



INDIAN COAST GUARD



OPERATIONS & ACTIVITIES MONTHLY UPDATE



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'यत्र तत्र सर्वत्र... भारतीय तटरक्षक'

INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET

Subject		Year 2024	Year 2025 (Upto Dec 2025)	Since Inception
Search and Rescue Effort	Lives Saved at Sea	169	76	11,806
	Missions undertaken	199	135	4,235
	Ship Sorties	309	211	5,485
	Aircraft Sorties	135	62	3,244
	Total Sorties	444	273	8,729
MEDEVAC	Persons Evacuated	29	24	506
Aid to Civil Authorities	Lives Rescued	351	--	14,708
Coastal Security (Since 2009)	Operations	35	37	630 (Since 2009)
	Exercises	30	17	305 (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	2,085	1,995	17,321 (Since 2009)
	Boarding Operations	27,520	24,041	3,83,507 (Since 2009)
	Investigation VHF	26,412	23,763	2,51,776 (Since 2014)
	Security Drill 'Sajag'	73	40	512 (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Personnel Trained	2,753	2,330	16,862
Anti-Poaching Apprehension	Foreign Fishing Boats	16	12	1,647
	Foreign Fishermen	143	218	13,974
	Value of Fish Catch	--	--	₹ 24,56,84,855/-
	Nationality of Foreign Crew	Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, China, Myanmar, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, France, Bangladesh, Thailand, South Korea, North Korea, Philippines		
Shepherding of IFBs	Indo-Pak IMBL	292	338	34,715 Boats (Since Oct 2007)
	Indo-SLN IMBL	05	03	12,871 Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	201	108	1,464 Boats
Anti Smuggling & Narcotics Control (ASNC) Ops	Vessels Interdicted	16	10	189
	Crew Apprehended	90	28	1,138
	Value of Contraband	₹37217.32 Cr.	₹1876.40 Cr.	₹ 54,437.37 Cr
Disaster Relief Operations		--	-	96 (since May 1999)
Oil Spill Incidents	Incidents Reported	--	01	96 (Indian Waters) + 03 (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Responded by ICG	--	01	96 (Indian Waters) + 03 (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Capitation Charges Received	₹ 29,41,95,781.74	₹ 30,29,68,504.00	₹ 92,26,43,411.92



INTRODUCTION

1. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG), established on 01 Feb 1977 as an Armed Force of the Union under the Ministry of Defence, continues to discharge its mandated responsibilities with the highest standards of professionalism and steadfast dedication. The Service remains firmly committed to safeguarding India's maritime interests, ensuring the security of the nation's maritime zones, and upholding the rule of law across the maritime domain.
2. In Dec 2025, with the onset of Cyclonic Storm Ditwah, the ICG executed a swift, well-coordinated and proactive response. A total of 12–14 ships and 02–03 aircraft were deployed to warn, shepherd and guide approximately 1,350 fishing boats and other vessels to safe harbours along the coasts of Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Andhra Pradesh. Multilingual weather advisories and VHF broadcasts were extensively disseminated, Disaster Response Teams were placed on immediate standby with life-saving equipment, offshore platforms were closely monitored and assistance was rendered to the adrift merchant vessel *MVRishabh*.
3. In addition, ICG conducted its maiden Flight Safety Seminar at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi. On this occasion, the first edition of the Flight Safety Compendium was unveiled, featuring detailed case studies of ICG aviation accidents, along with safety advisories and policies. This initiative reaffirmed the Service's unwavering commitment to fostering a robust and proactive aviation safety culture.
4. Throughout the month, ICG maintained a high state of operational readiness and continued to execute its mandated tasks with efficiency and diligence. Key operations included Search and Rescue missions, Medical Evacuations (MEDEVAC), anti-smuggling activities, marine pollution response and sustained patrols across India's maritime zones. These efforts collectively underscore the organisation's enduring commitment to maritime safety, environmental protection and national security.

MAJOR OPERATIONS

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MAJOR OPERATIONS

A. Anti-Smuggling Operations.

On 18 and 19 Dec 25, in a swift coordinated joint operation, ICGS Mandapam in close synergy with Central Intelligence Unit, Tiruchirapalli, apprehended an Indian fishing boat off the Pamban coast with 9.50 Kg of Hashish Oil, valued at approx ₹09.00 Cr.



Seizure of 9.50 Kg Hashish Oil

A. ICG Efforts During Cyclone Ditwah.

During the onset of Cyclonic Storm *Ditwah*, ICG executed a swift, well-coordinated and proactive response that significantly contributed to ensuring maritime safety along the Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Andhra Pradesh coasts. Demonstrating exemplary preparedness, the ICG deployed 12-14 ships and 02-03 aircraft to warn, shepherd and guide approximately 1,350 fishing boats on the East Coast and additional fleets operating off Tuticorin and Andhra Pradesh to return safely to harbour. Remote Operating Stations and Centres ensured uninterrupted dissemination of multilingual weather advisories, while aerial surveillance and continuous VHF broadcasts enhanced safety for fishermen and merchant vessels. Dedicated Disaster Response Teams (DRTs) remained on standby with life-saving equipment and daily situation reports were systematically shared with state administrations and maritime stakeholders. ICG also maintained vigilant oversight of offshore platforms, including ONGC's FPSO Svetah Venetia and supported maritime assistance efforts for the adrift *MV Rishabh*.

B. Medical Evacuation from MV Interasia Amplify (IMO- 9969924).

On 13 Dec 25, one Ukrainian crew (62 yrs) suffered a heart Attack and was evacuated by ICG ship from MV Interasia Amplify (Flag-Malta) in position 40 N miles Southwest of Goa. The patient was handed over to local agent on 13 Dec 25 and subsequently shifted to Manipal Hospital, Goa for further medical management.



Medical Evacuation from MV Interasia Amplify

C. Medical Evacuation from Agatti Island, Lakshadweep.

On 13 Dec 25, ICG responded to an urgent medical evacuation request from the UTL Administration for a 75-year-old patient diagnosed with acute-subacute subdural hematoma. The patient was successfully evacuated by an ICG Dornier aircraft from Agatti Island, Lakshadweep to Kochi.



