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# KENYA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT

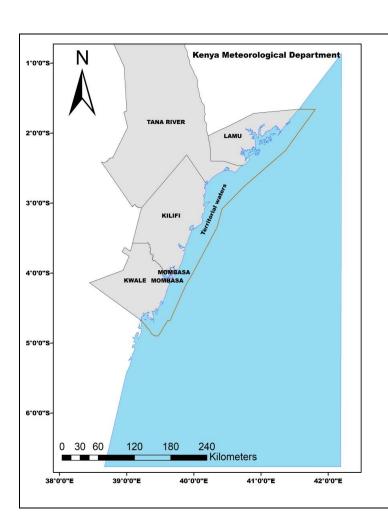
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# DAILY MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST FOR KENYAN COAST

Issued at: 1500 EAT on 6th August 2025

Valid: 0000 EAT on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025 to 0000 EAT on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025



# **GENERAL OUTLOOK**

# Morning sea state:

• Gentle to Fresh breeze S to SSE winds (0719 knots) with choppy seas. SE to ESE
waves of 5 -9 feet (1.5m - 2.7m) with period
waves of (11- sec) expected in Kwale,
Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

# Afternoon sea state:

• Fresh breeze SSE winds (11-18 knots) with choppy seas. SE to ESE waves of 5-8 feet (1.5m - 2.4m) with period waves of (11-sec) 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. <u>KWALE</u>

Morning Winds: SSE 10 to 12 knots.
Morning Waves: ESE 5 feet at 11 seconds.

• Morning sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

Afternoon Winds: SSE 13 to 15 knots.
 Afternoon Waves: ESE 5 feet at 11 seconds.

• Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Small mid period waves

• Sunrise; 06:32AM and sunset; 06:27PM

• Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)

High Tide: 03:14AM; 2.6m, 03:21PM; 3.3m,
Low Tide: 09:00AM; 1.0m, 09:50PM; 0.7m

#### ii. MOMBASA

• Morning Winds: S 10 to 14 knots.

• Morning Waves: ESE 8 feet at 11 seconds.

• Morning sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

• Afternoon Winds: SSE 11 to 15 knots.

• Afternoon Waves: ESE 7 feet at 11 seconds.

• Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

• Sunrise; 06:30AM and sunset; 6:25PM

• Visibility: Moderate (9-10 km)

• High Tide: 03:20PM; 2.4m, 03:22PM; 3.1m,

• Low Tide: 08:59AM; 1.0m, 09:52PM; 0.7m

# iii. KILIFI

• Morning Winds: SSW 7 to 15 knots.

• Morning Waves: ESE 8 feet at 11 seconds.

• Morning sea state: Light SSW winds with a slight chop. Moderate mid period waves..

Afternoon Winds: SSE 11 to 16 knots.

• Afternoon Waves: ESE 7 feet at 11 seconds.

• Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

Sunrise; 06:29AM and sunset; 06:26PM

• Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)

• High Tide: 03:19AM; 2.2m, 03:15PM; 2.9m,

• Low Tide; 08:53AM; 0.9m; 09:47PM; 0.5m;

#### iv. <u>LAMU</u>

• Morning Winds: SSE 15 to 19 knots.

• Morning Waves: SE 9 feet at 11 seconds.

Morning sea state: Moderate to strong SSE winds with choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

• Afternoon Winds: SSE 14 to 18 knots.

• Afternoon Waves: SE 8 feet at 11 seconds.

• Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

• Sunrise; Sunrise; 06:22AM and sunset; 06:23PM

• Visibility: Moderate (9-10km)

High Tide: 03.20AM; 2.1m, 03.15PM; 2.8m

• Low Tide: 08:53AM; 0.9m, 09:49PM; 0.4m

#### **Advisory**

- Moderate to Rough Sea conditions are expected with a wave height of 1.5m 2.7m in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu. Caution on operating marine activities.
- Gentle to Fresh breeze of (07-19 knots) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu. Caution in carrying out marine activities

# **KEY ON SEA STATE**

| WAVE HEIGHT RANGE  | DESCRIPTION       | IMPACT   |
|--|-------------------|--|
| (Meters)   |                   |  |
| $0.6 - 1.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 1.8 - 3.0 \text{ ft})$   | Slight            | <b>Conditions suitable for Marine activities</b> |
| $1.0 - 1.9 \text{ m}. (\approx 3.0 - 5.7 \text{ ft})$    | 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<br>breeze            | 7 – 17 knots, small boats are likely<br>to be filled with water sprays and<br>become unstable. Caution in<br>carrying out marine activities         |
|      | 22 - ≥34<br>Knots | Strong breeze to Extremely<br>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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