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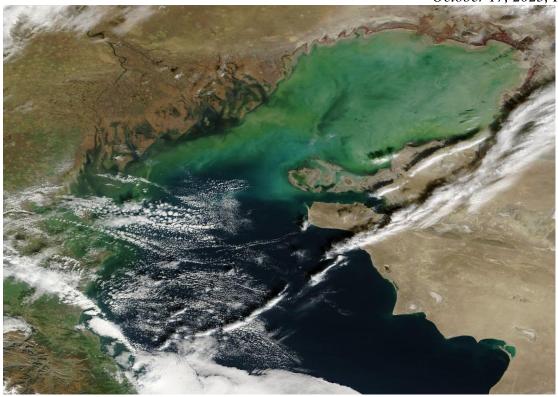


Fig.1 Space image of the Caspian Sea, October 15, 2025 (NASA/GSFC)

FORECAST OF LEVEL AND SURGE PHENOMENA IN THE MIDDLE PART OF THE CASPIAN SEA ON OCTOBER 16 – 21, 2025

SEA LEVEL.

In the period on October 16 - 21, the sea level is expected to fluctuate around the mark of minus 29.58 m BS. The range of fluctuations in sea level is from minus 29.23 m to minus 29.90 m.

Figure 2 shows a graph of the predicted sea level values at various points in the Middle part of the Caspian Sea.

SURGERY PHENOMENA.

In the area of Fort Shevchenko, Kuryk, Aktau, Saura, Kuryk, Fetisovo and Makhachkala, surge events are not expected, sea level fluctuations will not exceed **14 cm**.

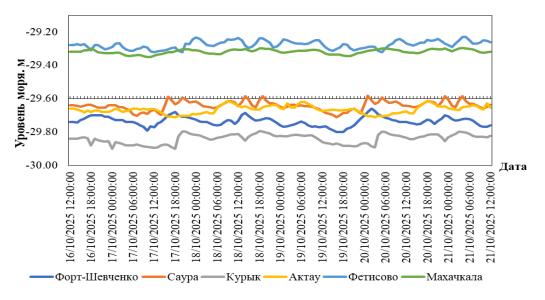


Fig .2 Forecast of sea level in the points of the Middle Caspian

FORECAST OF LEVEL AND SURGE PHENOMENA IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE CASPIAN SEA ON OCTOBER 16 – 21, 2025

SEA LEVEL.

In the period the sea level is expected to fluctuate around the mark of minus 29.32 m BS. The range of fluctuations in sea level is from minus 29.00 m to minus 29.73 m.

Figure 3 shows a graph of the predicted sea level values at various points in the Northern part of the Caspian Sea.

SURGERY PHENOMENA.

In the area of Kulaly, Peshnoy, Tyuleniy and Zhanbay surge events are **not expected**, sea level fluctuations will **not exceed 14 cm**.

