



# INDIAN COAST GUARD MONTHLY REPORT

## May, 2023



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# INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET

Subject		Current Year	Since Inception
<b>Search and Rescue effort</b>	Lives Saved at Sea	<b>534</b>	<b>11,895</b>
	Missions undertaken	44	3775
	Ship Sorties	100	4726
	Aircraft Sorties	18	2983
	<b>Total Sorties</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>7709</b>
<b>MEDEVAC</b>	Persons Evacuated	<b>08</b>	<b>435</b>
<b>Aid to Civil</b>	Lives Rescued	00	<b>13,021</b>
<b>Coastal Security (Since 2009)</b>	Operations	14	<b>541</b> (Since 2009)
	Exercises	06	<b>233</b> (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	626	<b>11,645</b> (Since 2009)
	Security Drill ' <b>Sajag</b> '	10	<b>364</b> (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Trained	552	<b>9,549</b>
<b>Anti-Poaching Apprehension</b>	Foreign Fishing Boats	04	<b>1,601</b>
	Foreign Fishermen	40	<b>13,590</b>
	Value of Fish Catch	00	<b>₹ 24,56,84,855/-</b>
	Nationality of Foreign Crew	Sri Lanka	Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, China, Myanmar, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, France, Bangladesh, Thailand, South Korea, North Korea, Philippines
<b>Shepherding of IFBs Across</b>	Indo-Pak IMBL	265	<b>33,946</b> Boats (Since Oct 2007)
	Indo-SLN IMBL	39	<b>12,786</b> Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	45	<b>1005</b> Boats
<b>Anti Smuggling &amp; Narcotics Control (ASNC)</b>	Vessels Interdicted	02	<b>162</b>
	Crew Apprehended	08	<b>1017</b>
	Value of Contraband	₹ 438.06 Cr.	<b>₹ 15,303.14 Cr</b>
<b>Disaster Relief Operations</b>		--	<b>45</b> (Since May 1999)
<b>Oil Spill Incidents</b>	Incidents Reported	--	<b>94</b> (Indian Waters) + <b>03</b> (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Responded by ICG	--	<b>94</b> (Indian Waters) + <b>03</b> (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius-MV Wakashio)
	Capitation Charges Received	--	<b>₹ 32,54,79,126.18</b>



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## INTRODUCTION

1. Indian Coast Guard came into existence in accordance with the Coast Guard Act, 1978 with the motto “वयम् रक्षामः” (Vayam Rakshamah) which translates from Sanskrit as “We Protect”. ICG’S mission is to ensure safety, security and law enforcement at sea, Search & Rescue services and Protection of the Marine Environment etc.
2. Indian Coast Guard (ICG) is the nation’s umbrella organisation at sea, for maritime law enforcement. It is also the National Coordinating agency for Maritime Law Enforcement, Maritime Search & Rescue and Marine Pollution Response. ICG conducts patrols and surveillance operations to prevent illegal activities such as piracy, smuggling, and drug trafficking. It also responds to distress calls and coordinates search and rescue operations to save lives at sea. The ICG enforces laws related to maritime pollution, fishing activities, and coastal security. It also monitors and controls marine traffic to ensure compliance with international regulations and laws.
3. The ICG uses various means such as ships, aircraft and other electronic sensors to gather intelligence and conduct surveillance of India’s maritime zones. It also collaborates with other agencies to share information and prevent security threats. ICG has maintained the tempo of operations towards maintaining safe seas and waters in the Indian EEZ, Marine Environment Protection and enforcing maritime laws at sea. ICG Ships have also been engaged in International Co-operation through mutual participation in Conclaves, TTX, Training and overseas visits of ships.
4. To ensure safety and security of India’s maritime domain and protecting marine biodiversity and preventing illegal activities at sea, the details of ICG operational activities undertaken in May 23 are enumerated in succeeding chapters.

