

## मुर्गांव पत्तन प्राधिकरण MORMUGAO PORT AUTHORITY



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## ENHANCING DIGITAL PROFICIENCY: MS OFFICE TRAINING AT MORMUGAO PORT AUTHORITY

In compliance with the directives of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, the Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) initiated batch-wise training sessions on "MS Office" starting from July 4, 2024. The training, organized by MPA's IT Cell, aims to enhance the digital proficiency and office productivity of the port's officials. This initiative is part of MPA's ongoing commitment to fostering skill development and empowering its workforce with essential digital tools to streamline operations and improve efficiency.



## VAN MAHOTSAV CELEBRATION: A GREEN INITIATIVE BY THE WOMEN'S CELL OF MPA

On July 4, 2024, the Women's Cell of Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) celebrated "**Van Mahotsav**" by organizing a vibrant Plant Exhibition at the HRD Centre. The event was designed to engage women employees of the Port and the daughters of Port employees, providing them with a platform to showcase a variety of medicinal and kitchen garden plants. This initiative not only promoted environmental awareness but also encouraged sustainable gardening practices among the participants, highlighting the importance of green spaces in our daily lives.





## One Day Conference “Port of the Future” held at the International Day Centre, Dona Paula on 05.07.2024.

- The Mormugao Port Authority, in collaboration with the Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships (DGLL) under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW), organized a one-day conference on July 5, 2024, at the International Centre Goa in Dona Paula. The theme of the conference was “Port of the Future.”
- Shri Rajiv Jalota, IAS, Chairperson of Mumbai Port Authority and the Indian Ports Association, was the Chief Guest at the event. Other distinguished dignitaries included Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, Shri N. Muruganandam, Director General of DGLL, and Commander Opesh Kumar Sharma, Director (Shipping), MoPSW, Govt. of India.
- The conference aimed to create a roadmap for Indian ports to integrate 5G technology and explore the application of emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Blockchain, and the Internet of Things (IoT). These technologies are essential to improve the operational efficiency and competitiveness of ports globally.
- A press conference was also held, where Shri Rajiv Jalota, Dr. N. Vinodkumar, and Shri N. Muruganandam interacted with the media. They emphasized the significance of the conference in shaping the future of Indian ports.
- During the event, an information booklet titled "Port of the Future" was jointly released by Mormugao Port Authority and DGLL. The booklet contained key insights from the conference presentations. Topics covered in the booklet included the Future of Ports, building smart ports to optimize operations, unlocking port productivity through drone technology, advanced access control systems, and the future of Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) Radar. It also explored the role of advanced IT solutions in boosting global seaport competitiveness.
- Several companies provided expert presentations on topics like 5G and advanced Vessel Traffic Management Systems (VTMS). These included Intel, Niral Networks, Ideaforge, Idemia, Coresonant, Terma Aatash, Norcontrol, IALA (International speaker), DGLL, and Paradip Port Authority.
- This event served as an important platform for sharing ideas and exploring innovative solutions for the future of ports, highlighting technological advancements that are shaping the maritime and port industries.







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## Glimpses of One Day Conference "Port of the Future" held at the International Day Centre, Dona Paula on 05.07.2024.



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## PRESENTATION SESSION BY BITS PILANI PS-1 STUDENTS AT MORMUGAO PORT AUTHORITY

A presentation session was held on 16th July 2024 at the Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) for the PS-1 students of BITS Pilani, who were interning under the Mechanical, Civil Engineering, and Finance Departments of MPA. The session took place in the presence of the respective departmental mentors, officials from the Port, Project Coordinator, and Assistant Professor from BITS Pilani, Goa, Dr. Sundari Ramji.

During the session, each intern delivered an individual PowerPoint presentation on the projects they worked on during their internship period. The presentations were followed by an interactive feedback session, where the departmental mentors and other officials offered valuable insights and suggestions.



## STUDY VISIT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PETITION (RAJYA SABHA)

A study visit by the Committee on Petition (Rajya Sabha) was held on 19th July 2024, with Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) being one of the participating organizations. Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, attended the meeting along with the Heads of Departments. Officials from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways (MoPSW) also attended the meeting.





A Flood Disaster Mock Drill was conducted by the CISF Unit MPA Goa on July 24, 2024. The drill saw active participation from the MPA hospital staff, MPA and Goa State Fire Departments, as well as local police, the Director of Factories & Boilers, and the Goa IMA Disaster Management Cell Team. Shri Gajesh Shirodkar and Dr. Vallabh D, both senior experts in Disaster Management, served as the chief observers.

