

SITREP – 4, 2100 Hrs on 11/06/2025

Explosion on WAN HAI 503 (IMO no – 9294862, Flag Singapore) West of Kerala

1. Incident Overview:

Refer to SITREP – 2, 2200 hrs on 09/06/2025

2. Response Actions Initiated:

Refer to SITREP – 3, 2200 hrs on 10/06/2025

The Directorate has been conducting daily coordination meetings to review operations and expedite resource mobilisation, regulatory clearances, and inter-agency coordination. The contents of this SITREP are based on both written and verbal inputs received from the stakeholders.

ICG helicopters successfully deployed 05 salvage personnel (03 salvage personnel from MERC and 02 Air rescue divers of ICG) onboard. Additional foam and DCP supplies continue to be mobilized; approximately 3000 litres of foam are currently available, with another 10,000 litres en route. DCP (1000 kg) procured earlier by MERC has been routed to Beypore air base and received by ICG for operational deployment.



Figure 1: 11 June 1430 hrs

3. Present Status:

The onboard fire has been partially stabilised, with approximately 40% of the fire brought under control. Firefighting efforts continue in the forward cargo holds with boundary cooling and foam-based suppression being carried out by ICG vessels *Samudra Prahari* and *Samarth*, while *Rajdoot*, *Arnvesh*, *Abhinav* and *ICGS 513* are engaged in search and rescue operations. Salvage Master observations confirm ongoing hydrocarbon release, with potential involvement of the fuel tanks. The vessel remains afloat but unmanned, and is currently drifting southeast at a steady pace, SE'ly X 1 kt.



Figure 2: Connection of tow line

The Salvage Master, supported by personnel from MERC and ICG rescue divers, is onboard the vessel. After an earlier unsuccessful attempt, the tow connection was successfully established with *ETV Water Lily* and then with ICG asset through joint efforts of MERC and ICG personnel.

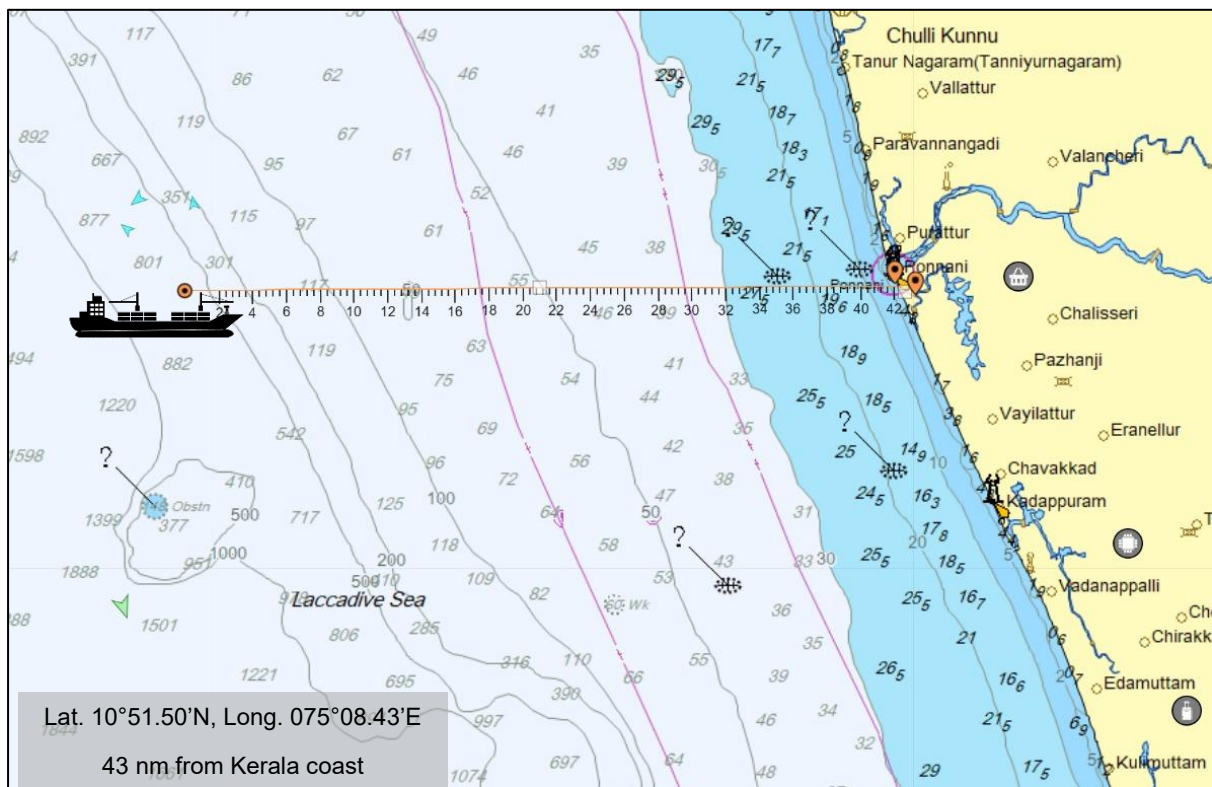


Figure 3: Location of WAN HAI 503 at 1800 hrs on 11 Jun

4. Additional Support:

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The ICG and salvage team continues stabilisation operations and prepares to maintain the tow to safely keep the vessel away from the coastline.

5. Current Vessel Condition:

The vessel remains structurally afloat but poses continued risk due to onboard hazardous cargo. The fire remains active but is under steady control due to ongoing boundary cooling and firefighting efforts. Hydrocarbon vapours have been observed by the salvage master, indicating possible heat transfer near fuel tanks. Continuous onboard assessments are being conducted to monitor any escalation.

6. Navigational Hazards:

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7. Coordination Measures:

Daily operational meetings are being held under the chairmanship of DGS with participation from Indian Navy, ICG, MRCC Mumbai, Salvors, MPA Singapore, and shipowners.

8. Cargo Assessment:

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