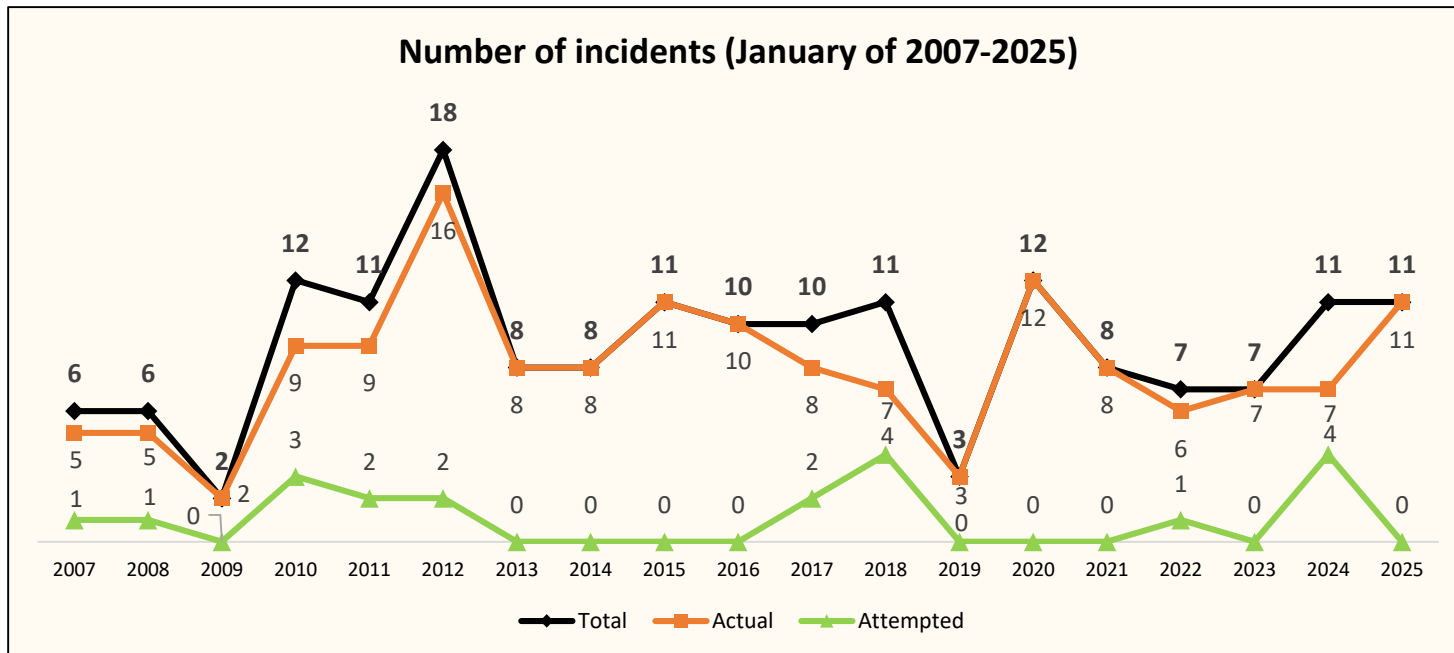


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## 1. Number of Incidents

- ❑ **11 incidents** (all actual)
- ❑ **Similar number of incidents** compared to January 2024 (11 incidents)
  - ❖ Increase in actual incidents (7 in 2024 → 11 in 2025)
  - ❖ Decrease in attempted incidents (4 in 2024 → 0 in 2025)
- ❑ **All armed robbery/theft** incidents (internal waters, territorial seas & archipelagic waters – coastal States' jurisdiction)

