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INDIAN COAST GUARD



OPERATIONS & ACTIVITIES MONTHLY UPDATE

February, 2024



'यत्र तत्र सर्वत्र... भारतीय तटरक्षक'

INDIAN COAST GUARD FACT SHEET

Subject		2023	Current Year (upto 31 Jan 24)	Since Inception
Search and Rescue effort	Lives Saved at Sea	200	24	11,585
	Missions undertaken	168	13	3912
	Ship Sorties	339	40	5005
	Aircraft Sorties	82	14	3061
	Total Sorties	421	54	8066
MEDEVAC	Persons Evacuated	26	02	455
Aid to Civil Authorities	Lives Rescued	1336	183	14,540
Coastal Security (Since 2009)	Operations	31	07	565 (Since 2009)
	Exercises	28	-	258 (Since 2009)
	Community Interaction	2222	165	13,406 (Since 2009)
	Security Drill 'Sajag'	45	05	404 (Since 2014)
	Marine Police Trained	2782	260	12,039
Anti-Poaching Apprehension	Foreign Fishing Boats	07	-	1,604
	Foreign Fishermen	63	-	13,613
	Value of Fish Catch	00	-	₹ 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 Across	Indo-Pak IMBL	373	18	34,072 Boats (Since Oct 2007)
	Indo-SLN IMBL	116	-	12,863 Boats
	Indo-Bangladesh IMBL	137	03	1158 Boats
Anti Smuggling & Narcotics Control (ASNC)	Vessels Interdicted	03	-	163
	Crew Apprehended	11	-	1020
	Value of Contraband	₹ 477.96 Cr.	-	₹ 15,343.04 Cr
Disaster Relief Operations		--	-	45 (since May 1999)
Oil Spill Incidents	Incidents Reported	--	-	94 (Indian Waters) + 03 (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Responded by ICG	--	-	94 (Indian Waters) + 03 (02 Sri Lanka & 01 Mauritius)
	Capitation Charges Received	₹ 8,23,36,520.00		₹ 32,54,79,126.18



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 Maritime Environment etc.
2. In the month of Feb 24, the Indian Coast Guard celebrated its "48th Raising Day". The service had a humble beginning with two ships and five patrol boats seconded from other services. Since then, ICG has grown rapidly, and now has a fleet of over 150 ships and 78 aircraft. For more than four & half decades, the service has vigilantly protected national maritime interests, assuming a pivotal role and impeccably executing mandated tasks.
3. On the occasion of Raising Day, Hon’ble President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Raksha Mantri and other dignitaries have extended their best wishes to the ICG. Hon’ble Prime Minister in his missive highlighted that *"In the Amrit Kaal of our Independence, as we work on building a Vikshit Bharat by 2047 – a nation that is confident in approach, proactive in cooperation and Atmanirbhar when it comes to her needs – the CG has a crucial role to play. It is an opportunity for its personnel to rededicate themselves to work with renewed vigor to propel our nation to greater glory"*. The encouragement/ appreciation will inspire Coast Guard towards its commitment for safety & security of India's maritime interests, protecting marine biodiversity and preventing illegal activities in sea.
4. The details of ICG operations and activities undertaken since last monthly report are enumerated in this report.

SEARCH & RESCUE

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MISCELLANEOUS

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A. Assistance to Stranded Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Ganga.

On 25 Jan 24, a stranded IFB Ganga, due to mechanical failure in position 09 N miles South West of East Island Light, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, requested Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) Port Blair for towing assistance. On receipt of information, ICG Ship C-415 on area patrol was diverted to render assistance. ICG Ship reached the datum and ascertained repairs were not feasible at sea. Therefore, ICG Ship took the IFB under tow and proceeded towards Diglipur harbour. Further, IFB alongwith 03 crew were handed over to another IFB arranged by owner off East Island for further passage to Diglipur harbour.



Assistance to Stranded Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Ganga

B. Assistance to Stranded Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Arul Matha.

On 25 Jan 24, a stranded IFB Arul Matha, due to engine failure in position 50 N miles South West of Minicoy, L&M Island requested Maritime Rescue Sub Centre (MRSC), Kochi for towing assistance. On receipt of information, ICG Ship Samarth on patrol was diverted for SAR of stranded IFB. ICG ship arrived datum and technical team of ICG ship boarded the disabled boat. However, efforts for defect rectification proved futile. Therefore, ICG Ship took the IFB under tow and proceeded towards Minicoy. Subsequently, the IFB was handed over to tug Azad, arranged by Fisheries department.



Assistance to Stranded Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Arul Matha

C. Medical Emergency Onboard Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Sidheshwari.

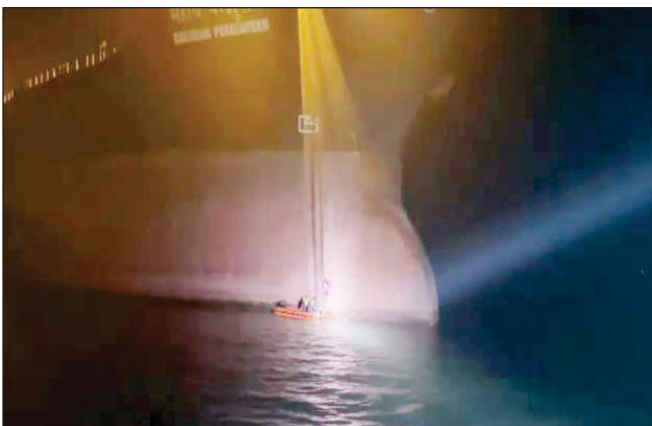
On 27 Jan 24, IFB Sidheshwari requested ICG Dornier CG 754 through a VHF call for medical evacuation of 50 years old Indian national (Mr. Makvana Manubhai Alabhai). The patient had reported severe injury while handling fishing net ropes at sea 20 N miles South West off Dwarka. On receipt of information, ICG ALH CG 863 was tasked for MEDEVAC. ICG ALH evacuated the patient and handed over to boat owner's relative for further medical management at Okha.



Medical Emergency Onboard Indian Fishing Boat (IFB) Sidheshwari

D. SAR Efforts for Man Overboard From Yacht Macgregor-26.

On 03 Feb 24, Mr. Rakesh, owner of yacht Macgregor-26 requested Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Mumbai for SAR efforts for missing 22 years old Indian national (Mr. Ganesh Chougale) from yacht Macgregor between Sunk Rock and Oyster Rock, Mumbai. On receipt of information, ICG Ship C-439 was diverted for SAR of missing person. ICG ship located the missing person hanging on the anchor chain cable of MV Maharshi Parashuram. Ship's Gemini boat was launched and person was rescued. Further, the rescued person was handed over to the Marine Police at Mumbai harbour for physical examination and further formalities.



