

Technology in Maritime (TIM) 2025 Celebrates 5 Glorious Years with Record-Breaking Innovation, Global Recognition & Student Excellence

Mumbai, India: The 5th edition of **The International Maritime (TIM) Conference**, hosted by **The Naval Connection (TNC)**, concluded with resounding success—marking a milestone year of innovation, collaboration, and maritime excellence. This year's TIM was unlike any other, celebrating five transformative years of TNC's journey with groundbreaking announcements, global honours, and the resounding spirit of the maritime community.

A Historic Opening: Vision, Growth & Global Recognition

In his opening keynote, **Capt. Shoukat Mukherjee (Founder & CEO TNC)** reflected emotionally on TNC's incredible journey—from just 2 partnering companies to over 120 global maritime clients in five years.

Capt. Mukherjee proudly unveiled **Aura Cisel Studio** the personality development programme for students of maritime and the **Students in Maritime Bharat Association (SIMBA)** India's first visionary maritime students association

But the greatest moment arrived when Capt. Mukherjee announced **TIM's global recognition by NASA**, with an awe-inspiring video message from **astronaut Sunita Williams**, praising TIM & IIM for inspiring youth and driving innovation.

“To be acknowledged from space... by Sunita Williams herself... this is not just our success—it is history for Indian maritime,” said Capt. Mukherjee.

Keynote by S. Raghavan – Maritime Excellence from the US

Flying in from the United States, global thought leader and technocrat **Mr. S. Shankar Raghavan** delivered a visionary keynote. He was honoured with the prestigious 'Global Maritime Digital Visionary Leadership Award' for his lifelong contribution to digitisation and leadership.

Academic Powerhouse Presence

TIM was graced by the academic elite, including senior leadership from the **Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Mumbai** and Capt. Anish Joseph from the Directorate General of Shipping, reinforcing maritime's intersection with the administration, business, technology, and leadership education.

Power Panels & Industry Dialogues

Thought-provoking sessions followed featuring leaders from **Wärtsilä, Fathom Marine, 3 Cube Medicare, Shipfinex** and **The Nautical Institute**, who discussed digital transformation, sustainability, and the future of maritime careers.

Special Appearance – Capt. Venzy Viegas, Member of Legislative Assembly (Goa)

Master Mariner turned legislator **Capt. Venzy Viegas**, MLA of Benaulim Constituency, joined TIM to inspire future mariners. He was honoured with the **“Pride of Maritime Award”** for his leadership and service to seafarers and coastal communities.

Yuva Tarang Live Performances – 8 Institutes, One Stage

The cultural heartbeat of TIM, **Yuva Tarang**, brought staggering talent from **8 maritime institutes**, with electrifying live performances of music, dance, and theatre.



Yuva Tarang Winners

- **1st Place – Tolani Maritime Institute**
- **2nd Place – SIMTI**
- **3rd Place – Ganpat University**

IIM Awards – The Battle of Innovation

The Innovation in Maritime Awards (IIM) received **over 70 groundbreaking submissions**, narrowed to **15 finalists** by the global jury.



IIM Top Honors

- **1st Place – AEMA**
- **2nd Place – Ganpat University**
- **Joint 3rd – SIMTI & AEMA**
- **5th Place – Tolani Maritime Institute**

By combined scoring of both **IIM & Yuva Tarang**, **Ganpat University** emerged as the **Overall Champion of TIM 2025**

Honouring Excellence – Diversity, Young Icons & Lifetime Legacy

- **D&I Jury Felicitated** for championing inclusion in maritime.
- **Youth Icons Recognized** for leadership and changemaking.
- The evening reached an emotional peak with the **Lifetime Achievement Award** presented to **Capt. Agyapal Khuman**, who received a **standing ovation** from the entire hall.

The award was conferred jointly by **Capt. Rajesh Tandon**, **Capt. Shoukat Mukherjee**, and leaders from **Ganpat University**.

Grand Musical Finale – Rajesh Roy Live

The famous music composer **Rajesh Roy** lit up the evening with an exhilarating live concert, setting the stage ablaze during the engagement dinner—a perfect finale to a spectacular maritime celebration.

Quote from Capt. Shoukat Mukherjee – Founder, TNC

“Over the years TIM has become a huge brand, a sort of a movement. A bridge between sea and space—between cadets and captains, between India and the world. We are building a maritime legacy for the next 100 years.”

Gratitude to Our Partners

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