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The motto of the Indian Coast Guard is "*Vayam Rakshamah*"
which translates as "*We Protect*"

We

⟨ Protect those at sea ⟩

⟨ Protect maritime & other national interests ⟩

⟨ Protect the nation against seaborne threats ⟩

⟨ Protect the sea & its resources ⟩

From the Director General's Desk



Dear Reader,

It is with great pride and pleasure that I present the sixth edition of 'SAGAR', the newsletter of the International Cooperation Division of the Indian Coast Guard (ICG). This publication continues to capture the essence of our international maritime engagements, reflecting the spirit of collaboration and mutual respect that defines our relationships with global maritime partners.

The year 2024 has been transformative for the Indian Coast Guard, with numerous initiatives and engagements that have further cemented our role as a key player in fostering maritime safety, security, and environmental stewardship. Our commitment to the vision of 'Security and Growth for All in the Region' has been unwavering, and the strides we have made this year underscore the effectiveness of our collaborative approach.

From deepening bilateral relationships through meaningful dialogues and agreements to taking the lead in multilateral forums that address shared challenges, the ICG has demonstrated its dedication to enhancing regional cooperation. The successful hosting of high-level meetings and the facilitation of international training programs have not only advanced our operational expertise but also reinforced the bonds of trust and understanding with our global partners.

A significant highlight of the year was the conduct of SAGAREX, a flagship exercise that showcased our operational readiness and commitment to maritime security. This initiative has played a pivotal role in enhancing mutual trust and fostering a spirit of camaraderie among regional maritime stakeholders. Our proactive involvement in environmental protection initiatives has also been noteworthy. The establishment and operationalization of platforms for regional marine pollution response and capacity building have showcased our commitment to safeguarding the marine environment. These efforts resonate strongly with our shared goal of achieving a sustainable and resilient maritime ecosystem.

Our overseas deployments and joint exercises have further amplified our presence in the region, serving as a testament to our readiness and capability to address complex maritime challenges. These engagements have also provided invaluable opportunities to share best practices and learn from the experiences of our counterparts across the globe.

The successes of this year would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of the dedicated personnel of the International Cooperation Division. Their vision and hard work have been instrumental in realizing our goals and ensuring that the ICG's contributions are recognized and valued on the international stage.

As we move forward, I am confident that the Indian Coast Guard will continue to uphold its tradition of excellence, strengthening its partnerships and advancing the cause of maritime harmony and security. I extend my sincere gratitude to all those who have supported our endeavours and to the readers of 'SAGAR' for their continued interest and encouragement.

Wishing you all success and prosperity in the year ahead.

Jai Hind! VAYAM RAKSHAMAH!

New Delhi

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EDITORIAL

With the rollout of the sixth edition of the SAGAR Newsletter, it is with immense pride that I reflect on the remarkable strides made by the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) in fostering international cooperation and partnership. Through this platform, my team and I aim to continue highlighting the ICG's steadfast commitment to strengthening the global maritime framework.

This edition encapsulates an insightful narrative of bilateral and multilateral activities, capacity-building initiatives, and key events spearheaded by the ICG in 2024. These initiatives reflect not just our strategic intent but also our resolute determination to build enduring professional linkages with the Coast Guards and maritime agencies of friendly foreign nations.

As we witness the evolving maritime world order, the ICG's role as a pivotal force in realizing India's maritime aspirations becomes ever more pronounced. Our endeavours to enhance professional exchanges, share expertise, and contribute to a safer and more secure maritime environment underscore our growing stature as a credible and dependable partner in the global maritime arena.

Over the years, the ICG has earned its rightful place as a key stakeholder in regional maritime security, consistently expanding its footprint to uphold India's maritime interests and foster cooperative mechanisms. The International Cooperation Division remains dedicated to this mission, ensuring that our engagements contribute meaningfully to the collective prosperity of the global maritime community.

As we advance into the future, I must emphasize the critical role of feedback in refining and improving SAGAR. It is your valuable insights and comments that enable us to better represent the spirit and achievements of the ICG. I wholeheartedly invite you, our esteemed readers, to share your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions for enhancing the quality and impact of this publication.

Let us sail together towards a shared vision of peace, security, and cooperation across the oceans.

