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**3-day Orientation Course**

# **MARITIME AND COASTAL SECURITY**

**6-8 February 2023**

**jointly organized by:**

**CENTRE FOR MARITIME SECURITY STUDIES**

**SCHOOL OF NATIONAL SECURITY STUDIES**

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## Concept Note

India's critical location along the world's major commercial routes and energy lifelines provides both a unique strategic advantage as well as complex challenges to the country's maritime interests and economic development. Moreover, Indo-Pacific has emerged as a prime geostrategic space, and thus presents huge challenges, opportunities and responsibilities for India, who has renewed its focus on cooperating and collaborating with like-minded countries in the region. India's vast coastline presents varied nature of security concerns that include possible landing of arms and explosives at isolated spots on the coast, infiltration of terrorists, use of the sea and the islands for criminal activities and smuggling of consumer and intermediate goods through the sea route. The absence of physical barriers on the coast and the presence of vital industrial and defence installations near the coast also enhance their vulnerability. Maritime and coastal security concerns have assumed greater significance in the aftermath of the terror attacks in Mumbai in November 2008. Since then, the Indian Government has taken several measures to strengthen coastal, offshore and maritime security including capacity augmentation of maritime security agencies for surveillance and patrol of the country's maritime zones; enhanced technical surveillance of coastal and offshore areas; establishment of mechanisms for inter-agency coordination; increased regulation of activities in the maritime zones; as also integration of the fishing and coastal communities.

## Course Structure and Objectives

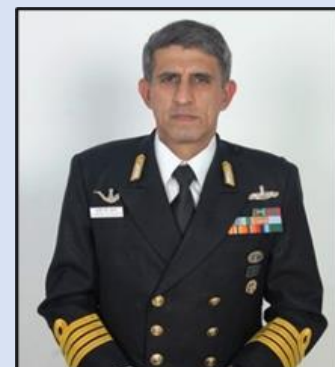
The 3-day orientation course will be structured around a combination of seminar format with substantive presentations by subject experts and interactive discussion. The course will enable participants to:

- ❖ gain an in-depth understanding of maritime and coastal security challenges and threats.
- ❖ develop knowledge and skills necessary to effectively promote and achieve maritime security and good maritime governance.
- ❖ examine and understand the domestic and international legal and policy requirements to achieve maritime security and governance goals.



## About the Resource Persons

**Capt. (Dr.) Gurpreet Khurana (Retd.)** was commissioned into the Indian Navy in July 1988 and participated in naval operations during the Civil War in Sri Lanka (1987-91) and India-Pak Kargil War (1999). He is accredited to be the first to use the term 'Indo-Pacific' in academic writing (January 2007). From 2014 to 2019, he was Executive Director of National Maritime Foundation (NMF), New Delhi. In January 2022, he was appointed as the Directing Staff and Professor at the Naval War College (NWC), Goa. He has authored three books, more than 50 research papers, and as many issue briefs on maritime/naval, strategic, legal and geopolitical issues. The most notable among his books is '*Porthole: A Compendium of Geopolitical, Strategic and Maritime Terms and Concepts*' (Pentagon Press, New Delhi: 2016).



**Capt. Raghavendra Mishra (Retd.)** was commissioned into the Indian Navy on 01 Jan 1989. An Anti-Submarine Warfare specialist besides being a Naval Aviator, he holds an M Phil in Defence and Strategic Studies and tenanted a variety of appointments mostly afloat besides two tenures each at Naval Headquarters and as Directing Staff at Defence Services Staff College, Wellington. His research areas include emerging geostrategic and doctrinal trends, international security, military history & Op Art, and Law of the Sea. He has authored around 40 articles which have been published in reputed national and international journals. In addition, he has coedited two books on maritime security issues in the IOR and contributed chapters to several edited volumes with oceanic and strategic themes. He is pursuing his PhD from Madras University about South China Sea. He was part of Naval War College faculty at Goa from where he superannuated recently.

**Capt. Himadri Das** is Directing Staff at the Naval War College (NWC), Goa. He holds an MPhil degree in Defence and National Security Studies, post graduate degrees in nautical sciences and international relations, and post graduate diplomas in maritime law and human resource management. Previously, he was a Senior Fellow at the National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi. He has authored two books on coastal security published by NMF: *Coastal Security: Policy Imperatives for India* (2019) and *Coastal Dimensions of Maritime Security* (2022).







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## ABOUT SCHOOL OF NATIONAL SECURITY STUDIES

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The School of National Security Studies has been conceptualised to encourage creation and dissemination of knowledge in the area of security and strategic studies, and international relations in the country. Initially, it was Centre for Security Studies which was established in 2009 as one of the founding centres under School of International Studies. Subsequently, in May 2018, with approval from the University Grants Commission, the School of National Security Studies came into existence. Academic programmes at the School intend to pursue and encourage study, research and analysis in all areas of security and strategic studies including internal security threats, nuclear deterrence and strategy, threats emanating from space and cyber domain, maritime and coastal security, national security structure and higher defence management. Currently, there are three centres within the School (a) Centre for Security Studies (CSS); (b) Centre for Studies in Strategic Technologies; and (c) Centre for Maritime Security Studies.