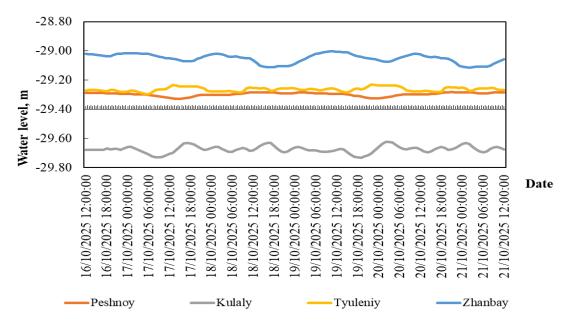


Fig .3 Forecast of sea level in the points of the North Caspian

FORECAST VALUES OF SEA LEVEL FLUCTUATIONS AT VARIOUS POINTS OF THE KAZAKHSTANI COAST

| Point name | Maximum | | Minimum | | Average | | |
|---------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | Level, | date, time, | Level, | date, time, | Level, | | |
| | sm | GMT^* | sm | GMT^* | sm | | |
| | (m BS) | | (m BS) | | (m BS) | | |
| Middle Part | | | | | | | |
| Fort- | -166 | 20/10/2025 | -180 | 19/10/2025 | -174 | | |
| Shevchenko | (-29,66) | 02:00:00 | (-29,80) | 16:00:00 | (-29,74) | | |
| Saura | -158 | 20/10/2025 | -171 | 19/10/2025 | -164 | | |
| | (-29,58) | 01:00:00 | (-29,71) | 16:00:00 | (-29,64) | | |
| Kuryk | -180 | 18/10/2025 | -190 | 17/10/2025 | -184 | | |
| | (-29,80) | 18:00:00 | (-29,90) | 18:00:00 | (-29,84) | | |
| Aktau | -161 | 20/10/2025 | -171 | 17/10/2025 | -167 | | |
| | (-29,61) | 18:00:00 | (-29,71) | 18:00:00 | (-29,67) | | |
| Fetisovo | -123 | 21/10/2025 | -132 | 17/10/2025 | -128 | | |
| | (-29,23) | 04:00:00 | (-29,32) | 12:00:00 | (-29,28) | | |
| Makhachkala | -130 | 21/10/2025 | -135 | 17/10/2025 | -132 | | |
| | (-29,30) | 04:00:00 | (-29,35) | 11:00:00 | (-29,32) | | |
| Northern Part | | | | | | | |
| Peshnoy | -128 | 20/10/2025 | -133 | 17/10/2025 | -130 | | |
| | (-29,28) | 21:00:00 | (-29,33) | 14:00:00 | (-29,30) | | |
| Kulaly | -162 | 20/10/2025 | -173 | 19/10/2025 | -168 | | |
| | (-29,62) | 03:00:00 | (-29,73) | 19:00:00 | (-29,68) | | |
| Tyuleniy | -123 | 19/10/2025 | -130 | 17/10/2025 | -126 | | |
| | (-29,23) | 22:00:00 | (-29,30) | 06:00:00 | (-29,26) | | |
| Zhanbay | -100 | 19/10/2025 | -111 | 21/10/2025 | -105 | | |
| | (-29,00) | 11:00:00 | (-29,11) | 02:00:00 | (-29,05) | | |

GMT* - Greenwich Mean Time

REVIEW CASPIAN SEA WATER STAGE FROM OCTOBER 09 – 15, 2025

In the northern part of the Caspian Sea, according to operational data from marine stations of Kazhydromet: Peshnoy, Kulaly island and Roshydromet (isl. Tyuleniy), the average sea level corresponded to minus 29.45 m, the maximum minus 29.03 m, the minimum minus 29.72 m.

According to the operational data of the sea stations of Kazhydromet: Fort-Shevchenko, Aktau, Fetisovo and Roshydromet (Makhachkala), the average value of the level of the Caspian Sea, in its deep part, corresponded to minus 29.44 m, the maximum minus 29.03 m, the minimum minus 29.76 m.

CRITERIA OF DANGER OF THE STORM SURGES IN THE NORTHEAST COAST

| | Rise/Fall, | Characteristic*** | Consequences | |
|------------|------------|-------------------|--|--|
| | cm | | | |
| မ | 50 | Critical | Flooded coast area to 5 km | |
| Up surge | 65 | Danger | Flooding and flooding of dams and buildings up to 10 km | |
| n | 110 | Especially danger | Flooding of the coast for more than 10 km, destruction of dams and buildings | |
| e | -50 | Critical | worsening navigation conditions for small ships | |
| Down surge | -65 | Danger | Worsening of navigation conditions for small and medium-sized ships | |
| DC | -100 | Especially danger | Ships would be aground | |

^{*} The calculated characteristics were obtained using the hydrodynamic module of the MIKE 21 Flow Model, adapted in RSE "Kazgidromet" to the conditions of the Caspian Sea. Data of sea level measurements and pressure field numerical forecasting for 24–120 hours were used in computation.

*** Critical - 50 % frequency, danger - 25 % frequency, especially danger - 2 % frequency. The calculation was carried out for the period 1940-2020 according to the data of Peshnoy station.

BS – Baltic System

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^{**} At definition of characteristic marks local conditions were considered.