



INDIAN COAST GUARD

OPERATIONS & ACTIVITIES

MONTHLY UPDATE



June, 2025

INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET

Subject		Year 2024	Year 2025 (Upto Jun 2025)	Since Inception
Search and Rescue Effort	Lives Saved at Sea	169	72	11,802
	Missions undertaken	199	61	4,162
	Ship Sorties	309	69	5,343
	Aircraft Sorties	135	17	3,199
	Total Sorties	444	86	8,542
MEDEVAC	Persons Evacuated	29	12	494
Aid to Civil Authorities	Lives Rescued	351	--	14,708
Coastal Security (Since 2009)	Operations	35	20	613 (Since 2009)
	Exercises	30	12	300 (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	2,085	790	16,116 (Since 2009)
	Boarding Operations	27,520	12,905	3,72,371 (Since 2009)
	Investigation VHF	26,412	10,241	2,38,254 (Since 2014)
	Security Drill 'Sajag'	73	23	495 (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Personnel Trained	2,753	1,314	15,846
Anti-Poaching Apprehension	Foreign Fishing Boats	16	03	1,638
	Foreign Fishermen	143	19	13,775
	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	324	34,700 Boats (Since Oct 2007)
	Indo-SLN IMBL	05	03	12,871 Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	201	33	1,389 Boats
Anti Smuggling & Narcotics Control (ASNC) Ops	Vessels Interdicted	16	04	183
	Crew Apprehended	90	22	1,132
	Value of Contraband	₹ 37217.32 Cr.	₹ 1838.01 Cr.	₹ 54,398.97 Cr
Disaster Relief Operations		--	-	95 (since May 1999)
Oil Spill Incidents	Incidents Reported	--	-	95 (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	--	₹ 61,96,74,907.92



INTRODUCTION

1. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) was established on 01 Feb 1977 as an Armed Force of the Union tasked with ensuring the safety, security and stewardship of India's vast maritime interests. Operating under the Ministry of Defence, the ICG has grown into a formidable force with a dedicated mission *"To protect India's maritime interests and enforce maritime law over the vast Maritime Zones of India"*.
2. In Jun 25, ICG displayed exceptional bravery and professionalism, towards fire-fighting onboard MV Wan Hai 503 and Interasia Tenacity, saving lives and averting major maritime disasters through active coordination and relentless firefighting efforts.
3. The month of June is marked by the onset of the southwest monsoon, bringing with it turbulent seas, reduced visibility and increased risks to mariners and coastal communities. During this critical period, the ICG enhanced its operational readiness and maintained heightened surveillance along the coast with special focus on issuing timely weather warnings, shepherding fishing boats to safety and coordinating with maritime stakeholders to ensure minimal loss of life and property.
4. In alignment with the national spirit of wellness and unity, ICG actively participated in the 11th International Day of Yoga on 21 Jun 25. Personnel from all Coast Guard regions, ships and establishments including remote outposts, observed the occasion with enthusiasm. The synchronised conduct of yoga sessions not only promoted physical and mental well-being but also fostered camaraderie, discipline and mindfulness across ranks.
5. Despite the challenges posed by the monsoon, ICG continued to uphold a robust operational tempo throughout. The force remained alert and responsive, undertaking critical missions including SAR operations, MEDEVAC, anti-smuggling drives, marine pollution control and coastal patrols. Further, the key operational activities by the ICG in the month of Jun 25 are as enumerated.

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MAJOR OPERATIONS

A. Anti-Smuggling Operation.

On 19 Jun 25, based on an intelligence input, ICG apprehended one person involved in illegal poaching of Sea Cucumber from North Vedalai Sea coast and seized 6.3 Kilograms of Sea Cucumber worth ₹ 2.5 Lakh. The seized consignment was handed over to Forest Department, Mandapam for further legal action.



Seizure of 6.3 kilograms Sea Cucumber

A. Sinking of MV MSC ELSA 3 (IMO – 9123221).

On 24 May 25, the vessel MV MSC ELSA 3 started listing and subsequently sank 13 n miles off the coast of Kerala on 25 May 25 posing significant navigational, environmental and socio economic risk.

Following the apex-level review meeting on 30 May 25, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) continued intensive monitoring towards oil & chemical spill and salvage operations, after the sinking of MSC ELSA 3. Diving operations began on 09 Jun 25 by Diving Support Vessel (DSV) SEAMEC III, to identify and seal fuel tank openings, coordinated by DG Shipping with ICG support.

ICG ships, including Specialised Pollution Response vessel Samudra Prahari, remain deployed at the site for continuous monitoring and pollution control. Aerial surveillance using Dornier aircraft continues for slick detection and surface assessment.

As of Jun 25, 65 containers were located ashore, with 61 safely recovered and around 550 tons of plastic nurdles were collected during shoreline cleanup. A Diving Support Vessel from Singapore is expected to arrive at Kochi by 26 Jul 25. Oil extraction operations are likely to commence in early Aug 25. ICG remains actively engaged in sustained surveillance and coordinated response at the incident site with one ship continuously maintaining its presence at the site.



Assistance to Sinking of MV MSC ELSA 3

B. Fire onboard MV Wan Hai 503 (IMO – 9294862).

On 09 Jun 25, a container explosion triggered a major fire aboard the Singapore-flagged MV Wan Hai 503, approximately 130 nautical miles northwest of Kochi. The vessel was enroute from Colombo to Nhava Sheva, had 22 crew members. Eighteen were rescued, while four remain missing.

