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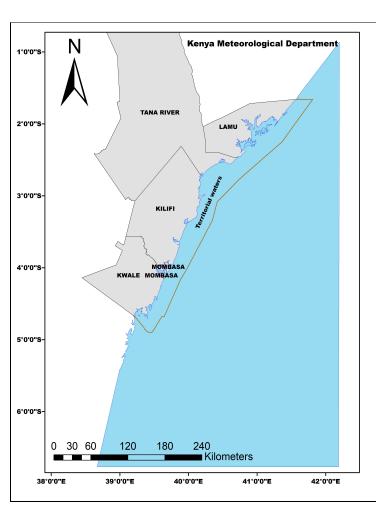
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DAILY MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST FOR KENYAN COAST

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Valid: 0000 EAT on 24th April 2025 to 0000 EAT on 25th April 2025



GENERAL OUTLOOK

Morning sea state:

 Light SW to S winds (03-09 knots) with slight choppy seas. ESE waves of 3ft (0.9m) with small period waves of (10sec) are expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

Afternoon sea state:

Light S to SE winds (06-11 knots) with slight choppy seas. ESE to SE waves of 2-3feet (0.6-0.9m) with small period waves of (9-10sec) are expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

Visibility:

 Moderate visibility (9-10 km) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

COASTAL COUNTIES MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST

i. KWALE

- Morning Winds: SW 5 to 9 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light SW winds with a slight chop. Very small mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: S 6 to 8 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 2 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Light S winds with a slight chop. Very small short period waves.
- Sunrise; 6.21AM and sunset; 6:19PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)
- High Tide: 1:26AM; 2.82m, 1:58PM; 3.03m
 Low Tide: 7:41AM; 0.9m, 8:09PM; 0.83m

ii. MOMBASA

- Morning Winds: SW 6 to 7 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light SW winds with a slight chop. Very small mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SE 8 to 10 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Light SSE winds with a slight chop. Very small mid period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:19AM and sunset; 6:19PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)
- High Tide: 1:24AM; 2.73m, 2:00PM; 2.91m
- Low Tide: 7:41AM; 0.91m, 8:09PM;0.85m

iii. KILIFI

- Morning Winds: WSW 4 to 6 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light and variable winds with smooth seas. Small mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 8 to 11 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Light SSE winds with a slight chop. Very small mid period waves.
- Sunrise; 6.18AM and sunset; 6:18PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)
- High Tide: 1:16AM; 2.48m, 1:54PM; 2.66m
- Low Tide: 7:34AM; 0.72m, 8:01PM;0.71m

iv. LAMU

- Morning Winds: S 3 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light and variable winds with smooth seas. Very small mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 6 to 11 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: SE 3 feet at 10 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Light SSE winds with a slight chop. Very small mid period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:13AM and Sunset; 6:16PM
- Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)
- High Tide: 1:15AM; 2.37m, 1:55PM; 2.54m
- Low Tide: 7:36AM; 0.68m, 8:03PM; 0.69m

Advisory

- Slight to moderate sea conditions are expected with a significant wave height of 0.6-0.9m in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.
- Light to gentle breeze of (03-11 knots) expected in Kwale, Mombasa Kilifi and Lamu throughout the forecast period.

KEY ON SEA STATE

WAVE HEIGHT RANGE	DESCRIPTION	IMPACT
(Meters)		
$0.6 - 1.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 1.8 - 3.0 \text{ ft})$	Slight	Conditions suitable for Marine activities
$1.0 - 1.9 \text{ m}. (\approx 3.0 - 5.7 \text{ ft})$	Slight - Moderate	
$2.0 - 2.9 \text{ m} \ (\approx 6.0 - 8.7 \text{ ft})$	Moderate-Rough	Caution on operating marine activities
$3.0 - 4.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 9.0 - 12.0 \text{ ft})$	Rough	Warning in place!!!!
$4.1 - 5.5 \text{ m} \ (\approx 12.3 - 16.5 \text{ ft})$	Very Rough	Warning in place and marine activities
·		on hold

KEY ON SEA STATE

WIND	RANGE	DESCRIPTIONS	IMPACT
	< 1 – 7 Knots	Calm to Light breeze	1 – 6 knots, the Ocean is relatively calm with very little disturbance. Suitable for Marine operations
	7 – 21 Knots	Gentle breeze to Fresh breeze	7-17 knots, small boats are likely to be filled with water sprays and become unstable. Caution in carrying out marine activities
	22 - ≥34 Knots	Strong breeze to Extremely Strong breeze	More than 21 knots, the ocean state is very much disturbed and the prevailing conditions are dangerous for marine operations. Warning in place!!!!!

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