INDIAN NAVY AND ROYAL NAVY OF OMAN CONDUCT 15TH EDITION OF BILATERAL MARITIME EXERCISE NASEEM AL BAHR (SEA BREEZE)

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The Indian Navy and the Royal Navy of Oman conducted the 15th edition of their bilateral maritime exercise, Naseem Al Bahr (Sea Breeze), aimed at enhancing interoperability, strengthening professional cooperation and promoting mutual understanding between the two navies.

During **the harbour phase,** Subject Matter Expert Exchanges (SMEE) were conducted between specialist teams of the two navies. The exchanges covered key areas of mutual interest, including Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD), Mine Countermeasure Operations and Hydrography. These interactions facilitated the exchange of professional knowledge and operational experience in specialised maritime domains.

The sea phase featured joint operational activities between Indian Naval Ship Surat and Royal Navy of Oman Vessel *Al-Mu'azzar*. These included joint Visit, Board, Search and Seizure (VBSS) drills and cross-deck operations, providing opportunities for personnel of both navies to practise coordinated procedures and enhance operational interoperability.

Exercise Naseem Al Bahr (Sea Breeze) reflects the close maritime partnership between India and Oman and the shared commitment of the two navies to strengthening maritime cooperation. The exercise also reinforces the Indian Navy's engagement with regional maritime partners in furtherance of the Government of India's vision of ***MAHASAGAR* (Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions).**













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