The drill included multiple stages: Flood Point, Landing Point, and Triage at a higher ground level, along with emergency casualty treatment for Red Tag patients. Key medical procedures, including emergency resuscitation, intubation, and defibrillator application, were actively demonstrated during the drill. This was followed by a Q&A session with the observers to discuss and clarify various aspects of the drill.



## **Mormugao Port Authority Celebrated 78th Independence Day with Pride and Enthusiasm**

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) celebrated the 78th Independence Day with great pride and enthusiasm. Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. In his speech, the Chairperson honored the sacrifices made by freedom fighters who laid down their lives for the independence of our country. He also paid tribute to our brave soldiers, who work tirelessly at the borders, away from their families, to safeguard our nation.

As part of the celebrations, awards were presented to CISF personnel in recognition of their dedication and hard work. A cultural program was also presented by the students of Deepvihar Schools and MPA employees, adding to the festive spirit of the day.





**Sadbhavana Diwas**, is observed every year on August 20 to commemorate the birth anniversary of former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. The day was observed at Mormugao Port, Goa, on August 20, 2024 with solemnity and unity. Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, administered the pledge in the presence of the Deputy Chairperson of MPA and other staff members.

The pledge, which promotes national integration and communal harmony among people of all religions, languages, and regions, was also taken across all departments at MPA, in the presence of Heads of Departments (HODs), senior officers, and port employees.



### 2 Days workshop as a precursor to Vigilance Awareness Week 2024

Every year, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) celebrates Vigilance Awareness Week (VAW). As a precursor to VAW 2024, the Vigilance Department, in association with the GAD, conducted a two-day workshop on Departmental Enquiries for its officials on August 22 & 23, 2024.

Dr. Upender Vennam, IPoS, Chief Vigilance Officer at Bharat Dynamics Ltd., MIDHANI, and HSL, was the guest faculty for the two-day workshop, bringing his expertise to enhance the knowledge of the participants.





## **Mormugao Port Authority Celebrated National Space Day with Activities for Students**

In celebration of National Space Day and following the directions from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways (MoPSW), Mormugao Port Authority organized various activities for the students of Deepvihar High School on August 23, 2024. The events included an Art Competition for students from Class 5 to Class 7 and an Essay Writing Competition in both Hindi and English for students from Class 8 to Class 10.

Additionally, a talk on the topic "Space Exploration" was organized for students of Deepvihar High School and Higher Secondary School, from Class 8 to Class 12. Prof. Tarun Kumar Jha, Department of Physics, BITS Pilani, was the guest faculty for the session. The talk was highly informative, and students attended in large numbers, showing keen interest in space exploration.





## Mormugao Port Authority Conducted 3-Day Training Program on Railway Operations

Mormugao Port Authority, in collaboration with Konkan Railway, conducted a three-day training program on "Railway Operations" for employees of the Railway Division, Traffic Department, from August 26 to August 28, 2024.

The inaugural session was graced by Shri Vinayaka Rao, Deputy Chairperson of MPA, along with the Traffic Manager and other MPA officials. The program aimed to enhance operational efficiency and safety in the execution of railway operations at the port. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Peters, experts from Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL), led the sessions and provided valuable insights during the training.



### Courtesy Visit by Hon'ble Member of Rajya Sabha Shri Sadanand Shet Tanawade to Mormugao Port Authority

Shri Sadanand Shet Tanawade, Hon'ble Member of Rajya Sabha, paid a courtesy visit to Mormugao Port Authority on August 29, 2024. He was accompanied by Shri Daji Salkar, MLA of Vasco constituency and Shri Sankalp Amonkar, MLA of Mormugao constituency. The distinguished guests were warmly welcomed by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA.





## **“ MPA joins the Nation in a Historic moment ” Foundation Stone for Vadhavan Port Laid by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi**

On 30th August, 2024, Mormugao Port Authority joined the nation in witnessing historic laying of the foundation stone for Vadhavan Port by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The virtual event was organized in the Board Room and HRD Centre of MPA and was attended by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, the Deputy Chairperson, and other Heads of Departments (HODs), along with a large number of MPA employees.





