

### **INDIAN COAST GUARD**

# OPERATIONS & ACTIVITIES MONTHLY UPDATE



**January**, 2025





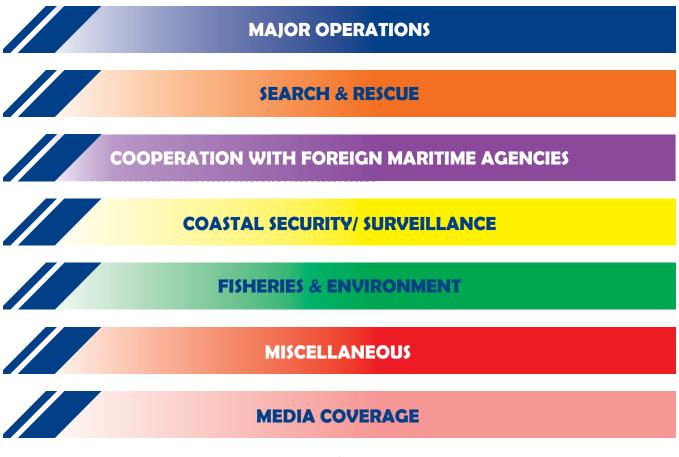
### **INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET**

Subject		Year 2024	Year 2025	Since Inception
			(Upto Jan 2025)	
Search and Rescue Effort	Lives Saved at Sea	169	54	11,784
	Missions undertaken	199	09	4,110
	Ship Sorties	309	17	5,291
	Aircraft Sorties	135	08	3,190
	Total Sorties	444	25	8,481
MEDEVAC	Persons Evacuated	29	01	483
Aid to Civil Authorities	Lives Rescued	351		14,708
Coastal Security	Operations	35	09	<b>602</b> (Since 2009)
(Since 2009)	Exercises	30	01	<b>289</b> (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	2,085		<b>15,326</b> (Since 2009)
	Boarding Operations	27,520		<b>3,59,466</b> (Since 2009)
	Investigation VHF	26,412		<b>2,28,013</b> (Since 2014)
	Security Drill <b>'Sajag'</b>	73	03	<b>475</b> (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Personnel Trained	2,753		14,532
Anti-Poaching	Foreign Fishing Boats	14		1,633
Apprehension	Foreign Fishermen	115		13,728
	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		<b>34,376</b> Boats (Since Oct 2007)
	Indo-SLN IMBL	05		<b>12,868</b> Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	201		<b>1,356</b> Boats
Anti Smuggling & Narcotics Control (ASNC) Ops	Vessels Interdicted	16		179
	Crew Apprehended	90		1,110
	Value of Contraband	₹37217.32 Cr.	₹0.6 Cr.	₹ 52,561.56 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. During the month, surveillance and operational tempo was maintained at the highest level. Indian Coast Guard also etched a new chapter in the history on Republic Day 2025 with several landmark achievements. This year marked the ICG's first ever participation of Dornier aircraft formation showcasing their advance aerial capabilities. ICG contingent consisting of 144 combatants and full band of 75 members participated in parade at Kartavya Path, New Delhi. ICG tableau showcased its diverse maritime safety and security assets featuring a Fast Interceptor Boat and Advance Light Helicopter(ALH), Satellite Communication System and a state-of-the-art coordination centre for Maritime Search and Rescue.
- 3. The President, Smt. Droupadi Murmu conferred 'Ati Vishist Seva Medal' (AVSM) to the Director General Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, DGICG. In addition, eight ICG personnel were awarded President's Tatrakshak Medal (PTM) and Tatrakshak Medal (TM) in recognition of their gallantry, exceptional duty, and meritorious service.
- 4. The details of ICG operational activities undertaken during the month of Jan 25 are enumerated in this update.





### **MAJOR OPERATIONS**

### **Seizure of Narcotics (Cannabis (Ganja)).**

On 29 Jan 25, based on inputs, ICG seized 53.62 Kilograms of Cannabis(Ganja) worth ₹ 60 Lakhs, near Indo-Sri Lankan IMBL. The seized narcotics were handed over to Customs department for further legal action.



