PRESS BRIEF

INDIAN COAST GUARD APPREHENDS TWO BANGLADESHI FISHING VESSELS

New Delhi, 10 Dec 24: On Dec 9 2024 in a significant operation aimed at safeguarding maritime security, Indian Coast Guard (ICG) apprehended two Bangladeshi fishing trawlers alongwith 78 fishermen engaged in fishing within Indian waters.

The Indian Coast Guard Ship, whilst on patrol along IMBL identified suspicious activity within Indian Maritime Zone. The ICG ship intercepted 02 Bangladesh fishing trawlers engaged in unauthorized fishing activities. The vessels were identified as "FV Laila-2" and "FV Meghna-5", both registered in Bangladesh with 41 & 37 crew respectively. The trawlers were inspected at sea and subsequently, booked under Maritime Zones of India Act, 1981. Both vessels were escorted to Paradip for further investigation.

The operation underscores the ICG's efforts in maintaining Maritime Safety, sharp vigilance and swift response to prevent unauthorized incursions/illegal activities at sea, thereby reaffirming its commitment to preserve the integrity of India's Maritime Boundaries and ensure the safety of its waters. The Indian Coast Guard continues to play a pivotal role in upholding National interest in dynamic Maritime Domain.





