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IHO-CBSC19
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Paper for Consideration by CBSC19

EAHC Report

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Executive Summary:	This document provides a summary report of the CB activities at EAHC.
Related Documents:	Minutes of EAHC Ad hoc video conference, Update on 5-year CB Programme for EAHC

1. Introduction / Background

CB activities in the EAHC¹⁾ region were discussed by its members at the EAHC Ad hoc video conference on 20th January 2021. The result of 18th CBSC and Follow-up Plan including the EAHC's Capacity Building Plan for 2021 were also reported at the meeting.

2. Assessment of Capacity Building Phase of Coastal States

It is based on assessing the development phase of each coastal state within the EAHC region (as determined by the IHO's three phases of CB).

Country / Territory	NHC or NHCC	CB Phase 1	CB Phase 2	CB Phase 3	Last TV
Brunei Darussalam	0	1	1	1	2014
China	1	4	4	4	N/R
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	-1	-1	-1	-1	N/R
Indonesia	-1	4	4	4	N/R
Japan	2	4	4	4	N/R
Malaysia	2	4	4	4	N/R
Philippines	1	4	4	3	N/R
Republic of Korea	2	4	4	4	N/R
Singapore	-1	4	4	4	N/R
Thailand	-1	4	4	2	N/R
<i>Cambodia*</i>	0	0	0	0	2019
<i>Timor-Leste*</i>	0	0	0	0	2016
<i>Vietnam**</i>	-1	1	1	1	2014

* impending IHO MSs

** IHO MS but impending EAHC MS

1) EAHC comprises of 10 Member States; Brunei Darussalam, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Indonesia (Vice Chair), Japan (Chair), Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore and Thailand. In addition, Vietnam became an IHO Member State in March 2015, and is waiting for the approval of EAHC Membership.

3. CB Activities completed since CBSC18

Since EAHC region's COVID-19 situation hasn't improve like other countries in the world, there have been no CB activities based on IHO CB funds since CBSC-18. However, EAHC Member States had an opportunity to participate in an online ENC course run by UKHO from March to June 2021. The following are the CB activities conducted in the region since the last CBSC meeting:

No.	Title	Venue	Date / Participants	Status
1	Online ENC course (Supported by UKHO)	online	March – June 2021 / EAHC MSs	Ongoing

4. CB Activities planned for 2021

The following CB activities are planned in the region after the CBSC-19:

Project No.	Title	Venue	Date	Status
P-15	Developing and implementing a regional framework for disaster mitigation and management	Indonesia (On/off line)	2021 (TBD)	Planned
P-19	Hydrographic data management to support disaster relief	China (TBD)	2022 (TBD)	Postpone
P-04	Training for Trainers - Basic Hydrography	ROK (On/off line)	2021(Late October - Early November)	Planned

5. Conclusions

COVID-19 has put such a huge influence on face-to-face CB activities by EAHC. Also, even if there was e-Learning platform, it was learned that there is a limit to this without training contents that the RHC requires. In the future, e-Learning Center should be able to provide a variety of contents needed by RHCs and consider developing RHC lectures into e-Learning process at the level of CBSC. In particular, the Online ENC course, which was conducted this year with generous support from UKHO, was very successful in the COVID-19 era. Therefore, IHO e-Learning Center needs to consider real-time online lectures for Member States in the future.

There are three CB activities being considered for 2021 and 2022 but it is unsure whether they could be conducted due to COVID-19. Especially, EAHC noted that there is a big technological gap among EAHC MSs and raised the need for participation in continuous CB activities. Considering the lack of current IHO CB fund, EAHC is considering to conduct necessary training programmes with self-funding.

6. Actions required of CBSC:

The CBSC is invited to:

- a. note the report.
- b. take any other actions considered appropriate.

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