Seizure of Cannabis (Ganja)



### **SEARCH & RESCUE**

# A. Assistance to Indian fishing Boat (IFB) Kutti Andavar (Regn No. IND-TN-06-MM-8523).

On 29 Dec 24, ICG Ship Sagar received a VHF distress call regarding fire onboard IFB Kutti Andavar in position 14 Nautical miles North-East of Pt. Calimere, Tamil Nadu. ICG Ship responded immediately and assisted IFB in fire-fighting. The proactive and timely action by ICG team extinguished the fire and prevented loss of lives & property at sea. First aid was also administered to injured fisherman. The IFB was subsequently escorted safely to Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu.





Assistance to IFB Kutti Andavar

# B. SAR Efforts for Stranded IFB Mohammed Kasim-II (Regn No. IND-LD-KV-M0-208).

On 14 Jan 25, ICG received an information from Kavaratti Administration regarding stranding of IFB Mohammed Kasim-II (with 54 passengers & 03 crew) in approx position 06 Nautical miles North East of Suhelipar, Lakshadweep, due to engine failure. ICG Ship Saksham in area was directed to render immediate assistance. In subsequent SAR effort, the boat was located and local repairs were attempted, however resulted futile. ICG Ship accordingly embarked all 54 passengers onboard. The rescued passengers were later disembarked off Kavaratti on 15 Jan 25 and were handed over to Lakshadweep Administration.





SAR Efforts for IFB Mohammed Kasim-II



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

# A. 21<sup>st</sup> High Level Meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Japan Coast Guard.

21<sup>st</sup> High Level Meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Japan Coast Guard was conducted at Tokyo, Japan from 09 to 11 Jan 25. A three member delegation led by DG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, DGICG participated in the meeting. The meeting was focused on key maritime challenges in the domain of Maritime Safety and Security in the region fostering avenues of cooperation.





ICG and JCG HLM

# B. 2<sup>nd</sup> High Level Meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Indonesia Coast Guard (BAKAMLA).

2<sup>nd</sup> High Level Meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Indonesia Coast Guard (Badan Keamanan Laut Republik Indonesia-BAKMLA) was held on 27 Jan 25 at CGHQ, New Delhi. An eight member delegation led by Vice Admiral Irvansyah, S.H., Chief of Indonesia Coast Guard participated in the meeting. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between two maritime agencies was renewed for another three years. Discussions on bolstering operational collaboration in areas like maritime Search and Rescue, Pollution Response and Maritime Law Enforcement were undertaken. Both sides emphasized on sharing best practices and maintaining professional exchanges to enhance the safety and resilience of the Indo-Pacific region.





High Level Meeting with Indonesia Coast Guard (BAKAMLA)



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

#### C. Overseas Deployment (OSD) of ICG Ship Shaunak.

ICG Ship Shaunak has been deployed for OSD to Singapore, Japan and Indonesia from Dec 24 to Feb 25 for bilateral interactions and joint exercises with Coast Guards of visiting countries. ICG Ship visited Yokohama, Japan from 07 to 11 Jan 25 and participated in ICG-JCG Joint Exercise.





OSD to Japan

Further, ICG Ship Shaunak made a port call at Jakarta, Indonesia from 27 to 30 Jan 25, as part of ongoing overseas deployment.





OSD to Indonesia



#### 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 HQ (North West)	Op Sajag	16 Jan 25
		Ex Taiyaar	16-18 Jan 25
		EEZ Sweep	23-27 Jan 25
		OP Trigger	25-26 Jan 25
(ii)	Regional HQ (West)	EEZ Sweep	08-09 Jan 25 23-27 Jan 25
		Ex Taiyaar	16-18 Jan 25
		Op Sajag	16 Jan 25
		OP Trigger	25-26 Jan 25
(iii)	Regional HQ (East)	Op Sentinel	08 Jan 25 25-26 Jan 25
		Taiyaar-2025	16-18 Jan 25
		Op Sajag	25 Jan 25
		EEZ Sweep	23-27 Jan 25
(iv)	Regional HQ (North East)	Op Utsav	10-16 Jan 25
		Ex Taiyaar	16-18 Jan 25
		EEZ Sweep	23-27 Jan 25
		Op Sentinel	25-26 Jan 25
(v)	Regional HQ (A & N)	Taiyaar-2025	16-18 Jan 25

