH

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