SAR Efforts for Man Overboard From Yacht Macgregor-26

E. Assistance to Stranded IFB King (IND-TN-12-MM-6466).

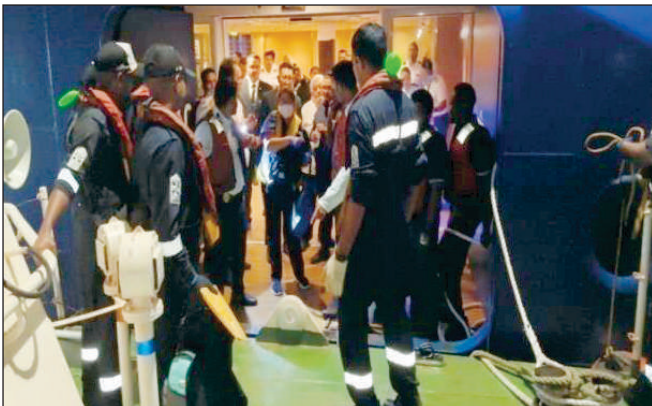
On 07 Feb 24, IFB King with 11 crew stranded due to engine failure requested Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Mumbai for owing assistance. On receipt of information, International Safety Net (ISN) was activated to alert the mariners transiting through area. Further, ICG Dornier ex Kochi was launched from Agatti Island for detection of stranded IFB. CGDO located IFB King adrift in position 278 N miles South West of Minicoy Island. Further, ICGS Vikram on area patrol was diverted for render assistance. ICG Ship reached datum and after initial efforts to repair the boat failed, took the disabled IFB under tow and proceeded towards Minicoy. Subsequently, the boat alongwith 11 crew was handed over to IFB Dihamathi off Minicoy Island, arranged by owner, in presence of fisheries and local Police personnel for onward passage to Minicoy Harbour.



Assistance to Stranded IFB King

F. Medical Emergency onboard Passenger Vessel (PV) Celebrity Millennium.

On 19 Feb 24, a Malta Flagged Passenger Vessel Celebrity Millennium requested Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Mumbai for medical evacuation of a 53 years old Mexican national (Mr Cruz Mendez Fernando) onboard 30 N miles North west of Aguada. The patient was suffering from suspected cardiac arrest. ICG Ship C-158 was diverted to render assistance. ICG Ship arrived datum and embarked patient alongwith his wife and one medical attendant. The ship entered Mormugao harbour and handed over the patient to local agent for further medical management at SMRC Hospital, Chicalim Goa.



Medical Emergency onboard Passenger Vessel (PV) Celebrity Millennium

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

A. 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 meeting, various cooperative capacity-building engagements as per the MoC and future avenues to strengthen the education and training modalities were discussed.



Interaction with Superintendent, Japan Coast Guard Academy

B. OSD of Indian Coast Guard Ship Varaha to African Countries .

Indian Coast Guard Ship Varaha was deployed to visit African Countries namely Kenya, Mozambique and Tanzania from 28 Jan 24 - 05 Mar 24. As part of the OSD, ICGS Varaha visited at Port Mombasa, Kenya from 05- 08 Feb 24. The primary objectives of the visit were to strengthen long-standing diplomatic ties, enhance maritime cooperation, and promote interoperability with the Kenya Coast Guard Services (KCGS) and other maritime agencies.



Interaction with Kenya Coast Guard Services

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

Further, as part of the OSD, ICGS Varaha visited Maputo Port, Mozambique from 14-17 Feb 24 for marking a pivotal milestone in the ongoing diplomatic maritime engagements.



Welcome ceremony at Maputo Port, Mozambique

On 23 Feb 24, ICGS Varaha made a port call at Zanzibar, Tanzania as part of its East Africa overseas deployment. OSD of ICG ship to African countries provided a suitable platform to showcase capabilities of ICG and Indian shipbuilding industry to the African countries.



Interaction with Tanzania Maritime Agencies

C. Bilateral Meeting with Vietnam Coast Guard.

5th ICG-VCG bilateral meeting was conducted on 20 Feb 24. Six member VCG delegation led by Major General Ngo Binh Minh, Commander VCG Region-3 participated in the meeting. Inspector General Anupam Rai, DDG (Ops & CS) led the meeting from ICG side. During the meeting, both sides agreed to strengthen the mutual cooperation in accordance with the provisions of the MoU, sharing of best practices and continuation of professional exchange to address varied challenges in the maritime domain.



COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES

Both Coast Guards also agreed to further the cooperative engagements through impetus on regular High-Level Meetings and ship visits. On 21 Feb 24, Vietnam Coast Guard delegation visited M/s L&T Shipyard, Kattupalli, Chennai to witness India's shipbuilding capabilities under "Atmanirbhar Bharat".



Bilateral Meeting with Vietnam Coast Guard

D. OSD of Indian Coast Guard Ship Samarth (with Integral Helo) and ICGS Abhinav to IOR Countries.

Indian Coast Guard Ship Samarth (with integral Helo) with ICGS Abhinav have been deployed to visit IOR Countries namely Maldives and Sri Lanka from 20 Feb - 07 Mar 24. As part of the OSD, ICGS ships visited Male, Maldives from 22-25 Feb 24 to participate in the 16th edition of trilateral exercise DOSTI among India, Maldives and Sri Lanka Coast Guards. Commanding Officers of both ships called on Commandant MNDF CG and discussed on mutual avenues of cooperative engagements.



Call on Commandant MNDF CG

On 24 Feb 24, the sea exercise was conducted off Male involving five Coast Guard ships from India, Maldives and Sri Lanka. The exercise was witnessed by H.E. Mohamed Ghassam Maumoon, Minister of Defence Maldives in presence of H.E. Munu Mahawar, High Commissioner of India, ADG S Paramesh, PTM, TM, ADGCG and distinguished guests from Maldives, Sri Lanka & Bangladesh onboard ICGS Samarth.

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES



Sea Exercise

On 25 Feb 24, as part of the joint operational activities of trilateral exercise, training on Pollution Response was conducted onboard ICGS Samarth. Pollution response measures for containment of oil using booms and recovery using skimmers were showcased. Personnel from SLCG, MNDF and observers from Fisheries and Transport Ministries of Maldives, EPA Maldives, MACL Maldives and MPS Maldives were present onboard to witness and participate in the drills.