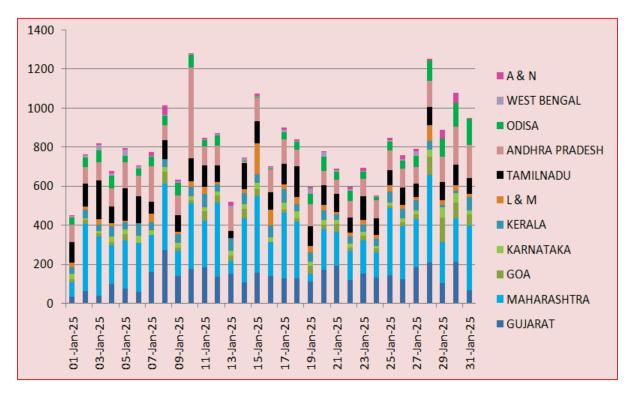
### B. Coastal Surveillance Network (CSN).

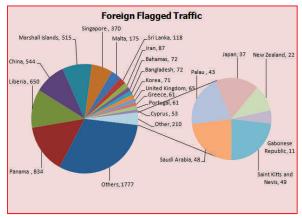
The Control Centre (CC) of CSN undertakes trend analysis of the coastal maritime traffic and maritime incidents in Maritime Zones of India (MZI) and Indian Search & Rescue Region (ISRR). The maritime trends and analysis are judiciously utilized for undertaking remedial actions and planning counter operations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

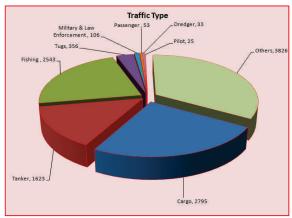


#### C. Coastal Maritime Traffic.

Indian Coast Guard monitored 11360 distinct AIS transmissions on CSN network along Indian coast in the month of Jan 25. Traffic share of India, Panama, Liberia, Marshal Island, China & Hong Kong and Singapore stood at 50%, 07%, 06%, 05%, 05% and 03% respectively. The larger share of India flagged traffic is attributed to coastal traffic. Traffic share of Cargo and Tanker vessels are about 25% and 15% respectively. A total of 2828 vessels were investigated. The state-wise, flag-wise and type-wise traffic pattern is depicted below:-





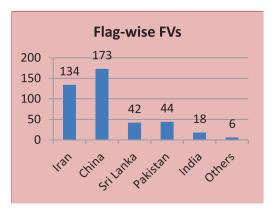




#### D. Fishing Activity in North Indian Ocean.

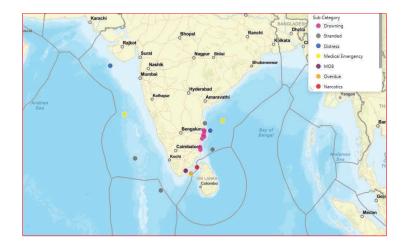
A total of 2756 Fishing Vessels (FVs) were observed transmitting on AIS in Northern Indian Ocean in the month of Jan 25. The analysis of fishing activities is based upon kinematics such as low speed. The data towards numbers of FVs have been garnered from AIS transmission. The actual numbers of FVs may 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 Jan 25 is as follows:-

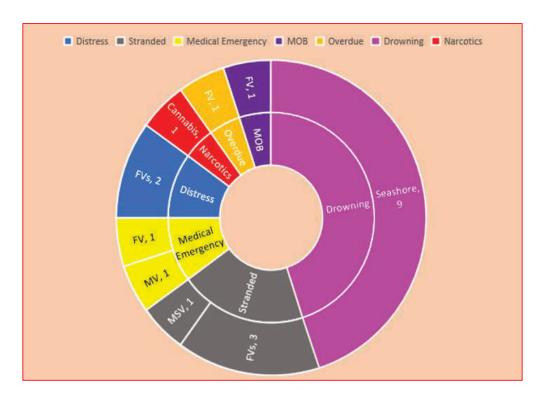
(i) **Arabian Sea (Beyond EEZ)**. A total of 417 FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing. Out of these, numbers of Iranian, Chinese, Sri Lankan, Pakistani, Indian and others FVs are 32%, 41%, 10%,10%, 4% and 1% respectively. Eight Chinese flagged fish carrier (Reefers) were observed operating in Arabian Sea.



