

## **PRESS BRIEF**



### **COAST GUARD RESCUES 28 LIVES TRAPPED NEAR VALSAD**

1. At about 1000 hrs on 02 Aug 2016, Indian Coast Guard Air Station Daman received telephonic information from Valsad Administration (Gujarat) regarding 10 personnel trapped on roof top near Valsad due to high rise of water in Auranga River. The location was about 13.5 NM (Approximately 25 Kms) from Coast Guard Air Station, Daman, about 175 Kms north of Mumbai.
2. On receipt of the information, the Air station acted promptly and Coast Guard Chetak helicopter was launched expeditiously within 15 minutes of receipt of the information. Braving the strong wind conditions and inclement weather, the pilots manoeuvred the helicopter safely, reached the site and identified the stranded personnel. The helicopter crew quickly assimilated the situation and also identified a safe location for shifting the stranded personnel. A total of 28 persons were winched up safely with assistance of the Coast Guard Divers and shifted to safe location.
3. The operation to rescue more number of people from rooftop is still in progress due to continued flooding in area.