## MAJOR OPERATIONS

## SEARCH & RESCUE

## COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

## COASTAL SECURITY

## MISCELLANEOUS





# MAJOR OPERATIONS

MATERIAL FOR INCLUSION IN THE MONTHLY D.O. LETTER FROM DEFENCE SECRETARY TO CABINET SECRETARY

**Important Policy Decisions Taken/ Major Achievements during the Month.** ICG achievements during the period under review are as follows:-

## **A. Seizure of 206 Kgs Raw Cucumber from Edaiyarualasai Sea Shore, North Mandapam.**

On 10 May 23, ICGS Mandapam received an intelligence input on likely transshipment of illegal contraband at Edaiyarualasai seashore (north of Mandapam). ICG launched the newly inducted CG Drone for aerial surveillance. ICG team deployed from Mandapam concurrently reached datum duly guided by CG drone's optical sensor and GPS. Consequently, on arrival the team found 11 gunny bags containing raw Sea Cucumber which was seized and handed over to Forest department for further necessary action. The estimated commercial value of the consignment is Rs. 1.2 Cr. (Approx)



## **B. Apprehension of Sri Lankan fishing vessel (Amulputha-1, Rg. No. IMUL A-0635- NBO).**

On 22 May 23, ICGS Vajra apprehended a Sri Lankan fishing vessel alongwith 05 crew in posn 138 Kanyakumari Lt 68 (12 nm inside Indian EEZ) for undertaking illegal fishing. SLFV was handed over to Marine Police Tuticorin on 23 May 23 for further investigation.



## **C. Smuggling of Diesel.**

On 17 May 23, during scheduled monthly Coastal Security exercise 'SAJAG' off Mumbai, ICGS Samudra Prahari boarded IFB Dwarkadheesh (IND-MH-7-MM-262) in position 262-Uttan Lt-13 based on local inputs. During investigation, approx. 15 KL unaccounted diesel was found stored onboard in 11 fish holds/ storage tanks. IFB was brought to Mumbai harbour under escort with C-439 for further handing over to Custom Authorities.





## A. Medical Emergency onboard MV Helen.

On 25 Apr 23, MRSC Porbandar received a medical emergency call from master of the Vessel MV Helen (LPC-Sikka, NPC-Durban/ South Africa) in position 252 Porbandar Lt 95. ICGS C-161 was deployed to render assistance & evacuate the crew (Nayak Bhabhbuti, 29 yrs/Indian) reportedly injured with right hand index finger cut. He was handed over to the local agent at Porbandar.



## B. Stranded IFB Lourdumatha - Maldives SRR.

On 26 Apr 23, MRCC Mumbai received an email from DG Shipping regarding IFB Lourdumatha with 10 crew stranded in posn 713 NM South of Muttam Point, Tamil Nadu (in Maldives SRR). MRCC Mumbai contacted MV Furious on passage to Singapore and directed to proceed towards stranded IFB. The MV assured in vicinity of the IFB and embarked all 10 fishing vessel crew and resumed voyage to Singapore as NPC with their intention to disembark all 10 crew off Port Blair. Further, on 02 May 23, ICG Ship Vigraha deployed from Port Blair, embarked the crew ex MV Furious and entered Vizag on 06 May 23. The crew was handed over to AD Fisheries.



## C. Collision of ITT Jaguar With unknown Boat.

On 02 May 23, an email received by MRCC Port Blair from Master of ITT Jaguar regarding collision of the vessel with unknown small boat while approaching anchorage. C-146 in area was diverted for assistance. CG 803 launched from CGAE Portblair. Both the survivors were airlifted to CGAE Port Blair. Subsequently, survivors were handed over to local police Portblair for further formalities.



