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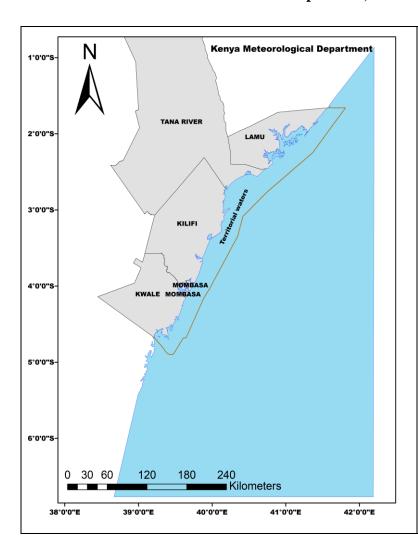
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DAILY MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST FOR KENYAN COAST

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GENERAL OUTLOOK

Morning sea state:

Gentle to fresh S winds (8-14knots) with moderate choppy seas. Slight to Moderate waves of 4-7 feets (1.2-2.1m) with moderate mid period waves of (10sec) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

Afternoon sea state:

Gentle to fresh SSE winds (1119Knots) with moderate choppy seas.
Slight to moderate waves of 4-7 feets
(1.2-2.1m) with small to moderate mid period waves of (11sec) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

Visibility:

 Moderate visibility (10.0km) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi & Lamu.

1. COASTAL COUNTIES MARINE NEAR SHORE FORECAST

i. KWALE

- Morning Winds: S 8 to 10 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 4 feet at 11 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light S winds with a slight chop. Small mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 14 to 19 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 4 feet at 11 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Small mid period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:14AMand sunset; 6:19 PM
- Visibility: **Moderate** (10.0 km)
- High Tide: 2:34AM; 2.79m, 2:44PM; 3.28m
- Low Tide: 8:33AM; 0.94m, 9:10PM; 0.56m

ii. MOMBASA

- Morning Winds: S 9 to 12 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 11 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Light S winds with a slight chop. Moderate mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SSE 11 to 16 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 6 feet at 11 seconds.
- Afternoon Sea State: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.
- Sunrise; 6:13AM and sunset; 6:18PM
- Visibility: **Moderate** (10.0km)
- High Tide: 1:41AM; 2.29m, 1:57PM; 2.87m
- Low Tide: 7:27AM; 1.18m, 8:32PM; 0.81m

iii. KILIFI

- Morning Winds: S 11 to 13 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 11 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.
- AfternoonWinds: SSE 14 to 19 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 5 feet at 11 seconds.
- Afternoon Sea State: Breezy SSE winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.
- Sunrise;6:11AM and sunset; 6:17PM
- Visibility: Moderate (10.0km)
- High Tide: 12:37AM; 2.41m, 2:44PM; 2.88m
- Low Tide: 8:29AM; 0.77m, 9:08PM; 0.41m

iv. LAMU

- Morning Winds: S 10 to 14 knots.
- Morning Waves: ESE 6 feet at 11 seconds.
- Morning sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.
- Afternoon Winds: SE 12 to 17 knots.
- Afternoon Waves: ESE 5 feet at 11 seconds.
- Afternoon sea state: Breezy S winds with moderate choppy seas. Moderate mid period waves.

• Sunrise; 6:08AM and sunset; 6:14PM

• Visibility: Moderate (10.0km)

High Tide: 2:38AM; 2.29m, 2:44PM; 2.77m
Low Tide: 8:29AM; 0.74m, 9:09PM; 0.38m

2. Advisory

Slight to Moderate sea conditions are expected with significant waves height of (1.2 - 1.8m), winds (8-19knots) expected in Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi and Lamu.

WAVE HEIGHT RANGE (Metres)	DESCRIPTION	IMPACT
$0.6 - 1.0 \text{ m} \ (\approx 1.8 - 3.0 \text{ ft})$	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

4.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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