Happy Reading...



(Pankaj Verma)
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*Strengthening International Cooperation:
Charting New Waters*

SHIP VISITS

In Visit

● **Port Call by JCG ship.** JCG ship Yashima made a port call at Chennai from 11 - 13 Jan 24. A joint exercise (Sahyog-Kaijin) between Indian Coast Guard and Japan Coast Guard was conducted on 12 Jan 24 at Chennai.



Augmenting Interoperability and skills through training

The exercise at sea focused on contemporary maritime security situations, SAR operations and Major Fire-Fighting demonstration.

● **Port Call by USCG Cutter Bertholf.** USCG Cutter Bertholf made port call at Port Blair, from 07-10 Mar 24 for professional interaction with ICG. During the visit, ICG-USCG joint exercise “Sea Defender-2024” was conducted from 09-10 Mar 24 off Port Blair. The exercise scenario focused on contemporary maritime security situation, encompassing Anti drone attack drills, VBSS operations, Major Fire-Fighting demonstration, Marine Pollution Response, Cross Deck Helicopter Landings, Counter Drug Interdiction exercise and Joint Coordination Sail.



Exercise Sea Defender - 2024 with USCG at Port Blair



- **Port Call by VCG ship.** Vietnam Coast Guard Ship CSB 8005 visited Kochi from 16-20 Dec 24. Professional interaction including lectures/ training on MPR and M-SAR, guided tours onboard ships, sport fixtures and community support activities were undertaken for first two days. On the final day, ICG and VCG ships participated in 2nd edition of joint exercise “Sahyog Hop Tac-2024” off Kochi wherein ship’s crew was exercised in VBSS operations, drug interdiction,



ICG-VCG Joint Exercise 'Sahyog Hop-Tac-2024' at Kochi

Major Fire-Fighting demonstration, Oil Pollution Response, and vertical replenishment operations.



Out Visit

- **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Varaha to African Countries.** Indian Coast Guard Ship Varaha was deployed to African Countries viz Kenya, Mozambique and Tanzania from 28 Jan 24 - 05 Mar 24. As part of the OSD, ICGS Varaha visited Port Mombasa, Maputo Port



Enhancing Cooperative engagements with African countries

and Zanzibar port. The primary objectives of the visit were to strengthen long-standing diplomatic ties, enhance maritime cooperation, and promote interoperability with the respective Coast Guards and other maritime agencies. This deployment to African countries also provided a suitable platform to showcase capabilities of ICG and Indian shipbuilding industry to the African countries.



Enhancing Cooperative engagements with African countries

● **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Samarth and ICGS Abhinav to IOR Countries.** Indian Coast Guard Ships Samarth (with integral Helo) and Abhinav visited Maldives and Sri Lanka from 20 Feb - 07 Mar 24. As part of the OSD, ICGS ships participated in the 16th edition of trilateral exercise DOSTI among India, Maldives and Sri Lanka. The exercise was witnessed by H.E. Mohamed Ghassam Maumoon, Minister of



Participation in the 16th edition of Exercise Dosti



Defence Maldives in presence of H.E. Munu Mahawar, High Commissioner of India and ADG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, ADG CG.

Additionally, as part of the joint operational activities, ICGS Samarth conducted a training on Pollution Response wherein pollution response measures such as containment using booms and recovery using skimmers were showcased. The overseas visit and Ex-DOSTI validated and strengthened the joint commitment of the Coast Guard of India, Sri Lanka and Maldives to stand together for the common good.

● **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Samudra Paheredar to ASEAN Countries.** ICGS Samudra Paheredar was deployed overseas to ASEAN Countries viz Philippines, Vietnam and Brunei from 14 Mar – 23 Apr 24. The ship's deployment is 3rd in row towards India- ASEAN initiative as announced by Hon'ble RM during ADMM Plus in 2022, which is aimed at highlighting ICG's Marine Pollution Response



ICG furthering India - ASEAN Initiative



Commissioner of India H.E. Shri Santosh Jha and the Defence Secretary of Sri Lanka.



Hosting Hon'ble EAM S Jaishankar onboard at Manila

capabilities and shared concern & resolve towards marine pollution response of ASEAN region. The ship also embarked 25 NCC cadets under the overseas exchange programme who in coordination with EOI, Philippines staff, PCG and ICG ship's crew undertook activities like beach cleanup and walkathon towards promoting Gol initiative "Puneet Sagar Abhiyan".