Medical Evacuation from Agatti Island, Lakshadweep

D. SAR Efforts for Missing Five Fishermen from Capsized IFB Paromita 11 (Regd. No. IND-DS-MM-11508).

On 15 Dec 25, IFB Paromita 11 along with 16 crew capsized in position 72 N miles East of Sagar Island, West Bengal. Out of 16 crew, 11 were rescued by nearby IFB Raghupati and five fishermen were reported missing. Accordingly, 06 ICG surface assets and 01 air asset were deployed for the search of the missing fishermen. During the operation, two bodies were recovered; however, the remaining three persons could not be located. The Search and Rescue (SAR) operation was subsequently suspended after the lapse of more than 72 hours from the time of the incident.



SAR Efforts for Missing Five Fishermen from Capsized IFB Paromita 11

E. Medical Evacuation from Indian Fishing Boat Har Jayavanti (Regd. No. IND-GJ-14-MM-307)

On 25 Dec 25, one fisherman with severe fracture on his left foot with deep incision cuts on his right leg was evacuated by ICG ship from IFB Har Jayavanti in position 35 N miles East of Shiyal Bet, Gujarat. ICG ship administered first aid to patient and handed him over to Fisheries Department, Jafrabad and the patient was subsequently shifted to Samarpan Hospital, Rajula for further medical management.



Medical Evacuation from Indian Fishing Boat Har Jayavanti

F. Medical Evacuation from United Kingdom MV Anglo Marie Louise (Regd. No. IMO-9490492).

On 26 Dec 25, one Indian mariner (24 yrs) suffering from severe stomach pain was evacuated by ICG ship from MV Anglo Marie Louise (Flag-UK) in position 26 N miles off Goa. The patient was handed over to local agent and subsequently shifted to Salgaokar Medical Research Centre, Goa for further medical management.



Medical Evacuation from United Kingdom MV Anglo Marie Louise

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

A. 1st Bilateral Meeting with Philippine Coast Guard (PCG).

Three-member delegation led by ADG Donny Michael, PTM, TM, Coast Guard Commander, Eastern Seaboard visited Manila, Philippines from 02 to 04 Dec 25 to participate in 1st Annual ICG-PCG Bilateral Meeting under the 2023 MoU. The meeting was focused on enhanced cooperation in Maritime SAR, Law Enforcement, Pollution Response and Capacity Building.



1st Bilateral Meeting with PCG

B. Overseas Deployment (OSD) of ICG Ship Vigraha.

As part of the Overseas Deployment to South-East Asian countries from 21 Nov to 15 Dec 2025, ICG Ship Vigraha undertook port visits in furtherance of India's SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region) vision, aimed at strengthening maritime cooperation and regional stability.

ICG Ship visited Phuket, Thailand, from 23 to 26 Nov 2025. During the visit, the ship undertook professional interactions and joint exercises with the Thailand Maritime Enforcement Coordinating Center (Thai-MECC), enhancing operational interoperability and reinforcing cooperation in maritime security and safety.



OSD of ICGS Vigraha to Indonesia



COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

Thereafter, the ship visited Jakarta, Indonesia, from 02 to 05 Dec 2025. The port call reaffirmed India's commitment towards a secure, stable and sustainable Indo-Pacific region through constructive engagement and maritime cooperation with regional partners.

Subsequently, ICG Ship visited Port Klang, Malaysia, from 09 to 12 Dec 2025. During the visit, personnel from both maritime forces participated in professional exchanges, Table Top Exercises, shipboard drills and joint training activities, with focus on maritime safety, security and marine environmental protection.



OSD of ICGS Vigraha to Malaysia

C. Visit of Japan Coast Guard Delegation at CG RHQ (West), Mumbai

On 08 Dec 25, a six member Japan Coast Guard delegation led by Rear Adm. Kawagoe Koichi visited ICG RHQ (West), Mumbai and interacted with ICG team West. The interaction reaffirmed the ICG-JCG commitment to strengthening cooperation for Maritime Safety, security & environmental protection in the Indo-Pacific.



Visit of Japan Coast Guard Delegation at RHQ (West), Mumbai



D. Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) to Sri Lanka.

On 15 Dec 25, under Operation Sagar Bandhu, ICG Ship Shaurya arrived at Colombo, Sri Lanka and delivered 50 tonnes of dry ration as humanitarian assistance for cyclone-affected communities, reaffirming ICG's role as a key responder in India's HADR efforts and its continued support to Sri Lanka.



HADR to Sri Lanka

E. Overseas Deployment of ICGS Sarthak.

As part of the overseas deployment to Gulf countries—Kuwait, Iran and the Saudi Arabia from 03 to 30 Dec 2025, ICG Ship Sarthak undertook a series of port visits aimed at fostering professional engagement and enhancing maritime cooperation with regional maritime agencies.

The Ship visited Shuwaikh Port, Kuwait, from 09 to 13 Dec 2025. The visit comprised professional interactions and joint exercises with Kuwaiti maritime agencies, facilitating the exchange of operational experience and strengthening coordination in the domains of maritime safety and security.



OSD to Kuwait

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

On 16 Dec 2025, the ship arrived at Chabahar Port, Iran, marking the first-ever visit of an ICG ship to Iran. The port call included engagements with Iranian maritime agencies, encompassing a Table Top Exercise, harbour demonstrations on marine environmental protection and Maritime Search and Rescue (MSAR) activities. These interactions underscored the shared commitment towards maritime safety, environmental protection and cooperative regional engagement.



OSD to Iran

Subsequently, the ship visited Ad Dammam, Saudi Arabia, from 21 to 25 Dec 2025. During the port visit, the ship engaged with Saudi maritime agencies through professional interactions, further strengthening bilateral maritime cooperation and reinforcing common objectives in maritime security, safety and environmental protection.



