



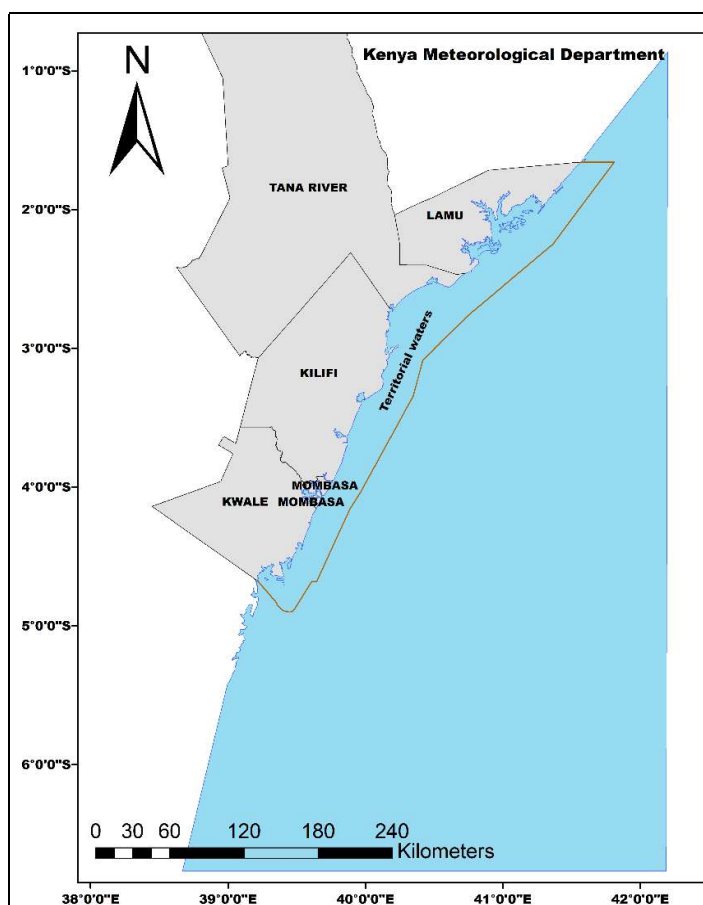
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DAILY MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST FOR KENYAN COAST

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Valid: 0000 EAT on 13th August, 2026 to 0000 EAT on 14th August, 2026.



GENERAL OUTLOOK

Morning sea state:

- Light to Moderate to strong SSE to S winds of (09-20 knots) with Slight chop to choppy Seas. ESE waves of 4-6 ft (1.2 - 1.8 m) with moderate short to Large short period waves of 8-10 sec are expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

Afternoon sea state:

- Breezy to Moderately to strong SSE to S winds of (13-24 knots) with Moderate choppy to choppy seas. ESE waves of 4-6 ft (1.2-1.8 m) with Moderate short period waves of 9 sec 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: S 9 to 13 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 4 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light S winds with a slight chop. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 14 to 21 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 4 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Moderate to strong SSE winds with choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise: **6:28AM** and sunset: **6:26PM**
- Visibility: **Moderate (9-10 km)**
- High Tide: **4:30AM;3.4m,4:41PM;3.8m**
- Low Tide: **10:28AM;0.3m,10:59PM;0.1m**

ii. MOMBASA

- Morning Winds: S 11 to 14 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 9 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 13 to 20 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 5 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise: **6:27AM** and sunset: **6:25PM**
- Visibility: **Moderate (9-10 km)**
- High Tide: **4:56AM;3.2m,4:49PM;3.7m**
- Low Tide: **10:31AM;0.3m,11:03PM;0.1m**

iii. KILIFI

- Morning Winds: S 13 to 18 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 10 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Moderate to strong S winds with choppy seas. Large short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: S 15 to 23 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 6 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Moderate to strong S winds with choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise: **6:25AM** and Sunset: **6:25PM**
- Visibility: **Moderate (9-10km)**
- High Tide: **4:28m;3m,4:39PM;3.4m**
- Low Tide: **10:23AM;0.2m, 10:54PM; -0.1m**

iv. LAMU

- Morning Winds: SSE 14 to 20 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 8 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Moderate to strong SSE winds with choppy seas. Large short period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: S 15 to 24 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 6 feet at 9 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Moderate to strong S winds with choppy seas. Moderate short period waves.
- Sunrise: **6:20AM** and Sunset: **6:22PM**
- Visibility: **Moderate (9-10km)**
- High Tide: **4:29AM;2.9m,4:38PM;3.3m**
- Low Tide: **10:24AM;0.2m,10:56PM; -0.1m**

Advisory

- Slight to Moderate Sea conditions is expected with a significant wave height of 1.2-1.8 m in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.
- Gentle to strong breeze of 09-24 knots expected in Kwale, Mombasa Kilifi and Lamu throughout the forecast period. The ocean state is very much disturbed and the prevailing conditions are dangerous for marine operations.

KEY ON SEA STATE

WAVE HEIGHT RANGE (Meters)	DESCRIPTION	IMPACT
0.6 – 1.0 m ($\approx$ 1.8 – 3.0 ft)	Slight	Conditions suitable for Marine activities
1 – 1.9 m ($\approx$ 3.0 – 5.7 ft)	Slight – Moderate	
2.0 – 2.9 m ($\approx$ 6.0 – 8.7 ft)	Moderate-Rough	Caution on operating marine activities
3.0 – 4.0 m ($\approx$ 9.0 – 12.0 ft)	Rough	Warning in place!!!!
4.1 – 5.5 m ($\approx$ 12.3 – 16.5 ft)	Very Rough	Warning in place and marine activities on hold

KEY ON SEA STATE

WIND	RANGE	DESCRIPTIONS	IMPACT
	< 1 – 6 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 – $\geq$ 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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