ICGS Samudra Paharedar also hosted Hon'ble EAM, Gol, Dr. S Jaishankar onboard on 26 Mar 24 at Manila, Philippines. During the visit, a guided ship tour was organized where he interacted with NCC cadets over high tea.

- **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Sachet to Sri Lanka.** ICGS Sachet was deployed to Colombo, Sri Lanka from 17-22 Jun 24 for trans-shipment of spares for SLCG Suraksha (Ex-ICGS Varuna) on gratis basis. The handing/ taking over ceremony of the spares was conducted on 19 Jun 24 in presence of the High

- **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Sujay to Republic of South Korea and Indonesia.** ICGS Sujay was deployed overseas to East Asian countries viz. Indonesia and Republic of Korea from 17 Aug 24 to 27 Sep 24 for professional interactions and joint exercises with Coast Guard of visiting countries.



Deployment of ICG Ship for professional interaction at Indonesia and Korea



Enhancing Defence ties : ICG Ship visit to Sri Lanka

Various co-operative engagements, Training and capacity building activities were undertaken during the visit. As maiden initiative, 02 ICG women Officers were embarked onboard ship highlighting and emphasising role of women in Maritime Security & Safety. Additionally, 10 NCC cadets were also embarked onboard under the overseas exchange programme to participate in the initiative "Puneet Sagar Abhiyan".



- **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Vaibhav and ICGS Abhiraj.** ICGS Vaibhav and Abhiraj were deployed overseas to Sri Lanka from 14 Dec 24 to 04 Jan 25 for professional interaction and joint exercises with respective Maritime Agencies/ Coast Guards. An abridged pollution response team was also embarked onboard during OSD towards joint training in MPR.



Interaction for future collaboration

- **Overseas Deployment of ICGS Samarth.** ICGS Samarth was deployed overseas to Maldives from 23 Nov 24 to 01 Dec 24. The ship carried the replacement ALH helicopter (CG 853) from Kochi to Gan, Maldives and brought back the ALH helicopter (CG 854) from Gan, Maldives to Kochi for engine routines.

ICG-SLCG Joint exercise SAGAREX was also undertaken off Sri Lanka during the OSD.



Professional exchanges of ICG ship during OSD to Sri Lanka

BILATERAL ACTIVITIES AND INTERACTIONS

- **Japan Coast Guard and Indian Coast Guard Bilateral Meeting.** The JCG and ICG held a bilateral meeting on 10 Jan 24. A four-member delegation from the JCG side participated in the bilateral meeting, where maritime safety and security issues were discussed in accordance with the provisions of the Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) between ICG and JCG.



Bilateral Meeting between ICG & JCG



- **Visit of Superintendent, Japan Coast Guard Academy to India.** On 31 Jan 24, Vice Admiral Mitsuru Eguchi, Superintendent, Japan Coast Guard Academy visited Indian Coast Guard Headquarters, New Delhi and interacted with DG ICG. During the meeting, various cooperative capacity-building engagements as per the Memorandum of Cooperation and future avenues to strengthen the education and training modalities between ICG and JCG were discussed.



ICG - JCG : Strengthening Education and Training



- **Bilateral Meeting with Vietnam Coast Guard (VCG).** A Six member VCG delegation led by Major General Ngo Binh Minh, Commander VCG Region-3 visited Coast Guard Headquarters, New Delhi for 5th ICG-VCG High level meeting on 20 Feb 24. Inspector General Anupam Rai, DDG (Ops & CS) led the ICG



High Level Meeting with VCG



delegation for the meeting. During the meeting, both sides agreed to strengthen the mutual cooperation in accordance with the provisions of the MoU and also agreed to further the cooperative engagements through impetus on continuum on regular High-Level Meetings and ship visits.



- **Visit of ICG Officer to Maldives.** One ICG Officer participated in the 3rd High Level Core Group (HLCG) Meeting scheduled at Maldives on 17 Mar 24 to discuss issues of Defence Cooperation with Government of Maldives.