OSD to Saudi Arabia

COASTAL SECURITY/ SURVEILLANCE

A. Coastal Security Exercises and Operations.

Under mentioned Coastal Security Exercises and Operations were conducted in coordination with Marine Police, Navy, Customs, CISF, Fisheries, Forests and other stakeholders for enhancing coastal security mechanism:-

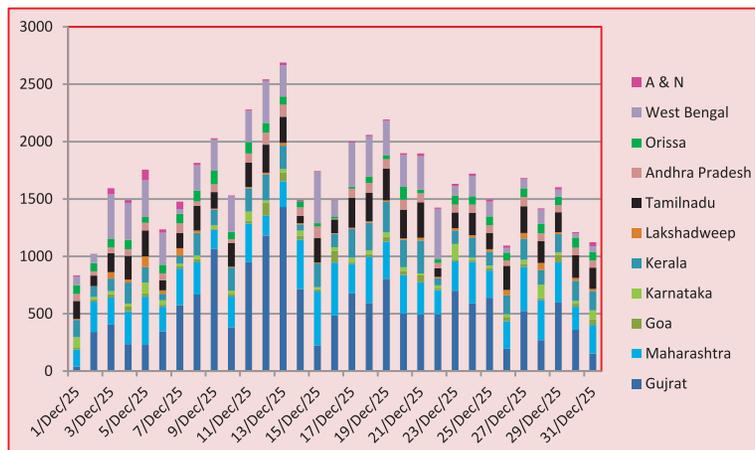
Ser	Conducted By	Name of Exercise/ Operation	Date(s)
(i)	Regional HQ (West)	Op Vigilant	03 Dec 25
		Op Sajag	25 Dec 25
(ii)	Regional HQ (North East)	Op Sajag	24 Dec 25
(iii)	Regional HQ (A&N)	Op Sajag	17 Dec 25
(iv)	Regional (East)	Op Sajag	16 Dec 25
		Op Chaukas	29-30 Dec 25
(v)	Regional HQ (North West)	Op Sajag	18 Dec 25

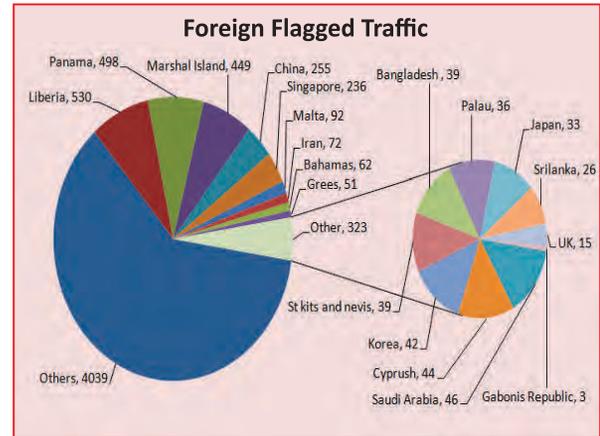
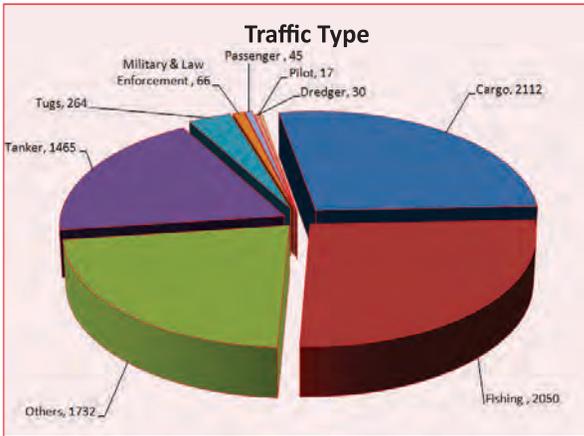
B. Coastal Surveillance Network (CSN).

The trend analysis (maritime traffic, fishing activity and maritime incidents) for Dec 25 is enumerated in succeeding paragraphs.

C. Coastal Maritime Traffic.

Indian Coast Guard monitored 5,467 distinct AIS transmissions on CSN network along Indian coast in the month of Dec 25. Traffic share of India, Panama, Liberia, Marshall Island, China & Hong Kong and Singapore stood at 48%, 6%, 7%, 6%, 6% and 3% respectively. The larger share of India flagged traffic is attributed to coastal traffic. Traffic share of Cargo and Tanker vessels are 27% and 19% respectively. A total of 1,942 vessels were investigated by ICG ROSSs. The state-wise, flag-wise and type-wise traffic pattern is depicted below:-





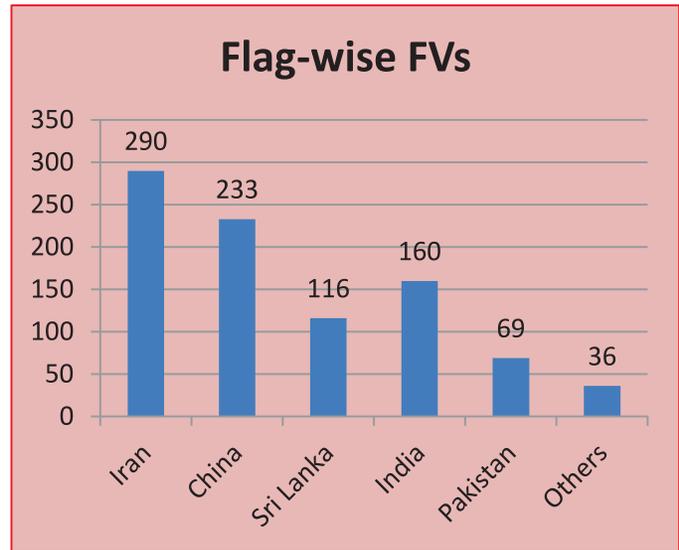
D. Fishing Activities in North Indian Ocean.