- (ii) Indian EEZ. A total of 2082 Indian flagged FVs were observed transmitting on AIS.
- (iii) **Bay of Bengal (Beyond EEZ).** A total of 257 Sri Lankan, 02 Taiwan and 05 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 Jan 25

- (i) **Maritme Incidents**. 20 incidents comprising of Maritime Incidents (19) and Contraband Smuggling (01) were reported in Maritime Zones/Search and Rescue Region of India in Jan 25.
  - (aa) **Distress**. Two incident of distess were reported from Indian Fishing Boats, occurred due to flooding (01) and capsizing (01).
  - (ab) **Stranded**. Four incident of stranding were reported, primarily due to mechanical failure.
  - (ac) **Medial Emergency**. Medial Emergency were reported onboard one IFB and MV each. ICG coordinated the evacuation of patient.
  - (ad) Man Overboard (MOB). One case of 'MOB' was reported from Indian Fishing Boat.
  - (ae) **Overdue**. One incident of overdue(beyond scheduled arrival) of fishing boat was reported.
  - (af) **Drowning**. Nine cases of drowning were reported near seashore in Puduchery and Tamil Nadu.
- (ii) **Contraband.** One incident of contraband seizure reported.



#### **FISHERIES & ENVIRONMENT**

#### A. Repatriation - Mutual Exchange of Fishermen between India and Bangladesh.

In the recent months, several Indian fishermen have been arrested by Bangladesh authorities when they happened to inadvertently cross the International Maritime Boundary Line (IMBL) and entered Bangladesh waters. Several Bangladesh fishermen have also been apprehended by Indian authorities in similar circumstances. Considering safety, security and welfare of Indian fishermen by Government of India, agencies worked out release/mutual exchange of fishermen and their vessels.

Accordingly, on 05 January 2025, mutual repatriation was undertaken. 95 Indian fishermen were handed over by Bangladesh Coast Guard to the Indian Coast Guard and 90 Bangladesh fishermen were also released in a mutual release/repatriation operation by Indian Coast Guard to Bangladesh Coast Guard. Subsequently, ICG handed over 06 IFBs and 95 released fishermen (Indian) to the District Collector, 24 South Paraganas (WB).





Handing/Taking over of Bangladeshi Fishermen at Sea

#### B. OPRC Level-I Course for ICG Personnel.

OPRC Level-I course for ICG personnel was conducted from 20 to 24 Jan 25 at CGPRT (West). A total of 221 CG personnel participated in the course. All participants were provided wide exposure towards Pollution Response operation and maintenance of equipment.





OPRC Level-I Course for ICG Personnel



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

The purchase made through GeM portal during the month of Dec 24 was ₹ 42,01,84,934.95 (Rupees Forty Two Crore One Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Four and Ninety Five only).

#### **B. Status of Public Grievances:-**

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

#### C. Visit of ICG delegation to Assam Rifles Training Centre, Nagaland.

As part of the exchange programme between Indian Coast Guard and Assam Rifles, an ICG delegation visited Assam Rifles Training Centre at Dimapur, Shoukhuvi and Diphu, Nagaland from 07 to 09 Jan 25. The initiative focused on training and sports exchanges to strengthen bonds between the two organizations.





Visit of ICG delegation to Assam Rifles Training Centre, Nagaland

# D. Visit of Shri George Kurian, Hon'ble Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying (MoFAH&D) and Minority Affairs to ICG Station Mandapam.

On 09 Jan 25, Shri George Kurian, Hon'ble Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying (MoFAH&D) and Minority Affairs visited Indian Coast Guard Station Mandapam, Tamil Nadu. During the visit, the minister was briefed about ICG's role in environment protection & fisheries and



further toured the ICG hovercraft and explored Cage Aquaculture & Seaweed Farming in Gulf of Mannar.





Visit of Hon'ble Union MoS to ICG Station Mandapam

#### E. Decommissioning of C-449 at Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

On 10 Jan 25, Indian Coast Guard decommissioned ICG Interceptor Boat C-449 at Timber pond Jetty, Chennai, Tamil Nadu. The vessel has been gifted to Republic of Seychelles as a symbol of diplomatic goodwill.





Bid Adieu to ICGS C-449 at Chennai, Tamil Nadu

### F. Visit of 250 Scouts & Guides to Indian Coast Guard Station Mandapam.

On 11 Jan 25, 250 Scouts & Guides along with faculty from educational institutions across India visited Indian Coast Guard Station Mandapam. During the visit, the youth were inspired towards career opportunities in the ICG.







