

## **Exercises and visits**

## Explosive ordnance disposal Exercise SALVEX

The Seventh edition of Indian Navy/US Navy Salvage and Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) exercise, SALVEX was conducted from 26 June to 6 July 2023 at Kochi. IN and USN have been participating in joint Salvage and EOD exercises since 2005. The exercise saw participation from both the navies which included the ships INS Nireekshak and USNS Salvor in addition to Specialist Diving and EOD teams. Spanning over 10 days, the Diving teams of both the countries shared experiences on Maritime Salvage and trained together in various facets of EOD Operations on land as well at sea. SALVEX also saw conduct of joint training exercises towards enhancing interoperability, cohesiveness and gaining from best practices mutually in Maritime Salvage and EOD operations.



## **Japan India JIMEX 23**

The seventh edition of the bilateral Japan–India Maritime Exercise 2023 (JIMEX 23) hosted by the Indian Navy, was conducted at/off Visakhapatnam from 5 to 10 July 2023. This edition marked the 11th anniversary of JIMEX, since its inception in 2012. Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) units under the command of RAdm Nishiyama Takahiro, Commander Escort Flotilla One, and Indian Naval ships under the command of RAdm Gurcharan Singh, Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet participated in the exercise.



JIMEX 23 witnessed participation of INS Delhi, India's first indigenously built guided missile destroyer, INS Kamorta, an indigenously designed and built anti–submarine warfare corvette, fleet tanker INS Shakti, a submarine, maritime patrol aircraft P8I and Dornier, ship–borne helicopters and fighter aircraft. JMSDF was represented by the guided missile destroyer JS Samidare and its integral helicopters.

## **Ex Op Southern Readiness**

INS Sunayna was at Seychelles from 10 to 12 July 2023 to participate in Op Southern Readiness 2023 conducted by Combined Maritime Forces (CMF). The visit was aimed at strengthening multilateral ties and enhancing cooperation through CMF exercise which is a multinational initiative aimed at enhancing maritime security, countering piracy to ensure safety and freedom of navigation in the region.

