

## INDIAN COAST GUARD



# OPERATIONS & ACTIVITIES MONTHLY UPDATE

February, 2025









### **INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET**

Subject		Year 2024	Year 2025 (Upto Feb 2025)	Since Inception
Search and Rescue Effort	Lives Saved at Sea	169	54	11,784
	Missions undertaken	199	25	4,126
	Ship Sorties	309	17	5,291
	Aircraft Sorties	135	08	3,190
	<b>Total Sorties</b>	444	25	8,481
MEDEVAC	Persons Evacuated	29	03	485
Aid to Civil Authorities	Lives Rescued	351		14,708
Coastal Security (Since 2009)	Operations	35	09	<b>602</b> (Since 2009)
	Exercises	30	02	<b>290</b> (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	2,085	165	<b>15,491</b> (Since 2009)
	Boarding Operations	27,520	2710	<b>3,62,176</b> (Since 2009)
	Investigation VHF	26,412	2418	<b>2,30,431</b> (Since 2014)
	Security Drill <b>'Sajag'</b>	73	07	<b>479</b> (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Personnel Trained	2,753	175	14,707
Anti-Poaching	Foreign Fishing Boats	16		1,635
Apprehension	Foreign Fishermen	143		13,756
	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	Indo-Pak IMBL	292	181	<b>34,557</b> Boats (Since Oct 2007)
IFBs	Indo-SLN IMBL	05		<b>12,868</b> Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	201	05	<b>1,361</b> Boats
Anti Smuggling	Vessels Interdicted	16	02	181
& Narcotics Control (ASNC)	Crew Apprehended	90	05	1,115
Ops (ASIVE)	Value of Contraband	₹37217.32 Cr.	₹0.7 Cr.	₹ 52,561.66 Cr
Disaster Relief Operations			-	<b>95</b> (since May 1999)
Oil Spill Incidents	Incidents Reported		-	<b>95</b> (Indian Waters) + <b>03</b> (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Responded by ICG		-	<b>95</b> (Indian Waters) + <b>03</b> (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Capitation Charges Received	₹ 29,41,95,781.74		₹ 61,96,74,907.92



#### INTRODUCTION

- 1. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) was established through the Coast Guard Act, 1978 with the motto "वयम् रक्षामः" (Vayam Rakshamah) translating from Sanskrit as "We Protect". The mission of the ICG encompasses ensuring Safety, Security and Law Enforcement at sea, providing Search and Rescue services, and protecting the Marine Environment.
- 2. In the month of February 2025, ICG maintained its operational tempo, carried out notable Search & Rescue (SAR), Medical Evacuation (Medevac), Anti-Poaching and Anti-Narcotics Operations.
- 3. On 01 Feb 2025, the Indian Coast Guard celebrated its "49<sup>th</sup> Raising Day". On this occasion, various national dignitaries/ agencies and international agencies including Maritime Law Enforcement Agencies/ Coast Guards extended their best wishes to ICG.
- 4. ICG Investiture Ceremony 2025 was held on 25 Feb 25 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. On the occasion, the Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh conferred prestigious medals to ICG personnel for their distinguished and meritorious contribution to the nation. 32 awards including 06 President's Tatrakshak Medals and 26 Tatrakshak Medals were presented.
- 5. The details of ICG operational activities undertaken during the month of Feb 25 are enumerated in this update.





### **MAJOR OPERATIONS**

#### A. Anti-Poaching Operation.

In early Feb 25, ICG conducted anti-poaching operations, wherein security forces apprehended Five Myanmarese Poachers with two conventional dinghies from Landfall Island/ Creek and seized 480 kilograms Sea Cucumber. The apprehend dinghies and the poachers were handed over to A&N Police, Diglipur for further investigation/disposal.



Seizure of 400 Kgs Sea Cucumber



Seizure of 800 Kgs Sea Cucumber

#### B. Anti-Smuggling Operation.

On 12 Feb 25, in an anti-smuggling operation, ICG seized 2000 kilograms of Dry Ginger worth ₹ 10 Lakhs from Muthupettai, TN. The consignment was handed over to Tamil Nadu Police for further legal action.