The fire led to the crew abandoning the ship, which became adrift and emitted thick smoke. Indian Coast Guard launched immediate search and rescue operations, diverting two Dornier aircraft and mobilizing five ships initially, later increasing to seven. Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) Mumbai activated the International Safety Net, facilitating assistance from nearby merchant ships. Fire suppression included boundary cooling and Dry Chemical Powder application, supported by Indian Air Force helicopters. Salvage teams were deployed by air to secure tow lines onboard the distressed vessel.

ICG ensured close coordination with DG Shipping, directing vessel's owners to engage qualified salvours. ICG ships also transferred fuel to Salvours tugs in order to sustain towing operations in rough sea

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conditions. Further, the vessel remained under tow South West of Kochi, with no active fire or oil spill reported. One ICG ship remains on site for continuous monitoring and support.



Fire onboard MV Wan Hai 503

C. Fire onboard MV Interasia Tenacity (IMO –1018145).

On 12 Jun 25, a fire broke out aboard Singapore-flagged container vessel MV Interasia Tenacity off the Kerala coast. As the ship's crew battled flames erupting from a deck container, the Indian Coast Guard sprang into action, deploying ICGS Sachet for fire-fighting and a Dornier aircraft for aerial reconnaissance. Though, the crew managed to contain the fire, ICG assets remained on standby, ensuring safety and environmental security. The incident showcased not just rapid response, but the Coast Guard's capacity in guarding India's maritime lifelines.



Fire onboard MV Interasia Tenacity

D. Assistance to Fisherman – Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat Farish (IND-TN-10-MM-869).

On 18 Jun 25, ICG received VHF call from IFB Farish regarding medical emergency onboard in position 11 N miles North West of Pamban, Tamilnadu. The patient suffered a generalised tonic clonic



seizure and merited medical evacuation. ICGS C-432 in area was immediately diverted to provide assistance. ICG ship evacuated the patient and shifted to Government Hospital, Ramanathapuram for further medical management.



Medical Emergency onboard Indian Fishing Boat Farish

E. Grounding of Tug 'ESSAR VIII' (IMO-9124598).

On 25 Jun 25, an Indian flagged Tug namely, ESSAR VIII, with 12 crew onboard lost its power due to mechanical failure whilst enroute from Kollam, Kerala to Mumbai, Maharashtra. The tug drifted despite anchoring attempts in adverse weather conditions. As a resultant of being adrift, the tug ran aground near Koppalam beach, Kasargod, Kerala during late evening on 26 Jun 25.

ICG teams from ICG Station Beypore remained onsite and coordinated the operations throughout in association with stakeholders concerned to avert any pollution response contingency and ecological disaster.

All 12 crew were rescued without any casualties. Tug hull integrity remains intact. The engaged salvage team arranged by the Owner and 12.5 KL of Marine Diesel Oil aboard has been transferred ashore.



Grounding of Tug 'ESSAR VIII'

A. ICG Participation in Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Workshop at Malaysia.

Two ICG officers participated in Working Group on Maritime Safety and Security - Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) workshop on Maritime Regulation and Enforcement at Shah Alam, Malaysia from 02 to 05 Jun 25. The workshop was focused on international law considerations for effective maritime regulation and enforcement particularly under UNCLOS.



ICG Participation in IORA Workshop

B. ICG Participation in International Young Officer and Cadet Conference.

One ICG officer participated in International Young Officers and Cadets Conference at Japan Coast Guard Academy, Hiroshima, Japan from 11 to 16 Jun 25. Officers from Canada, USA, Malaysia, Philippines and Japan also participated in the conference. The conference was an educational programme to deepen mutual understanding through exchange of opinions, knowledge sharing related to CG domain and build relationships.



ICG Participation in International Young Coast Guard Officers Conference



COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

C. Visit of ICG delegation to Sydney, Australia.

Working Level Meeting of Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies (HACGAM) was conducted from 16 to 19 Jun 25 at Sydney, Australia to discuss and finalise agenda for upcoming 21st HACGAM. A two member ICG delegation participated in the meeting.



Visit of ICG delegation to Sydney, Australia

D. Deputation of ICG delegation onboard USCG Cutter Stratton.

In a significant stride toward strengthening maritime security and interoperability in the Indo-Pacific, two ICG Officers alongwith officers from JCG and ABF embarked USCG Cutter Stratton as QUAD-at-Sea Observers in Jun 25. The cross-embarkation mission marked an unprecedented step in QUAD Coast Guard collaboration, enhancing joint readiness, operational coordination and domain awareness in support of a Free, Open, Inclusive and Rules-Based Indo-Pacific and also signifies deepening of operational ties between the Indian Coast Guard (ICG), Japan Coast Guard (JCG), US Coast Guard (USCG), and Australian Border Force (ABF).



