

INS TRISHUL ARRIVES AT TOULON, FRANCE FOR THE 24th EDITION OF BILATERAL MARITIME EXERCISE VARUNA

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INS Trishul arrived at Toulon, France, on **22 Sep 2026** to participate in the 24th edition of the bilateral maritime exercise 'VARUNA' between the Indian Navy and the French Navy.

Exercise VARUNA will witness professional engagements in harbour and at sea, including cross-deck visits, operational interactions and sporting engagements. These engagements will provide opportunities for both Navies to share experiences and *Best Practices*, enhance interoperability and foster greater mutual understanding.

The visit underscores the strong and enduring maritime partnership between India and France and reflects the expanding scope of maritime cooperation and strengthening ties between the two nations.





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