Seizure of 2000 kilograms Dry Ginger



#### **SEARCH & RESCUE**

# A. Assistance to Fisherman - Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Sri Renganathar Thunai (Regn No. IND-TN-06-MM-7959).

On 07 Feb 25, ICG received information from MV Valentina 1 regarding medical emergency onboard IFB Sri Renganathar Thunai operating in position 172 N miles West of Kavaratti. The patient was reported unconscious and merited urgent medical attention/ evacuation. ICG Ship Samarth was diverted to render immediate assistance. ICG ship evacuated the patient alongwith one escort and shifted to Indira Gandhi Govt. Hospital, Kavaratti for further medical management.





Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat Sri Renganathar Thunai

# B. Assistance to Fisherman - Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Bajrang Sagar (Regn No. IND-GJ-14-MM-1833).

On 19 Feb 25, ICG received information from Fisheries Association, Jafrabad regarding medical emergency onboard IFB Bajrang Sagar in position 39 N miles South-East of Jafrabad, Gujarat. The patient





Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat Bajrang Sagar



#### **SEARCH & RESCUE**

sustained severe injury in right foot and medical evacuation was requested. ICG Interceptor Boat C-409 in area was immediately diverted to provide necessary assistance. ICG ship evacuated the patient alongwith one attendant to ashore, and handed over to the Fisheries Association, Jafrabad for further medical management.

# C. SAR Efforts for Fire onboard Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Ekvira Mauli(Regn No. IND-MH-03-MM-4922).

On 28 Feb 25, ICG Ship Savitri Bai Phule, whilst on patrol, received information about fire incident onboard IFB Ekvira Mauli (with 14 crew) in approx. position 69 N miles north west of Mumbai. ICG ship arrived scene of action and ascertained that fire had occurred in the engine room while it was towing a disabled Boat (IFB Dhanalaxmi). ICG Ship carried out firefighting using the ship's firefighting system, and brought the fire under control through sustained firefighting efforts. ICG ship also provided first aid to the injured survivors and shifted them to IFB Dhanalaxmi. The disabled IFBs were subsequently towed to Alibaug, Maharashtra.





SAR Efforts for Fire onboard IFB Ekvira Mauli

#### **COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES**

#### A. Maritime Cooperation: Gifting of ICG Interceptor Boat (IB) to Seychelles.

In a significant step towards enhancing maritime cooperation, India has formally gifted a state-of-the-art vessel (Interceptor Boat) to Seychelles Coast Guard (SCG). This gesture was made during a ceremony held at the Port Victoria, Seychelles on 25 Feb 25, presided over by the Hon'ble President of Seychelles, Mr. Wavel Ramkalawan. The vessel was commissioned into SCG as Patrol Boat (PB) Boudeuse. The commissioning of IB as PB Boudeuse, reinforces the cordial bilateral relations between India and Seychelles, especially the robust defence ties oriented towards greater maritime security in the region.



Handing over ceremony of IB C-449



On Job Training (OJT) of SCG Crew





A team consisting of maintainer/operator crew of the vessel was also deputed to Seychelles for providing the on-job-training (OJT) to the crew of SCG.



### **COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES**



Gifting of ICG IB to Seychelles Coast Guard

# B. Maritime Cooperation: Overseas Deployment (OSD) of ICG Ship Shoor to UAE and Oman.

During a significant display of growing maritime cooperation between India and the United Arab Emirates and Oman, the ICG Ship Shoor as part of overseas deployment, visited UAE and Oman in Feb 25 for professional interactions and joint exercises with Coast Guards/ Maritime Law Enforcement Agencies of visiting countries. ICGS Shoor during a week-long stay at Abu Dhabi, UAE, participated in two major Defence exhibitions viz. Naval Defence Exhibition & Conference (NAVDEX) and International Defence Exhibition (IDEX-2025).



Joint Exercise



Professional Interaction with ROPCG Officials at Muscat, Oman



### **COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES**

Further, the Offshore Patrol Vessel subsequently visited Muscat, Oman end Feb 25 and engaged with Royal Oman Police Coast Guard (ROPCG). During the visit, the ship conducted capacity building, Maritime SAR and joint training with ROPCG. The OSD served multiple objectives, beyond showcasing India's Maritime capabilities; it advances the country's 'SAGAR' (Security and Growth for All in the Region) initiatives.