## MPA concludes the Railway Operations training with Certificate distribution ceremony.

On September 2, 2024, Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, along with the Deputy Chairperson and Traffic Manager, awarded course completion certificates to the participants of the 3 day training programme on Railway operations during the concluding ceremony. The event marked the successful culmination of the training initiative aimed at strengthening railway operations.



## 20th Maritime State Development Council (MSDC) Meeting Hosted by Mormugao Port Authority

- ♦ Mormugao Port Authority had a honour of hosting a prestigious 20th Maritime State Development Council (MSDC) meeting from September 12th to 13th, 2024, at Taj Exotica, Goa. The meeting was chaired by Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways (PSW) and chaired by Shri Shantanu Thakur, Hon'ble Minister of State for PSW.





- ◆ As part of the event, on September 12, 2024, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Minister of PSW, accompanied by Shri T.K. Ramachandran, Secretary of Mormugao Port, visited Mormugao Port Authority. A Guard of Honour was given by the CISF-MPA Goa unit, and a tree plantation ceremony as held at the MPA Administration building under the **"Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam"** initiative. Following this, the dignitaries proceeded to the Cruise Terminal where the Hon'ble Minister addressed a press briefing followed by an inspection of the upcoming International Cruise Terminal showing MPA's growing infrastructure in line with global standards.
- ◆ The 20th Maritime States Development Council Meeting which was held at Taj Exotica, Goa, focused on key topics such as port modernization, connectivity, maritime tourism, navigation projects, and port security. The meeting was chaired by Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Union Minister for PSW, and attended by Shri Shantanu Thakur, Hon'ble Minister of State for PSW, and Shri T. K. Ramachandran, Secretary of MoPSW. The occasion was also graced by Dr. Pramod Sawant, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa. Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, attended the MSDC meeting, along with senior officials from MoPSW and various other dignitaries.

The 20th MSDC meeting marked a significant step towards shaping a efficient and futuristic maritime ecosystem for India.





- The Hindi Fortnight celebrations at Mormugao Port Authority were inaugurated with a lamp-lighting ceremony by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, in the presence of the Deputy Chairperson, Heads of Departments (HoDs), and senior officers. On this occasion, Hindi Diwas messages from the Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of India, Shri Amit Shah Ji, and the Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, were read out.
- As part of the ongoing activities of the Hindi Fortnight celebrations, on September 16, 2024, under the leadership of Shri Vinayaka Rao, Dy. Chairperson of MPA, all Heads of Departments, along with officers and employees of MPA, collectively read out the Hindi Diwas messages from Shri Amit Shah Ji, Hon'ble Home Minister, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Minister of PSW, and Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, reaffirming their commitment to promoting the Official Language. During Hindi Fortnight various Hindi competitions were organised for Port Officers and employees and also to the contract Govt. Employees of office located in South Goa.
- Mormugao Port Authority hosted enriching awareness sessions on September 19 and 20, 2024, for students of Deepvihar High School and Lt. Narendra Mayekar Govt. High School, Headland Sada, respectively, on the 'Importance of the Hindi Language.' These sessions empowered young minds to cherish and uphold our linguistic heritage.
- A workshop on the 'Smooth Implementation of Official Language' was organized for MPA officials on September 25, 2024, under the guidance of Dr. Susmita Bhattacharya, Dy. Director, Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs.
- The Hindi Fortnight celebrations concluded on September 30, 2024, with a closing ceremony under the Chairmanship of Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, and the gracious presence of Shri Bhupendra Sharma, INAS, GM, NAD, as the Chief Guest. The ceremony was attended by the Deputy Chairperson, all Heads of Departments, and MPA staff. During the event, the Engg. (Mech.) Department was honored with the Rajbhasha Rolling Shield 2023-24 for outstanding Hindi implementation. The Port's Hindi E-magazine, "Goen Port Darpan," was e-released, and prizes for various Hindi competitions were distributed. Meritorious students from Deepvihar Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools, who secured the highest marks in Hindi in their 10th and 12th board examinations, were felicitated. MPA proudly upholds its constitutional commitment to promote Rajbhasha Hindi.





## Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 Celebrations at Mormugao Port Authority

- As part of the Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS), the pledge was taken at Mormugao Port Authority on September 16, 2024. The pledge was administered by the Deputy Chairperson of MPA, along with all Heads of Departments (HODs) in their respective departments and MPA employees. Mormugao Port conducted Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) campaign from 17th Sept., to 2nd Oct., 2024 and the theme "SWABHAV SWACHHATA- SANSKAAR SWACHHATA.". SHS is a pivotal campaign under the Swachh Bharat Mission, officially launched by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.
- As part of the SHS initiative, employees of the Marine Department conducted cleanliness activities around the Signal Station and Naval Battery areas. A walkathon was organized, and students from the Port-affiliated Deepvihar High School took the Swachhata pledge.
- On September 20, 2024, students from Deepvihar School participated in the "Swachhata Hi Seva" campaign during the school assembly, taking the Swachhata pledge. Additionally, students and teachers planted saplings within the school premises, and the Group D staff actively participated in cleaning the campus.
- On September 21, 2024, a cleaning drive was carried out by Mormugao Port Authority staff at Baina Beach. The Mechanical Engineering Department also engaged in Swachhata activities at the R&D Yard.
- On September 25, 2024, Mormugao Port Authority organized a walkathon for students of Deepvihar Higher Secondary School, patronized by MPA. The walkathon was flagged off by Shri Sudin Prabhudessai, CE (i/c).
- On the same day, the General Administration Department staff undertook cleaning activities at their office premises.
- Small actions, big impact! MPA participated actively in the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign, inspiring individuals to take ownership of cleanliness. Cleaning activities were carried out by the Mechanical Engineering and Traffic Departments on September 27, 2024.
- On September 27, 2024, Mormugao Port Authority Hospital organized a health camp for Safai Karmacharis to ensure their well-being and provide quality medical care.
- As part of the nationwide 'Swachhata Hi Seva 2024' campaign, Deepvihar Primary School organized a walkathon on September 27, 2024, to raise awareness about environmental preservation. The event saw active participation from students and teachers, symbolizing collective efforts to achieve the goals of the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign. The walkathon served as a platform to promote cleanliness and environmental stewardship among students and employees.





## Glimpses of Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 Celebrations at Mormugao Port Authority



### Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC), South Goa meeting

The second half-yearly meeting of the **Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC), South Goa** for the year 202425 was held on **24th September 2024** under the chairmanship of **Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS**, Chairperson, TOLIC South Goa & Chairperson, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA).

**Dr. Susmita Bhattacharya**, Deputy Director, Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs, graced the meeting with her presence, along with the **Heads of Central Government Offices in Vasco** and other esteemed representatives.

On this occasion, **Rajbhasha Shields** were awarded to TOLIC member offices in recognition of their **outstanding performance in the implementation of Official Language policies**. Additionally, **prizes were distributed to the winners** of various competitions conducted by member offices under the aegis of TOLIC, South Goa.

The meeting served as a platform to **review the progress, share best practices**, and reaffirm the commitment towards **promoting the use of Hindi in official work** across member organizations.



## Glimpses Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC), South Goa meeting



### CII Goa Conference on Logistics

At the **CII Goa Conference on Logistics** titled “*Creating Synergies to Catalyse the Next Wave of Sustainable Growth of Logistics Sector in Goa*”, held on **25th September 2024** at **Taj Vivanta, Goa**, **Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS**, Chairperson, **Mormugao Port Authority (MPA)**, delivered an insightful briefing on **Port infrastructure and logistics**.

During the session, Dr. N. Vinodkumar, **IPoS**, Chairperson, MPA highlighted the **critical role of port infrastructure** in driving sustainable growth and elaborated on the **strategic initiatives undertaken by MPA**. The focus of the session revolved around **collaborative efforts by various stakeholders** to enhance and modernize port-related infrastructure. Key areas discussed included **port modernization**, the **development of inland cargo berths**, and other vital steps to transform **Goa into a multi-modal logistics hub**.



### MPA Workshop Promotes the use of Hindi in the Workplace

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organized a workshop on ‘Smooth Implementation of Official Language’ on 25th September 2024 under the guidance of Dr. Susmita Bhattacharya, Deputy Director, Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs. The workshop offered practical tips for increasing the use of Hindi in official communication, reflecting MPA’s commitment to the Government of India’s official language policy and fostering national unity among its staff.





## MPA Observes Gandhi Jayanti with Special Campaign 02.10.24 -31.10.24

On the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) paid tribute to the Father of the Nation, recalling his enduring values of truth, non-violence, and simplicity. Emulating his ideals, Dr. N Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson, along with the Deputy Chairperson, HODs, officers, CISF, Safai Karmcharis, and employees joined hands for a massive cleanliness drive across port areas, public parks, and MPA Colony on 2nd October 2024. Under the banner of 'Swachhata Hi Seva', the General Administration Department further led efforts within office premises to spread awareness and foster active involvement among staff. The initiative highlighted the collective responsibility for cleanliness, making the port a cleaner and greener space for all.





