



Exercises and visits

Exercise Malabar 2022 at Japan

The Opening Ceremony of the multi-national maritime exercise Malabar 2022 hosted by Vice Admiral Yuasa Hideki, SDF Fleet Commander was held onboard JS Hyuga at Yokosuka, Japan on 8 November 2022. This edition of the exercise took place 8-15 November 2022. It marked the 30th anniversary of exercise which began in 1992 as bilateral exercise between India-US and gained further eminence with joining of Japan and Australia. The ceremony was attended by the crew and planning staff of participating ships, aircraft and Special Forces from Australia, India, Japan and United States.

The Indian delegation comprised Commanding Officers and crew of INS Shivalik, INS Kamorta, P8I and Marine Commandos was led by Rear Admiral Sanjay Bhalla, Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet. Vice Admiral Karl Thomas, Commander, US Navy Seventh Fleet and Real Admiral Jonathan Earley, Fleet Commander Royal Australian Navy also participated in the ceremony along with personnel from their respective navies. Indian Navy was represented by indigenously built ships Shivalik, Kamorta, Marine Commandos and a maritime patrol aircraft P8I.