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## ABOUT CENTRE FOR MARITIME SECURITY STUDIES

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Centre for Maritime Security Studies is one of the first two centres to be set up under School of National Security Studies, established in 2018. The Centre aims to establish itself as a centre of excellence in maritime security in India, promoting policy-relevant research and analysis through collaboration with government, policy practitioners, academics and industry. Given the importance of Gujarat's historical connections with the larger world, the Centre aims to focus on issues related to the state's coastal and maritime security and also the emerging concerns related to India's coastal and maritime domain, the institutions, practices, and discourses that shape them.

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## ABOUT NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

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The Naval War College (NWC) was established on 17 Sep 1988 at Karanja, Mumbai as 'College of Naval Warfare' with the aim of developing leadership qualities of officers of the Indian Armed Forces at the Strategic and Operational level with respect to critical thinking, analytical ability, policy formulation, and proficiency at Operational Art and Strategic Planning. During its path-breaking journey spanning 34 years, NWC has established itself as a world-class transformational institution that inculcates a strategic outlook with a strong foundation of distinct regional and global awareness through its professionally sculptured curriculum. From its modest beginning, the NWC has evolved as a premier institution of higher learning in the faculties of training, warfare, wargaming, academics, leadership development, and quality research in conformity with organisational aspirations with global benchmarking standards. It provides a conducive environment for nurturing research-oriented thinking and evolving future concepts on 'Core Issues' confronting the Armed Forces. The course participants are exposed to a wide variety of contemporary, competing, personal as well as organisational perspectives on services matters, regional and global issues, and leadership. There have been successive and continuous value additions, achievements, and initiatives at training, academics, foreign cooperation, infrastructure development, and conduct of events.



## Programme Schedule

DATE	TIME	SESSION
6 February 2023	10:00 AM-11:15 AM	<b>Inaugural Session</b> <b>Welcome Address:</b> Prof. Sanjay. K. Jha Dean, School of National Security Studies <b>Introduction to the Course:</b> Dr. Manasi Singh, Coordinator CMSS & Capt. (Dr.) Gurpreet Khurana (Retd.), Former Directing Staff & Professor NWC, Goa <b>Keynote Address:</b> Commodore Nitin Kapoor Deputy Commandant, Naval War College, Goa <b>Chair's Address:</b> Prof. Rama Shanker Dubey Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat <b>Vote of Thanks:</b> Dr. Manasi Singh
	11:15 AM-11:30 AM	Tea Break
	11:30 AM-1:00 PM	<b>Law of the Sea I</b> Capt. Raghavendra Mishra (Retd.)
	1:00 PM-2:00 PM	Lunch Break
	2:00 PM-3:30 PM	<b>Law of the Sea II</b> Capt. Raghavendra Mishra (Retd.)
	3:30 PM-4:00 PM	Tea Break
	4:00-5:00 PM	<b>Maritime Domain Awareness</b> Capt. Himadri Das
7 February 2023	10:00 AM-11:15AM	<b>India's Naval Doctrine and Strategy</b> Capt. (Dr.) Gurpreet Khurana (Retd.)
	11:15 AM-11:30 AM	Tea Break
	11:30 AM-1:00PM	<b>India's Naval Doctrine and Strategy</b> Capt. (Dr.) Gurpreet Khurana (Retd.)
	1:00 PM-2:00 PM	Lunch Break
	2:00 PM-3:30 PM	<b>Ocean Governance for Maritime Security</b> Capt. Himadri Das
	3:30 PM-3:45 PM	Tea Break
3:45-5:00 PM	<b>The Sir Creek Dispute: Origins, Salient Historical Developments and Politico-Legal Implications</b> Capt. Raghavendra Mishra (Retd.)	
8 February 2023	10:00 AM-11:15 AM	<b>India's Coastal Security</b> Capt. Himadri Das
	11:15 AM-11:30 AM	Tea Break
	11:30 AM-1:00 PM	<b>India's Coastal Security</b> Capt. Himadri Das
	1:00 PM-2:00 PM	Lunch Break
	2:00 PM-3:00 PM	<b>Unravelling the Geopolitics of the 'Indo-Pacific Concept'</b> Capt. (Dr.) Gurpreet Khurana (Retd.)
	3:00 PM-3:15PM	Tea Break
3:15 PM onwards	<b>Valedictory Address</b> DIG S K Verghese, Commander, Headquarters Indian Coast Guard, District No. 1 (South Gujarat, Daman & Diu) Porbandar <b>Distribution of Certificates</b>	



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## Course Coordinators

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## Venue

**Inaugural session:** Seminar Hall, CUG Campus, Sector 29, Gandhinagar  
**Lectures:** VLRC Conference Hall, CUG Campus, Sector 29, Gandhinagar

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