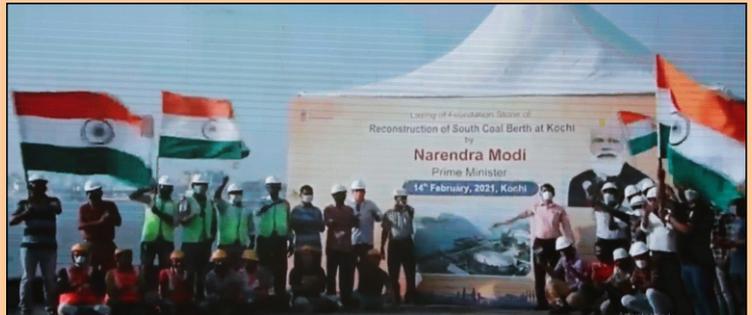


Inauguration of Sagarika and Stone Laying for Reconstruction of SCB by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India

Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister inaugurated Sagarika, the new International Cruise Terminal at Ernakulam Wharf and laid the foundation stone for the Reconstruction of South Coal Berth on 14.02.2021. The event held at BPCL, Ambalamugal was attended among other dignitaries by Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Govt. of India.



Commissioning of Kochi-Mangaluru Gas Pipeline project



The Kochi-Mangaluru Gas Pipeline was commissioned by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 05.01.2021. The project meets its supply-demand from Petronet LNG Terminal at Cochin Port.

Sagarika – International Cruise Terminal



Considering the immense potential for cruise tourism and its economic benefits to the local community and the State of Kerala the international cruise terminal has been constructed in an area of 2253m² at the Ernakulam Wharf at a cost of Rs.25.72 Cr. with the financial assistance of the Ministry of Tourism. The cruise terminal is 'differently-abled friendly' and has amenities including fully air-conditioned hall with passenger lounge, baggage scanners, trolleys, buggies, metal detectors, 10 Customs clearance counters, 48 Immigration counters, security check counters, public address system, toilet blocks, mobile charging & laptop plugging facilities, commercial space for cafeteria and duty-free shopping, ample space for vehicle parking with prepaid taxi counters. As part of prevention of COVID-19, the terminal has been made compliant with medical protocols.



Cochin Port plays host to about one lakh international cruise guests and crew members who arrive on some of the most luxurious cruise lines afloat. In the year 2019–20, Cochin Port hosted 44 cruise calls and has the potential to handle even more including home-porting of vessels that can operate voyages from Kochi to destinations like Maldives, Colombo and countries in the South-East Asia. Services can also be operated to domestic destinations like Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Tourism being a sector having high employment generating potential, in the recent years the Govt. of India has been taking various initiatives to promote cruise tourism that includes rationalisation of tariff for cruise vessels to a subsidised composite tariff, exemption of cruise tourists arriving with e-Visa from the requirement of biometric enrolment and constitution of task force for the implementation of Standard Operating Procedures.

Having a dedicated cruise terminal which can host even the largest of the cruise ships afloat, opens up new vistas of business development. Once the adverse impact of COVID-19 pandemic subsides, the cruise business is expected to rev up not only international cruise arrivals but it would also throw open opportunities for domestic cruise tourism. More job opportunities would be created for tour operators, destination planners, travel agencies, tourist coaches-taxi operators, souvenir shops, house-boats, restaurants business, tour guides and innumerable small scale vendors.

Reconstruction of South Coal Berth

Cochin Port currently has 21 berths including Single Point Mooring to handle crude oil and petroleum products and ships carrying containers, LNG and other cargo including cement and fertilizers. South Coal Berth (SCB) constructed in 1953 was primarily utilised for handling coal, petroleum products, liquid ammonia, fertilizers and general cargo. The berth was decommissioned in 2019-20. Considering the shipping requirements of FACT, which has showcased outstanding performance in the recent years, SCB of Cochin Port is being reconstructed at a cost of Rs.20 crores under the Sagarmala Scheme of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways. FACT imports 0.4 lakh Metric Tonnes (MT) of ammonia every year. It is slated to increase to 0.9 lakh MT on commencing of fertilizer capacity expansion projects of FACT. SCB is connected to ammonia tank of FACT which has a capacity of 10,000 MT. Reconstruction of the berth will ensure quick and efficient handling of cargo meant for FACT and also reduced logistics cost.