Training on Pollution Response

Further, a HADR Seminar was conducted to streamline Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for a coordinated response towards disaster relief operations. The DOSTI exercise witnessed constructive inputs for the progressive enhancement of cooperative engagement in future. It validated and strengthened the joint commitment of the Coast Guard of India, Sri Lanka and Maldives to stand together for the common good.

COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN MARITIME AGENCIES



HADR Seminar

E. Visit of ICG delegation to Male, Maldives

A high level delegation led by ADG S Paramesh, PTM, TM, ADGCG visited Male, 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.



Welcome Ceremony



Exchange of Memento

COASTAL SECURITY

A. Coastal Security Exercises and Operations.

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

SER	Conducted By	Name of Exercise/ Operation	Dates
(i)	Regional HQs (NW)	Ops Trigger-01/24	25-27 Jan 24
(ii)		Op Sajag	25 Jan 24
			20 Feb 24
(iii)	Regional HQs (W)	Ops Trigger-01/24	25-27 Jan 24
(iv)		Op Sajag	25 Jan 24
			20 Feb 24
(v)	Regional HQs (E)	Op Sentinel-02/24	25-27 Jan 24
			18-24 Feb 24
(vi)		Antrix-02/24	17 Feb 24
(vii)		Op Sajag	22 Feb 24
(viii)		Op Utsav-01/24	23-24 Feb 24
(ix)	Regional HQs (NE)	Op Sentinel-02/24	25-27 Jan 24
(x)		Op Sajag	21 Feb 24

B. Surveillance by CSN.

CSN network has monitored 17,861 AIS contacts in the month of Feb 24. A total of 3,154 vessels were investigated by ICG ROS. The traffic pattern in AoR based on type of vessels is as depicted as follows:-



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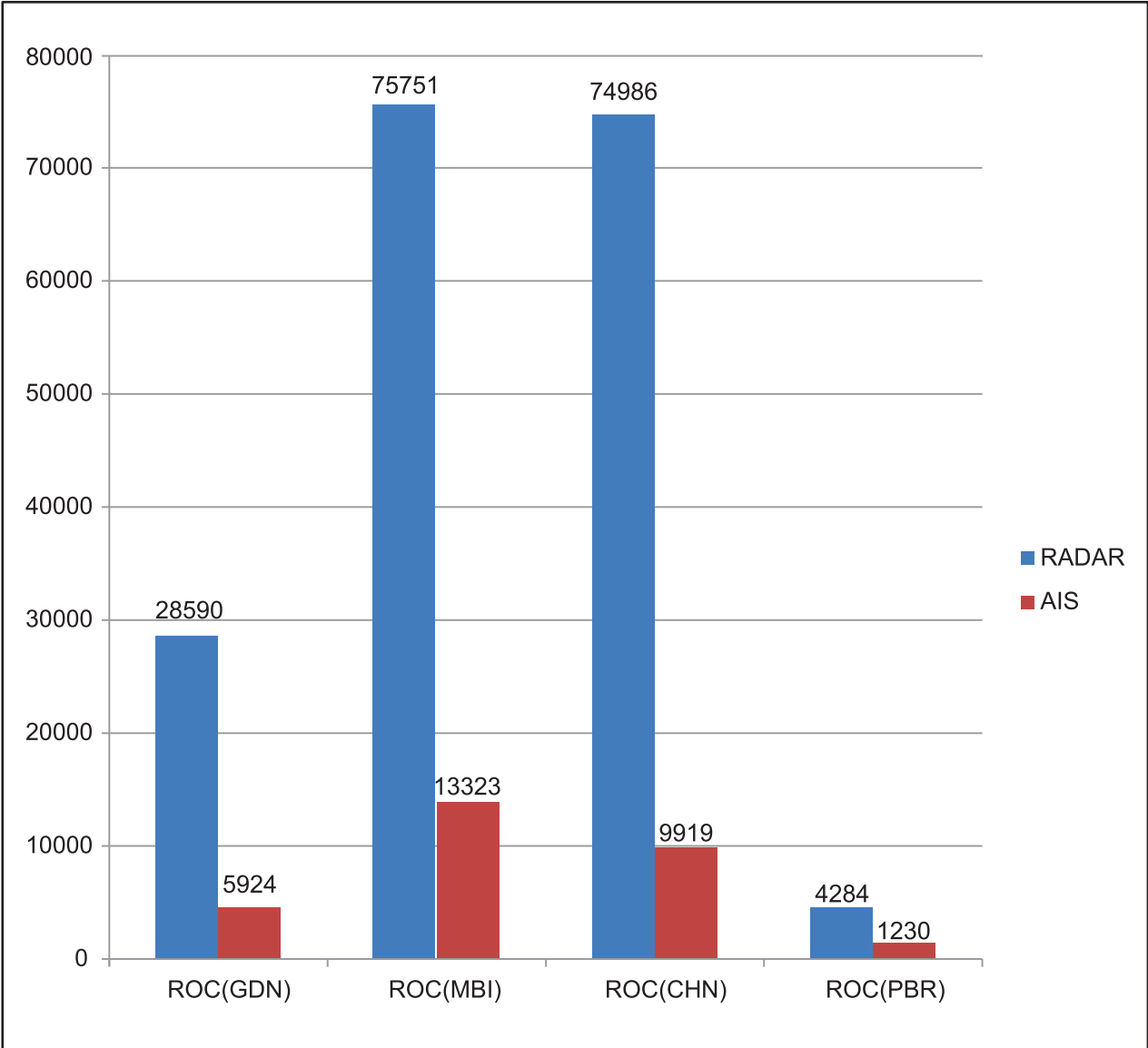


Fig 1: Radar & AIS targets detected at Remote Operating Centers in the month of Feb 24