Visit of 250 Scouts & Guides to ICG Station Mandapam

#### G. Keel Laying Ceremony of Indian Coast Guard Training Ship at M/s MDL, Mumbai.

On 13 Jan 25, Keel laying ceremony of Training Ship of Indian Coast Guard took place at M/s MDL, Mumbai. DDG (M&M), CGHQ presided the event.



Keel Laying Ceremony of ICG's First Training Ship of at M/s MDL, Mumbai

#### H. Call on Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence.

On 13 Jan 25, DG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, DGICG called on Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence and apprised about ICG's operational readiness and modernization initiatives.



Call on Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence



### J. Visit of Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence to RHQ (West), Mumbai.

On 15 Jan 25, Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence visited Regional Headquarters (West), Mumbai. Hon'ble Minister was briefed on ICG operations and activities in western seaboard.





Visit of Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence to RHQ (West), Mumbai

#### K. Conduct of GMDSS Training for Operators at MRCC, Chennai.

On 20 Jan 25, MRCC, Chennai conducted specialized GMDSS training for operators with hand-on sessions on advanced GMDSS equipment, led by International trainers from M/s Frequentis, Austria. ICG personnel from MRCC Mumbai, Chennai & Sri Vijaya Puram participated in the training. The purpose of the training was to enhance SAR response procedures.





Conduct of GMDSS Training for Operators at MRCC, Chennai



## L. Conduct of Specialized training on Maritime Interception for NCB & Drug Law Enforcement Agencies at DHQ-7, Paradip, Odisha.

Indian Coast Guard District Headquarters (DHQ-7), Paradip, Odisha conducted specialized training on Maritime Interception for Narcotics Control Bureau & Drug Law Enforcement Agencies from 20 to 22 Jan 25 to combat maritime drug trafficking. The training was focused on safety, interdiction tactics, legal frameworks & coordination to strengthen national security.





Conduct of Specialized training at DHQ-7, Paradip, Odisha

# M. Visit of Assam Rifles delegation to Indian Coast Guard District Headquarters (DHQ-1), Porbandar.

Assam Rifles delegation visited Indian Coast Guard District Headquarters (DHQ-1), Porbandar from 20 to 24 Jan 25. During visit, Assam Rifles delegations were familiarized about ICG role, functions and operations.





Visit of Assam Rifles delegation to DHQ-1, Porbandar

# N. Participation of ICG Contingent and Dornier Aircraft in Republic Day parade at Kartavya Path, New Delhi.

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Participation of ICG Contingent & Tableau



हिन्दुस्तान 01-01-25

# तटरक्षक अधिकारियों को दिल्ली एम्स प्रशिक्षित करेगा

नई दिल्ली, वरिष्ठ संवाददाता। दिल्ली अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान के विशेषज्ञ अब भारतीय तटरक्षक बल के चिकित्साधिकारियों को प्रशिक्षित करेंगे।

चिकित्सा प्रशिक्षण और क्षमताओं को बढ़ाने के लिए मंगलवार को दिल्ली एम्स और भारतीय तटरक्षक बल के बीच एक एमओयू (समझौता पत्र) साइन किया गया। केंद्रीय स्तर पर जारी दिशा निर्देशों के अनुसार, तटरक्षक कर्मियों को कार्डियोपल्मोनरी रिसिटशन (सीपीआर) के लिए प्रशिक्षण दिया जाएगा। दिल्ली एम्स के डायरेक्टर प्रो. डॉ एम श्रीनिवास की मौजुदगी में मंगलवार को भारतीय मारतीय तटरक्षक बल
 और एम्स के अधिकारियों
 के बीच समझौता हुआ

तटरक्षक बल की ओर से सर्जन कमांडर संजय दत्ता और एम्स के सीआरटीसी समन्वयक डॉ. शैलेन्द्र कुमार ने समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए। यह सहयोग भारतीय तटरक्षक बल में चिकित्सा कौशल बढ़ाने में एक मील का पत्थर साबित होगा है। दिल्ली एम्स की ओर से तटरक्षक चिकित्सा अधिकारियों को व्यवस्थित और एडवांस प्रशिक्षण दिया जाएगा, ताकि वे किसी भी चुनौतीपूर्ण मेडिकल इमरजेंसी को संभालने के लिए तैयार हो सके। Hindustan Times 02-01-25

# ICG rescues nine Indian seafarers from sunken vessel



In a remarkable display of prompt and coordinated action, the ICG rescued nine crew members from the sunken Indian vessel MSV Taj Dhare Haram in the North Arabian Sea on Dec 26. This daring humanitarian search and rescue mission involved close collaboration between MRCCs of India and Pakistan.