A total of 2,971 Fishing Vessels (FVs) were observed transmitting on AIS in Northern Indian Ocean in the month of Dec 25. The analysis of fishing activities is based upon kinematics such as low speed. The data towards numbers of FVs have been garnered from AIS transmission. However, the actual numbers of FVs may be higher than the reported data as many FVs may not be transmitting on AIS. The area wise analysis of FVs operating in Indian EEZ, High Seas in Bay of Bengal and Arabian sea for the month of Dec 25 is as follows: -

(i) **Arabian Sea.** A total of 904 FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing. Out of these, percentage of Iranian, Chinese, Sri Lankan, Indian, Pakistani and Other FVs are 31%, 25%, 13%, 18%, 8% and 5% respectively. Six Chinese flagged fish carrier (Reefers) were also observed operating in Arabian Sea.

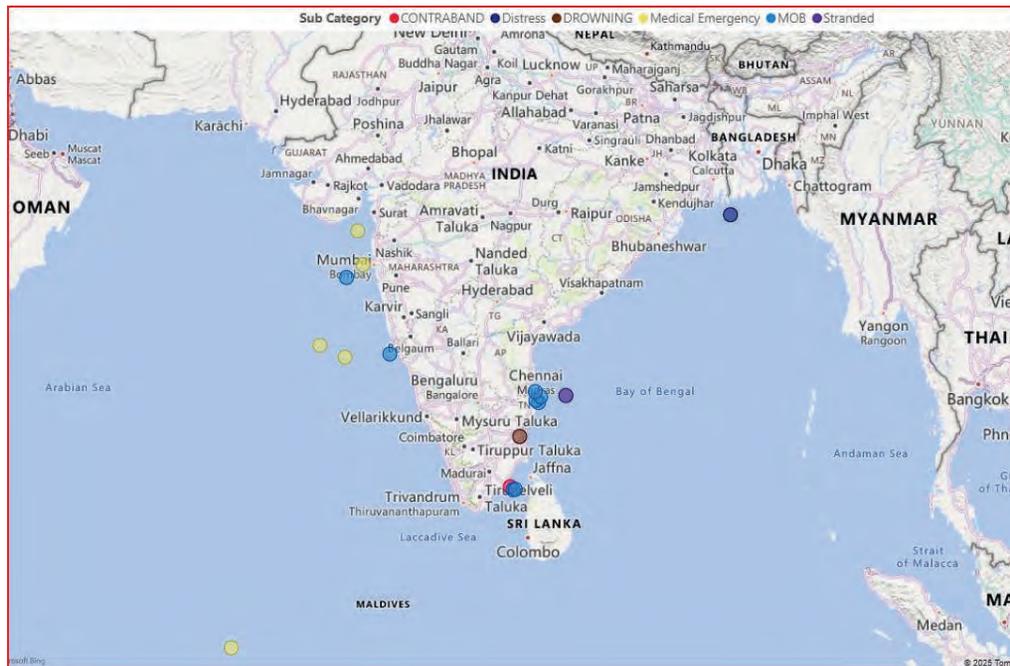
(ii) **Indian EEZ.** A total of 1748 Indian flagged FVs were observed transmitting on AIS.

(iii) **Bay of Bengal.** A total of 311 Sri Lankan, 03 Taiwan and 05 other flagged FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing.



COASTAL SECURITY/ SURVEILLANCE

E. Maritime Incidents & SAR Cases in Maritime Zones of India (MZI) and Indian Search & Rescue Region (ISRR).



(a) **Maritime Incidents.** A total of 17 incidents were reported in Maritime Zones/Search and Rescue Region of India in Dec 25.

- (i) **Distress.** One distress incident was reported on 15 Dec 25 onboard an IFB. 11 crew were rescued by nearby IFBs, two bodies were located and three survivor/ bodies are still missing
- (ii) **Man Over Board.** Eight cases of Man Overboard (MOB) onboard IFBs were reported in Dec 25. Of which five were reported in Tamil Nadu and one each in Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Goa. One body was recovered by local fishermen and seven survivor/bodies are still missing. A rise in MOB cases has been observed in recent past.
- (iii) **Drowning.** One case of drowning was reported in Tamil Nadu in Dec 25.
- (iv) **Medical Emergency.** Five cases of Medical Emergency were reported onboard two IFB (01) and three MV (04). ICG evacuated three (03) patients whereas one (01) patient was evacuated by tug arranged by local agent. However, one vessel reported stable condition of patient and evacuation was cancelled.
- (v) **Stranded.** One IFB was reported stranded due to engine failure. However, the IFB was towed to nearest fishing harbour by another fishing boat.

(b) **Contraband.** One incident of contraband seizure was reported in month of Dec 25. ICG seized 9.5 kg Hashish worth of ₹ 9.00 crore.

A. Apprehension.

On 10 Dec 25, ICG Ship apprehended one Pakistani Fishing Boat named 'AL Wali' alongwith 11 Pakistani crew including two minors. The apprehended boat alongwith crew was handed over to Porbandar Police on 13 Dec 25.



Apprehension of one PFB alongwith 11 Crew

ICG Ship, while on Indo-Bangla IMBL patrol on 16 Dec 25, intercepted and apprehended two Bangladeshi Fishing Boats along 35 crew and 500 kg of illegally harvested fish catch inside Indian waters. The seized boats and crew were handed over to Marine Police, Frazerganj on 17 Dec 25 for further legal action.



Apprehension of two BFB alongwith 35 crew

B. Repatriation.

On 09 Dec 25, three IFB alongwith 47 Indian fishermen were repatriated from Bangladesh to India and one Bangladeshi Boat alongwith 32 Bangladeshi fishermen was repatriated from India to Bangladesh.



Repatriation of three IFB alongwith 47 Indian Fishermen

On 25 Dec 25, one IFB alongwith four Indian fishermen was repatriated from Sri Lanka to India in position 320 Kovilan Lt 16.5 N miles. The IFB alongwith four crew was handed over to AD Fisheries Nagapattinam.



Repatriation of one IFB alongwith four Indian Fishermen

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Purchase Made Through Government eMarketplace (GeM)/ Portal-Purchase via GeM.

The purchase made through GeM portal during the month of Dec 25 was ₹ 37,90,33,719.17 (Rupees Thirty Seven Crore Ninety Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen and Seventeen Paisa only).

