Mormugao Port Authority Honours Stakeholders; Achieves Highest Cargo Growth Among India's Major Ports

MPA Excellence Awards 2026 Ceremony Concludes with Great Enthusiasm

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Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) organised the "MPA Stakeholder Award Ceremony 2026" at Panaji, Goa, on May 22, 2026, to recognise and honour the stakeholders whose contribution played a key role in the port's outstanding performance during the Financial Year 2025–26.

Smt Bela Meena, Divisional Railway Manager, South Western Railway, Hubbali, who graced the occasion as Chief Guest, appreciated the collective efforts of the port community in strengthening Goa's maritime trade and economic growth. The guest of honour, Shri Bipin Kumar Upadhyay, Commissioner of Customs, Goa, congratulated MPA and its stakeholders for achieving the highest growth among India's Major Ports and emphasised the importance of collaboration, efficiency and sustainable development in strengthening the maritime sector.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. N. Vinodkumar, Chairperson, MPA, highlighted the remarkable achievements of Mormugao Port during the FY 2025–26. The Port recorded a cargo growth rate of 16 per cent the highest among all Major Ports in India while handling 21.01 Million Metric Tonnes (MMT) of cargo, the highest handled by the Port in the last five years.

One of the highlights of the event was the presentation of "Awards of Excellence" to stakeholders across various categories in recognition of their exceptional contribution towards cargo growth, operational efficiency and support to the port ecosystem.

A detailed presentation on the Port's achievements, modernization initiatives, operational improvements and future growth plans was delivered by Shri Vinayaka Rao.

During FY 2025–26, Mormugao Port registered strong growth across multiple cargo segments. Dry Bulk cargo recorded a growth of 16.73 per cent, Other Miscellaneous Cargo increased by 34.56 per cent, while Finished Fertilizers grew by 20.92 per cent. Iron Ore including Pellets and Liquid Cargo also registered steady growth.

The Port also recorded notable operational efficiency improvements. Average Turnaround Time reduced by 5 per cent from 69.68 hours to 66.25 hours, while Average Ship Berthday Output increased by 26 per cent from 16,081 MT to 20,289 MT. The number of railway rakes handled also registered significant growth.

Parallel to its operational success, the Port achieved its strongest financial performance in the last five years, recording an Operating Income of ₹593 crore during FY 2025–26. The Operating Surplus increased by 18.6 per cent from ₹240.77 crore in FY 2024–25 to ₹285.52 crore in FY 2025–26.

Several major infrastructure projects were completed during the financial year, including the commissioning of a 3 MWp Solar Power Plant, modification of Railway Lines No. 8 and 8A, installation of a new firefighting system at Berth No. 8, laying of a recycled water pipeline, construction of a covered shed at Berths 5 and 6 through PPP mode, Operations and Maintenance of Berths 10 and 11 under PPP mode, and implementation of RFID Gate Automation.

The ceremony witnessed the participation of senior government officials, trade representatives, shipping stakeholders, exporters, importers, logistics operators and members of the maritime fraternity.

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