ICG delegation onboard USCG Cutter Stratton

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:-

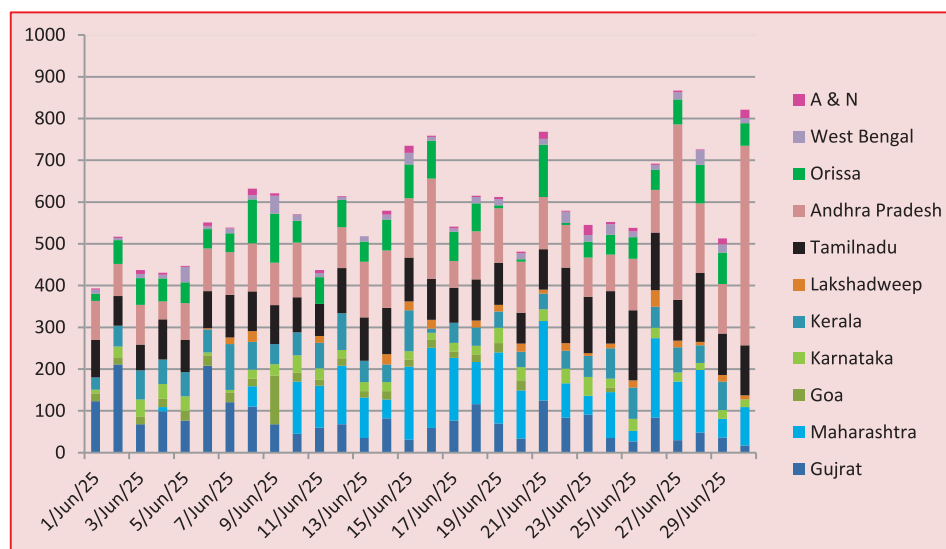
Ser	Conducted By	Name of Exercise/ Operation	Dates
(i)	Regional HQ (East)	Ops Chaukas	15 - 17 Jun 25
		Ops Sentinel	18 -21 Jun 25
		Ops Sajag	25 Jun 25
		Ops Thadai	26 Jun 25
(ii)	Regional HQ (North East)	Ops Sajag	18 Jun 25

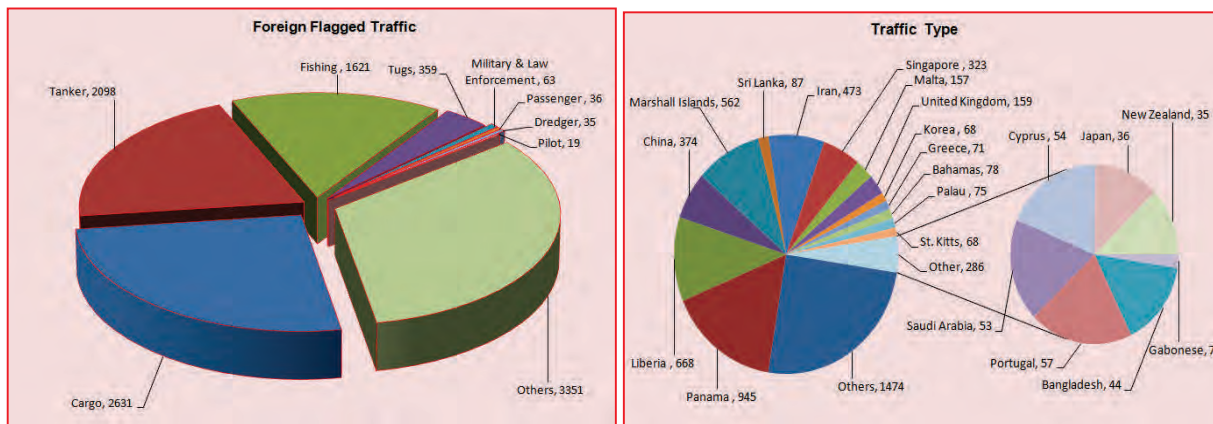
B. Coastal Surveillance Network (CSN).

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

C. Coastal Maritime Traffic.

A total of 10,213 distinct AIS transmissions were monitored on CSN network along the Indian coast in Jun 25. Traffic share of India, Panama, Liberia, Marshall Islands, China & Hong Kong and Singapore stood at 43%, 09%, 07%, 05%, 04% and 03% respectively. The larger share of Indian flagged traffic is attributed to coastal traffic. Traffic share of Cargo and Tanker vessels are 26% and 21% respectively. A total of 2120 vessels were investigated by ICG ROSSs. The state-wise, flag-wise and type-wise traffic pattern is depicted below:-