B. Status of Public Grievances:-

No. of Public Grievances redressed during the month	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of the month
–	06 (Under Process)

C. Conduct of Hull Maintenance Workshop at Chennai.

On 03 Dec 2025, ICG Regional Headquarters (East), in collaboration with Theta Beta Algorithm Pvt Ltd, conducted a specialized Hull Maintenance Workshop on “Corrosion Inhibitor Pellets” onboard ICG Ships Sujay and Rani Abakka at Chennai. The workshop trained 55 technical personnel in innovative corrosion protection techniques for inaccessible spaces, with emphasis on preventive maintenance and pre-emptive damage control measures.



Conduct of Hull Maintenance Workshop at Chennai

D. Inauguration of Watermanship Training Centre at Murud Janjira, Maharashtra.

On 03 Dec 25, the first ICG Watermanship Training Centre (WTC) was inaugurated at Murud Janjira,



Inauguration of Watermanship Training Centre at Murud Janjira, Maharashtra

Maharashtra. The ICG WTC is dedicated to fostering adventurous spirit, augmenting life-saving proficiency and inculcating vital survival skills amongst ICG personnel enabling them to excel in their maritime responsibilities. This state-of-the-art facility will train future ICG leaders for the challenges at sea and prepare them for participating in national and international waters sports events.

E. Conduct of Pollution Response Workshop at Tuticorin.

ICG DHQ -16 (Tuticorin) conducted Pollution Response Workshop and Mock Drill with key stakeholders including IOCL, Southern Petrochemical industries Corporation and the Fire Services at Tuticorin from 03 to 04 Dec 25. The exercise validated critical SOPs, showcased deployment of specialized response equipment and fostered seamless inter-agency synergy for swift on-scene action.



Conduct of Pollution Response Workshop at Tuticorin

F. Signing of MoU with India Meteorological Department (IMD).

On 05 Dec 25, ICG and IMD formalized a collaborative partnership through a Memorandum of Understanding, paving way for synergistic functioning across diverse range of domains. The MoU is poised to establish a robust institutional framework, facilitating seamless exchange of data, MET service deployment, technical cooperation and capability building initiatives for collaborative excellence and Maritime Safety.



Signing of MoU with IMD

G. Conduct of Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise-2025 at Sri Vijaya Puram.

ICG RHQ (A&N) conducted Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise-2025 at Sri Vijaya Puram from 04 to 05 Dec 25. The exercise was conducted in two phases. The table-top phase simulated a complex Heavy Oil Spill scenario, focusing on coordinated containment and recovery operations. The sea phase showcased the operational, proficiency of ICG units and all participating stakeholders.



Conduct of Regional Level Pollution response Exercise-2025 at Sri Vijaya Puram

H. Conduct of Pollution Response Capsule Course at Kochi.

ICG DHQ-4 (Mahe), Kerala conducted a two-day Pollution Response Capsule Course at Kochi from 08 to 09 Dec 25. The course was aimed at strengthening ICG operational preparedness for effective oil spill management.



Conduct of Pollution Response Capsule Course at Kochi

J. Conduct of OPRC Level-3 Course at Chennai

Regional Maritime Pollution Response Center (RMPRC), Chennai conducted OPRC Level-3 Course at Chennai from 08 to 12 Dec 25. A total of 14 ICG Officers completed the maiden Level-3 programme, specially designed for administrators and senior managers responsible for tackling major marine oil pollution incidents. The training features advanced AV-based simulations and intensive brain-storming on realistic contingency scenarios, marking yet another major step towards enhancing national preparedness.



Conduct of OPRC Level-3 Course at Chennai

K. Conduct of Pollution Response Seminar at Goa.

ICG DHQ-11 (Goa) conducted Pollution Response Seminar from 10 to 11 Dec 25 at Goa. The seminar was aimed at strengthening ICG operational preparedness for effective oil spill management & refine procedures for pollution incidents.



Conduct of Pollution Response Seminar at Goa

L. Conduct of Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise at Paradip.

ICG RHQ (NE), Kolkata conducted a Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise at Paradip from 16 to 17 Dec 25. The exercise was aimed at enhancing preparedness, coordination and response mechanisms for marine pollution incidents.



Conduct of Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise at Paradip

M. Commissioning Ceremony of ICG Ship Amulya at Goa.

On 19 Dec 25, the 3rd Adamyia-class Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) Amulya was commissioned at GSL, Goa. Designed and built indigenously, the vessel is equipped with advanced weaponry and modern integrated control systems. ICGS *Amulya* is capable of undertaking a wide spectrum of maritime security, surveillance and search and rescue operations. The ship will be based at Paradip, Odisha, strengthening the ICG's operational presence along the eastern seaboard.



Commissioning Ceremony of ICG Ship Amulya at Goa

N. Conduct of 23rd M-SAR Refresher Course at Chennai.

ICG RHQ (East), Chennai conducted 23rd M-SAR Refresher Course at MRCC, Chennai from 16 to 18 Dec 25. 23 trainees from ICG & AAI engaged in expert led sessions to harmonize Aeronautical & Maritime SAR operations.



Conduct of 23rd M-SAR Refresher Course at Chennai

P. Diu Liberation Day.

On 19 Dec 25, ICG showcased maritime excellence through an engaging operational demonstration in collaboration with the UT Administration of Daman and Diu on the occasion of Diu Liberation Day. ICG ships, aircraft and Air-Cushion Vehicles highlighted ICG operational prowess and strategic importance of the historic region.



Diu Liberation Day

Q. Visit of 20 IDAS Probationers at CGHQ, New Delhi.

On 22 Dec 25, 20 IDAS Probationers of the 2024 batch visited CGHQ, New Delhi and interacted with Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG. During the visit, trainees were familiarized with ICG's roles, responsibilities and multi-dimensional operations in promoting and protecting national maritime interest. DGICG also underscored the vital role of the Defence Accounts Department in strengthening defence preparedness through robust financial governance, efficient resource management and inter service synergy.