#### C. Maritime Cooperation: Conduct of MRCC Ops & SAR Course at Mumbai.

As part of the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme, ICG/MRCC Mumbai conducted MRCC Ops & SAR course for 22 international trainees from 06 Friendly Foreign Countries at Mumbai from 17 to 21 Feb 25. Training on Search and Rescue coordination, planning, execution & GMDSS system familiarization was conducted.



MRCC Ops & SAR Course, Mumbai



#### A. Coastal Security Exercises and Operations.

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

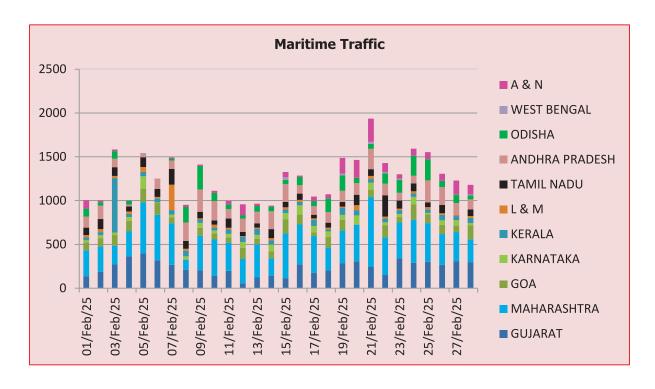
Ser	Conducted By	Name of Exercise/ Operation	Dates
(i)	Regional HQs (North West)	Op Sajag	18 Feb 25
(ii)	Regional HQs (East)	Op Sajag	27 Feb 25
(iii)	Regional HQs (North East)	Op Sajag	20 Feb 25
		Sagar Kavach (WB)-01/25	21-22 Feb 25
(iv)	Regional HQs (A&N)	Sajag	20 Feb 25

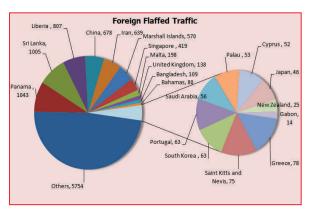
#### B. Coastal Surveillance Network (CSN).

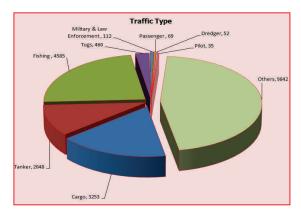
The Control Centre (CC) of CSN undertakes trend analysis of the coastal maritime traffic and maritime incidents in Maritime Zones of India (MZI) and Indian Search & Rescue Region (ISRR). The maritime trends and analysis are utilized for undertaking remedial actions and planning counter operations to enhance Maritime Safety, Security and Environmental Protection. The trend analysis (maritime traffic, fishing activity and maritime incidents) for February 25 is enumerated in succeeding paragraphs.

#### C. Coastal Maritime Traffic.

The Centre monitored 19,656 distinct AIS transmissions on CS network along Indian coast in the month of Feb 25. Traffic share of India, Panama, Liberia, Marshal Island, China & Hong Kong and Singapore stood at 39%, 05%, 04%, 03%, 03% and 02% respectively. The larger share of India flagged traffic is attributed to coastal traffic. Traffic share of Cargo and Tanker vessels is 17% and 10% respectively. A total of 2,759 vessels were investigated by ICG ROSs. The state-wise, flag-wise and type-wise traffic pattern is depicted overleaf:-







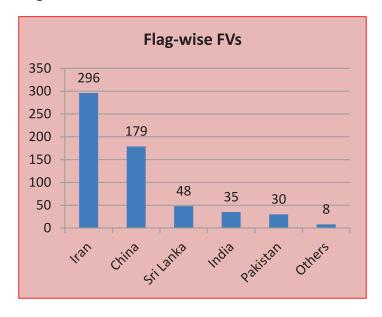
#### D. Fishing Activity in North Indian Ocean.

