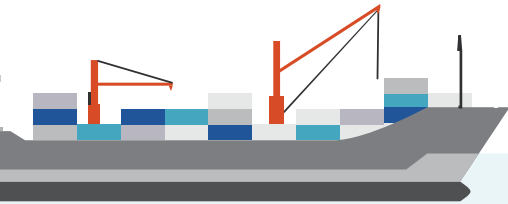


# PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA

JANUARY – MARCH 2017



**20 INCIDENTS**  
18 Armed robbery against ships  
2 Piracy

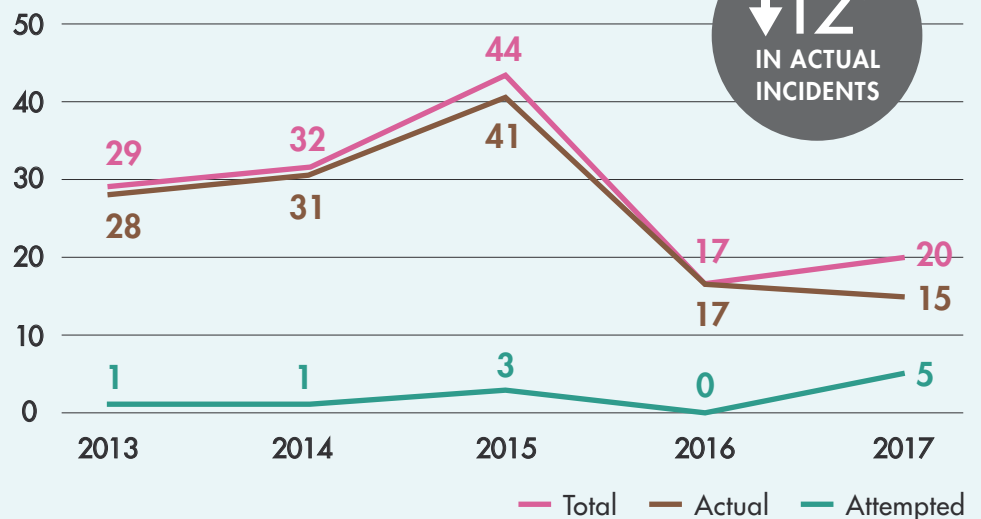
**15 ACTUAL INCIDENTS**

**5 ATTEMPTED INCIDENTS**

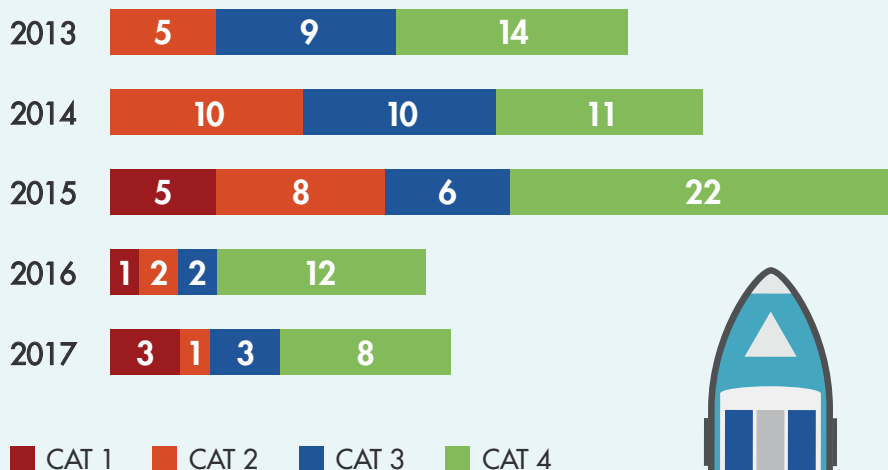
## INCREASE IN TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS

Compared to January – March 2016

Increase in number of attempted incidents is an indication of successful efforts by crew in deterring boarding



## SEVERITY OF ACTUAL INCIDENTS



## STATUS OF SHIPS

**12 INCIDENTS**  
At Ports & Anchorages

**8 INCIDENTS**  
Underway

## IMPROVEMENT AT PORTS & ANCHORAGES IN INDIA

One incident reported compared to 10 during same period in 2016

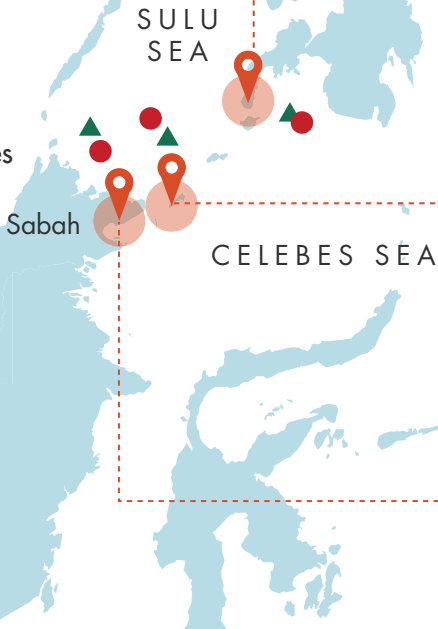


# ABDUCTION OF CREW

from ships in Sulu-Celebes Sea and waters off Eastern Sabah during January – March 2017

## LEGEND

- Actual
- ▲ Attempted
- 📍 Reporting Centres



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Email: [bilikgerakanesscom@jpm.gov.my](mailto:bilikgerakanesscom@jpm.gov.my)

**3** ACTUAL INCIDENTS

**2** Crew killed

**10** Crew abducted

**2** Rescued till date

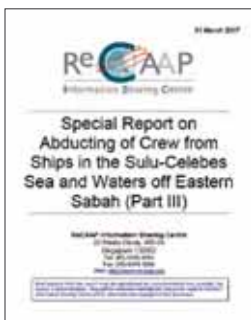
**8** Still in captivity



**3** ATTEMPTED INCIDENTS

- Crew's Enhanced Vigilance
- Timely Reporting and Authorities' Ops Responses

Prevented boarding of *Ocean Kingdom*, *Donghae Star* and *Phu An 268*



### ReCAAP ISC issued 3<sup>rd</sup> Special Report

- ✓ Situation update
- ✓ Modus Operandi of perpetrators
- ✓ Actions by Philippine authorities, ReCAAP ISC, Focal Points and industry
- ✓ Advisory to ships

### ADVISORY TO SHIPS

Re-route where possible, otherwise:

- Exercise enhanced vigilance
- Conduct risk assessment
- Adopt piracy counter measures to mitigate risk
- Make timely report
- Maintain comms



## CONCLUSION

- Bulk of the overall increase is due to increase in attempted incidents. Number of actual incidents had decreased by 12% compared to Jan – Mar 2016
- Increase in number of attempted incidents is an indication of successful efforts by crew to deter boarding by perpetrators

- Of concern was the abduction of crew in Sulu-Celebes Sea involving the discharge of firearms at ships and crew which resulted in injuries and even death of crew
- The ReCAAP ISC reiterates collective and shared responsibility among authorities and shipping industry