- **Visit of ICG Officer to Philippines.** As part of a composite delegation that included two M/s HAL reps, one ICG Officer, an ALH pilot, visited Manila, Philippines from 18-21 Mar 24. M/s HAL is pursuing export of 07 units of ALH MK-III to the Philippines Coast Guard (PCG) under GoI supported Line of Credit. The composite delegation proceeded to

Philippines to instil confidence in the platform by exchanging/ sharing the best practices of flying ALH MK-III.



Instilling Confidence in 'Make in India'



- **5th ICG-ROPCG High Level Meeting (HLM).** A four member high level Royal Oman Police Coast Guard delegation led by Colonel Abdul Aziz Mohammed Ali Al Jabri, Assistance Officer





Commanding, ROPCG visited India from 22-26 Apr 24 and participated in the 5th ICG-ROPCG HLM under the provisions of the MoU. During the visit, ROPCG delegation interacted with Indian DPSUs viz; GSL, MDL and L&T shipbuilding on 25 Apr 24 at New Delhi highlighting India's Defence industry capabilities under "Atmanirbhar Bharat".



High Level Meeting with ROPCG

- **Participation in the 14th India-Vietnam Defence Policy Dialogue (DPD) at New Delhi.** The 14th Indian-Vietnam DPD was held on 02 Aug 24 at New Delhi. The meeting was co-chaired by Defence Secretary and Deputy Minister for Defence, Vietnam. ADG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, ADG CG participated in the meeting.

- **Visit of ICG Officer to Colombo, Sri Lanka.** The 6th meeting of the India-Sri Lanka joint Working Group on fisheries was conducted on 29 Oct 24 at Colombo, Sri Lanka. One ICG officer participated in the meeting as part of composite delegation led by Secretary, Ministry of Fisheries.

- **7th ICG-SLCG High Level Meeting.** 7th edition of ICG-SLCG HLM as per the provision of MoU was held at Colombo, Sri Lanka from 11-12 Nov 24. Four member ICG delegation led by DG Paramesh Sivamani,



High Level Meeting with SLCG

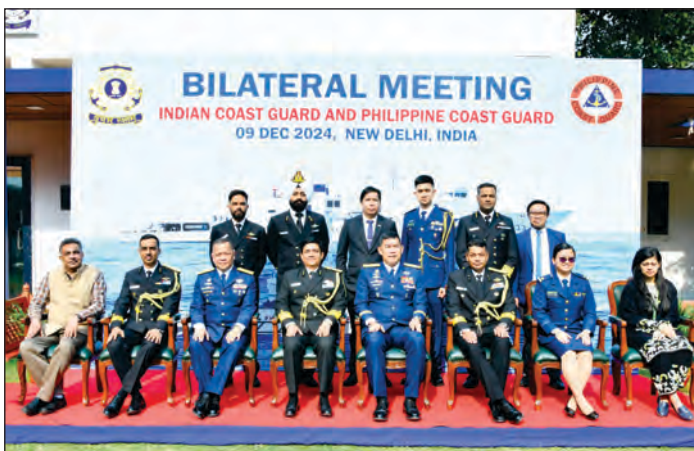
PTM, TM Director General, Indian Coast Guard participated in the HLM.



● **ICG-PCG Bilateral Meeting.** A four member high level Phillipines Coast Guard delegation led by Rear Admiral Edgar L Ybanez PCG, Deputy Commandant for Administration, PCG visited India from 08-12 Nov 24 and participated in the ICG-PCG bilateral meeting under the provisions of the MoU.



During the visit, discussions focused on MSAR, MLE, MPR and capacity building. Both sides also agreed to further the cooperative engagements through impetus on continuum on regular High-Level Meetings and ship visits.



Bilateral Meeting with Philippines Coast Guard

MULTILATERAL ACTIVITIES AND INTERACTIONS

- **Visit of ICG Delegation to Maldives.** A three member ICG delegation led by ADG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, ADG ICG visited Maldives from 22-25 Feb 24 to participate in trilateral exercise DOSTI XVI. The participation of ICG delegation enhanced fostering cooperation & interoperability in SAR, Maritime Law Enforcement & Environment protection among our maritime neighbours.