A total of 3,756 Fishing Vessels (FVs) were observed transmitting on AIS in Northern Indian Ocean in the month of Feb 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 transmissions. 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 Bay of Bengal & Arabian Sea (beyond EEZ) and Indian EEZ for the month of Feb 25 is as follows:-

(i) **Arabian Sea (Beyond EEZ)**. Total of 596 FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing. Out of these, numbers of Iranian, Chinese, Sri Lankan, Indian, Pakistani and

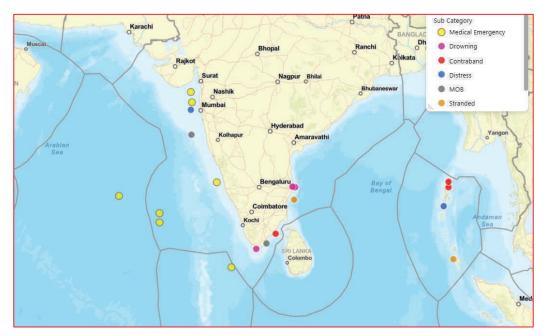


others FVs are 50%, 30%, 8%, 6%, 5% and 1% respectively. Seven Chinese flagged fish carrier (Reefers) were observed operating in Arabian Sea.



- (ii) Indian EEZ. A total of 2,759 Indian flagged FVs were observed transmitting on AIS.
- (iii) **Bay of Bengal (Beyond EEZ).** A total of 401 Sri Lankan and 18 Indian FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing. No other flagged FVs observed transmitting on AIS in high seas, Bay of Bengal.

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







Sunburst Chart: Maritime Incidents and Contraband Smuggling in MZI for Feb 25

- (i) **Maritme Incidents**. 20 Maritime incidents were reported in Feb 25, which included 17 distress/humanitarian incidents and 03 contraband seizures.
  - (aa) **Distress**. Two (02) incidents of distress were reported by Indian Fishing Boats which occurred due to fire (01) and capsizing (01). ICG responded to distress call, extinguished the fire and rescued crew safely. While another fiber boat capsized, while returing from sea. Out of four (04) crew, two (02) fishermen managed to reach shore, one (01) body was recovered and one (01) fishermen went missing.
  - (ab) **Stranded**. Two (02) incidents of stranded fishing boats were reported in month of Feb 25 due to mechanical failure. Both IFBs were towed by other fishing boats and reached harbour safely.
  - (ac) **Medial Emergency**. Medical Emergency was reported onboard four (04) IFBs and three MVs (03). ICG evacuated 04 patients and coordinated with other agencies for smooth evacuation of 03 patient.
  - (ad) **Man Overboard (MOB)**. Two (02) cases of 'MOB' were reported from Indian Fishing Boats.
  - (ae) **Overdue**. Nil incident of boat overdue was reported in month of Feb 25.
  - (af) **Drowning**. Four (04) cases of beach drowings were reported from sea shore in Puduchery and Chennai.
- (ii) **Contraband Seizure.** Three (03) incidents of contraband seizure were reported in month of Feb 25. ICG seized 50 bags weighing 2000 kgs Dry Ginger worth aprox ₹ 10 lakhs from Muthupettai, Tamil Nadu while 480 kgs Sea Cucumber was seized from creeks of Landfall Islands in A&N Islands.



#### **FISHERIES & ENVIRONMENT**

#### A. IMO Level-I Training for ICG Personnel.

To hone the Pollution Response skills of personnel, IMO Level-I training was conducted from 03 to 07 Feb 25 at Coast Guard Pollution Response Team (A&N). A total of 30 personnel from ICG units in Andaman and Nicobar Region, 05 representatives from ANC components (Army, Navy and Air Force) and 09 personnel from stakeholders participated in the training.





**IMO Level-I Training** 

#### B. IMO OPRC Level-1 Course at Chennai.

Indian Coast Guard Pollution Response Team (East) conducted 60<sup>th</sup> IMO OPRC Level-1 course from 17 to 21 Feb 25 at Chennai. 12 participants from Ports & Oil Handling Agencies were trained in Pollution Response.





