

Shri Shyam Jagannathan, Director General of Shipping, Honors HIMT College with Esteemed Visits to Pre-Sea and Post-Sea Campuses- By CEO HIMT Sanjeev Vakil



DG Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS

By the grace of the Almighty, it was a momentous occasion for HIMT College to welcome the esteemed Director General Shipping, of Shri Shyam Jagannathan ji, on official visits to both our Pre-Sea Campus in Kalpakkam and Post-Sea Campus in Tidal Park, Chennai. The visits took place on August 3 and August 5, 2023, respectively, and were graced by a distinguished delegation of senior officials from MMD, Chennai. Esteemed personalities such as Shri Satish Kamath (Engineer and Ship Surveyor cum DDG (Tech), Shri K.M. Rao (Principal Officercum-Jt. DG (Tech)), Shri S. Satyanarayanan Murthy (Engineer and Ship Surveyor cum DDG), Capt. V. Pardhasaradhi (Examiner of Master & Mates) and Capt. Hemant Jarwal- Nautical Surveyor cum Deputy Director General (Tech)) added immense value to these significant visits.

Upon arrival at the Pre-Sea Campus on August 3, Shri Jagannathan ji was warmly



DG Shipping is being received by the Mr & Mrs Vakil

received by Smt. Tarangini Vakil, Director of Finance; Shri Sanjeev S. Vakil, CEO; and Capt. Anand Subramanian, Principal of the college. The day was inaugurated with a splendid ceremonial parade by senior cadets, who left a glorious impression on the Director General with their discipline and decorum. Following this grand welcome, Shri Jagannathan ji planted a sapling in the main avenue in HIMT College Campus. He then met the faculty and staff of HIMT College. Later he was escorted through the stateof-the-art facilities in the campus



DG inaugurating the Steering Simulator in the Seamanship Lab.



- including the Ship-in-Campus, Swimming Pool, Seamanship, and Virtual Reality Labs. This leg of the visit was marked by the inauguration of the cutting-edge Steering Simulator, setting new standards in maritime training.



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In the evening, Shri Jagannathan ji addressed a special assembly, leaving an indelible impact on both faculty and cadets. His motivating words on developing qualities like leadership and camaraderie resonated deeply with all cadets. He motivated and inspired the cadets to have perseverance to achieve success in life. He advised the young cadets to work hard, upskill themselves and take the flag of India higher in the Maritime realm.

The festivities continued on August 5 at the Post-Sea Campus in Tidal Park, Chennai. Here, **Shri Jagannathan ji inaugurated the advanced Full Mission Ice Navigation Bridge Simulator** and Full Mission Engine Room Simulator. These high-tech simulators, equipped with the latest MEGI and RTFlex engine modules, promise to be significant



game-changers in maritime training.

The visits were a testament to HIMT College's commitment to global quality standards in learning and professional excellence. The visionary approach and invaluable insights shared by Shri Shyam Jagannathan ji have given us a much-needed direction to forge ahead. His emphasis on compliance with STCW and adaptability technology evolving has to profoundly inspired us.

We at HIMT College are thrilled at the prospect of future collaborations to advance the maritime interests of our great nation, India. Under the wise stewardship of Shri Shyam Jagannathan ji, we are confident that India's shipping industry will achieve unprecedented milestones, and we are excited and embrace the opportunity to work collectively toward a thriving maritime ecosystem.