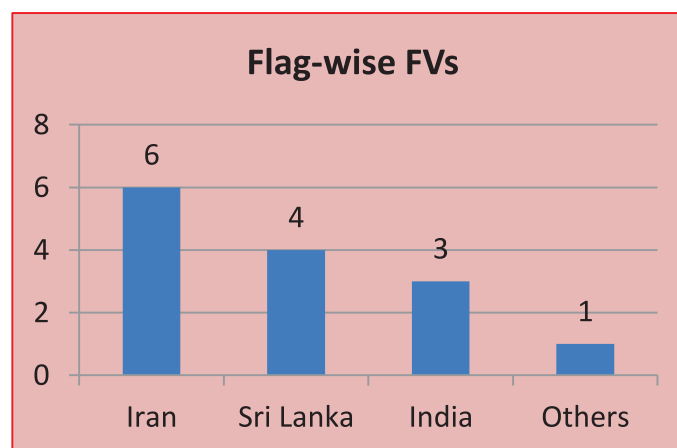




D. Fishing Activity in North Indian Ocean.

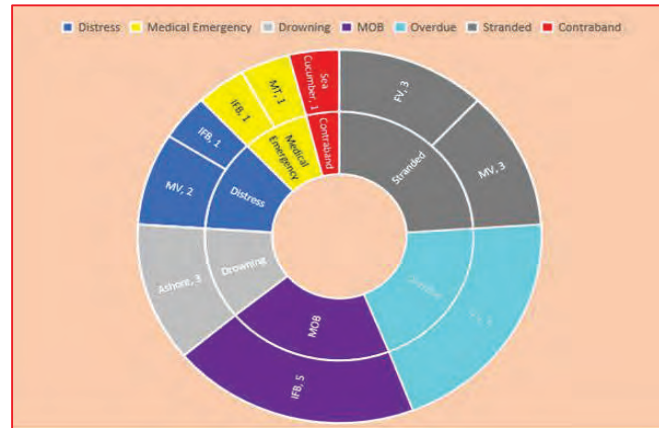
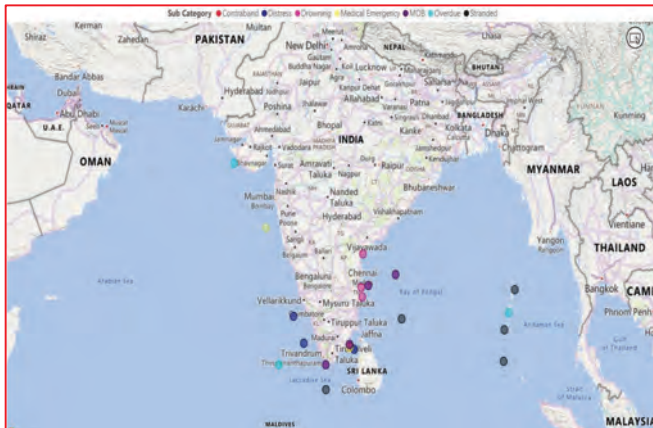
A total of 1,635 Fishing Vessels (FVs) were observed transmitting on AIS in Northern Indian Ocean in the month of Jun 25. The analysis of fishing activity is based upon kinematics such as low speed. The data towards numbers of FVs have been garnered from AIS transmission; however, the actual numbers 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 Jun 25 is as follows:-

- (i) **Arabian Sea (Beyond EEZ).** A Total of 14 FVs were observed transmitting on AIS and appreciated to be engaged in fishing. Out of these, number of Iranian, Sri Lankan, Indian, and Indonesian FVs are 06, 04, 03 and 01 respectively. No FVs of China and Pakistan was observed transmitting on AIS during the period. Majority of FVs withdrew from area by the end of May 25, which may be attributed to onset of monsoon or voluntary fishing moratorium declared by flag state. No Chinese flagged fish-carrier (Reefers) was observed operating in Arabian Sea.



- (ii) **Indian EEZ.** A total of 1,621 Indian flagged FVs were observed transmitting on AIS.
- (iii) **Bay of Bengal (Beyond EEZ).** No fishing activities were observed in high seas in Bay of Bengal, which may be due to onset of Monsoon.

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 Jun 25

(i) **Maritime Incidents.** A total of 21 incidents were reported in Maritime Zones/Search and Rescue Region of India in Jun 25.

(aa) **Distress.** Three distress incidents were reported in Jun 25. Fire was reported onboard two Merchant Vessels (MVs) and one Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) capsized. The fire in both MVs originated from containers. Fire onboard MV Interasia Tenacity was controlled by ship staff while fire-fighting/ boundary cooling onboard MV Wan Hai 503 is still ongoing. All crew of MV Wan Hai 503 were rescued by SAR agencies. The crew of capsized IFB has been rescued by Sri Lankan Navy.

(ab) **Stranded.** Five incidents of stranding were reported in Jun 25. Two merchant vessels were stranded, one due to engine failure and the other due to fuel shortage while three IFBs were stranded due to engine failure.

(ac) **Medical Emergency.** Two medical emergencies were reported in Jun 25, one on a Motor Tanker and the other on an Indian fishing boat. MRCC coordinated the safe evacuation of both patients.

(ad) **Man Over Board.** Five cases of Man Overboard (MOB) were reported in Jun 25, all involving Indian fishing boats from Tamil Nadu, mostly due to inclement weather in the area. Search and Rescue (SAR) agencies recovered three bodies.

(ae) **Overdue.** Three incidents of overdue of IFBs were reported by Dept of Fisheries. However, two IFBs alongwith crew returned ashore safely while one IFB is still missing. SAR authorities of neighboring countries have been alerted.

(af) **Drowning.** Three cases of beach drowning were reported in Jun 25.

(ii) **Contraband.** One case of poaching was reported in Jun 25. ICG seized 6.3 Kgs Sea Cucumber worth ₹ 2.5 Lakhs.

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

The purchase made through GeM portal during the month of May 25 was ₹ 31,86,55,970.52 (Rupees Thirty One Crore Eighty Six Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy and Fifty Two 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
—	13 (Under Process)

C. Inauguration of Dedicated 76.7 m Jetty at Vizhinjam.

On 07 Jun 25, Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG inaugurated a dedicated 76.7 m Jetty at Vizhinjam. Various dignitaries from ICG, Kerala Maritime Board, Port Authorities and other stakeholders witnessed the event. The inaugurated Jetty will boost the ICG response to Maritime contingencies like SAR, MEDEVAC, Pollution Response and enhance coastal security preparedness.



Inauguration of Dedicated 76.7 m Jetty at Vizhinjam

D. Conduct of 137th Offshore Security Coordination Committee Meeting (OSCC).



Conduct of 137th Offshore Security Coordination Committee Meeting

On 12 Jun 25, 137th Offshore Security Coordination Committee (OSCC) Meeting was conducted at New Delhi. Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG chaired the meeting. Representatives from ICG, IN, IAF (MCC), ONGC, various Ministries and other stakeholders participated in the meeting. The meeting was focused on fortifying the security and preparedness of India's offshore installations.