IMO OPRC Level-1 Course at Chennai



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

The purchase made through GeM portal during the month of Jan 25 was ₹ 57,01,38,223.76 (Rupees Fifty Seven Crore One Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Three and Seventy Six paise 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
_	24 (Under Process)

# C. Conduct of ICG Raising Day 2025 Celebration at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

On 01 Feb 25, Indian Coast Guard celebrated 49th raising day at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri, Shri Sanjay Seth graced the occasion. The Hon'ble Minister commended Indian Coast Guard's exceptional efforts in safeguarding India's coastline. The Hon'ble Prime Minister extended his best wishes to ICG, and in his missive highlighted that "The Coast Guard has supported efforts to ensure sustainability in different realms. The relentless vigilance and sense of duty with which our ships patrol our maritime borders is crucial to ensuring peace and prosperity along our shores. Timely and responsive support to friendly nations by the Indian Coast Guard has also been appreciated by the international maritime community. As India takes rapid strides forward our collective dream of building Viksit Bharat by 2047, the Indian Coast Guard's advancement in adopting indigenous technology and increasing operation capacity are noteworthy".





ICG Raising Day 2025 celebration at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi



### D. Passing Out Parade (POP) of 78th & 79th Batch of ICG Officers

On 11 Feb 25, Passing Out Parade of the 78<sup>th</sup> and 79<sup>th</sup> batch of ICG Officers was held at District Headquarters, Kochi. The Officers will now join frontline ships for watchkeeping certification.





Passing Out Parade of 78th & 79th Batch of ICG Officers

# E. Visit of 30 Air Traffic Control Officers (ATCOs) from Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC), AAI to MRCC, Chennai.

On 13 Feb 25, 30 ATCOs from RCC, AAI visited Indian Coast Guard MRCC, Chennai. During the visit, they were briefed on the National M-SAR construct and the key role of MRCC, Chennai in coordinating Aeronautical & Maritime SAR operations. The aim of the visit was to strengthen interoperability and professional linkages between ICG and AAI.





Visit of 30 ATCOs from RCC, AAI to MRCC, Chennai



#### F. Visit of IDAS Probationers to Indian Coast Guard Headquarters, New Delhi.

On 14 Feb 25, as part of the training curriculum, 16 IDAS Probationers visited Indian Coast Guard Headquarters, New Delhi. During the visit, the IDAS Probationers were familiarized with ICG Operations and Coastal Surveillance Network Control Centre at CGHQ.



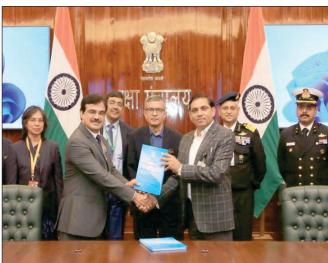


Visit of IDAS Probationers to CGHQ, New Delhi

### G. Signing of Contract with M/s BEL.

On 20 Feb 25, Ministry of Defence signed a contract with M/s Bharat Electronics Limited, Bengaluru for procurement of 149 Software Defined Radios for Indian Coast Guard at ₹ 1220.12 Cr for enhancing Indian Coast Guard communication capabilities.





Signing of Contract with M/s BEL, Bengaluru



#### H. Call on Shri Daljit Singh Chawdhary, IPS, DG BSF.

On 21 Feb 25, DG Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG called on Shri Daljit Singh Chawdhary, IPS, Director General, Border Security Force. During interaction, both DGs exchanged views on matters of national security and bilateral interest.





Call on Shri Daljit Singh Chawdhary, IPS, DG BSF

### J. Call on Shri Rahul Rasgotra, IPS, DG ITBP.

On 21 Feb 25, DG Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG called on Shri Rahul Rasgotra, IPS, Director General, Indo-Tibetan Border Police and deliberated contemporary challenges to national security.





Call on Shri Rahul Rasgotra, IPS, DG ITBP



#### K. Conduct of ICG Investiture Ceremony - 2025.

On 25 Feb 25, ICG Investiture Ceremony – 2025 was held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh conferred prestigious medals to ICG personnel for their distinguished and meritorious service. 32 awards including 06 President's Tatrakshak Medals and 26 Tatrakshak Medals were presented.



ICG Investiture Ceremony - 2025

#### L. Aero India - 2025.

Aero India-2025 was conducted at AFS Yelahanka, Bengaluru from 04 to 15 Feb 25. 04 Dornier aircraft of ICG participated in the flypast. One MLU (Mildlife Upgrade) Dornier with Pollution Surveillance System was on Static Display and one was earmarked at Yelahanka for Customer Demo Flight.