Hindustan Times 14-01-25

### Keel laying ceremony of ICG Training Ship held at MDL



The keel-laying ceremony of 01 Training Ship (Yard 16101) was held at MDL, Mumbai on Jan 13 2025. The ceremony was presided over by IG HK Sharma, TM, Dy Director General (M&M), in the presence of the Director (Shipbuilding), MDL and other senior officials from the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and M/s MDL. नवोदय टाईम्स **16-01-25** 

### कोस्ट गार्ड ने 54 यात्रियों को बचाया

नई दिल्ली, 15 जनवरी (ब्यूरो): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) ने मंगलवार को अरब सागर में लापता एक भारतीय नौका में सवार 54 लोगों की जान बचाने में कामयाबी पाई है।

आईसीजी के मुताबिक मंगलवार दोपहर ढाई बजे लक्षद्वीप प्रशासन से लगभग 54 यात्रियों और 03 चालक दल के साथ लापता नाव के बारे में जानकारी मिली। यह नाव दोपहर सवा बारह बजे सुहेलीपार द्वीप के लिए कवरत्ती से खाना हुई थी और सुबह 9 बजे तक पहुंचने की उम्मीद थी। यात्रियों में 22 महिलाएं, 09 पुरुष, 03 शिशु और 20 बच्चे शामिल थे।



#### MEDIA COVERAGE

नवोदय टाईम्स 26-01-25

# ICG के डीजी पी शिवमणि को एवीएसएम से किया जाएगा सम्मानित

### राष्ट्रपति ने आईसीजी के लिए चार श्रेणियों में नौ पुरस्कारों को दी मंजूरी

नई दिल्ली, 25 जनवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स): 76वें गणतंत्र दिवस के अवसर पर राष्ट्रपति ने भारतीय तटरक्षक (आईसीजी) के उत्कृष्ट कर्मियों के लिए चार प्रतिष्ठित श्रेणियों में नौ प्रस्कारों को मंज्री



परमेश शिवमणि महानिदेशक, आईसीजी

इसके तहत आईसीजी के डीजी परमेश शिवमणि को अति विशिष्ट सेवा पदक (एवीएसएम) से सम्मानित किया जाएगा। विशिष्ट सेवा के लिए डीजी अनिल कुमार हरबोला और आईजी होमेश कुमार शर्मा को राष्ट्रपति तटरक्षक पदक, बीरता के लिए कमांडेंट अंशुमान रत्ड़ी,



ज्योतिंद्र सिंह



अनिल कुमार हरबोला



होमेश कुमार शमा



अतुल जोशं







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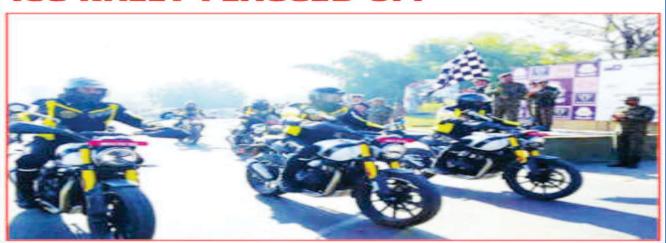
असिस्टेंट कमांडेंट मनीय सिंह और समीर रंजन को तटरक्षक पदक प्रदान किया जाएगा। वहीं, उत्कृष्ट सेवा के लिए आईजी ज्योतिंद्र सिंह,

तटरक्षक पदक दिया जाएगा। आईसीजी के मताबिक ये पुरस्कार राष्ट्र के समुद्री हितों की रक्षा में तटरक्षकों के विशिष्ट वीरता, कर्तव्य के प्रति असाधारण समर्पण और मेधावी सेवा के कार्यों को मान्यता देते हैं।

The Statesman 26-01-25

डीआईजी अंतुल जोशी और पणमृगम शंकर को

#### ICG RALLY FLAGGED OFF



As part of the Indian Coast Guard's 49th Raising Day celebrations, 'Sentinels of the Sea - Sarhad Se Samandar' Motorcycle Expedition, which was flagged off from Attari border on 22 January 2025, reached Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan, a city rich in culture and history, on 23 Jan 2025. After an interactive session with students of MSM Sainik School, Sri Ganganagar, the landmark ICG rally was flagged off by General Officer Commanding Amogh Division at 1000 hrs on 24 January 2025.