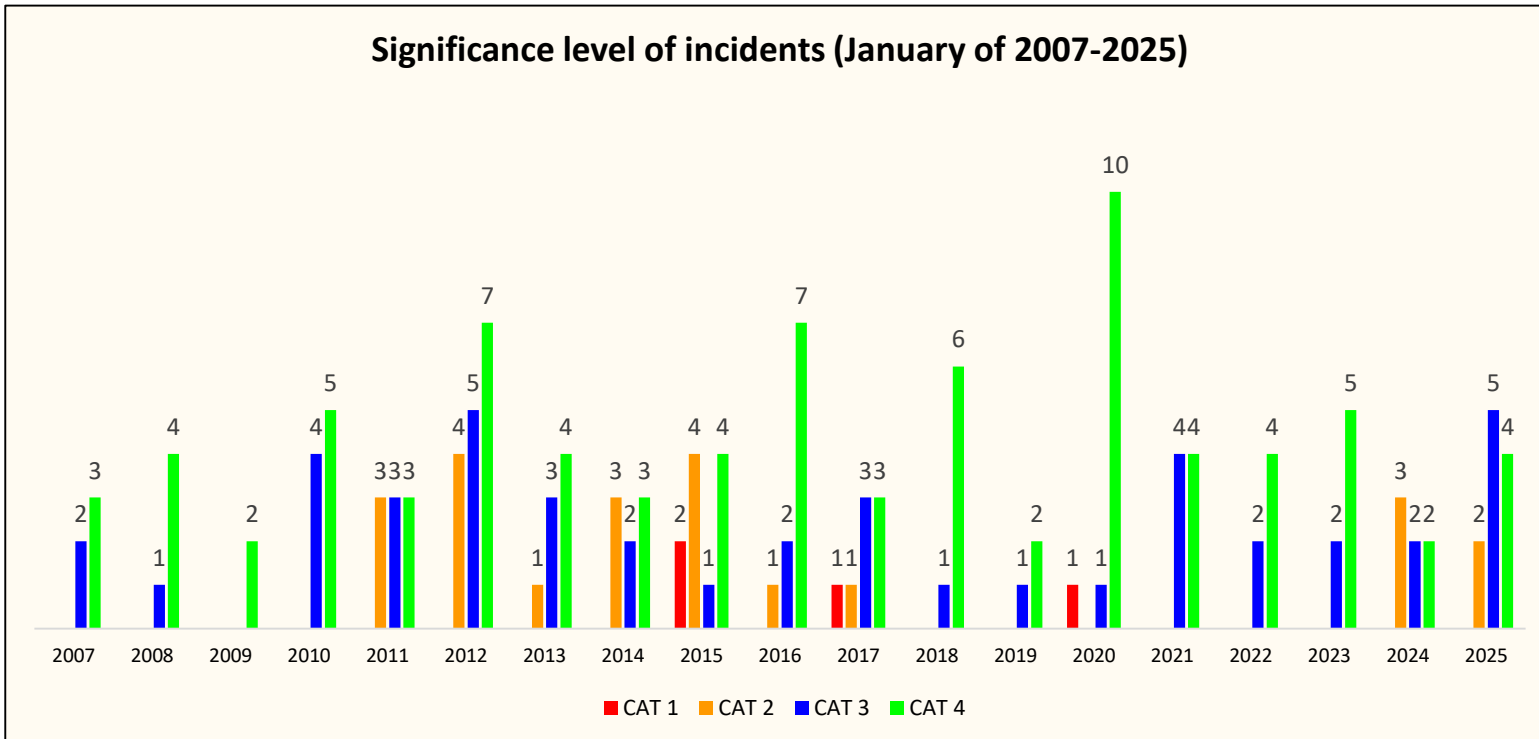


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## 2. Severity of Incidents

### ☐ 11 actual incidents

- 2 x **CAT 2**, 5 x **CAT 3** & 4 x **CAT 4**
- Compared to 2024: **Increase** in **CAT 3** (*perpetrators carried weapons, crew not injured*) & **CAT 4** (*perpetrators did not carry weapons & crew not injured*) incidents
- **Decrease** in **CAT 2** (*perpetrators carried weapons, crew under duress in 1 incident*)