ICG team headed by DGICG visited India Pavilion







ICG Formation Flypast Team

ICG Dornier on Static Display

Further, on the sidelines of Aero India-2025, a seminar on 'Transformation of Maritime Aviation through Technological Trends & Indigenization' was conducted by ICG on 12 Feb 25. Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri, Shri Sanjay Seth inaugurated the seminar. Experts from ICG, DPSU, DRDO & Academia explored into cutting-edge topics like Anti Drone Systems, Al, Dornier upgrade & indigenized maritime technologies.



Address by Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri



**Group Photography** 



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## आईसीजी के 49वें स्थापना दिवस पर पी. शिवमणि ने शहीदों को किया नमन



नई दिल्ली, 1 फरवरी (ब्यूरो): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) के 49वें स्थापना दिवस पर राष्ट्रीय युद्ध स्मारक, दिल्ली में शनिवार को भव्य पुष्पांजलि समारोह का आयोजन किया गया। इस दौरान वीरों को महानिदेशक, एवीएसएम, पीटीएम परमेश शिवमणि ने श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित की।

उन्होंने शहीदों को नमन करते हुए कहा कि यह पुष्पांजलि उन कर्मियों के प्रति गहरे सम्मान और स्मरण का क्षण है, जिन्होंने अपने देश के लिए सर्वोच्च बलिदान दिया। इस अवसर पर आईसीजी के अन्य वरिष्ठ अधिकारी भी मौजूद रहे।

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# भारतीय तट रक्षक बल के स्थापना दिवस पर पीएम मोदी ने की सराहना

नई दिल्ली, एएनआइ : भारतीय और लोगों की सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित तटरक्षक बल के 49वें स्थापना



दिवस प्रधानमंत्री बहादुरी, तटरेखा

पीएम नरेन्द्र मोदी 🏻 की में लगातार सतर्कता के लिए जिससे यह और सशक्त होकर प्रशंसा की। पीएम ने कहा, तट रक्षक बल हमारे समुद्रों का बड़ा संरक्षक है, जो हमारे जल

करता है। वर्ष 1977 में केवल सात पर प्लेटफार्म के साथ स्थापना के बाद तट रक्षक बल सशक्त बल के रूप नरेन्द्र मोदी में तब्दील हो चुका है और 151 इसकी जहाजों और 76 विमानों के साथ सुरक्षा में जुटा हुआ है।

समर्पण और वर्ष 2030 तक इसकी योजना 200 सतही प्लेटफार्म और 100 विमानों तक अपना दायरा बढ़ाने की है. दुनिया की अग्रणी तट रक्षक सेवाओं में एक के रूप में अपनी भूमिका मजबत करेगा।

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# अबू धाबी पहुंचा आईसीजी पोत शुर

नई दिल्ली, 15 फरवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारतीय तटरक्षक जहाज ( आईसीजीएस) ' शर ' सद्भावना यात्रा (15 से 21 फरवरी) के तहत शनिवार को युएई की राजधानी अब धाबी पहुंचा। यह जहाज भारत व यूएई के बीच समुद्री साझेदारी को मजबूत बनाने में मदद करेगा।

यह यात्रा भारत के समुद्री हितों के लिए खाडी क्षेत्र के रणनीतिक महत्व को रेखांकित करती है और भारत की सागर नीति के अनुरूप हैं, जो समुद्री सुरक्षा, क्षेत्रीय स्थिरता और आर्थिक समृद्धि को प्राथमिकता देती है। अपने प्रवास के दौरान

आईसीजी शिप ' शूर ' यूएई नेशनल कोस्ट गार्ड (युएई एनसीजी) के साथ पेशेवर बातचीत में शामिल होगा, जिसमें समुद्री खोज और बचाव, समुद्री प्रदूषण प्रतिक्रिया और समुद्री कानून प्रवर्तन जैसे महत्वपूर्ण क्षेत्रों पर ध्यान केंद्रित किया जाएगा।

