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Seafarers and NUSI celebrate "Seafarers Unity Day" (Mr. Milind Kandalgaonkar - General Secretary cum Treasurer)

Every year Indian seafarers celebrate the "Seafarers Unity Day" on 6th November throughout India. It is also a paid holiday on all NUSI Agreement for seafarers working on Indian and foreign flag ships on 6th November every year. We are delighted to inform you that the Seafarers Unity Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 6th November, 2023, at the Indian Sailors Home Society (ISHS). This annual event holds immense significance as it recognizes and honours the contributions and sacrifices of our brave seafarers. The event was telecasted live and reached all over India and also on board ships throughout the world.

NUSI and our seafarers and their families were honoured to have **Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS, Director General of Shipping, GOI, as our Chief Guest.** In his address, he emphasized the importance of maintaining unity among seafarers, highlighting its power to solve problems and ensure the safety of seafarers. Shri Jagannathan also assured seafarers that the Directorate General of Shipping and NUSI are available



Chief Guest
Shri Shyam Jagannathan

to address health, medical, or other concerns that they may have while onboard. NUSI will also share the pro-active approach of our Director General and the Directorate amongst the shipping fraternity.

In his welcome address, **NUSI General Secretary-cum-Treasurer, Shri Milind Kandalgaonkar,** highlighted the importance of skill enhancement

for Indian seafarers. He also stressed the various training and welfare programs initiated by NUSI, which are designed to enhance the skills of seafarers. Shri Kandalgaonkar advised seafarers to take advantage of these programs, many of which are highly subsidized or at zero cost to seafarers, and invest in their personal development, as it will

ultimately benefit them in their future careers. Shri Kandalgaonkar also appreciated the role of the shipowners who were present in the function in large numbers.

NUSI Assistant General Secretary Shri Sunil Nair read out the message on behalf of NUSI President Capt. N.A. Hiranandani.

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Mr Milind Kandalgaonkar addressing gathering

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Fitter Training Course during the event. The course was inaugurated at the hands of Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS, Director General of Shipping. This proactive approach by NUSI aims to enhance the skill sets of seafarers and equip them for the evolving demands of the industry.

NUSI had the privilege of hosting eminent speakers from the industry who shared their insights on important topics:

Capt. Philip Mathews representing, Indian National Shipowners' Association (INSA) - Expectation of the shipowners from the seafarers employed on their ships.

Capt. Mukesh Sharan Vice-Chair, Foreign Owners Representatives and Ship Managers Association (FOSMA)

- Skill enhancement to perform well onboard and also retain jobs.

Capt. Rakesh Singh Secretary, ICC Shipping Association (ICCSA) - Importance of being employed on the coast on small vessels rather than remaining unemployed for years in search of foreign going bigger ships.

Capt. Girish Phadnis Chairman, Maritime Association of Shipowners Shipmanagers and Agents (MASSA) - Problems of going to Agents for seeking employment.

Capt. Tushar Pradhan General Secretary, Maritime Union of India (MUI) - Expectation of Seafarers from the Shipowners.

Their valuable contributions enriched the knowledge and understanding of more than 1500 seafarers who were present.

The Seafarers Unity Day celebrations also saw the participation of hundreds of family members of seafarers. The success of the event can be attributed to the collective effort and support of our members.

We are proud to share that NUSI is the only union in the world that offers a multitude of facilities such as skill enhancement, medical support, education, counseling, and well-being initiatives for the welfare of seafarers and their families. Additionally, during the Seafarers Unity Day 2023, beneficiaries of NUSI's welfare initiatives received financial assistance, underscoring our commitment to supporting seafarers in every possible way.

NUSI takes this opportunity to congratulate the recipients of the "NUSI Scholar" scheme for the highest percentage in Tenth Standard in 2023

for children of NUSI members given below:

- 1) 1st - Mst. Sathvik R. s/o Bro. Raju Venkat Mogera, CDC No. MOSV4006, Rank - Bosun
- 2) 2nd - Ms. Anjali A.R. d/o of Bro. Anilkumar A. Nair, CDC No. MUM77507, Rank - Bosun
- 3) 3rd Ms. Dheekshitha S. d/o Bro. Muniappan Senthilmurugan, CDC No. MUM88442, Rank - Chief Cook

These were announced to receive 2-year fixed deposits of Rs. 50,000/-, Rs. 30,000/- and Rs. 20,000/- respectively.

As a token of appreciation for their unwavering support of NUSI activities, seafarers were also felicitated with the esteemed NUSI Golden Member Card.

- 1) Bro. Vijayan S. V. - CDC No. MUM84062
- 2) Bro. Umashankar

- R. Mishra - CDC No. MUM104257
- 3) Bro. Madhu M. Pillai - CDC No. MUM92807
- 4) Bro. Parry Agnelo Avelino Noronha - CDC No. BY53002
- 5) Bro. Mr. Ayyaz Yusuf Kumandan - CDC No. MUM76465

The programme concluded with vote of thanks presented by NUSI Vice President, Shri Louis Gomes.

The Seafarers Unity Day- 6th November celebration function was recorded and can be viewed through the following links:

NUSI Facebook Link: <https://www.facebook.com/nusiindia/videos/71729542318310>

NUSI Youtube Link: https://youtu.be/KBG50jEm0ko?si=kLnLrgI_7RPyJHAd

The celebrations were followed by an entertaining program and a delicious dinner, adding to the joyous atmosphere of the event.

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The Chinese and Pakistani navies are holding weeklong drills in the Arabian Sea days after

the Russian Pacific Fleet and Myanmar practiced repelling attacks in their first maritime exercise,

At a naval base in Karachi on November

Pak Chinese Navies hold Joint Exercises in India's backyard



Pak-Chinese flags

11th, the Chinese and Pakistani navies kicked off the exercise in the waters and airspace of the northern Arabian Sea in drills that include anti-submarine operations. The exercise will end on Nov. 17.

During the exercise, China and Pakistan will conduct joint Maritime patrols for the first time, the People's Liberation Army Daily reported.

The exercise follows what Moscow describes as

"the first Russian-Myanmar naval exercise in modern history" held from Nov. 7-9 in the Andaman Sea on the northeastern fringe of the Indian Ocean, a milestone for Russia's naval presence in a sea that the United States counts as one of its global security interests.

Admiral Tributs and Admiral Panteleyev, two large Russian anti-submarine ships, conducted exercises with a frigate and a corvette of Myanmar's navy, according to Interfax news agency last week.

Amid the push for deeper security ties between China and Pakistan, and Russia and Myanmar, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin held defense talks in New Delhi on Nov. 10 with their Indian counterparts.

China was also not mentioned in the joint statement, even though an Indian government official said ahead of the talks that China would be one of the "key focus points. **New Delhi has carefully preserved its longstanding relations with Russia, including cooperation in defense, even as its ties with Washington have grown steadily stronger.**

The careful navigation of those talks comes ahead of a highly anticipated meeting between US President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping in San Francisco this week, where Washington is expected to seek a re-establishment of military-to-military ties with Beijing.



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