

## FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE CBSC (CBSC15)

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### Paper for information of the CBSC

#### Summary report of the North Indian Ocean Hydrographic Commission (NIOHC)

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<b>Executive Summary:</b>	This paper provides a summary report of CB activities to CBSC15
<b>Reference:</b>	NIOHC CB Plan 2013-2017

#### Introduction - background

1. A five-year plan for CB activity in the NIOHC region was approved by the membership in 2012. This plan covers the period 2013-2017 and is reviewed annually (during NIOHC meetings) to ensure it meets regional requirements. The plan is based on assessing the phase of development of each of the coastal states within the NIOHC region (as determined by the IHO's three phases of CB) and arranging training activity to build the necessary capability to meet SOLAS treaty obligations. There is a great deal of 'SOLAS awareness' required in this region. In accordance with the guidelines given to CB Coordinators at CBSC14 the NIOHC CB Coordinator has developed a further three year NIOHC CB Plan to cover the period 2018-2020. This plan will be presented to the members at the next NIOHC meeting in July 2017.

#### Activities completed since CBSC14

2. A MBES Processing training course for *Myanmar* was delivered in June 2016

3. An Advanced ENC Production training course for *Sri Lanka* was delivered in April 2016

4. In conjunction with the IIC Academy an Introduction to MSDI and Data Management training course for NIOHC members was delivered in Visakhapatnam, India in June 2016 for the following coastal states:- *Bangladesh, Malaysia, Mauritius, Oman and Saudi Arabia*. They were joined by *Bahrain* and *Iraq* from the neighbouring RSAHC

5. In conjunction with the neighbouring RSAHC, an ENC QA training course was delivered in Bangkok, Thailand in January/February 2017 for the following coastal states:- *Bangladesh, Myanmar, Oman (2), Pakistan and Sri Lanka*. They were joined by *Bahrain* from the RSAHC

6. The following activities are planned for 2017:-

- High level visit to Seychelles
- MSI course
- Advanced Chart Production for Bangladesh
- Advanced Chart Production for Myanmar

7. Bangladesh was awarded a place on the third IHO-NF CHART project training course which was delivered at the UKHO, September – December 2016.

#### Action Required of CBSC

8. The CBSC is invited to take note of this report