इस यात्रा का एक प्रमुख आकर्षण पोर्ट जायद, अब धाबी में आयोजित अंतर्राष्टीय रक्षा प्रदर्शनी. नौसेना रक्षा प्रदर्शनी और सम्मेलन में शुर की भागीदारी है। जिसमें भारत को अपनी समुद्री क्षमताओं और अत्याधुनिक रक्षा प्रौद्योगिकियों को प्रदर्शित करने के साथ समुद्री सुरक्षा के प्रति

> वैश्विक साझेदारी बढाने का अवसर मिलेगा।

अब धाबी की अपनी यात्रा के बाद, आईसीजीएस शुर 25 फरवरी को मस्कट, ओमान का दौरा

करेगा, जो खाडी क्षेत्र में भारत की समुद्री साझेदारी को और मजबूत करेगा। इस आयोजन में भारत की उपस्थिति क्षेत्र में स्थिरता की सुरक्षा के लिए समर्पित एक जिम्मेदार समुद्री शक्ति के रूप में इसकी भूमिका को पुष्ट करती है।

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द्वारका (गुजरात)। द्वारका और इसके आसपास के द्वीपों में सुरक्षा को मजबत करने के लिए जल-थल-रक्षा 2025 नामक एक सैन्य अभ्यास का आयोजन किया गया। बेट द्वारका द्वीप पर



आयोजित इस अध्यास में 11 अहमदाबाद और 13 जामनगर सेना इकाइयों के साथ-साथ भारतीय तटरक्षक और समुद्री पुलिस ने भी भाग लिया। सेवानिवत्त लेफ्टिनेंट कर्नल अमोल अवाटे ने बताया कि द्वारका और उसके आसपास के द्वीपों पर हाल ही में हुए अवैध अतिक्रमण को ध्यान में रखते हए भारतीय सेना ने इस अभ्यास का आयोजन किया। उन्होंने कहा, इस अभ्यास का मकसद यह था कि

आतंकवादी हमले या युद्ध के दौरान सरकारी विभागों और अर्धसैनिक बलों और रक्षा बलों के बीच किस तरह का समन्वय होना चाहिए। एजेंसी



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#### नवोदय टाईम्स **21-02-25**

#### **ICG** hosts international course



Inspector General Bhisham Sharma, PTM, TM, Commander, Coast Guard Region (West) inaugurated a week-long International course on 'MRCC OPS & SAR' for trainees from Friendly Foreign Countries (FFC). The Regional Commander welcomed the foreign participants and emphasised upon the importance of Search and Rescue (SAR) coordination training. Regional Commander also highlighted the need for enhanced collaborative and continued synergy towards fostering the linkages amongst various FFCs and for the common and global humanitarian cause for the mariners safety at sea. The flag officer encouraged the foreign participants to make the most of this opportunity so as to ensure the knowledge and skills honed are prudent enough to be utilised in the need of the hour.

## आईसीजी को मिलेंगे अत्याधुनिक तकनीक वाले संचार उपकरण

नई दिल्ली, 20 फरवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स):भारतीय तटरक्षक बल को जल्द ही ऐसे वायरलेस सेट उपलब्ध कराए जाएंगे जो रेडियो संचार के लिए पारंपरिक हार्डवेयर की जगह सॉफ्टवेयर (एसडीआर) पर आधारित होंगे। इनका इस्तेमाल मोबाइल संचार, अनुसंधान एवं विकास और

सैन्य परियोजनाओं में किया जाता है। इस संबंध में रक्षा मंत्रालय ने बीरवार को आईसीजी के लिए 149 सॉफ्ट वेयर परिभाषित रेडियो (एसडीआर) खरीद के लिए मेसर्स भारत इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स लिमिटेड (बीईएल), बेंगलुरु के साथ एक अनुबंध पर हस्ताक्षर किए। इसके



लिए कुल ₹1220.12 करोड़ खर्च किए जाएंगे। ये अत्याधुनिक रेडियो स्वदेशी रूप से डिजाइन, विकसित और निर्मित किए गए हैं, जो भारत सरकार की आत्मनिर्भर भारत पहल के अनुरूप उन्तत सैन्य-ग्रेड संचार प्रणालियों के लिए देश की विनिर्माण क्षमताओं को महत्वपूर्ण बढ़ावा देते हैं।