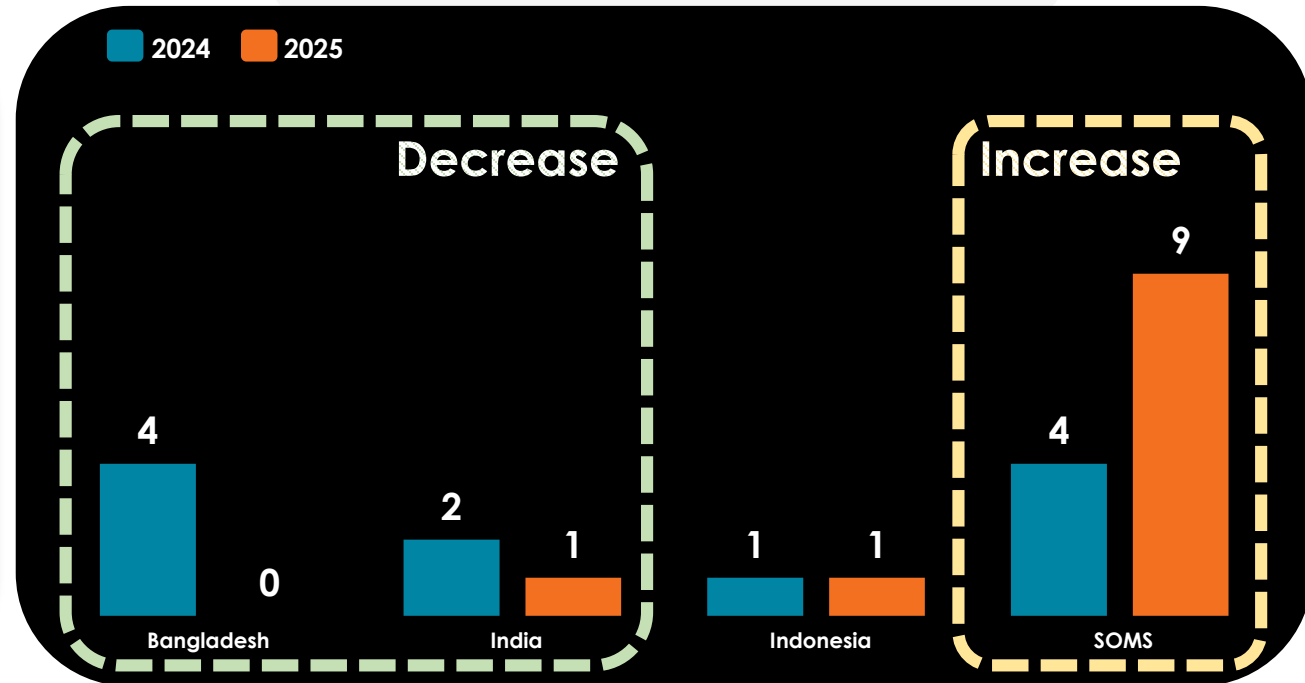


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## 3. Location of Incidents

### Jan 2024 Vs Jan 2025

- Straits of Malacca & Singapore (SOMS) (9)
- India (1)
- Indonesia (1)