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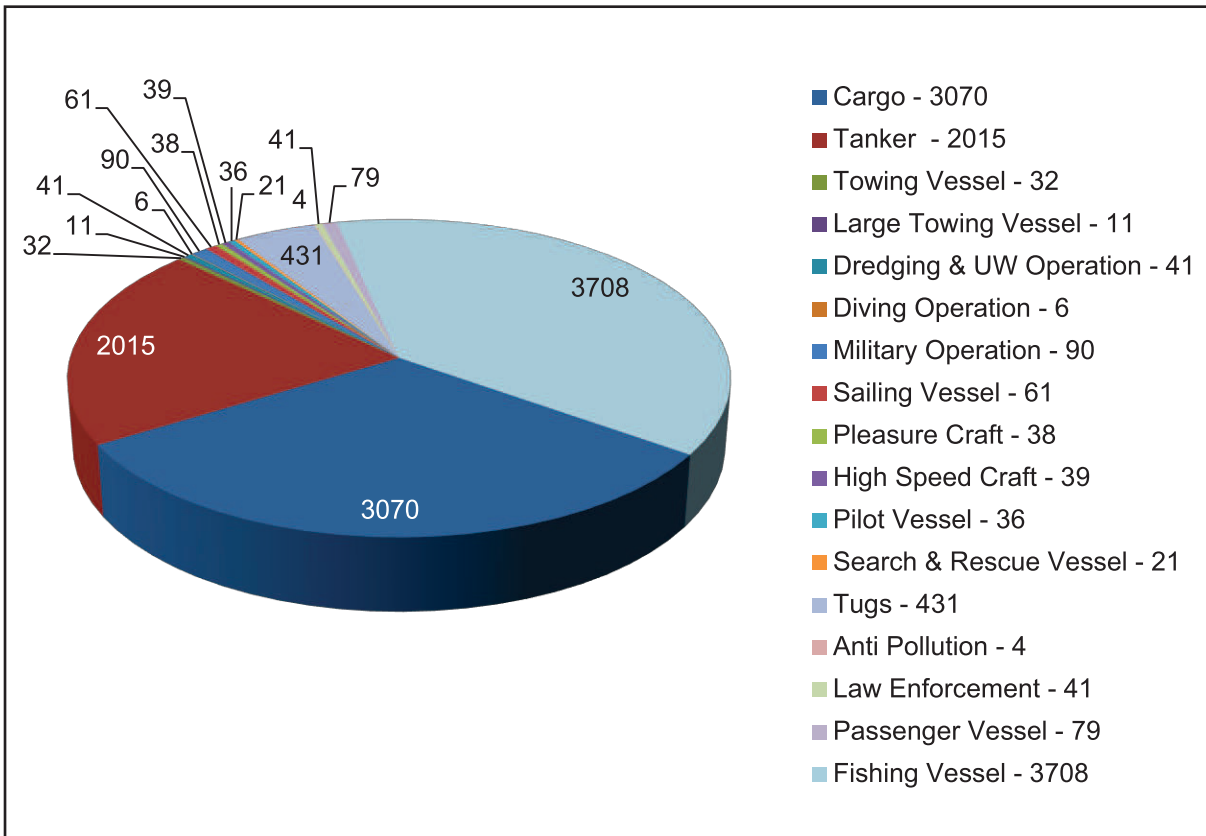


Fig-2 : Traffic pattern in AoR based on type of vessels in the month of Feb 24

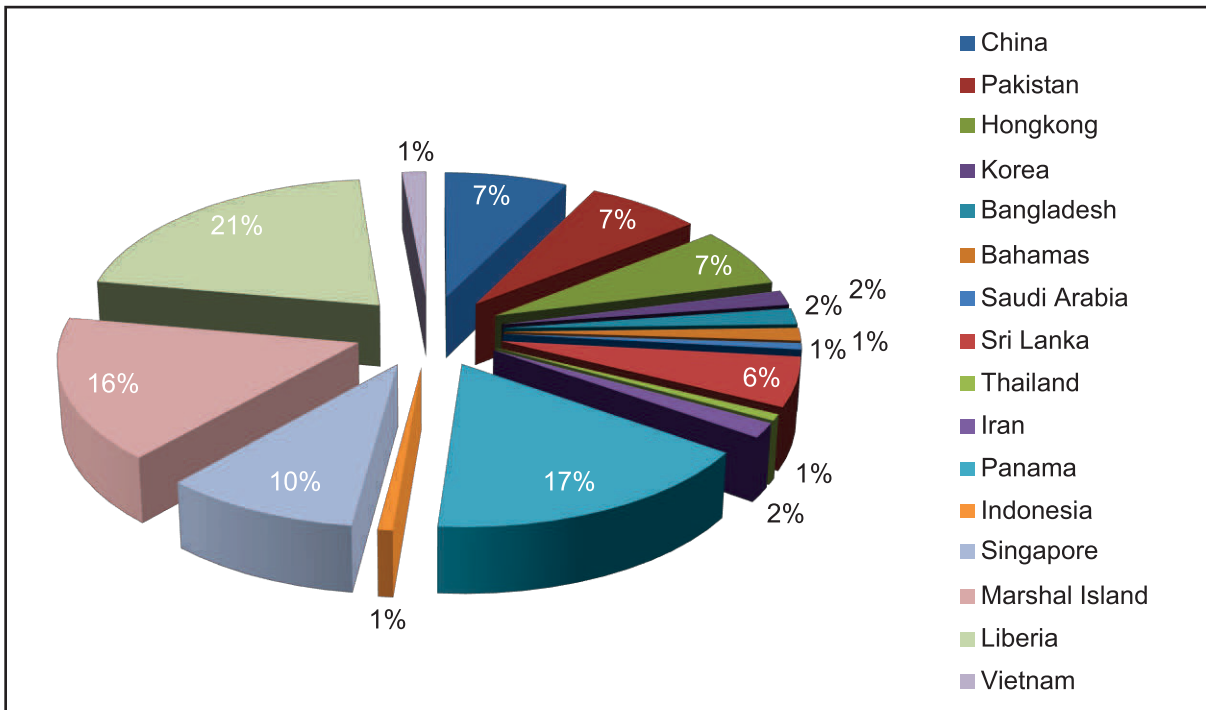


Fig-3 : Vessels operating in AOR based on flag in the month of Feb 24

A. Portal-Purchase via GeM.

The purchases made through GeM portal during the month of Jan 24 were ₹ 28,20,62,491.58 (Rupees Twenty Eight Crore Twenty Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety One and Fifty 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
–	13 (Under Process)

C. Signing of Contract with Advanced Weapons and Equipment India Limited (AWEIL).

On 14 Feb 24, Ministry of Defence signed a contract with AWEIL for 463 Stabilised Remote Control Guns for boosting capabilities of Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard, enhancing firing accuracy against small threats day & night.



Signing of Contract with AWEIL

D. Visit of CEO, Marine Jet Power, Sweden.

On 17 Feb 24, Mr. Jonas Tegstrom, CEO of Marine Jet Power, Sweden visited Indian Coast Guard Headquarters, New Delhi to reaffirm his company's commitment for enhancing Indigenous content in waterjet systems deployed in ICG ships.