On 7th October 2024, the Office of the US Consulate General Mumbai, accompanied by Naval Authorities, paid an official visit to the Mormugao Port Authority (MPA). Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, warmly welcomed the visiting delegation. The discussion centered on the upcoming visits of the US Navy Ship to MPA, highlighting the continued collaboration and strategic partnership between the port and the US naval forces. This engagement underscores MPA's importance as a key maritime hub and its commitment to fostering international cooperation in the region.



## Mormugao Port Authority Conducts Awareness Session on Cleanliness for a Healthier Workplace

As part of its Special Campaign 4.0 initiative, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organized an awareness session titled "Cleanliness for a Healthier and Efficient Workplace: A Collective Responsibility" on 8th October 2024 at the HRD Centre. The session was attended by port officials and CISF personnel, focusing on the importance of cleanliness and hygiene in fostering a healthy and productive work environment.

Participants were encouraged to embrace personal and collective responsibility towards maintaining cleanliness at the workplace. As a commitment to this cause, an oath was taken to incorporate Swachhata activities into their daily routines, reinforcing MPA's ongoing dedication to promoting a cleaner, safer, and more efficient environment within the port premises.





## **Mormugao Port Authority: Awareness Programme on Income Tax Issues & ITR Filing**

Mormugao Port Authority organized a training session for its officers and staff to help them understand income tax rules and how to file their Income Tax Returns (ITR) easily. The programme was done together with Income Tax Department officers. It included explanations about tax laws, step-by-step guidance on online ITR filing, and a question-and-answer session where staff could clear their doubts. The goal was to make employees more confident and accurate in filing taxes, avoid mistakes, and be aware of important deadlines and benefits.



## **Rear Admiral Ajay D. Theophilus Visits Mormugao Port Authority**

Rear Admiral Ajay D. Theophilus, who currently holds the positions of Flag Officer Commanding Goa Naval Area (FOGA) and Flag Officer Naval Aviation, paid a courtesy visit to Mormugao Port Authority on 10th October 2024. In his role as FOGA, he is responsible for overseeing naval operations in Goa, ensuring the security and smooth functioning of maritime activities in the region. The visit likely served to strengthen coordination between the naval forces and the port authority for enhanced maritime safety and operational efficiency.





## Capacity Building Programmes Organised as Prelude to Vigilance Awareness Week 2024

As a prelude to Vigilance Awareness Week 2024, the Vigilance Department organised two Capacity Building programmes for officials of MPA on 15th October 2024. The sessions focused on “Systems & Procedures of the Organisation” and “Cyber Hygiene & Security,” aiming to strengthen operational efficiency and promote secure practices among officials.

The programmes featured sessions by Shri Milind Dessai, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, MPA, who spoke on organisational systems and procedures, and Smt. Navisha, Assistant Director (EDP), MPA, who provided valuable insights into cyber hygiene and security.

These initiatives reflect MPA's continued commitment to fostering a culture of transparency, vigilance, and digital awareness among its workforce.





A Parliamentary Committee on a study visit concerning the Welfare of Other Backward Classes (OBC), headed by Shri Ganesh Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, visited Goa, accompanied by several esteemed Members of Parliament. During the visit, the Committee engaged in discussions with key officials regarding initiatives and representation of OBCs within the state.

Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of Mormugao Port Authority (MPA), along with the Deputy Chairperson and Secretary, attended the official meeting. They provided a comprehensive appraisal of the various measures adopted by MPA to ensure the welfare of OBCs and detailed the steps taken towards enhancing their representation in employment opportunities within the organization.

The interaction underscored MPA's commitment to inclusivity and its ongoing efforts to foster a more representative and equitable workplace, as well as the Government's broader agenda for the upliftment of the OBC community



### Mormugao Port Authority Hosted First Business Promotion Council Meeting with Key Trade Bodies

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organised its first Business Promotion Council meeting on 25th October 2024, chaired by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS (Chairperson, MPA), and co-chaired by Shri Vinayaka Rao (Deputy Chairperson, MPA), with senior Heads of Departments in attendance. The meeting brought together key trade bodies, including the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (KCCI), Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCII), Confederation of Indian Industries (CII), Goa Mineral Ore Exporters Association (GMOEA), Konkan Maritime Cluster (KMC), and Goa Pharmaceuticals Manufacturer Association (GPMA).