### The Statesman 21-02-25

# Govt signs ₹1,220.12 cr contract with Bharat Electronics for 149 Software Defined Radios for Indian Coast Guard



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The Ministry of Defence has signed a significant contract with M/s Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Bengaluru, for the procurement of 149 state-of-the-art Software Defined Radios (SDRs) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG). The contract, valued at 1220.12 Crore, falls under the Buy (Indian-IDDM) category, reinforcing India's commitment to self-reliance in defense technology.

in defense technology. A statement from the Ministry of Defence stated that these advanced SDRs will provide secure, high-speed data and voice communication, ensuring reliable information sharing, collaboration, and enhanced situational awareness for the Indian Coast Guard. With the integration of these radios, the ICG will be better equipped to fulfill its key responsibilities, including maritime law enforcement, search and rescue operations, fisheries protection, and marine environment safeguarding. The new communication system will also strengthen interoperability between the Indian Coast Guard and Indian Navy, facilitating seamless joint operations. This strategic initiative aims to bolster the Coast Guard's operational capabilities, aligning with the Government of India's focus on enhancing maritime security under the Blue Economy vision.

Furthermore, the contract supports the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative by fostering indigenous manufacturing of military-grade communication systems. It is expected to contribute to job creation and the development of critical technological expertise, furthering India's defense capabilities, the release stated.



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# Rajnath highlights new threats at sea

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NEW DELHI: Defence minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday put the spotlight on emerging unconventional threats at sea including cyber-attacks, data breach, signal jamming, radar disruption and GPS spoofing, asking the navy and the coast guard to stay alert to the challenges stemming from swift technological advancements.

"These challenges are in addition to conventional threats. The coast guard must stay vigilant to tackle both types of threats," Singh said at the Indian Coast Guard's 18th investiture corremony.

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"For years, all of you have stayed alert to eliminating the conventional threats. But as times change, we are now facing challenges of a different kind. In this era of technological advancement, we are facing challenges that are unconventional."

Singh presented 32 medals to coast guard personnel for their gallantry and distinguished service. In his speech, he touched upon the coast guard's transformation into "a formidable, trustworthy and one of the most efficient marine forces in the world," "India is surrounded by seas on three sides and its coastline is vast. The nation's security faces two types of threats. The first is war which is dealt



Defence minister Rajnath Singh at Indian Coast Guard's 18th investiture ceremony.

with by the armed forces, and the second includes the challenges of piracy, terrorism, infiltration, smuggling and illegal fishing for which the marine forces, especially coast guard, are always alert," he said.

Over the past year, the coast guard has seized 14 boats and apprehended 115 pirates, seized drugs worth ₹37,000 crore, and saved around 170 lives in a raft of rescue operations.

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"The coast guard has been allocated ₹9,676 crore for the financial year 2025-26, which is 26.5% more than the previous year's budget. It is a crucial step towards modernising the coast guard. Also, the procurement of 14 fast patrol vessels, six air cushion vehicles, 22 interceptor boats, six next-generation offshore patrol vessels and 18 next generation fast patrol vessels has been approved to make the coast guard stronger," Singh

#### Times of India 27-02-25

#### Ministry of Defence inks pact with BEL

The Ministry of Defence signed a contract with M/s Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Bengaluru, on February 20, 2025, for procurement of 149 Software Defined Radios (SDR) for Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at a total cost of Rs 1220.12 crore. These state-of-the-art radios are indigenously designed, developed, and manufactured providing significant boost



advanced military-grade communication systems in line with Government of India's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. Induction of SDRs marks the transition from present single-purpose radios to multi-band, multi-mode and multi-role radios of future. SDRs will enable secure and reliable information sharing, situational awareness and network-centric operations through high-speed data and secure voice communication capability this will strengthen the ICG's capability to fulfil its core responsibilities, including maritime law enforcement, search and rescue operations, fisheries protection, and marine environment protection.

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#### Coastal Security exercise Sagar Kavach by ICG



The coastal security mechanism of WB was rigorously tested during the two day security exercise, 'Sagar Kavach (WB)- 01/25', conducted by ICG on Feb 21 to 22. The exercise aimed to validate the Coastal SOPs for the state and involved a series of drills spread across the state's 158 km coastline.





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