Visit of CEO, Marine Jet Power, Sweden

E. Approval of Necessity for the procurement of 06 Multi Mission Maritime Aircraft and 149 Software Defined Radios for ICG.

On 16 Feb 24, Approval of Necessity for the procurement of 06 Multi Mission Maritime Aircraft (MMMA) for ICG alongwith 09 Medium Range Maritime Reconnaissance (MRMR) Aircraft for IN were accorded in the DAC (01/2024) meeting. In addition, AoN for 149 Software Defined Radio sets was also accorded for modernisation of communication in ICG.

F. Maritime Law & Ops Course.

Maritime Law & Ops Course (Phase-II) under ITEC training programme was conducted by CGTC, Kochi for officers of Friendly Foreign Countries (FFCs) from 05 Feb - 01 Mar 24. 21 officers from Sierra Leone, Mauritius, Bangladesh, Philippine, Sri Lanka, Oman, Seychelles, Maldives and Senegal participated in the said course. As part of training curriculum, the participants embarked onboard ICGS Samarth for Pollution Response Demo at Sea.



Pollution Response Demo at Sea

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Narendra Modi @narendramodi

On the 48th raising day of [@indiacoastguard](#), I convey my best wishes and greetings to all their personnel and staff. Their dedication to maritime safety, national security and care for the environment is unparalleled. India salutes them for their unwavering vigilance and service.

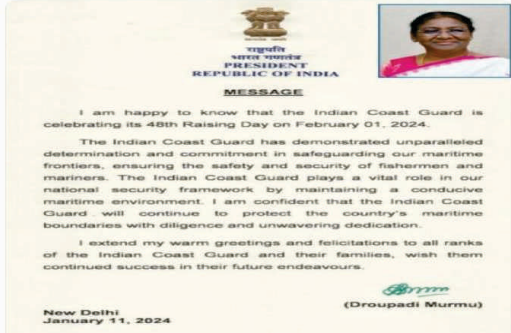


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The Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, Smt Droupadi Murmu [#PresidentOfIndia](#) extends warm felicitations to [@IndiaCoastGuard](#) on the occasion of 48th [#CoastGuardDay](#).

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Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble [#VicePresidentOfIndia](#) extends warm felicitations to [@IndiaCoastGuard](#) on the occasion of 48th [#CoastGuardDay](#).

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माननीय [#प्रधानमंत्री](#) श्री नरेंद्र मोदी, तटरक्षक दिवस- 2024 के उपलक्ष्य पर 'भारतीय तटरक्षक' को बधाई और शुभकामनाएं देते हैं।

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माननीय [#रक्षामंत्री](#) श्री राजनाथ सिंह का 48th तटरक्षक दिवस- 2024 के उपलक्ष्य पर शुभ सन्देश।

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On their Raising Day, greetings to the [@IndiaCoastGuard](#) personnel and their families. The ICG is widely respected for its courage and professionalism.

The force makes significant contribution towards maritime and coastal security. The nation is proud of ICG's efforts to keep India safe and secure.

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Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

Marking the 48th Raising Day of @IndiaCoastGuard, the Coast Guard #Ducati Motorcycle rally culminated today at Nariman Point #Mumbai. 20 #ICG bikers who started from Vizinjam, #Kerala covered a distance of around 1900 kms in 07 days. The rally had conducted 20 CIPs in 04 states.

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Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

Vice Admiral Mitsuru Eguchi, Superintendent, Japan Coast Guard Academy visited @IndiaCoastGuard Headquarters, #NewDelhi and interacted with DG Rakesh Pal, AVSM, PTM, TM.

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@JCG_koho
@JapaninIndia
@MEAIndia

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Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship saved precious life in the dark hours. In a swift operation conducted in the night of 03 Feb, #ICG Ship C-439 saved the life of a man who had fallen into sea off #Mumbai from private Yacht McGregor 6. #WeProtect

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11:20 am · 04 Feb 24 · 2,875 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship Varaha, an Offshore Patrol Vessel, arrived at Port #Mombasa, #Kenya today for a three-day visit as part of the overseas deployment of #ICG ships to #Africa.

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@IndiainKenya

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8:52 pm · 05 Feb 24 · 3,398 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

21 officers from friendly foreign countries embarked onboard @IndiaCoastGuard Ship Samarth for Pollution Response Demo at #Sea as part of training curriculum for the officers being undertaken at Coast Guard Training Center #CGTC, #Kochi.

@girdhararamane
@MEAIndia

PMO India and 9 others
9:35 am · 10 Feb 24 · 6,873 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship Vikram rescued 11 crew members of IFB King (IND-TN-12-MM-6466) stranded at high seas due to engine failure since 05 Feb. The boat was safely towed from 280 NM West of #Minicoy Island and handed over to ICGS Minicoy.

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PMO India and 9 others
7:08 am · 12 Feb 24 · 6,685 Views

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In the pursuit of advancing the 'Make in India' initiatives, Mr. Jonas Tegstrom, the CEO of Marine Jet Power, #Sweden, visited the @IndiaCoastGuard HQ, #NewDelhi to reaffirm his company's commitment to enhancing #Indigenous content in waterjet systems deployed in ICG Ships.



PMO India and 9 others
5:48 pm · 17 Feb 24 · 4,108 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship C-158 undertook MEDEVAC of a 53 year old #Mexican citizen suffering from Cardiac arrest onboard #Malta flagged ship MV #CelebrityMillennium 30 N miles west of #Goa coast on 19 Feb. The patient was shifted to the hospital for further medical management.



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11:43 am · 20 Feb 24 · 1,583 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

In consonance with the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding #MoU signed between Indian and Vietnam Coast Guards in 2015, the 5th high-Level meeting was held today at @IndiaCoastGuard Headquarters, #NewDelhi.