नवोदय टाईम्स **27-01-25** 

# भारतीय तटरक्षक बल ने कर्तव्य पथ पर रचा इतिहास

नई दिल्ली, 27 जनवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) ने 76वें गणतंत्र दिवस की परेड में फुल बैंड मार्च और हवाई करतब का प्रदर्शन करके इतिहास रच दिया है। महानिदेशक परमेश शिवमणि सहित नौ अफसरों ने राष्ट्रपति पदक जीतकर अपनी असाधारण योग्यता, विशिष्ट सेवा और बहादुरी का परिचय दिया है। परेड में आईसीजी के पायलटों ने पहली बार आकाश में तीन डोर्नियर विमानों के साथ हवाई करतब दिखाए।

वहीं, 75 कर्मियों के एक पूरे बैंड ने कर्तव्य पथ पर गर्व के साथ संगीत की मधुर धुनों को प्रदर्शित किया। इससे पहले परेड में आईसीजी का आधा बैंड (37 सदस्यीय दल) ही



शामिल होता था। इस दौरान 144 जवानों की टुकड़ी ने डिप्टी कमांडेंट निवता ठाकरान की अध्यक्षता में मार्च पास्ट किया और आईसीजी की ताकत, अनुशासन एवं समर्पण का प्रदर्शन किया। आईसीजी की झांकी का मुख्य आकर्षण, एक फास्ट इंटरसेप्टर बोट, एडवांस्ड लाइट हेलीकॉप्टर, उपग्रह संचार प्रणाली और समुद्री खोज व बचाव के लिए एक अत्याधुनिक समन्वय केंद्र प्रदर्शन रहा।

The Pioneer 28-01-25

### Indian Coast Guard etches new chapter in history on R-Day 2025

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) etched a new chapter in history on Republic Day 2025, with several landmark achievements.

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This year marked the ICG's first-ever participation in the Republic Day parade with three Dornier aircraft, showcasing their advance aerial capabilities.

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Moreover, a full band of 75 personnel performed at Kartavya Path, while a 144-member contingent, headed by Deputy Commandant Navita Thakran, marched past, epitomizing the strength, discipline, and dedication of the ICG.

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Also, President of India honoured ICG Director General
Paramesh Sivamani with the
prestigious Ati Vishisht Seva
Medal (AVSM) for his exceptional leadership. Additionally,
eight officers and personnel
were awarded the President's
Tatrakshak Medal and



Tatrakshak Medal for their exemplary services and bravery. The ICG's tableau was a highlight of the parade, showcasing its diverse maritime safety and security assets. Featuring a Fast Interceptor Boat, Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH), satellite communication systems, and a state-of-the-art Coordination Centre for Maritime Search, the tableau emphasized ICG's

unwavering commitment to safeguarding lives and resources in line with India's rich tradition of benevolence. At the forefront of the tableau, an indigenously built Interceptor Boat, a drone, and the ALH depicted a coordinated Search and Rescue (SAR) operation.

The rear of the tableau showcased the Coordination Centre for maritime Search and Rescue (M.SAR) which

cased the Coordination Centre for maritime Search and Rescue (M-SAR), which ensures mariners and fishermen safety in vast 4.6 million Sq Km of Indian Search and Rescue Region (ISRR).



नवोदय टाईम्स **28-01-25** 

### आईसीजी और इंडोनेशिया तटरक्षक बल के बीच समझौता हुआ नवीनीकृत

नई दिल्ली, 28 जनवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स): समुद्री सुरक्षा और सुरक्षा सहयोग के क्षेत्र में मिलकर काम करने के लिए भारत और इंडोनेशिया के तटरक्षकों के बीच वर्ष 2020 में संपन्न द्विपक्षीय समझौता सोमवार को भारतीय तटरक्षक मुख्यालय में नवीकृत किया गया। यह समझौता अगले तीन साल तक मान्य रहेगा।

इसी समझौते के प्रावधान के तहत इंडोनेशिया तटरक्षक बल (बदन केमनन लाउट रिपब्लिक इंडोनेशिया - बाकमला) के प्रमुख वाइस एडिमरल इरवांसिया एस.एच. के नेतृत्व में आठ सदस्यीय प्रतिनिधिमंडल भारत दौरे पर नई दिल्ली आया है। इस दौरान दोनों पक्षों ने एक उच्च स्तरीय बैठक में