## D. Medical Evacuation of patients at Male (Maldives) by Indian Coast Guard helicopter.

On 03 May 23, MND requested for medical evacuation of a 62 years old Maldivian national (Mr. Ibrahim Rasheed) diagnosed with Contusion of lower back/ pelvis reported numbness in lower limbs. The patient was evacuated from M. Maduvvaree Island, Meemu Atoll airport to Male for further medical management. **The timely assistance 01 precious life was saved.**





## E. MEDEVAC - MT Xante.

On 17 May 23, MRCC Mumbai received an information from Panama flagged MT Xante (IMO-9554834) citing medical emergency in position 128 NM North-West of Kochi. The two crew had sustained skin burns and required immediate medical assistance. The MT was directed to close in towards Kochi and ICGS C-162 was deployed for medical evacuation of both patients. The patients were handed over to local agent and shifted to Sunrise hospital, Kochi for further medical management.





# COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

## A. Working Level Meeting (WLM) of 19th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM).

HACGAM is a global forum with 23 member countries (including India) and one region. HLM of 19th HACGAM is scheduled to be held in Sep 23 in Istanbul, Turkiye. Towards the prelude to the 19th HACGAM, WLM organised from 02-05 May 23 via virtual mode.

## B. Participation of ICG in IMDEX -2023.

DIG Anup Kumar Satpathy, Director (Ship Acquisition) CGHQ participated in the International Maritime Defence Exhibition (IMDEX) Asia-2023 and the 8th International Maritime Security Conference (IMSC) at Singapore from 03-05 May 23. The theme of the IMSC-23 for this year was “Safe and Secure Seas- Emerging Stronger as a Maritime Community”. The conference advocated maritime security environment through uncertainty of the pandemic years and paved ways so that the maritime community can work together to protect global commons.



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## C. Visit of Royal Navy of Oman Delegation.

On 03 May 23 a four member delegation led by Commodore Adil Hamood Al Busaidi, Head of Maritime Security Centre, Sultanate of Oman visited Coast Guard Headquarters (West)/ Regional Operation Centre (ROC), Mumbai. A presentation was delivered on ICG organizational structure, functioning of Coastal Surveillance System & its contribution towards Coastal Security, Maritime Safety & other utilities.



## D. Participation of ICG in LIMA-23.

Inspector General MV Pathak, PTM, TM, DDG (Ops & CS) participated in the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA) at Langkawi, Malaysia from 23-26 May 23 as part of the Indian delegation led by Additional Secretary (DP), DDP, MoD.



## E. Briefing/ Presentations on India-ASEAN Initiatives.

A briefing on India-ASEAN initiatives towards Marine Pollution Response was conducted for ASEAN Service Attaché's by MoD on 24 May 23 at Manekshaw Hall, New Delhi. Director (IC), Joint Director (IC) and Deputy Director (FE) attended the meeting. ICG briefed ongoing endeavors and future plans towards activation of India ASEAN Marine Pollution Centre (IAMPRC) at Chennai and planned visit of NCC cadet to SE Asia countries to give "Puneet Sagar Abhiyan" an international outreach through exchange programme during future OSDs of ICG ships.



# COASTAL SECURITY

## A. Coastal Security Exercise and Operations.

Under-mentioned Coastal Security Exercise and Operations have been conducted towards heightened coastal security in coordination with Marine Police, Customs, CISF, Fisheries, Forest and other stakeholders for enhancing coastal security mechanism:-

SER	Name of Exercise/ Operation	Conducted By	Dates
(i)	OP Sajag	RHQ(A&N)	27 Apr 23
(ii)	OP Sagar Kavach 01/23	RHQ(W)	27-28 Apr 23
(iii)	Suraksha 01/23	RHQ(W)	30 Apr 23
(iv)	OP 'Khojbeen 01/23'	RHQ(W)	11 May 23
(v)	OP Sajag	RHQ(W)	17 May 23





## PURCHASE MADE THROUGH GEM

### A. Portal-Purchase via GeM.

The purchase made through GeM portal during the month of Mar 23 was ₹ 9,77,76,730.08 (Rupees Nine crore seventy seven lakh seventy six thousand seven hundred thirty and eight paisa 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
–	<b>06 (Under Process)</b>





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