E. Synergy Meeting between ICG and IN Aviation Divisions.

On 12 Jun 25, Synergy Meeting between Aviation Divisions of Indian Coast Guard & Indian Navy was held at CGHQ, New Delhi. The meeting was co-chaired by ACNS (Air) & DDG (AV). The meeting was focused on Joint-manship, Interoperability, Air Ops, Training, Flight Safety & Asset Acquisition and marked a significant stride in maritime air collaboration.



Synergy Meeting between ICG and IN Aviation Divisions

F. Visit of Joint Staff College, Japan Delegation to ICG Ship Sujeet at Mumbai.

On 12 Jun 25, Joint Staff College, Japan delegation visited Indian Coast Guard Ship Sujeet at Mumbai. During visit, the delegation was briefed about ICG role and responsibilities. The interactive session included a walk around and technical familiarization of the indigenously built ship.



Visit of JSC, Japan Delegation to ICG Ship Sujeet at Mumbai

G. Call on Hon'ble Governor of Odisha, Shri Hari Babu Kambhampati and DGP Shri Y.B. Khurania.

On 14 Jun 25, Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG called on Hon'ble Governor of Odisha, Shri Hari Babu Kambhampati & DGP Shri Y.B. Khurania on his visit to Odisha and discussed ICG infrastructural developments and operational readiness.



Call on Hon'ble Governor and DGP of Odisha

H. Conduct of OPRC Level -3 Course.

Maiden OPRC Level-3 course was conducted by Indian Coast Guard Pollution Response Team (West), Mumbai from 16 to 20 Jun 25. Officers from ICG and stakeholders participated in the course.



Conduct of OPRC Level -3 Course

J. Conduct of Community Interaction Programme at Vadinar.

On 21 Jun 25, ICG Station Vadinar conducted a Community Interaction Programme and Medical Camp at Vadinar. 135 Fishermen from local village participated. The programme featured health check-ups and brief on life-saving equipment. Fishermen were also sensitized about emergency helplines 1554 and 1993 and encouraged to be the “Eye and Ears” of the ICG by reporting any suspicious activity at sea.



Conduct of Community Interaction Programme at Vadinar

K. International Yoga Day-2025.

On 21 Jun 25, Indian Coast Guard marked the 11th International Day of Yoga with its flagship initiative 'Yoga Sangam', witnessing enthusiastic participation by thousands of personnel and their families pan ICG. Aligning with the Ministry of Ayush global theme 'Yoga for One Earth, One Health', ICG celebrations highlighted a deep-rooted commitment to holistic well-being, discipline and operational readiness.



International Yoga Day-2025

L. Meeting with Fisheries Association & Fishing Boat Owners at Sri Vijaya Puram.

On 24 Jun 25, ICG Regional Headquarter (A&N) conducted a meeting with Local Fisheries Association and Fishing Boat Owners at Sri Vijaya Puram to address challenges faced by fishermen at sea. The session was focused on enhancing safety and security of fishermen operating at sea. A Safety Guide Book for fishermen was also distributed to all attendees.



Meeting with Fisheries Association & Fishing Boat Owners at Sri Vijaya Puram

M. Conduct of Pollution Response Seminar, Workshop & Mock Drill at Visakhapatnam.

ICG DHQ-6 (Andhra Pradesh) conducted a Pollution Response Seminar, Workshop & Mock Drill from 24 to 25 Jun 25 at Visakhapatnam. Session was focused on response preparedness, equipment efficacy & impact of Oil Pollution.



Pollution Response Seminar, Workshop & Mock Drill at Visakhapatnam

N. Conduct of Maritime Search and Rescue Workshop at Goa.

On 25 Jun 25, ICG DHQ-11 (Goa) conducted a Maritime Search and Rescue Workshop. The workshop was focused on SOP revalidation & Bridging 'Expectation & Capabilities'.



Maritime Search and Rescue Workshop at Goa

P. Call on with Commander Maritime Border Command, Royal Australian Navy.

On 26 Jun 25, Rear Admiral Bret Sonter, Commander Maritime Border Command, Royal Australian Navy, called on Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, DGICG at CGHQ, New Delhi. The meeting was focused on enhancing bilateral cooperation and interoperability between the two agencies.



Call on with Commander Maritime Border Command, Royal Australian Navy

Q. Inauguration of Radar Simulator (RADSIM) Facility at Daman.

On 26 Jun 25, a state of the art Radar Simulator RADSIM facility was inaugurated at ICGAS Daman by Air Vice Marshall R Guruhari, Commandant, SDI Bengaluru, in presence of DDG (Aviation), CGHQ. A leap in air surveillance training & operational readiness, the simulator enhances ATC training across Armed forces and prepares controllers for increased air traffic under RCS UDAAN & civil terminal ops at Daman.



Radar Simulator (RADSIM) Facility at Daman

R. Conduct of Awareness Programme about Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at Kolkata.

On 26 Jun 25, ICG RHQ (NE) conducted an awareness programme about drug abuse and illicit trafficking. Students from Schools and Colleges participated in the event. During the event, they were motivated about embracing a drug free life.



Awareness Programme about Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at Kolkata

S. Conduct of Pollution Response Seminar & Mock Drill at Mangalore.

Indian Coast Guard District Headquarters-3, Karnataka conducted a Pollution Response Seminar & Mock Drill from 24 to 25 Jun 25 at Mangalore. During seminar, a realistic oil spill scenario was simulated at NMPA jetty, Mangalore emphasising the need for preparedness & collaboration coupled with innovation for safeguarding our seas.