Press Meet by Hon'ble Union Ministers

Hon'ble Union Ministers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya (Ports, Shipping & Waterways) alongwith Shri Dharmendra Pradhan (Petroleum and Natural Gas; Steel) and Shri V. Muraleedharan (External Affairs and Parliamentary Affairs) and senior officials of Ministry of Shipping, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Cochin Port Trust, BPCL-Kochi, Cochin Shipyard Ltd and Inland Waterways Authority of India briefed the media on the eve of visit of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to Kerala for launching of various infrastructure development projects (13.02.2021).



Visit of Hon'ble Union Minister of Shipping & Hon'ble Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Steel

Hon'ble Union Ministers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya (Ports, Shipping & Waterways) and Shri Dharmendra Pradhan (Petroleum & Natural Gas and Steel) along with senior officials of Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways visited Sagarika, SCB and Ro Ro Jetty in Cochin Port on 13.02.2021 and reviewed the arrangements in connection with the launching of various infrastructure projects by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 14.02.2021.



Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, enjoys a morning ride through the beautiful roads in Willingdon Island, Cochin Port (14.02.2021).

Maritime India Summit 2021

Cochin Port Trust attended the the Maritime India Summit-2021 organised by Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways, Gol from 2nd to 4th March 2021 as a key participant. The event was inaugurated by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister on 02.03.2021. The 3-day event organised on a virtual platform via MIS-2021 portal was attended by the various stakeholders in the maritime sector including senior and eminent policy planners, domestic and international investors, CEOs of Indian and global maritime companies, industry experts, thought leaders, technology providers, brokers and insurers, representatives of major ports and shipping lines from across the world, making it one of the biggest virtual maritime summits.



Chairperson, Deputy Chairman, Heads of Department along with employees of Cochin Port Trust witnessing the inauguration of the virtual MIS-2021 by Hon'ble Prime Minister (02.04.2021).

Cochin Port signs a slew of MoUs

As part of the MIS-2021, several MoUs were signed by the Indian major ports with the port users to promote maritime trade and to establish new projects towards upgrading the infrastructure facilities. Cochin Port Trust signed 25 such MoUs with various entities. These include developing of a Free Trade Warehousing Zone (FTWZ), a cryogenic warehouse, an aviation fuel terminal among other projects. The FTWZ proposed at Vallarpadam will be developed by M/s. IGTPPL, the operator of ICTT Vallarpadam at an estimated cost of ₹85 crores. The facility will provide storing, handling and rendering value added services to both dry and cold storage of cargo and also help to generate jobs to at least 50 persons. The cryogenic warehouse as per the MoU signed with M/s. DP World is proposed to come up at Puthuvypeen at an estimated cost of ₹30 crores. The warehouse will provide cold storage facility for items like marine products, meat, vegetables, fruits and pharmaceutical products. The project is expected to provide employment to at least 65 persons. The FTWZ land for developing Cryogenic Warehouse will be awarded through tender.



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.IGTPPL for developing warehouse for storing, handling and rendering value-added services to both dry and cold storage cargo in the FTWZ and for cold storage facility for marine products, meat, vegetables & fruits, pharmaceutical items, etc. at Puthuvypeen SEZ (25.05.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.REC Global for Hinterland Connectivity and Multi-modal logistics hub. Alternate logistics support for import of cement in break-bulk mode - incremental business and support to hinterland construction industry (23.02.2021)



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.IOCL for Lube Oil Unit for sourcing indigenously produced Lube Oil, blending, value-addition, unitization and export (26.02.2021).