Visit of 20 IDAS Probationers at CGHQ

R. Conduct of Flight Safety Seminar at New Delhi.

On 23 Dec 25, CGHQ conducted maiden Flight Safety Seminar at Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi. Shri Samir Kumar Sinha IAS, Secretary, Civil Aviation, graced the event as the Chief Guest and applauded the critical role of ICG aviation towards law enforcement in maritime domain and SAR cover to seafarers. The first edition of Flight Safety Compendium featuring case studies of ICG aviation accidents, safety advisories and policies was also unveiled during seminar reaffirming ICG's commitment to a robust aviation safety culture.



Conduct of Flight Safety Seminar at New Delhi

S. Induction of First Pollution Control Vessel (PCV) Samudra Pratap at Goa.

On 23 Dec 25, ICG inducted first PCV Samudra Pratap under the two PCV project at GSL, Goa. The induction marked a major milestone in strengthening India's maritime Pollution Response and self-reliance

in defence manufacturing.



Induction of First PCV Samudra Pratap at Goa

T. Inauguration of U/Adh Bhrigo Muni Das Multipurpose Hall by Assam Rifles at Shillong.

On 24 Dec 25, Assam Rifles inaugurated the Multipurpose Hall named after the gallantry awardee Uttam Adhikari Bhrigo Muni Das, PTM (G) of Indian Coast Guard at HQ DGAR, Laitkor, Shillong. The event underscored the resolve of both forces to further strengthen the Assam Rifles-Indian Coast Guard partnership, fostering cooperation in areas of training, leadership development and inter-service collaboration, in line with the broader vision of integrated functioning among India's Armed Forces.



Inauguration of U/Adh Bhrigo Muni Das Multipurpose Hall by Assam Rifles at Shillong

U. Visit of NCC Cadets to ICG DHQ-4 (Mahe), Kerala.

On 25 Dec 2025, as part of the Special National Integration Camp, 170 NCC cadets and 20 faculty members from across the country visited ICG District Headquarters No. 4 (Mahe), Kerala. During the visit, the cadets were briefed on the multi-dimensional roles, responsibilities, and operational capabilities of the Indian Coast Guard. The cadets were also embarked onboard an ICG ship, providing them with firsthand exposure to maritime operations, training practices and professional aspects of life at sea. The interaction promoted national integration, enhanced maritime awareness and fostered a spirit of service among the future guardians of the nation.



Visit of NCC Cadets to ICG DHQ-4 (Mahe), Kerala

V. Signing an Agreement with L&T Precision Engineering & Systems.

On 26 Dec 25, ICG inked a deal with L&T Precision Engineering & Systems for procurement of six Rail-Less Helo Traversing Systems (RLHTS) for indigenously build Next-General OPVs at CGHQ, New Delhi. The said system aims at enhancing safe helicopter operations by ensuring reliability and flexibility in maritime environments, marking a significant stride towards defence self-reliance.



Agreement with L&T Precision Engineering & Systems

W. Conduct of Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise (RPREX-25) at Mumbai.

On 26 Dec 25, ICG RHQ (West), Mumbai conducted Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise (RPREX-25) at Mumbai. The aim of the exercise was to revalidate SOP and test Oil Spill response preparedness in coordination with all stakeholders.



Conduct of Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise (RPREX-25) at Mumbai.

Free Press Journal
03-12-25

Indian Coast Guard And Philippine Coast Guard hold Annual Bilateral Meeting



The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) held their 1st Annual Bi-

lateral Meeting on 02 Dec 2025 in Manila, Philippines, under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed on 22 August 2023. The meeting focused on expanding cooperation in Maritime Search and Rescue (SAR), Maritime Law Enforcement, Marine Pollution Response, and Capacity Building. The meeting was co-chaired by Additional Director General Donny Michael, PTM, TM, Coast Guard Commander (Eastern Seaboard) and Vice Admiral EDGAR L. YBANEZ, Deputy Commandant for Operations, Philippine Coast Guard. Both sides reviewed recent ship visits, professional exchanges, and Coast Guard to Coast Guard cooperative activities, while agreeing to further strengthen joint initiatives aimed at enhancing interoperability and operational coordination. The engagement aligns closely with India's Act East Policy, as well as India's regional maritime initiatives—Security and Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR) and the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)—which collectively promote a safe, secure, and stable maritime environment. Enhanced cooperation between the ICG and PCG is an important component of the broader India-Philippines strategic partnership, contributing to peace, stability, and sustainable maritime governance in the Indo-Pacific.

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ICG Ship Vigraha Arrives In Jakarta For Operational Visit As Part Of Asean Deployment



Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) Vigraha is undertaking an operational visit to Jakarta, Indonesia, from 02-05 December 2025 as part of its Overseas Deployment to ASEAN countries. The port call reaffirms India's commitment to enhancing maritime cooperation with regional partners in line with the Act East Policy, SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region), and the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative. The visit underscores the growing centrality of Coast Guard-to-Coast Guard cooperation in promoting maritime safety, security, and environmental stewardship in the region. A major pillar of India-Indonesia maritime partnership is the MoU signed between the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and the Indonesian Coast Guard (BAKAMLA) in July 2020. This landmark agreement institutionalised a structured framework for operational engagement, strengthening collaboration in maritime law enforcement, coordinated patrols, Search and Rescue (SAR), marine pollution response, information sharing, and capacity building. Since its conclusion, the MoU has enabled sustained interaction between the two agencies, facilitating the exchange of best practices, professional training, and improved interoperability during joint maritime operations. The visit of ICGS Vigraha is a continuation of this momentum and a demonstration of the tangible progress made under the bilateral framework. During the three-day visit, personnel of the ICG and BAKAMLA will participate in an extensive programme of activities, including professional interactions, tabletop exercises, shipboard drills, and joint training sessions. These engagements will focus on Maritime Law Enforcement, Marine Pollution Response, and Maritime Search and Rescue (SAR)—areas where both organisations share significant operational responsibilities owing to their large Exclusive Economic Zones and heavy maritime traffic.

