

INDIAN NAVY UNDERTAKES DARING AERIAL INSERTION OF SALVAGE TEAM ONBOARD MV WAN HAI 503

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In the ongoing salvage operations of *MV WAN Hai 503*, which is under massive fire, the Indian Navy augmented the efforts with the **aerial insertion of salvage team on 13 Jun 2025**. In a prompt response, the salvage team members were embarked onboard a Seaking helicopter at INS Garuda, Kochi. The Naval helicopter **successfully inserted the team on the vessel amidst challenging weather/sea conditions and fire onboard**. The salvage team was winched down, who connected up tow with the salvage Tug Offshore Warrior. After connection of the tow, the salvage team was successfully extracted by the Naval helicopter from the vessel. The towing operations of the vessel has commenced.

Presently, Indian Navy's INS Sharda and *OSV MV Triton Liberty* are actively engaged with the salvage ops in coordination with the Indian Coast Guard and other maritime agencies. This swift insertion and extraction of salvage team by Indian Navy has significantly reinforced the rescue efforts.





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