- **18th Governing Council Meeting (GCM) of ReCAAP.** The 18th Annual Governing Council Meeting (GCM) was held in Singapore from 12-15 Mar 24. Indian delegation led by DG ICG being Indian Governor to ReCAAP ISC, participated in the meeting.

- **Participation of ICG in ASEAN Regional Forum at Papua New Guinea.** ASEAN Regional Forum Port Security Training Series-III was held at Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG) from 23-25 Apr 24. One ICG Officer participated as part of MoD delegation in the said programme from 23-24 Apr 24.



18th ReCAAP Governing Council Meeting



ICG in ASEAN Regional Forum at Papua New Guinea



- **World Border Security Congress (WBSC)-24 at Turkiye.** Two member ICG delegation led by ADG Paramesh Sivamani, PTM, TM, ADG CG participated in World Security Congress-2024 conducted from 24-26 Apr 24 at Istanbul, Turkiye. WBSC is a forum for the meeting of Coast Guards and Border Agencies across the Globe, aimed at fostering cooperation and addressing maritime challenges. ADG CG delivered a lecture on “Maritime Border Challenges” to the congress and discussed potential solutions.



Fostering Cooperation in WBSC-24 at Turkiye



- **Women in Maritime Security Program.** Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, University of Wollongong conducted Women in Maritime Security Program (North Indian Ocean Region) at Colombo, Sri Lanka from 03-06 Jun 24. The workshop was aimed at understanding the nuances of UNCLOS and networking amongst women working in maritime domain. Two ICG Women Officers



Enhancing the Role of Women in Maritime Security



participated in the program.

- **ReCAAP ISC Capacity Building Workshop-2024.** The annual ReCAAP ISC Capacity Building Workshop (CBW) 2024 was held at Guangzhou, China from 03-06 Jun 24. The workshop provided an insight on the online incident reporting system of the ReCAAP ISC and enriched knowledge on the trend of piracy and



ICG participation in ReCAAP CBW-2024 at China

armed robbery incidents against ship in Asian waters. One ICG Officer alongwith three MoD delegates participated in workshop.



● **Working Level Meeting (WLM) of 20th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies (HACGAM).** As prelude to the High Level Meeting of 20th HACGAM scheduled in Sep 24 in South Korea, a Working Level Meeting was held from 17-20 Jun 24 at Incheon, South Korea. One ICG Officer participated in the WLM.



Glance at activities at WLM of 20th HACGAM



● **IMO, Sub-committee Meeting on Navigation, Communications & Search and Rescue (NCSR).** One ICG Officer participated in the International Maritime Organisation, 11th Session of Sub-Committee meeting on Navigation, Communications & Search and Rescue (NCSR) from 04-06 Jun 24 held at IMO Headquarters, London .



● **Visit of ICG women Officers to Sri Lanka.** United Nation Office of Drug and Crime (UNODC) conducted a maritime boarding exercise with simulated scenario on radiological and nuclear incident from 08-19 Jul 24 at Trincomalee, Sri Lanka. Two ICG



women Officers participated in the programme.



● **ReCAAP Cluster Meeting at Sri Lanka.** Cluster meeting from 22-25 Jul 24 was initiated by ReCAAP ISC with several objectives that included inter ministerial coordination, engagement of local shipping industries/agencies with the local and neighbouring ReCAAP Focal points to localize challenges in the effort to suppress piracy and armed robbery against Ships in



Fight against Piracy : ICG participation in ReCAAP Cluster Meeting

the Region. One ICG Officer was deputed to Sri Lanka to participate in the meeting.



● **Participation in South East Asia Co-operation on Afloat and Training Readiness (SEACAT-2024).** One ICG Officer participated in the Southeast Asia Maritime Security Senior Leader Forum and 22nd edition of multilateral maritime security exercise SEACAT (Ashore Phase only) conducted by the U.S Navy in Singapore from 12-13 Aug 24 & 12-16 Aug 24.



Highlights of SEACAT - 2024

- **Participation in Regional Round Table and System Analysis Exercise.** One ICG Officer participated in the “Regional Round Table and System Analysis Exercise on Mapping Drug Trafficking Networks in the East Indian Ocean” conducted by UNODC at Colombo, Sri Lanka from 27-30 Aug 24. This exercise addresses drug trafficking in the East Indian Ocean by mapping networks, analyzing vulnerabilities, and fostering regional cooperation. It enhances security and stability through collaboration, capacity building, and intelligence sharing.