Serving as a collaborative platform, the meeting focused on strategies for trade facilitation, business growth, and strengthening industry partnerships. MPA's leadership emphasized ongoing support for stakeholders, tackling operational challenges, and pursuing new business opportunities, underscoring the port's proactive approach to regional economic development and enhanced industry engagement.



His Excellency Olaf Scholz, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, paid a distinguished visit to Mormugao Port at the Breakwater berth. The Chancellor was warmly welcomed by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, along with the Deputy Chairperson and senior Heads of Departments. The reception highlighted the significance of international cooperation and the strategic importance of the port for fostering bilateral relations.

Following the formal welcome, His Excellency proceeded to board the German Naval ship FGS Frankfurt am Main, marking a key moment in Indo-German maritime and defense collaboration. This visit underscores Mormugao Port's growing stature as a vital international maritime hub and reflects the commitment to strengthening diplomatic and commercial ties between India and Germany.



### **Mormugao Port Authority Welcomes Shri Jatothu Hussain Nayak, Hon'ble Member, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes**

On the occasion of the visit of Shri Jatothu Hussain Nayak, Hon'ble Member of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, the family of Mormugao Port Authority (MPA), led by Chairperson Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, extended a grand and warm welcome. The visit provided an opportunity to showcase MPA's ongoing commitment to the welfare of Scheduled Tribes through various initiatives and policy implementations.



During the visit, a comprehensive review was conducted on welfare measures, reservation policies, and roster implementation at MPA. Shri Nayak expressed his full satisfaction with MPA's diligent efforts in ensuring effective and fair practices, acknowledging the Port Authority's proactive approach towards social equity and inclusive growth. The interaction further strengthened MPA's resolve to uphold its commitment to the empowerment of marginalized communities.



### Vigilance Awareness Week 2024 Observed at Mormugao Port Authority

As part of Vigilance Awareness Week 2024, observed from 28th October to 3rd November on the theme “सत्यनिष्ठा की संस्कृति से राष्ट्र की समृद्धि” **“Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity”**, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organised a series of impactful events to promote integrity and vigilance among its workforce.

The inaugural function held on 28th October witnessed the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson administering the Integrity Pledge, which was also taken by MPA staff across various departments, reinforcing the commitment to ethical conduct. During the week, the Vigilance Department conducted a capacity building session on 4th November focusing on “Procurement of Goods and Services,” enlightening officials on public procurement rules, CVC guidelines, and the Government e Marketplace (GeM) platform.





The Vigilance Awareness Week culminated in a grand valedictory function on 6th November, attended by Heads of Departments, senior officials, and employees. Prizes were awarded to winners of Poster and Essay competitions held in Hindi and English, and MPA staff presented a thought-provoking skit emphasizing the importance of preventive vigilance. The activities collectively underscored MPA's steadfast dedication to fostering a culture of transparency, accountability, and integrity.





Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) grandly commemorated Rashtriya Ekta Diwas on the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India’s first Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister. The “Run for Unity” event was led by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, along with the Deputy Chairperson, Heads of Departments, officers, employees, CISF personnel, school students, and teachers, reflecting a collective dedication to the values of unity, integrity, and patriotism.

Honouring the legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Dr. Vinodkumar administered the National Unity Pledge in the presence of senior officials and staff. The event also featured a traditional Padh Pooja, lighting of the ceremonial lamp, and garlanding of Sardar Patel’s photograph. Employees participated actively, including through virtual attendance at the pledge ceremony, underlining MPA’s commitment to fostering national unity and integrity.





## Mormugao Port Authority Partners in Amazing Goa Global Business Summit 2024

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA), in association with terminal operators M/s Goa ICT Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Delta Port Mormugao Terminal Pvt. Ltd., partnered with the Vibrant Goa Foundation and Government of Goa to participate in the Amazing Goa Global Business Summit held at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium, Goa. The summit aimed to create a global platform facilitating connection, collaboration, and growth among business leaders, investors, and innovators.

The MPA pavilion attracted visits from several dignitaries including Dr. Pramod Sawant, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa, who was warmly welcomed by Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, Chairperson of MPA, along with the Deputy Chairperson and senior Heads of Departments. Shri Mauvin Godinho, Hon'ble Minister of Industries, Goa, also experienced MPA's immersive world through a Virtual Reality video showcasing the Port's advanced infrastructure and operations.