CoPT signed multiple MoUs with Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL) for

- (i) Developing an HSD export facility. A new cross country pipeline will be installed for MULT at Puthuvypeen for exclusive operation of HSD export.
- (ii) Develop Propylene loading facility at Multi User Liquid Terminal (MULT) - Installation of new cross country pipeline from Kochi Refinery to MULT along with associated facilities for despatch of excess propylene available in Kochi Refinery to customers in west coast of India.
- (iii) Construction of world class Petchem terminal with state of art facilities at Willingdon Island for despatch of petchem to consumers in west coast and
- (iv) POL Lighterage Operation - Commencement of Ship to Ship transfer at the outer anchorage of Cochin Port of Crude oil / POL products to tranship to other ports (24.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s Sai Pampara Lead Logistics Private Ltd for Container Freight Station for Coastal Cargo - Facility for De-stuffing of containers, storage & warehousing at Cochin and for Coir & Coir Product Consolidation Centre - Facility for Palletisation, Wrapping, Marking, other value additions, stuffing & sealing of containers at Pollachi, Tamilnadu (26.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.Shree Cement for Cement Import-cum-Bagging Terminal-Installation of Silos in about 2.0 ha of land on lease from Cochin Port Trust with pipeline connection to Q9 berth for supply of Cement, shipped to Kerala market, with annual volumes of 3.0 Lakh MT (24.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s Chemmanur Fashion Jewelers for developing Tourism related infrastructure-15 room Boutique Resort (Oxygen Resorts, Kochi) with Lake View Restaurant (24.02.2021).





CoPT signed MoU with M/s Krishna Hospital for Establishing a Multispeciality Hospital at Willingdon Island in 10 acres of land (23.02.2021)



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.The Fertilisers and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT), Udyogmandal for Augmentation of Cargo handling facilities at Cochin Port for dry bulk & liquid bulk cargoes at South Coal, Q1, Q9 & Q10 Berths (23.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with Kottayam Port & ICD Services for Inland Container Depot Services for EXIM as well as Coastal Cargo, linked through National Waterway (23.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.Cochin Cements Ltd - Augmentation of demand of domestic construction industry for cement & clinker - incremental volume of imports (23.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s.Parisons Infrastructure Pvt Ltd. for Port based Industrial Unit-Edible oil refining unit at Muvattupuzha (23.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s Unique Bunkers and Marine Services for augmentation of Bunker supplies in Cochin Port by adding two number of Bunker Barges to add to the available barges for supply of bunkers to ships at Cochin Port both Inner as well as outer harbour (23.02.2021).



CoPT signed MoU with M/s Greenix Ventures Pvt. Ltd. for tourism related projects at Willingdon Island- Museum, Bristow Café, Heritage, Home Stay, Mini Theme Park & Ferris Wheel, Water Sports, Amphitheatre, Planetarium and astronomy club, Light and Sound Show, Film Shooting Facilities, Helicopter services to nearby places, Performing Art Centre, etc. (23.02.2021).

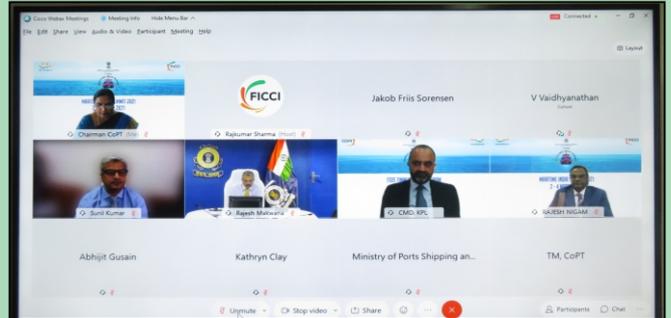


CoPT signed MoU with M/s.Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. for Aviation Fuel Terminal in Willingdon Island, costing about ₹200 crores, includes installation of tank farm in 8 Ha of land for the storage of indigenously produced aviation fuel coastally shipped to Cochin for supply to airports in Kerala (25.02.2021).