Addressing Drug Trafficking through Coordination

- **Capacity Building Virtual Lecture.** One ICG officer participated in ReCAAP ISC Capacity Building Virtual Lecture – 1/2024 on 07 Aug 24. The lecture titled “Maritime Terrorism Nexus to Piracy and Sea Robbery Incidents” was delivered by Prof. Amparo Pamela Fabe from the Armed Forces of the Philippines Education, Training, and Doctrine Command and the Philippines National Police College.

- **Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) Meet.** European External Action Service (EEAS) organized a Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) Meet at Brussels (Belgium) and EU Naval Force Operation Atalanta Mission HQ in Rota (Spain) from 02-04 Sep 24. One ICG Officer participated in the programme as part of Indian delegation led by JS(D&ISA)/MEA.



CSDP Meet at Belgium and Spain



- **ICG-KCG 12th High Level Meeting.** 12th ICG-KCG High Level Meeting (HLM) was held on 04 Sep 24 on the

sidelines of Head of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting at Incheon, Republic of Korea. Three member ICG delegation led by IG MV Pathak, PTM, TM, DDG (CGSB) participated in the HLM.



Seizure (VBSS) exercise with a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) event simulation from 21 Oct - 01 November 2024 at Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.



A fight against Global Crime : ICG at GMCP, Sri Lanka



- **Visit of ICG Officers to Sri Lanka.** Three officers from the ICG participated in the UNODC Global Maritime Crime Programme (GMCP), which conducted a Regional Visit, Board, Search, and



- **24th Capacity Building Executive Programme (CBEP) of ReCAAP ISC.** The 24th Capacity Building Executive Programme (CBEP-24) organized by the ReCAAP-ISC was conducted from 21-25 Oct 2024, in Tokyo, Japan. This five-day event, supported by the Japan Coast Guard and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, brought together senior officers from various ReCAAP member countries to enhance regional capabilities in combating piracy and sea robbery. One ICG Officer participated in the programme.



Glimpse of 24th CBEP ReCAAP at Tokyo, Japan

- **Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM).** The 20th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM) was convened from 03-04 Sep 2024, in Incheon, South Korea. A three-

member ICG delegation led by IG MV Pathak, PTM, TM, participated in the meeting. This annual forum brought together 23 member Coast Guard agencies and two associate members—ReCAAP and UNODC. HACGAM is focused on enhancing cooperation in maritime law enforcement, ensuring safety and security at sea, protecting the marine environment, and combating the illicit trafficking of drugs, weapons, and humans.



Enhancing Cooperation with members of HACGAM



● **Regional Capacity Building Programme on Marine Pollution.** Two member ICG delegation participated in Regional Capacity Building Programme on Marine Pollution Response at Colombo, Sri Lanka from 18-22 Nov 24. This program focused on enhancing the capabilities of regional maritime agencies to effectively respond to marine pollution incidents. It provided a platform for sharing knowledge, best practices, and strategies for tackling marine pollution, with the participation of various countries and

maritime organizations in the region. The program aimed to improve coordination, strengthen response mechanisms, and promote environmental protection across the Indian Ocean region.



● **Visit of ICG Officer to Incheon, South Korea.**

One ICG led composite delegation participated in ReCAAP ISC capacity Building Senior Officer Meeting-2024 (CBSOM-24) held from 25-29 Nov 24 at Incheon South Korea.



Enhancing best practices to combat Security Challenges



EXERCISES AND WORKSHOPS

Joint Bilateral/ Multilateral Exercises/ PASSEX

- **ICG-JCG Joint Exercise.** - A joint exercise between Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and Japan Coast Guard (JCG) was conducted on 12 Jan 24 at Chennai. The JCG ship Yashima participated in joint exercise.



Enhancing Interoperability : ICG-JCG Joint Exercise



- **11th Search and Rescue Exercise & TTX (SAREX-24).** The 11th SAREX with participation from 38 observers from 28 FFCs and two international organizations (BIMSTEC & IORA) was conducted at Kochi, Kerala from 27-30 Nov 24. The exercise was conducted as a four-day event encompassing



participant arrival and Ice-breaking dinner Ceremony on the first day, workshop and Table top exercise on Search and Rescue on second day and the exercise culminated with a Sea Exercise on final day.



skills and knowledge necessary to respond effectively to aquatic emergencies, advance rescue techniques and emergency management. As part of Indian delegation four ICG Officers participated in the workshop.