भाग लिया। जिसमें समुद्री खोज और बचाव, प्रदूषण प्रतिक्रिया और समुद्री कानून प्रवर्तन के क्षेत्रों में परिचालन स्तर की बातचीत और क्षमता निर्माण को बढ़ाने पर ध्यान केंद्रित किया गया। साथ ही सुरक्षित,

संरक्षित और लचीले इंडो-पैसिफिक क्षेत्र की दिशा में चर्चा की गई। इस दौरान आईसीजी के महानिदेशक एवीएसएम परमेश शिवमणि अपने अधीनस्थ अधिकारियों के साथ मौजूद रहे।

Free Press Journal 30-01-25

### Indian Coast Guard seizes cannabis at Indo SL-IMBL



Indian Coast Guard Station Mandapam carried out an Anti Narcotics Operation near the Indo-Srilankan IMBL in the morning of January 29, 2025. Responding to an INT input, an Air Cushioned Vehicle was deployed to search for the contraband. During extensive search, the ACV spotted few packages in First Island near the IMBL and on investigation a total of 12 packets, which were abandoned in the island, were sighted and seized. The packets have been identified as Ganja and weighing around 53.620 kg, worth Rs 60 lakh. The contraband is being handed over to Customs Department for further course of action.



### Times of India 31-01-25

### 'Modernisation of Bharatiya Tatrakshak is underway'

In an exclusive interview, the Director General of the Indian Coast Guard, Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM speaks about the vital role of the organisation in ensuring India's maritime security and the significant steps being taken to strengthen its capabilities

#### Q. What are your main tasks and responsibilities as Director General of the Indian Coast Guard?

A: As Director General of the Indian Coast Guard (Bharatiya Tatrakshak), my foremost responsibility is to ensure our force remains unwaveringly vigilant against both natural and man-made threats within our expansive maritime domain. This critical duty includes national safeguarding interests, defending our seas, and enforcing maritime law with resolute strength. Each day, a formidable fleet of 55-60 ships and 10-12 aircraft patrol waters spanning nearly one and a half times the size of India's landmass. With 71 surface platforms, 80 boats, 76 aircraft, and 16,000 dedicated personnel, we stand committed operational excellence in safeguarding maritime safety and security with unyielding resolve.

#### Q. What steps have been taken to bolster coastal security?

A: Coastal security is the foundation of Bharatiya Tatrakshak's mission. Through the 'Sagar Kavach' exercises, we've fostered strong coordination between state and central agencies. Our expanding surveillance network, with 46 radar stations in Phase I and 38 more in Phase II, ensures constant vigilance. Joint patrolling with marine police and effective coordination with all agencies is also being done.



#### Q. How is Indian Coast Guard involving fishermen in coastal safety and security?

A: Fishermen act as our eyes and ears at sea. Through over 6,000 Community Interaction Programmes since 2009, we have empowered them to swiftly identify and report suspicious activity, transforming them into steadfast partners guarding our maritime frontiers. We have also moved forward from interaction to integration of our coastal populace.

#### Q. What is being done to modernize the Indian Coast Guard?

A: Bharatiya Tatrakshak is undergoing a powerful transformation, enhancing its maritime strength with cutting-edge ships, aircraft, and UAVs. Our Maritime Rescue Coordination Centres are fortified with advanced GMDSS technology for rapid, precise responses. By harnessing AI and real-time monitoring, we revolutionize operational efficiency. With rigorous training and a relentless focus on indigenous innovation, we remain ahead of evolving maritime security challenges, driving excellence at every step.

#### Q. What are your passions, and how have they contributed to your success?

A: Understanding the fact that our nation depends on the seas and oceans for sustenance has been the driving force throughout my career. For this to happen, I have always endeavoured to ensure—sound—ocean governance and also ensure the use of seas and oceans for legitimate—purposes—and preserving—the—marine environment—for—future generations.

#### Q. What expanded roles and opportunities for women in Indian Coast Guard?

A: Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh, we are empowering women officers by assigning them key operational roles affording them opportunities make impactful contributions both nationally and internationally. With unwavering commitment, we are shaping a future of equality, where every individual serves with pride. excellence, and distinction.





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