MoUs were also signed with

- (i) Dredging Corporation of India Ltd. (DCIL) for Dredging for Maintenance of channels and basins in Cochin Port for 5 years and for Deepening and Widening of Port Channels leading to ICTT and ICTT basin at Cochin Port (23.02.2021).
- (ii) with District Tourism Promotion Council, Ernakulam for Cochin Water sports Complex cum Pavilion - Development of basic amenities for adventure water sports, training and recreation, Entrepreneurship development for Aqua and Adventure Tourism star-ups in Kerala proposed at Walkway (24.02.2021) and
- (iii) with M/s. Great Sea Services LLP, Nettoor, Cochin - 682040 for Coastal Connectivity-Operating coastal shipping services to Non Major Ports of Kerala to Cochin Port (22.02.2021).

Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson, Cochin Port Trust was the convenor for two sessions on the 2nd day of Maritime India Summit-2021. The session on 'Investment opportunities in Lakshadweep' was attended by several key speakers including Shri Amitabh Kumar IRS, DG Shipping. Dr. M. Beena also convened the Break Out Session on 'Bulk Cargo Transportation with focus on Liquid Cargo' and shared the expertise. The session was attended by Shri Sunil Paliwal IAS, Chairman & Managing Director, Kamarajar Port Ltd., Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary (Refineries), Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Dr. Kathryn Clay, President of the International Liquid Terminals Association (ILTA), Shri Rajesh Nigam, Executive Director, Supply and Distribution, Indian Oil Corporation Ltd and other representatives from shipping sector.



On day-3 of Summit, Dr. M. Beena IAS spoke during the Special Session on 'Investment Opportunities in Kerala' on 04.03.2021.

During the concluding session Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of State for Ports, Shipping & Waterways reiterated the importance of the maritime sector and said, 'the 21st century will not belong to land; it will be a century of the seas, skies and space'.

About 1.90 lakh delegates registered for the summit, 16 international ministers from 11 nations joined for different sessions. A total of six union ministers, chief ministers of three states and two state ministers joined for different sessions. A total of 55 CEOs, including 31 international CEOs and 24 Indian CEOs joined during the CEO's forum . A total of 110 exhibitors joined during the summit in 18 pavilions and 107 booths which led to 5,540 B2B meetings. More than 64,000 visitors were recorded during the three days of the summit.



In his concluding remark, Shri Mansukh Mandaviya said, 'Maritime India Summit-2021 will empower and strengthen Maritime India Vision-2030 which was launched by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in the inauguration of the summit. The minister added "Aatmanirbhar Maritime Sector' would be foundation of the New India and 'Aatmanirbhar India'.

Press Meet on Maritime India summit



MIS - Valedictory Session



During the Valedictory Session, Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson briefed about the outcome of special sessions held during the Summit on Investment Opportunities in the State of Kerala and UT of Lakshadweep. Dr M Beena IAS, Chairperson shared her views on the maritime development potential of Kerala during the special session on 'Investment Opportunities in Kerala'

MIS - Stakeholders' outreach programme



During the stakeholder outreach programme on Maritime India Summit 2021 Dr. M. Beena IAS highlighted potential business opportunities in maritime sector that are going to be showcased in the virtual Summit & urged all members to join the event by registering at <http://maritimeindiasummit>.

MIS - Webinar by FIFO



Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson, Cochin Port Trust addressing participants of FIEO webinar on "Key issues facing maritime infrastructure & strategies for sustainable growth at Cochin Port" explaining on MIS 2021, appealed all members of maritime fraternity to participate in Maritime India Summit-2021.

Awareness Class



A class on prevention of cancer in women was conducted in Cochin Port Trust Hospital on the occasion of International Womens Day (08.03.2021).