● **Rescue Diver's Diving Workshop 2024 (RDDW).** Japan Coast Guard Academy (JCGA) conducted a Rescue Diver's Diving Workshop 2024 (RDDW) from 03-07 Jun 24 at Kure, Hiroshima, Japan. This was a comprehensive workshop designed to equip individual divers with the

● **Participation in Egypt International Air Show (EIAS).** ICG team consisting 02 Officers and 01 sailor as part of Indian delegation participated in Egypt International Air Show (EIAS) at Alexandria, Egypt from 03 to 07 Sep 24. ICG ALH was also positioned at the International Air Show for Static display.



Honing Skills and Knowledge : RDDW-24, Kure, Japan



Showcasing ICG Capabilities : EIAS, Alexandria, Egypt

TRAINING OF FOREIGN OFFICERS & PBORs

ICG has been conducting training for Officers and PBORs of Coast Guards and Maritime Agencies of the Friendly Foreign Countries (FFCs) in Domain of Maritime Law Enforcement (MLE), Maritime Search and Rescue (M-SAR) and Maritime Pollution Response (MPR). These courses conducted under the Indian Technical & Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme scheme of MEA, GoI are broadly aimed towards enhancing the regional response mechanism and capacity building.

- **MRCC OPS & SAR Course.** ICG conducted MRCC Ops & SAR Course for Officers and PBORs of FFCs under ITEC programme at MRCC (MBI) from 15-20 Jan 24. A total of 20 participants (Officers - 10 and Sailors - 10) from 05 FFCs (Bangladesh, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Mauritius & Maldives) participated in the training.



Sharing best practices with FFC on SAR

- **Maritime Law & Ops Course Phase II (TY 2023-24).** Phase II of Maritime Law & Ops Course under ITEC training programme was conducted by CGTC, Kochi for Officers and PBORs of Friendly Foreign Countries (FFCs) from 05 Feb - 01 Mar 24 and 11 Mar - 29 Mar 24 respectively. A total of 21 Officers from 09 countries (Sierra Leone, Mauritius, Bangladesh, Philippine, Sri Lanka, Oman, Seychelles, Maldives and Senegal) and 32 Sailors (PBORs) from 11 FFCs (Philippines, Sierra Leone, Oman, Maldives, Senegal, Mauritius, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Mozambique and Seychelles) participated in the said course.



- **Maritime Law & Ops Course phase I (TY 2024-25).** Phase I of Maritime Law & Ops Course for Training Year 2024-25 under ITEC training programme was conducted for Officers (09 Dec 24 - 03 Jan 25) and PBORs (18 Nov - 06 Dec 24) of FFCs at CGTC, Kochi. A total of 17 Officers from 10 countries and 18 Sailors from 09 countries participated in the training.



Imparting meaningful Training

● **IMO Level I & II Course for 20 Foreign Officer and Sailor.** ICG conducted IMO Level I & II courses for



Capacity Building through practical demonstration

Officers and Sailors of Friendly Foreign Countries (FFCs) at Coast Guard Pollution Response Team (East), Chennai in the month of Mar 24 and Nov 24. A total of 19 Officers and 19 PBORs participated in the specialized training.



● **IMO OPRC Level-I & II Course for ASEAN Countries.** ICG conducted the maiden IMO OPRC Level I & II Course for ASEAN countries from 19-31 Aug 24 at Regional Marine Pollution Response Centre (RMPRC), Chennai. A Total of 14 Officers from seven ASEAN countries (Cambodia, Indonesia, Myanmar, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam) participated in the course.



Maiden IMO OPRC Course for ASEAN Countries

Training Statistics for Year 2024

Course	Countries	Officers	PBORs
Maritime Law & Ops Course	18	37	49
IMO Level I & II Course	11	19	19
MRCC Ops & SAR Course	05	10	10
IMO OPRC Level-I & II Course ASEAN Countries	07	14	---



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