Pollution Response Seminar & Mock Drill at Mangalore

T. 6th Joint Working Group Meeting between ICG and Assam Rifles.

On 27 Jun 25, 6th Joint Working Group Meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Assam Rifles was conducted at ICG District Headquarters-4 (Kerala), Kochi. The meeting was aimed at operational synergy, interoperability, training and cultural exchanges.



6th JWG Meeting between ICG and Assam Rifles

नवोदय टाइम्स
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आईसीजी ने समुद्र तटों को किया प्लास्टिक कचरे से मुक्त



नई दिल्ली, 4 जून (नवोदय टाइम्स): समुद्र में पर्यावरणीय आपदाओं के खिलाफ देश की अग्रिम क्ति के रूप में कार्य करने वाले भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) बुधवार को विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस नाया। इस अवसर पर 'बौट वास्तिक पॉल्यूशन' थीम के तहत मुद्र तटों को कचरा मुक्त करने का अभियान चलाया।

आईसीजी पर्यावरण संरक्षण महिम के तहत ना सिर्फ समुद्र में तेल रिसाव, रासायनिक खतरों और समुद्री प्रदूषण की घटनाओं पर तेजी से प्रतिक्रिया करता है। बल्कि विशेष प्रदूषण नियंत्रण जहाजों (समुद्र प्रहरी, समुद्र पहरेदार और समुद्र पावक से लैस) होकर प्रदूषकों को अर्थावर्तनीय पारिस्थितिक क्षति का कारण बनने से रोकता है। साथ ही उन्हें बेअसर करने के लिए टियर-1 शमन रणनीतियों को तैनात करता है।

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ICG: Safeguarding India's Maritime Ecosystems on World Environment Day 2025



As the world unites on World Environment Day 2025 to champion sustainability, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) stands at the forefront of marine conservation, reinforcing its commitment to protecting India's vast coastal heritage. With an extensive coastline stretching over 11,000 km, the nation's marine ecosystems—including coral reefs, mangroves, and nesting beaches—serve as critical lifelines for biodiversity and coastal livelihoods. This year's theme on world environment day, #BeatPlasticPollution, underscores the urgency of tackling marine contamination. Responding to this global call, the ICG, under flagship national campaigns such as Swachh Sagar Surakshit Sagar, Puneet Sagar Abhiyan, and Mission LIFE, has conducted over 58 major coastal clean-up operations, successfully removing more than 194 tonnes of plastic waste last year. These initiatives actively engage youth, fishermen, and local communities, fostering collective responsibility for ocean health.

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) also serves as the nation's frontline defense against environmental disasters at sea, swiftly responding to oil spills, chemical hazards, and marine pollution incidents. Equipped with specialized Pollution Control Vessels—Samudra Prahar, Samudra Paharedar, and Samudra Pavak—the ICG deploys Tier-I mitigation strategies to contain, recover, and neutralize pollutants before they cause irreversible ecological damage. Through the biannual NATPOLREX exercises, the ICG fosters seamless inter-agency coordination, ensuring over 50 national stakeholders are prepared for large-scale pollution response efforts. By integrating environmental protection into its core maritime security framework, the ICG safeguards vital ocean ecosystems, preserves biodiversity, and reinforces India's commitment to sustainable maritime governance.

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रणनीतिक रूप से महत्वपूर्ण है विषिनजम बंदरगाह पर विकसित जेटी : परमेश शिवमणि

आईसीजी के डीजी ने दक्षिण पश्चिम तटरेखा पर निर्मित नए जेटी का किया उद्घाटन



नई दिल्ली, 7 जून (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल के महानिदेशक (डीजी) परमेश शिवमणि एथोएसएम ने शनिवार को केरल के विषिनजम बंदरगाह पर एक अत्याधुनिक जेटी का उद्घाटन किया। इस जेटी के निर्माण से जहां आईसीजी को देश की तटीय निगरानी करने में मदद मिलेगी, वहीं आईसीजी जहाजों की तैनाती में तेजी आएगी। साथ ही आईसीजी के समुद्री परिचालन क्षमता में मजबूती आएगी।

इस अवसर पर डीजी परमेश शिवमणि ने कहा कि यह सुविधा

(जेटी) भारत के दक्षिण-पश्चिम तटरेखा पर समुद्री सुरक्षा के लिए नए सिरे से विकसित किया गया महत्वपूर्ण बुनियादी ढांचा है, जो प्रमुख अंतरराष्ट्रीय शिपिंग लेन से सिर्फ 10 समुद्री मील की दूरी पर और विषिनजम इंटरनेशनल ट्रांसशिपमेंट डॉकवाटर मल्टीपर्वज सोपॉर्ट के निकट है। इस अत्याधुनिक जेटी में 76.7 मीटर का बंध है, जिसे विशेष तौर पर आईसीजी के जहाजों को समायोजित करने के लिए डिज़ाइन किया गया है। यह जेटी रणनीतिक रूप से भी महत्वपूर्ण है।

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'Proposed air enclave in Kerala to boost Coast Guard presence'

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THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Coast Guard Director General S. Paramesh on Saturday described the long-pending proposal for an air enclave for the maritime law enforcement agency in Thiruvananthapuram as a "work in progress".