Additionally, many delegates and notable dignitaries visited the pavilion, including DIG Manoj Bhatia of the Indian Coast Guard. On 9th November 2023, Mr. Pankaj Ravish, Additional General Manager - Tourism, IRCTC Ltd, interacted with the Sr. Deputy Traffic Manager of MPA and officials from Goa ICT regarding the upcoming International Cruise Terminal, reflecting strong stakeholder engagement and collaborative prospects for Goa's maritime tourism sector.





## Mormugao Port Authority Receives International Appreciation for Leadership in Decarbonisation and Sustainable Maritime Practices

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) has been honoured with a letter of appreciation from the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), Tokyo, Japan, acknowledging its outstanding commitment to decarbonisation and sustainable practices. IAPH specifically commended MPA's pioneering initiative in launching the **"Harit Shrey"** program, which offers "Green Ship Incentives," reinforcing the Port's role as a leader in environmentally responsible maritime operations.

Further advancing its sustainability agenda, MPA conducted a key meeting as part of the World Bank Pilot Project on Green Energy, engaging stevedores, transporters, and tug operators. Representatives from M/s Royal Haskoning DHV discussed the feasibility of transitioning from conventional fuels to green fuels in port logistics. All stakeholders lauded MPA's leadership, spearheaded by Chairperson Dr. N. Vinodkumar, IPoS, recognizing the Port's selection by the World Bank as one of only three key ports in India to adopt greener practices and integrate green energy solutions.

These initiatives underscore MPA's commitment to environmental stewardship and its proactive role in shaping sustainable maritime operations in India.





## Mormugao Port Authority Hosted One-Day Workshop on Dock Safety and Handling of Hazardous Chemicals

Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) hosted a one-day workshop on Dock Safety and Handling of Hazardous Chemicals on 29th November 2024, organised by the Ministry of Labour & Employment in collaboration with the Directorate General Factory Advice Service & Labour Institutes (DGFASLI). The event, part of a nationwide series covering 11 major ports, aims to strengthen safety standards and enhance operational resilience in hazardous chemical management across Indian ports.

The workshop featured expert-led sessions addressing critical areas such as hazardous chemical handling, fire and explosion risk assessment, mitigation strategies, regulatory compliance, advanced safety technologies, and emergency response protocols including medical and firefighting strategies specific to dock emergencies. This initiative underscores MPA's commitment to maintaining high safety benchmarks and fostering a culture of preparedness to safeguard personnel, assets, and the environment.





## Mormugao Port Authority Hospital Felicitated by Goa State AIDS Control Society for Excellence

On the occasion of World AIDS Day, the Goa State AIDS Control Society felicitated Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) Hospital in recognition of its outstanding performance in diagnostic testing, maintaining patient confidentiality, and providing comprehensive support and treatment to HIV-positive and AIDS patients. This marks the second time in three years that the MPA Hospital has been honoured for excellence by the society.

The accolade is a testament to the dedicated efforts and efficient teamwork of the MPA Hospital staff and Laboratory section, whose commitment has consistently ensured high standards of care and confidentiality for patients. MPA takes pride in its healthcare team's continued contribution towards effective HIV/AIDS management and community well-being.



## Mormugao Port Authority Commemorates Mahaparinirvan Diwas with Floral Tributes to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

On 6th December 2024, the Vice President of the All Vice Chairpersons (AVC) along with representatives of the Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) SC & ST Employees Welfare Association paid solemn floral tributes to Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar on the occasion of Mahaparinirvan Diwas. The event honoured the enduring legacy of Dr. Ambedkar, whose contributions to social justice and equality continue to inspire generations across the nation.

This tribute reaffirms MPA's commitment to upholding the values of equality, empowerment, and social inclusion as envisioned by Dr. Ambedkar.





## Mormugao Port Authority Observes World Meditation Day with Heartfulness Meditation Program

On the occasion of World Meditation Day, Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organised a special Heartfulness Meditation Program on 21st December 2024. The session was conducted under the guidance of Shri Nasir Tahsildar Ji, Zonal Coordinator for South Goa of the Heartfulness Institute.

The program aimed to promote mental health, inner peace, and overall well-being among MPA employees, fostering a more harmonious and balanced workplace environment. This initiative reflects MPA's commitment to supporting the holistic wellness of its workforce.







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