# Indian Ocean Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Maritime Transport (IOCE-SMarT)

The Indian Ocean Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Maritime Transport (IOCE-SMarT), driven by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Government of India, is an initiative that aims to evolve the Maritime Training Institute (MTI) in Mumbai into a world-class hub of maritime excellence. Envisaging partnership with the IMO's global MTCC network, IOCE-SMarT seeks to advance the maritime sector in India and South Asia through technological innovation, sustainable practices, digital proficiency, and technical cooperation.



#### Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways

Government of India

#### The need for IOCE-SMarT

IMO's current Global Network of Maritime Technologies Cooperation Centres (MTCCs) provides valuable technical cooperation globally; however, it is felt to be insufficient for the vast and diverse needs of the South Asia region.

Aligned with South Asia's aspirations to lead maritime sustainable growth globally, IOCE-SMarT aims to bridge this gap by establishing a holistic hub of maritime excellence across research, technology, and industry partnerships bringing a synergy of capabilities across the region.



#### **APPROACH & METHODOLOGY**



Establish need for IOCE- SMarT & strategic alignment with stakeholders



Refine IOCE-SMarT service channels to account for MTCC network and IMO initiatives



Develop resource allocation and implementation plan



## Maritime Training Institute, Mumbai

MTI's location, physical infrastructure, expertise, and government support collectively position it as an ideal candidate for transformation into a Centre of Excellence. It provides close access to Maritime organisations and activities, while facilitating seamless movement through Mumbai's well developed transportation network.





#### **OUR MARITIME STAKEHOLDERS**

# Ship



#### **Planning and Design**

- Shipowners
- Naval architects and marine engineers
- Ship designers and design firms
- Regulatory bodies and classification societies



#### Financing

Financial institutions and investors



#### **Construction and Procurement**

- Shipyards/Shipbuilders
- Suppliers and manufacturers
- Skilled labours
- Quality assurance and inspection teams



#### **Post-Construction**

- Testing and certification bodies
- Legal and documentation
- Maintenance and support services

## Voyage





- Ship management companies
- Crewing companies



#### Commercial

- Cargo owners and receivers



#### Alternative fuel

- Asset owners and operators
- Regulatory bodies



- Bunker suppliers/Ship chandlers



#### Port

- Terminal operators
- Ship agents
- Stevedores and dock workers
- Inspectors and surveyors
- Freight forwarders and logistics providers



#### OTHER CONTRIBUTORS

- Maritime associations
- Environmental, health, and safety organizations
- Research & educational institutes
- Local and regional authorities



Directorate General of Shipping, Government of India, has engaged Lloyds Register to strategize and provide implantation support to this initiative.

# **IOCE-SMarT** benefits

#### Sustainable Practices



Tackle emission reduction targets through green technologies, alternative fuels, and renewable energy solutions.

#### Research and Innovation



Drive maritime excellence and innovation through collaborative research and development.

#### Capacity Building



Utilize training and skill development initiatives to enhance Norkforce capabilities and meet industry demands.

#### **Industry Network**



Engage with diverse maritime stakeholders to foster partnerships and knowledge exchange.

#### Global opportunities



Demonstrate commitment to sustainability paving the way to boost international visibility.

## Social Impact



Contribute to community outreach programs and social development along coastal areas.

#### STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT



Surveys & Questionnaires



Discovery Interviews



Focus Groups & Panels



Workshops & Seminars







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