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8:35 pm · 20 Feb 24 · 2,760 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship Samarth (with integral helo) and Abhinav entered #Male today to participate in the 16th edition of Exercise #DOSTI, a trilateral exercise between the Coast Guards of #India, #Maldives and #SriLanka. (1/3)

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9:35 pm · 22 Feb 24 · 3,392 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

DG Rakesh Pal, AVSM, PTM, TM, Director General @IndiaCoastGuard, visited HQ, Coast Guard Region (Andaman & Nicobar) #PortBlair. During his maiden visit, #DGICG inspected ceremonial divisions, interacted with #ICG personnel and reviewed operational preparedness & ongoing infra projects



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11:13 pm · 23 Feb 24 · 5,397 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

H.E. Munu Mahawar, High Commissioner of #India and ADG S Paramesh, PTM, TM, ADG @IndiaCoastGuard welcomed H.E. Mohamed Ghassan Maumoon, Minister of Defence, #Maldives, and H.E. Moosa Zameer, Foreign Minister, Maldives onboard ICGS Samarth for trilateral exercise #DOSTI XVI. (1/2)



PRO Defence Kochi and 9 others
10:49 am · 24 Feb 24 · 3,469 Views

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Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

Opening ceremony of XVI edition of Exercise #DOSTI conducted at #Male on 23 Feb with active participation from @IndiaCoastGuard, MNDF(CG), #SriLanka CG and #Bangladesh CG observers to foster cooperation & interoperability in SAR, Maritime law enforcement & environment protection



PMO India and 9 others
12:16 am · 24 Feb 24 · 4,127 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

The sea exercise under #DOSTI -XVI involving five Coast Guard ships from #India, #Maldives and #SriLanka conducted today at Male, #Maldives.

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11:25 pm · 24 Feb 24 · 4,518 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

@IndiaCoastGuard Ship Varaha (an offshore Patrol Vessel #OPV) with an integral helicopter made a port call at Zanzibar, #Tanzania on 23 Feb, as part of its ongoing overseas deployment to East #Africa. This marks a pivotal milestone in diplomatic maritime engagements.



PMO India and 9 others
2:01 pm · 24 Feb 24 · 1,513 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

As curtains came down on the XVI Edition of the Trilateral Exercise #DOSTI at #Male today, a #HADR Seminar was conducted to streamline Standard Operating Procedures #SOP for a coordinated response towards disaster relief operations. (1/3)

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As part of #48thRaisingDay celebrations, a 'Day at Sea' was conducted by @IndiaCoastGuard Regional HQ East for general public from various walks of life. More than 2,000 guests were enthralled by operational demonstration by the Ships & Aircrafts showcasing #ICG Prowess at sea.



PIB in Tamil Nadu and 8 others
9:47 pm · 25 Feb 24 · 963 Views

Indian Coast Guard @IndiaCoastGuard

As part of the joint operational activities of trilateral exercise #DOSTI XVI, training on #PollutionResponse and #MARPOL was conducted onboard @IndiaCoastGuard ship Samarth on 24 Feb. Pollution response measures of containment using booms and recovery using skimmers were showcased



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9:54 am · 25 Feb 24 · 1,797 Views

MEDIA COVERAGE

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MoD signs contract for FPVs



Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed contract for acquisition of 14 Fast Patrol Vessels (FPVs) with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL), Mumbai for Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at the total project cost of Rs 1070 crore on 24 January.

These Multi Role FPVs will be indigenously designed, developed and manufactured by MDL, Mumbai under Buy (Indian-IDD) Category and will be delivered in total 63 months.

The contract in line of Aatmanirbhar Bharat would boost nation's indigenous ship-building capability bolstering maritime economic activities and foster growth of ancillary industries especially the MSME Sector.

जनसत्ता
28-01-24

लक्षद्वीप के पास फंसी नौका को भारतीय तटरक्षक ने मिनिकाय द्वीप पहुंचाया

कोच्चि, 27 जनवरी (भाषा)।

भारतीय तटरक्षक ने इंजन खराब होने के कारण 25 जनवरी से लक्षद्वीप तट के पास समुद्र में फंसी मछली पकड़ने वाली एक नौका को सुरक्षित तरीके से निकाल कर मिनिकाय द्वीप पहुंचाया। यह जानकारी रक्षा विभाग की ओर से शनिवार को जारी एक बयान से मिली।

रक्षा विभाग की ओर से सोशल मीडिया मंच 'एक्स' पर पोस्ट किए गए बयान में कहा गया है कि तटरक्षक पोत 'समर्थ' ने मछली

पकड़ने वाली नौका 'अरुल माथा' को कठिन समुद्री परिस्थितियों के बीच से सुरक्षित रूप से निकालकर मिनिकाय द्वीप पहुंचाया। मछली पकड़ने वाली नौका लक्षद्वीप में मिनिकाय द्वीप से 50 समुद्री मील दक्षिण-पश्चिम में फंसी हुई थी। भारतीय तटरक्षक जहाज समर्थ ने मछली पकड़ने वाली नौका अरुल माथा (आईएनडी-टीएन-12-एमएम-5707) को खींचकर उसकी सहायता की, जो इंजन खराब होने के कारण 25 जनवरी से मिनिकाय द्वीप से 50 समुद्री मील दक्षिण-पश्चिम में फंसी हुई थी।

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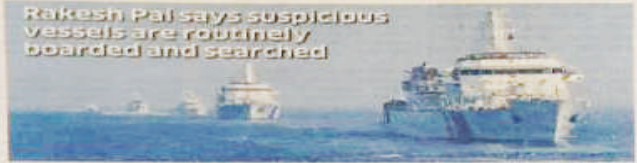
ICG personnel awarded with Presidential awards

On 75th Republic Day, President of India has bestowed prestigious President's Tatrakshak Medal (PTM) and Tatrakshak Medal (TM) to Indian Coast Guard personnel, for their act of 'conspicuous gallantry, exceptional devotion to duty, recognising their unwavering commitment and exceptional service in safeguarding the nation's maritime interests. These distinguished individuals have played a pivotal role in safeguarding maritime boundaries.

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55-60 Ships Ensure Security Every Day: Coast Guard DG

Rakesh Pal says suspicious vessels are routinely boarded and searched



Manu Pubby

New Delhi: The Indian Coast Guard is actively addressing the recent surge in piracy incidents by intensifying patrolling and leveraging advanced surveillance techniques, director general Rakesh Pal told ETI, adding that on any given day, 55-60 surface assets are deployed at sea to ensure the safety of traffic.

Speaking ahead of the Coast Guard Day, the senior officer said suspicious vessels transiting the Indian exclusive economic zone (EEZ) are routinely boarded and searched, and coast guard ships have been deployed at a distance of 100-150 nautical miles along the coast for a swift response to any incident.

"We have to ensure that the ships and mariners passing through the Indian EEZ are convinced that the routes are absolutely safe and second, ships transiting our east-west corridor know that in case of any eventuality, there will be a swift response," the officer said.

He added that besides 55-60 ships at sea everyday, the coast guard also operates 10-12 aircraft and works in close coordination with the Indian Navy and other maritime agencies. "We have our eyes and ears every-

where and when we spot any suspicious vessel, we ensure it is boarded and checked," he said.