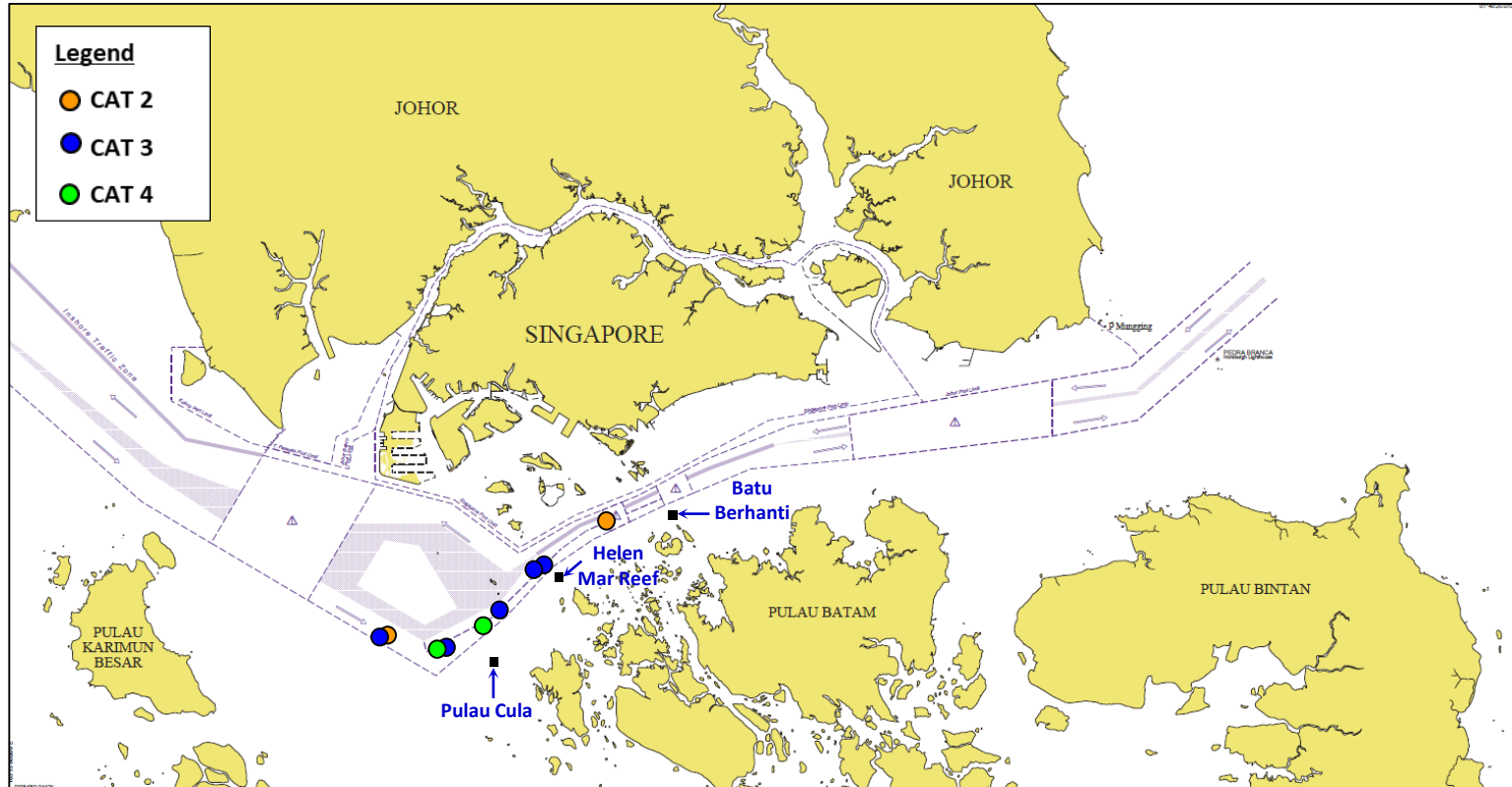


### Areas of Concern

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

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## 4. Situation in Straits of Malacca & Singapore (SOMS) – 9 incidents



- ❑ Significance level of incidents: 2 x CAT 2, 5 x CAT 3, 2 x CAT 4
- ❑ Type of ships boarded: **Bulk carriers (7)**, Tanker (1), General cargo ship (1)
- ❑ Time of incidents: 2300-2359 hrs (1), **0100-0559 hrs (8)**
- ❑ All occurred in eastbound lane of Traffic Separation Scheme

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## 5. Abduction of Crew in Sulu-Celebes Seas

- ❑ No incident since January 2020
- ❑ No crew held in captivity
- ❑ Philippine Coast Guard downgraded threat of abduction of crew



- ❑ **Moderate Low:** *“Incidents are unlikely to occur due to perpetrators’ perceived lack of capability to orchestrate an attack. Nevertheless, minimal damages are expected to the vessel and crew in case of an attack”*
- ❑ ReCAAP ISC updated Advisory to ships to “exercise vigilance & adopt necessary preventive measures while transiting the area”
  - Ships to maintain communication with the authorities & report all incidents to Operation Centre of the Philippines & Malaysia

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## 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 & 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)'*