

OPERATION SAGAR BANDHU - INDIAN NAVY DEPLOYS FOUR MORE WARSHIPS TO DELIVER 1000 TONS OF HADR MATERIAL TO SRI LANKA

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As part of the ongoing *Operation Sagar Bandhu*, which was launched to provide urgent Search & Rescue and Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief (HADR) support to Sri Lanka, Indian Navy has deployed **four more ships INS Gharial, LCU 54, LCU 51 and LCU 57** for supplying HADR stores to cyclone-affected regions of Sri Lanka.

INS Vikrant, INS Udaygiri and INS Sukanya had earlier rendered relief assistance and heli borne SAR support.

The **three LCUs (Landing Craft Utility)** arrived at Colombo on the morning of **07 Dec 2025** and handed over critical relief material to the Sri Lankan authorities. INS Gharial is scheduled to arrive at Trincomalee on 08 Dec 2025 to continue the humanitarian assistance mission.

With a **1000 tons of supplies** for providing succour, this deployment of ships underscores the **strong people to people ties between India and Sri Lanka** and **Indian Navy's commitment to providing timely humanitarian assistance to our IOR neighbours.**





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