The director general said that several new platforms are being added to the coast guard to enhance its surveillance and interception capabilities and modern technologies like artificial intelligence-based predictive maintenance is being integrated.

The Coast Guard also operates 10-12 aircraft and works in coordination with Navy and other maritime agencies.

He said most platforms and equipment being procured are from Indian origins, sources said and a contract was signed recently for Rs 1,616 crore for the procurement of six next generation offshore patrol vessels (OCOPVs) equipped with AI capabilities.

A contract for construction of 14 fast patrol vessels will be signed with Mazagon Dockyard shortly and we are planning to induct two pollution control vessels and eight fast patrol vessels in the coming two years," he said.

The coast guard is also finalising the procurement of nine additional advanced light helicopters (ALH) and eight Dornier aircraft.

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2030 तक 200 पोतों और 100 विमानों की ताकत से लैस होगा आईसीजी

1 फरवरी को मनाया जा रहा है भारतीय तटरक्षक दिवस



नई दिल्ली, 31 जनवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स) : आतंकवाद व अपराध से देश के समुद्री क्षेत्रों की रक्षा करने और ख़रों में पड़े पोतों व नौकाओं को बचाने के लिए गठित भारतीय तटरक्षक (आईसीजी) एक फरवरी को 48वां स्थापना दिवस मना रहा है। केवल 07 मज़ह-पैट्रोलमों के साथ एक माफ़ूरी शुरूआत करने वाले आईसीजी ने 2030 तक 200 मज़ह-पैट्रोलमों और 100 विमानों की ताकत हासिल करने का लक्ष्य रच किया है। इसके साथ ही आईसीजी समुद्री पर्यावरण संरक्षण के मोर्चे पर भी काम रहा है।

फिलहाल, आईसीजी अपने 152 जहाजों

के अलावा विभिन्न विभागों द्वारा देश को ब्लू इकोनॉमी की प्रगति को सुनिश्चित करने में सहयोग करत है। आईसीजी अपने स्थापना से लेकर अब तक ₹15,343 करोड़ मूल्य के इथियारा-प्रतिबंधित पर्याय और नौसेना पर्याय जका का जुका है। इन्में में ₹478 करोड़ रुपये के अति-पदार्थ अकेले वर्ष 2023 में जका किया गए है। इन्में समुद्र में एक डाल बनवाई है जहां तकरी का प्रवेश लगभग अर्धशत हो गया है। इसके अलावा देश में स्पष्टता के बचन 'स्वच्छ सागर, सुरक्षित सागर' और 'पुनर्-सागर अभियान' आयोजित किए गए, जिनमें स्वयंसेवकों ने बड़े पैमाने पर भागदारी की। भारतीय ईईकेड में गैर-निवास प्रतिक्रिया के लिए केंद्रीय सम्मन्वय प्राधिकरण होने के तौर पर आईसीजी ने यह सुनिश्चित किया है कि भारतीय जल क्षेत्र में कोई बड़ा तेल रिसाव की घटना न हो।

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ICG to celebrate 48th Raising Day today

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) is celebrating its 48th Raising Day on February one. From a modest beginning with just 07 surface platforms in 1978, ICG has grown into a formidable force with 152 ships and 78 aircraft in its inventory and is likely to achieve targeted force levels of 200 surface platforms and 100 aircraft by 2030.

The ICG is now considered to be one of renowned Coast Guards in the world due to its achievements and for the efficiency with which it operates its assets in a challenging envi-



ronment, thereby ensuring round the clock safety and security. True to its motto "Varam Rakshamah" meaning "We Protect", the service has in its credit, saving over 11,554 lives

since its inception in 1977 and 200 lives in the year 2023, which translates into saving one precious life every second day. To ensure security in the Maritime Zones of India, the Indian Coast Guard has main-

tained 24 x 7 vigil by deploying about 50 to 60 ships and 10 to 12 aircraft daily. This is to fulfill the nation's expectation to keep our seas free and secure in order to facilitate sustainable progress on blue economy efforts by various stakeholders, besides ensuring a safe environment for maritime transportation through our sea lanes. It is envisioned that the future ICG shall be omnipresent by showing strong presence in Maritime zones of India. The vast sea with overlapping jurisdiction provide avenues for anti-nationals to exploit the sea routes by posing themselves as mariners at work at sea.

Maritime Law Enforcement has been strengthened manifold and the hawk eye vigil by the ICG in our near coast and blue waters has resulted in seizure of weapons, contraband and narcotics worth Rs 15,343 Crores since inception with Rs 478 crore worth being seized in the year 2023 alone. The President of India, Vice President, Prime Minister and Defence Minister have extended greetings and congratulated the Indian Coast Guard on completion of 47 glorious years of yeoman service to the nation and appreciated the remarkable role played by the service in pursuit of the nation's interest in the Maritime Zones.

नवोदय टाईम्स
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आईसीजी ने मनाया 48वां स्थापना दिवस

नई दिल्ली, 1 फरवरी (ब्यूरो): भारतीय तटरक्षक बल (आईसीजी) ने वीरवार को राजधानी दिल्ली में अपना 48वां स्थापना दिवस मनाया। 152 जहाजों और 78 विमानों के साथ, आईसीजी भारत के समुद्री क्षेत्रों में निगरानी बनाए रखता है। इसके लिए आईसीजी प्रतिदिन 50 से 60 जहाजों और 10 से 12 विमानों को तैनात करता है, जो सुरक्षित समुद्री परिवहन में सतत प्रगति सुनिश्चित करते हैं। इस अवसर पर राष्ट्रपति, उपराष्ट्रपति, प्रधानमंत्री और रक्षा मंत्री ने भारतीय तटरक्षक बल के डीजी को स्थापना दिवस की बधाई दी।

दैनिक जागरण
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देश को रक्षा क्षेत्र में मिला 5077 करोड़ रुपये का एफडीआइ : भट्ट