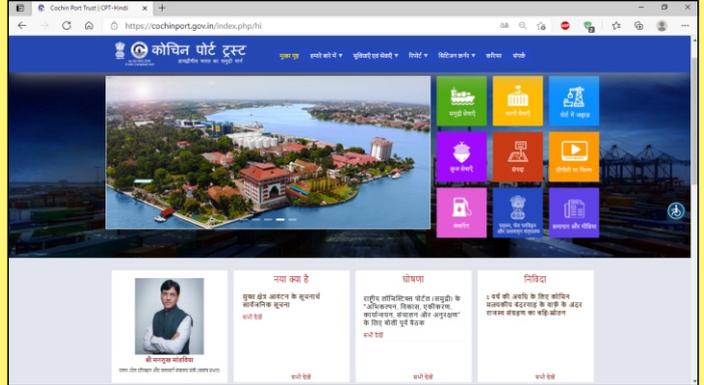
Shri. Paritosh Bala, new Chief Engineer



Shri. Paritosh Bala, Chief Engineer, New Mangalore Port Trust assumed charge of Chief Engineer, Cochin Port Trust on 16.01.2021.

Inauguration of Hindi version of the official website

The Hindi version of the official website of Cochin Port Trust was inaugurated by Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson in the presence of Dr. Cyril C. George, Deputy Chairman and Heads of Departments (24.03.2021).



SVEEP Balloon

As part of the voter awareness programme, Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson, Cochin Port Trust, released Balloon on SVEEP (Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation) at the CoPT Avenue Walkway in Willingdon Island in association with the Ernakulam District Administration. The SVEEP balloon also carried messages on Break the Chain campaign and the vaccination drive to combat COVID-19 (22.03.2021).



Trainings



Training session on RTI conducted at Cochin Port on 12.01.2021.



Training session on safety conducted at Cochin Port on 27.01.2021.

Traffic Updates

With the world economy set to emerge from the COVID-19-induced slump with aggregate demand picking up, and predictions for the future being made on a relatively positive note, putting behind a year of unprecedented global crisis and profound uncertainty, Cochin Port performed gloriously in 2020-21, despite initial setbacks, and realized a commendable throughput, only marginally lower than that in 2019-20.

Cochin Port registered the total throughput of 31.50 MMT in 2020-21, a decline of 7.45% over 2019-20. POL throughput registered 18.64 MMT in 2020-21, a decline of 16.56% over 2019-20. Containers that led the recovery trend over the past few months reached the throughput of 6.90 lakh TEUs in 2020-21, registering the growth of 11.23% over 2019-20, placing ICTT on an elevated growth trajectory.



Visit of dignitaries

Shri Tarun Kapoor, Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Govt. of India visited Cochin Port and held discussions with Dr. M. Beena, Chairperson, CoPT and senior officers from CoPT, IOCL and BPCL (18.01.2021).



National Safety Day

The National Safety Day celebration was observed in Cochin Port Trust with various programmes on 4th March 2021.

Shri. V. Thuraipandian, CME hoisting the safety Flag at Ernakulam Wharf followed by administering the safety pledge. HODs, senior officers, workers and staff were present at the function. The safety pledge was also taken by workers and staff at various workplaces and offices of the Port. A basic fire-fighting demonstration was conducted at the Electrical Testing section by the Fire Division of the Port. The closing ceremony was chaired by Shri.Paritosh Bala, CE, Shri K.P. Sreekumar, Addl Asst. Director (Safety) of IDS spoke on the occasion. Shri Srinath S.S., Safety Officer presented the Safety Report.



Republic Day Celebration

On the 72nd Republic Day, Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson hoisted the National Flag and addressed the gathering in the administrative lawns of Cochin Port Trust. CISF contingent presented the Guard of Honour. Shri Cyril C. George, Deputy Chairman, Heads of Departments, senior officers of Cochin Port Trust and CISF CoPT Unit attended the event by adhering to the social distancing norms in force. Event was telecasted live through the official Facebook page of Cochin Port Trust (26.01.2021).



International Womens Day

Celebrating the indomitable spirit of womanhood, Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson, Smt. S. Uma Venkatesan IRS, CVO & Smt. C. Premakumari, Secretary were greeted by Deputy Chairman and other members of the senior management team on the occasion of International Womens Day at Cochin Port. Dr. M. Beena IAS, Chairperson interacted with women employees of Cochin Port Trust (08.03.2021).



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