Once all the approvals are secured and it gets commissioned, the enclave will give a fillip to the Coast Guard's charter of duties including search and rescue (SAR) operations in the southern region, he said. According to him, the enclave will permanently station helicopters, considerably enhancing operational preparedness and response to emergencies out at sea. "Fixed-wing aircraft can come here on detachment and operate from here," the Flag Officer told *The Hindu* after inaugurating a new, 76.7 metre-long jetty for Coast Guard vessels at Vizhinjam.

Although the Coast Guard station at Vizhinjam is equipped with fast-patrol vessels and interceptor boats, air support has to come from Kochi. The



S. Paramesh

commissioning of a major seaport at Vizhinjam, SAR related to fishing vessels and maritime emergencies such as the recent sinking of the Liberian-flagged container ship *MSC Elsa* since it is the first responder to maritime emergencies, Mr. Paramesh said. "It is a very unfortunate incident. The matter is being investigated by the Director General Shipping. Once they finish the investigation, we will come to know the reasons that caused the ship to flounder and sink."

Expanded Coast Guard presence in Thiruvananthapuram district will help during incidents such as the sinking of *MSC Elsa* since it is the first responder to maritime emergencies, Mr. Paramesh said. "It is a very unfortunate incident. The matter is being investigated by the Director General Shipping. Once they finish the investigation, we will come to know the reasons that caused the ship to flounder and sink."

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ICG inaugurates dedicated jetty at Vizhinjam Harbour

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ New Delhi

Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Director General (DG) Paramesh Sivamani, inaugurated a new dedicated ICG jetty at Vizhinjam Harbour, Kerala on Saturday, defence ministry said here on Sunday. The 76.7-metre state-of-the-art berth will support faster deployment and turnaround of ICG vessels, enhancing mission readiness for coastal surveillance, search and rescue, anti-smuggling and fisheries protection.

Strategically located just 10 nautical miles from key international shipping lanes and adjacent to the Vizhinjam International Transshipment Deepwater Port, the jetty is expected to play a critical role in securing India's southwestern coastline. Sivamani highlighted the strategic importance of the new facility, calling it a major step forward in strengthening the coastal security architecture and ensuring faster response capabilities in the region.

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Fire Onboard Container Vessel Wan Hai 503 With 22 Crew Off Bepore



At around 0930 hrs on Monday, Indian Coast Guard received distress alert from Singapore flagged container vessel Wan Hai 503, regarding explosion and subsequent fire onboard one of the containers, 88 Nautical miles from the

coast of Bepore. The vessel had departed the port of Colombo, Sri Lanka with 22 crew onboard on 06 Jun 25, for the Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai, India with an estimated time of arrival 09 Jun 25. On receipt of information, ICG assets were diverted immediately and are coordinating rescue operations for the crew. As of 1240 hrs, the resulting fire has been reported to have spread to other containers and the crew have abandoned the vessel into life rafts. ICG Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre, Mumbai diverted MV One Marvel, which recovered 18 of the crew. Of the 18 crew rescued, one is reported to have sustained serious injuries. 04 crew (02 Taiwanese, 01 Indonesian and 01 Myanmar) are missing from the time of explosion and their search is in progress. ICG Dornier aircraft is maintaining overhead the vessel for real-time assessment.

Times of India
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137th meeting of OSCC convened

The 137th meeting of the Offshore Security Coordination Committee (OSCC) was convened at New Delhi under the chairpersonship of Director General Paramesh Sivamani, AVSM, PTM, TM, Director General Indian Coast Guard. The meeting aimed to review the preparedness and effectiveness of the security of India's offshore installations and enhance joint response mechanisms. The meeting was attended by



representatives from various organisations, including IN, IAF, ICG, MHA, MEA, MoPNG, DGH, IB, DG Shipping, ONGC and state police forces from Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Andhra Pradesh, among other stakeholders. The committee underscored the imperative of enhancing joint responses to safeguard vital energy infrastructure. Emphasis was placed on strengthening coordination amongst agencies to address emerging challenges and ensure the security of offshore assets.

Times of India
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New fast patrol vessel to bolster coastal protection

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Panaji: Goa Shipyard on Monday launched a new fast patrol vessel for the Indian Coast Guard to bolster the maritime fleet and safeguard offshore assets and island territories. The patrol vessel, the fifth in a series of eight fast patrol vessels, features a controllable pitch propeller (CPP) and has 60% indigenous equipment.

The fast patrol vessel, christened Achal, is part of the Indian Coast Guard's efforts to modernise its current fleet, said coast guard commander (western seaboard), additional director general Anil Kumar Harbola.

"We systematically modernised our fleet. The FPV class of ships forms a critical component of our capability. This vessel is a reaffirmation of our commitment to national maritime security, self-reliance, and operational excellence," said Harbola.

The vessel is designed for high-speed interdiction and versatile missions in coastal and offshore zones, said Har-



The fast patrol vessel has been christened 'Achal'

bola. Designed and constructed under stringent dual-class certification from the American Bureau of Shipping and Indian Register of Shipping, Achal measures 52m in length and 8m in breadth, with a displacement of 320 tonnes.

Powered by a CPP-based propulsion system, the vessel can attain a top speed of 27 knots.

"The ship is a leap forward in design and function for the Indian Coast Guard

and shipbuilding," said Harbola. Built at a total cost of Rs 473 crore, the project also provided a significant boost to local industry by generating substantial employment and supporting MSMEs within GSL.

Referring to the Indian Coast Guard's recent maritime interventions and assistance to commercial shipping vessels, Harbola said that the Indian Coast Guard earned the moniker of 'saviour at sea'.