नई दिल्ली, प्रे: देश में रक्षा क्षेत्र में काम करने वाली कंपनियों से 5077 करोड़ रुपये का विदेशी प्रत्यक्ष निवेश (एफडीआइ) मिल चुका है। रक्षा उद्योग क्षेत्र को निजी क्षेत्र की भागीदारी के लिए मई 2001 में खोला गया था। रक्षा क्षेत्र में एफडीआइ की सीमा को 2020 में नए रक्षा औद्योगिक लाइसेंस चाहने वाली कंपनियों के लिए स्वचालित मार्ग के माध्यम से 74 प्रतिशत तक और सरकारी मार्ग से 100 प्रतिशत तक बढ़ाया गया था। रक्षा राज्य मंत्री अजय भट्ट ने शुक्रवार को लोस में बताया कि सरकार रक्षा क्षेत्र में एफडीआइ को प्रोत्साहित करने के लिए विदेशी मूल के उपकरण निर्माताओं संग विशिष्ट प्रौद्योगिकी के सह-विकास और सह-उत्पादन को भी बढ़ावा दे रही है। एक अन्य जवाब में कहा, रक्षा मंत्रालय ने तटरक्षकों के लिए दिसंबर 2020 में 1614 करोड़ रुपये के छह अपार्टीय गश्ती जहाजों की खरीद के लिए मज़गांव डाक शिपबिल्डर्स लिमिटेड से अनुबंध किया है।

कोडियाक्कराई में फायरिंग में शामिल नौसेना अधिकारी पर की गई कार्रवाई

डेढ़ साल पहले कोडियाक्कराई जलक्षेत्र में भारतीय मछुआरों पर फायरिंग की जांच के बाद नौसेना अधिकारी के खिलाफ प्रशासनिक कार्रवाई की गई। रक्षा राज्य मंत्री अजय भट्ट ने शुक्रवार को सदन में बताया कि अक्टूबर 2022 में 10 मछुआरों की नाव पर फायरिंग की गई थी। इसमें एक मछुआरा गंभीर रूप से घायल हो गया था। मामले की जांच 18 दिसंबर 2022 को पूरी हुई और भारतीय नौसेना अधिकारी पर कार्रवाई की गई। उन्होंने बताया कि घटना में घायल तमिलनाडु के माइलादुन्नयी जिला के वीरवेल को दो लाख रुपये का मुआवजा दिया गया। घटना में मामूली रूप से घायल छह मछुआरों को मुख्यमंत्री जन राहत कोष से 20-20 हजार रुपये प्रदान किए गए।

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Ministry of Defence inks contract for 463 remote control guns

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■
NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Defence on Wednesday here signed a contract on with Advanced Weapon Equipment India Ltd. (AWEIL), Kanpur for manufacturing and supply of a total of 463 indigenously manufactured 12.7 mm Stabilised Remote Control Guns (SRCG) for the Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard at a total cost of Rs 1752.13 crore, with Indigenous Content (IC) of more than 85 per cent.

Giving details, officials said the SRCG will enhance the capability of Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard to accurately engage small targets that pose a threat to ships in an asymmetric environment, both by day and night. This acquisition will provide

further boost to the vision of "Aatmanirbharta in Defence". This contract will also open up a large avenue in defence manufacturing for over 125 Indian Vendors and DPSUs for over a period of 5 years. Incidentally, defence ministry on Tuesday had signed a contract here with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Hyderabad for procurement of 11 Shakti Electronic Warfare (EW) systems along with associated equipment and accessories for Indian Navy under Buy (Indian-IDD) category at a total cost of Rs 2,269.54 crore. The Shakti system is indigenously designed, developed and manufactured. It is capable of accurately intercepting electronic emissions and implement counter measures in dense electromagnetic environment, officials said.

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Indigenisation of spares for foreign equipment on ships



In the pursuit of advancing the Defence Sector through the 'Make in India' initiative, the ICG has aimed at indigenisation of spares for foreign-origin

equipment installed onboard ICG ships in partnership with OEMs. Over the past year, discussions regarding propulsion systems have unfolded.

नवोदय टाइम्स
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समुद्री खोज व प्रदूषण प्रतिक्रिया में सहयोग करेंगे भारत-वियतनाम

नई दिल्ली, 20 फरवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स): भारत और वियतनाम के तटरक्षक बलों की पांचवीं उच्च स्तरीय बैठक मंगलवार को नई दिल्ली में संपन्न हुई। भारतीय तटरक्षक के महानिदेशक राकेश पाल की मेजबानी में आयोजित बैठक का नेतृत्व आईसीजी के महानिरीक्षक अनुपम राय ने किया। जबकि, वियतनाम तटरक्षक का नेतृत्व वीसीजी क्षेत्र-3 के कमांडर मेजर जनरल नो बिन्ह मिन्ह ने किया।

पांच दिवसीय यात्रा के तहत

भारत पहुंचे वियतनाम तटरक्षक के छह सदस्यीय प्रतिनिधिमंडल के संग आयोजित बैठक आपसी सहयोग और क्षमता निर्माण के रास्ते पर केंद्रित थी। बैठक में समुद्री खोज एवं बचाव, समुद्री प्रदूषण प्रतिक्रिया और समुद्री कानून प्रवर्तन के क्षेत्र में सहयोग पर सहमति बनी। दोनों पक्ष एमओयू के अनुसार आपसी सहयोग मजबूत करने, प्रथाओं को साझा करने और समुद्री क्षेत्र में विभिन्न चुनौतियों के समाधान हेतु आदान-प्रदान जारी रखने पर सहमत हुए।

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India, Maldives & Sri Lanka's 'Dosti' in Indian Ocean Region

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MALE: Seeking to enhance maritime security and interoperability, coast guard personnel from India, the Maldives and Sri Lanka have embarked on a four-day trilateral exercise to identify emerging maritime challenges in the Indian Ocean Region.

Indian Coast Guard ship Samarth and ICGS Abhinav along with Sri Lanka Naval Ship Samudura reached here on Thursday for the exercise 'DOSTI-16' that would be held between February 22 and 25. Bangladesh is participating as an observer.

Coast guard helicopter ICGS Dornier too is part of the tri-

The ICG ships would participate in a series of activities and take part in a joint sea exercise with the Sri Lanka Coast Guard and Maldives National Defence Force

lateral exercise 'Dosti', which Sri Lanka said aims to enhance cooperation, strengthen friendship, improve mutual operational capability, and develop interoperability among the

Coast Guard personnel of India, the Maldives, and Sri Lanka.

The Maldives National Defence Force (MNDF) late Thursday evening extended a warm welcome to ADG S Paramesh, Additional Director General of the Indian Coast Guard. "Upon his (Paramesh) arrival at the VLA, Colonel Mohamed Saleem, Commandant of MNDF Coast Guard, greeted him," a post on X by MNDF said.

"Commanding Officers of both ICG ships called on Commandant MNDF CG and discussed mutual avenues of cooperative engagements," the Indian Coast Guard said in a post on X.



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