MEDIA COVERAGE

Free Press Journal
06-12-25

Bhartiya Tatrakshak And IMD Forge Landmark Partnership To Strengthen Maritime Safety



In a decisive move to strengthen India's coastal security and operational readiness, Bhartiya Tatrakshak and the India Meteorological Department (IMD) have entered into a historic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 5th December 2025. This strategic partnership brings together scientific expertise and operational excellence, marking a transformative step in enhancing meteorological services, data-driven decision-making, and disaster resilience at sea. The MoU was formalized by Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, FTM, TM, Director General Indian Coast and Director General of the India Meteorological Department, Dr. Minutyunjay Mohapatra, underscoring a shared vision of safeguarding lives, protecting property, and fortifying India's maritime domain against extreme weather threats. Through this collaboration, Bhartiya Tatrakshak will gain real-time weather intelligence crucial for precise mission planning and swift response during cyclones and offshore emergencies. The IMD will support the initiative by installing Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) at key ICG air stations and facilitating seamless exchange of real-time and archived meteorological data, enhancing forecasting accuracy and operational efficiency. The partnership will also focus on training and capacity building, equipping Bhartiya Tatrakshak personnel with advanced meteorological expertise to navigate increasingly complex environmental challenges.

NIE
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Goa Shipyard hands over ICGS Amulya to Indian Coast Guard

Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL), a premier Defence PSU, marked a major milestone with the First Reading Ceremony and official handing over of ICGS Amulya (Yard 1272) — the third vessel in a series of eight state-of-the-art Fast Patrol Vessels (FPVs) being built for the Indian Coast Guard under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The ceremony was attended by Brajesh Kumar Upadhyay, CMD; RAdm Nelson D'Souza, NM, IN (Retd), Director (Operations); Jahangeer Alam Ansari, Director (Finance); DIG V.K. Parmar, PD (MAT); and Comdt (JG) Anupam Singh, Commanding Officer, ICGS Amulya.

नवोदय टाइम्स
09-12-25

47 भारतीय मछुआरों को बांग्लादेश से वापस लाया 'आईसीजी'

नई दिल्ली, 9 दिसम्बर (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारत सरकार के विदेश मंत्रालय से मंजूरी मिलने के बाद भारतीय तटरक्षक (आईसीजी) ने बांग्लादेश में पकड़े गए 47 भारतीय मछुआरों व 3 भारतीय मछली पकड़ने वाली नावों को वापस लाने का काम मंगलवार को पूरा कर लिया।



वहीं, भारतीय ईईजेड के अंदर गैर-कानूनी तरीके से मछली पकड़ने के आरोप में पकड़ी गई बांग्लादेशी नाव के साथ 32 बांग्लादेशी मछुआरों को रिहा कर दिया। आईसीजी प्रवक्ता के मुताबिक, बांग्लादेशी मछुआरों को आईसीजी के जहाज विजया ने सुरक्षित रूप से बांग्लादेश कोस्ट गार्ड के जहाजों कमरुज्जमा व साधिन बांग्ला को सौंप दिया। वापस लाए गए भारतीय मछुआरों को तीन आईएफबी के साथ आईसीजी पोत विजया से फ्रेजरगंज लाया गया और पश्चिम बंगाल राज्य प्रशासन को सौंप दिया। मछुआरों और

32 बांग्लादेशी मछुआरों के साथ बांग्लादेशी नाव को किया आजाद

नावों का यह लेन-देन विदेश मंत्रालय ने मछुआरों की चिंताओं को ध्यान में रखते हुए किया है। यह लेन-देन बंगाल की खाड़ी में इंटरनेशनल मैरीटाइम बार्डर लाइन पर संपन्न हुआ। बता दें कि आईसीजी ने तीन माह में भारतीय ईईजेड में गैर-कानूनी तरीके से काम कर रहे 6 बीएफबी पकड़े। एक साल में, आईएमबीएल पर आईसीजी यूनिट्स ने 300 से ज्यादा आईएफबी को वापस भेजा है।

Times of India
12-12-25

Coast Guard seizes Pakistani boat near Jakhau, 11 held

Intercepted Inside India's Exclusive Economic Zone

Times News Network

Ahmedabad: The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) intercepted a Pakistani fishing boat operating illegally inside India's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and apprehended 11 crew members in a swift operation carried out on Wednesday, officials said on Thursday. The detainees were later handed over to Jakhau Marine Police in Gujarat for further investigation. Gujarat defence PRO Wing Commander Abhishek Kumar Tiwari said in a post on X that the action highlighted the ICG's sustained maritime vigilance. "The Coast Guard apprehended a Pakistani fishing boat with 11 crew inside the Indian EEZ. This interdiction underscores India's commitment to securing its



The seized Pakistani fishing boat

maritime frontiers and enforcing international maritime laws within the Maritime Zones of India," he said.

ICG officials said the operation was part of continuous surveillance efforts

along India's western coastline, where security agencies maintain a 24x7 watch to detect illegal movement, infiltration attempts, and suspicious marine activities.

The Coast Guard later confirmed the interception through an official statement on X. "The Indian Coast Guard intercepted and apprehended a Pakistani fishing vessel along with 11 crew operating illegally inside Indian waters. This decisive action reflects unwavering vigilance and India's firm resolve to protect its maritime frontiers," the force said.

Officials added that sustained patrols by ships and aircraft remain the backbone of the ICG's maritime security strategy, especially in sensitive zones near the international maritime boundary line.

Multiple agencies will question the detainees to establish the purpose of their presence in Indian waters, and the boat will undergo a detailed search as part of the probe by marine police and central agencies.

Pioneer
15-12-25

Indian Coast Guard carries out medical evacuation

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

■ Kochi

The Indian Coast Guard became a lifesaver for a 75-year-old by carrying out an urgent medical evacuation from Lakshadweep to Kochi, officials said on Sunday.

A statement by the Coast Guard said that the patient diagnosed with acute subacute subdural hematoma on oxygen support was airlifted from Agatti in Lakshadweep and shifted to a private hos-

pital in Kochi in an operation that started late Saturday night and was completed by Sunday early morning.

The urgent request, received post-closure of runaway operations at Agatti airfield, activated the ICG distress and HADR response mechanism, the Coast Guard said. "To facilitate the medical evacuation, ICG launched a Dornier aircraft from ICG Air Enclave at Kochi Airport at 10 pm".