राष्ट्रीय सहाय
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गुजरात : बाढ़ स्थल से महिलाओं समेत 22 लोगों को बचाया गया नई दिल्ली । भारतीय तटरक्षक बल ने बुधवार को बताया कि गुजरात में बाढ़ वाले एक स्थान से महिलाओं समेत 22 फंसे हुए कर्मियों को बचाया गया है। आईसीजी ने 'एक्स' पर एक पोस्ट में यह बात कही और कुछ तस्वीरें भी साझा कीं। उसने कहा, तेज और साहसिक अभियान। भारतीय तटरक्षक स्टेशन, पीपावाव ने मरीन पुलिस के साथ समन्वय कर, विकटर गांव, अमरेली के पास बाढ़ वाले गुजरात जल आपूर्ति और सौवरेज बोर्ड स्थल से महिलाओं समेत 22 फंसे हुए कर्मियों को बचाया। उसने पोस्ट में कहा, कठिन मौसम और कम दृश्यता के बीच आईसीजी ने अपने आदर्श वाक्य की पुष्टि की: हम रक्षा करते हैं।

नवोदय टाइम्स
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कोस्ट गार्ड ने 'योग संगम' में लगाई डुबकी

नई दिल्ली, 21 जून (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) ने शनिवार को 11वें अंतराष्ट्रीय योग दिवस के अवसर पर देश के 60 से अधिक तटरक्षक स्थानों पर योग संगम का आयोजन किया। इनमें मुंद्रा, ओखा, मुंबई, गोवा, चेन्नई, विशाखापत्तनम, मंडपम और कोल्बि के साथ पोर्ट ब्लेयर जैसे द्वीप शामिल हैं।

इस दौरान आईसीजी के हजारों कर्मियों और उनके परिवारों ने सामूहिक योग अभ्यासों के जरिये स्वास्थ्य के प्रति एकता और प्रतिबद्धता का प्रदर्शन किया जिसमें आसन (योगिक मुद्राएं), प्राणायाम (श्वास व्यायाम) और ध्यान (योगिक मुद्राएं) शामिल थे। मुख्य कार्यक्रम करते हुए कहा, योग ना सिर्फ समग्र कल्याण को बढ़ावा देता है। बल्कि उच्च-तनाव वाले समुद्री वातावरण में सेवा करने वाले लोगों के मानसिक स्वास्थ्य में इजाफा करता है। उन्होंने कहा, योग सत्र के नियमित आयोजन से जहां आईसीजी कर्मियों की चुनौतीपूर्ण जीवन शैली में सहज बदलाव लाया जा सकता है। वहीं मानसिक तनाव को कम करने में भी मदद मिल सकती है।



योग बंदना संस्थान के सहयोग से नोएडा सेक्टर-24 स्थित तटरक्षक पोर्स में आयोजित किया गया।

इस दौरान आईसीजी के महानिदेशक एचोएसएम परमेश शिवमणि ने एक हजार से अधिक लोगों को संबोधित किया।

नवोदय टाइम्स
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देश की समुद्री निगरानी क्षमता हुई 'अदम्य'

नई दिल्ली, 26 जून (ब्यूरो): फास्ट पेट्रोल वेसल 'अदम्य' वीरवार को भारतीय तटरक्षक बल के बेड़े में शामिल हो गया। यह जहाज समुद्री कानून प्रवर्तन, तटीय निगरानी, खोज एवं बचाव कार्यों के साथ भारत के अनन्य आर्थिक क्षेत्र की सुरक्षा में सहयोग करेगा।

'अदम्य' 8 एफपीवी निर्माण परियोजना के तहत गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड (जीएसएल) में निर्मित पहला तेज गश्ती पोत (एफपीवी) है जिसे 60% से अधिक स्वदेशी सामग्री के साथ विकसित किया गया है। इसमें कंट्रोलरल पिच प्रोपेलर और स्वदेशी रूप से विकसित गियरबॉक्स हैं, जो समुद्र में बेहतर गतिशीलता, परिचालन लचीलापन और बेहतर प्रदर्शन प्रदान करते हैं। हर एफपीवी की लंबाई 52 मीटर, चौड़ाई 8 मीटर और अधिकतम गति 27 नॉट होगी। यह जहाज अत्याधुनिक तकनीक से लैस है, जिसमें 30 मिमी सीआरएन-91 गन, फायर कंट्रोल सिस्टम के साथ दो 12.7 मिमी स्थिर रिमोट-कंट्रोल गन, एक इंटीग्रेटेड ब्रिज सिस्टम, एक इंटीग्रेटेड प्लेटफॉर्म मैनेजमेंट सिस्टम और एक ऑटोमेटेड पावर मैनेजमेंट सिस्टम शामिल हैं। ये उन्नत प्रणालियां भारतीय तटरक्षक बल को भारत के व्यापक समुद्री क्षेत्र में दक्षता और जवाबदेही के साथ कर्तव्यों का पालन करने में सक्षम बनाएंगी।

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ICG, ASSAM RIFLES MEET CONCLUDES



The 6th Joint Working Group (JWG) meeting among the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and Assam Rifles concluded at Coast Guard District Headquarters No. 4 in Kochi on Friday. The annual meeting witnessed the active participation of senior delegates from both premier border guarding forces of the nation, reaffirming their continued commitment to enhancing inter-service cooperation and integration. The Joint Working Group meeting serves as a vital platform to foster mutual understanding of operational practices, strengthen camaraderie, and promote the optimal use of each other's assets for training, sports, and adventure activities.



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