The aircraft landed at Agatti island at 11.20 pm,

where the patient, along with the medical support team and spouse, was embarked swiftly considering the urgency of distress," the statement said.

According to the Coast Guard, the aircraft took off within 25 minutes and landed safely at Kochi airport at about 1.10 am on Sunday.

Subsequently, the patient was shifted to Amrita Hospital and is receiving advanced medical care and support, it said.

DC
19-12-25

CG, CIU seize 9.49 kg of hashish oil off Pamban

DC CORRESPONDENT
CHENNAI | DEC. 19

In a major anti-smuggling operation, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG), in coordination with the Central Intelligence Unit (CIU) Headquarters, Tiruchirappalli, seized 9.49 kilograms of hashish oil, valued at 99 crore, from an Indian fishing boat off Pamban in the Gulf of Mannar during the early hours of Friday.

A release stated that following a tip-off about suspicious activity in the Gulf of Mannar island region, personnel from ICGS Mandapam and the CIU intensified surveillance during the midnight hours of December 18-19.

At around 2.30 am, the joint team detected and intercepted a suspicious fishing vessel operating off the Pamban coast. During the inspection, officials



recovered 9.490 kg of hashish oil concealed on board the Indian fishing boat. Following the seizure, the area was further sanitised to ensure that no other suspicious vessels were operating nearby.

Officials stated that the seized contraband, along with the boat, has been handed over to the Central Intelligence Unit, Tiruchirappalli, for further

investigation and legal proceedings under relevant laws.

The successful operation highlights the Indian Coast Guard's proactive role as the lead maritime law enforcement agency and its close coordination with intelligence agencies, Customs and other stakeholders in preventing illegal activities along India's maritime borders.

MEDIA COVERAGE

Hindustan Times
20-12-25



■ Punjab & Sind Bank reaffirmed its unwavering dedication to supporting the nation's maritime guardians—the Indian Coast Guard—by formally renewing the MoU for their PSB Gaurav Bachat Defence Salary Package for the next three years.

Hindustan Times
20-12-25

ICG catches two Bangladeshi fishing boats for illegal fishing



In the Northern Bay of Bengal, Indian Coast Guard Ships apprehended two Bangladeshi fishing boats along with 35 crew members for engaging

in illegal fishing activities inside India's Exclusive Economic Zone. The arrests were made for violation of Maritime Zones of India (MZI).

Statesman
21-12-25

Indian Coast Guard commissions fast patrol vessel *Amulya*:



The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) commissioned its new-generation Adanya-class Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) *Amulya* at Goa. The 51-metre vessel, built by Goa Shipyard Limited with over 60 per cent indigenous components was commissioned by

Mr. Amitabh Prasad, Joint Secretary (IC/AP), Ministry of Defence, in the presence of senior ICG officials and government dignitaries. *Amulya*, meaning "priceless," reflects ICG's commitment to secure, safe, and clean seas and marks a milestone in India's defence self-reliance under the *Atmanirbhar Bharat* and Make in India initiatives.

नवोदय टाईम्स
23-12-25

स्वदेशी शान

गोवा शिपयार्ड ने किया देश के पहले पीसीवी का डिजाइन और निर्माण

अरब सागर में प्रदूषण नियंत्रित करेगा समुद्र प्रताप

नई दिल्ली, 23 दिसम्बर (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) का पहला प्रदूषण नियंत्रण पोत 'समुद्र प्रताप' मंगलवार को गोवा में कमोडोन् किया गया। यह देश का पहला स्वदेशी पोत है जिसे गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड ने 02 फरवरी 2025 को डिजाइन और निर्मित किया है।

इस पोत को अरब सागर के पानी में उतारने के दौरान आईसीजी के वरिष्ठ अधिकारी और गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड के पदाधिकारी मौजूद रहे। यह पोत अत्याधुनिक तकनीक से लैस है, जिसमें 30 एमएम सीआरएन-91 बंदूक, एकीकृत फायर कंट्रोल सिस्टम,

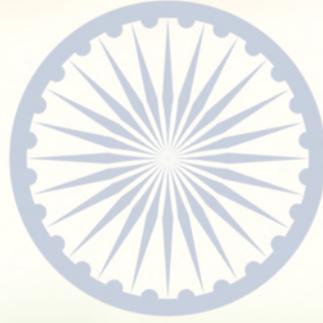


गोवा: स्वदेशी समुद्र प्रताप को मंगलवार को अरब सागर में उतारा गया।

दो 12.7 एमएम स्विच रिमोट-नियंत्रित बंदूकें, एक स्वदेशी रूप से विकसित इंटीग्रेटेड त्रिज सिस्टम, इंटीग्रेटेड प्लेटफॉर्म मैनेजमेंट सिस्टम, ऑटोमेटेड

वायर मैनेजमेंट सिस्टम, राफ्ट जनरेटर, सी बोट डेविट, डेविट के साथ पोआर बोट और एक उच्च क्षमता वाली बाहरी अग्निशमन प्रणाली शामिल है।

समुद्र प्रताप में रिट्रोफ्लैट स्टर्न प्रॉपेलर, डायनेमिक पोझिशनिंग सिस्टम, और फ्लक-टाइप साइड स्वीपिंग आर्म्स हैं। यह पोत भारत में पहली बार प्रमुख पोसो उपकरणों जैसे ऑयल फिंगर प्रिंटिंग मशीन, जाइरो स्विच, स्टैंड ऑफ एक्टिव केमिकल डिटेक्टर और पोसो लेब उपकरणों से लैस है। पोत में 60% स्वदेशी सामग्री है। यह प्रदूषण नियंत्रण पोत समुद्री प्रदूषण नियंत्रण नियमों को लागू करने, समुद्री कानून प्रवर्तन, खोज और बचाव कार्यों, और भारत के विदेशी आर्थिक क्षेत्र की सुरक्षा के लिए एक महत्वपूर्ण संघ के रूप में काम करेगा।



By Prince Pal



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