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61st National Maritime Day Event in Karwar



The 61st National Maritime Day was celebrated at the Port Office in Karwar on 05.04.2024. The event was inaugurated by Shri Jayaram Raipura, the Chief Executive Officer of Karnataka Maritime Board. In his speech, Shri Raipura emphasized the pivotal role of water transport in bolstering the economic strength of both the country and the state. He highlighted the significance of systematically leveraging water transport as a critical component of the global supply chain, to enhance economic consolidation. He also noted the potential for growth in the public transport sector and outlined plans for the development of Karwar port in five phases, along with the development of Keni Port, Pavinakurve, Manki and Honnavar Ports.



Additionally, he mentioned the initiatives undertaken by Karnataka Maritime Board to develop an international cruise and tourism port in Mangaluru. Further, various opportunities in the sectors such as shipbuilding & repair, wind power generation, tourism and fisheries along the coastal areas was emphasised.

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Visit of KMB Officials to Project Sea Bird

On April 5, 2024, a site visit to the Naval Base (Project Sea Bird) at Karwar was undertaken, offering a firsthand view of its operations and infrastructure. This experience provided valuable insights for the Karnataka Maritime Board's ongoing initiatives in the maritime sector. Furthermore, the visit aimed to foster synergy between Project Seabird and Karwar Port,

enhancing mutual collaboration. The visit facilitated knowledge transfer, enabling discussions on potential ways for the Karnataka Maritime Board and the Navy to support each other. Additionally, facilitation of cargo movement for the Navy and military through enhancing rail-road connectivity to Karwar Port was discussed.

Celebration of Ambedkar Jayanti in KMB Office, Bengaluru



The auspicious occasion of Ambedkar Jayanti was commemorated by garlanding Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's portrait by Shri. Jayaram Raipura, CEO, KMB at the Bengaluru Office of Karnataka Maritime Board. Mr. Raipura praised Dr. Ambedkar's enduring legacy, highlighting his role in shaping India's constitution and championing social justice. He mentioned the struggle of Gandhi and Ambedkar towards eradication of untouchability, emphasizing their differing perspectives owing to personal experiences. It was further noted that Dr. Ambedkar's advocacy for social reform and dignity resonates well even today.

The event was attended by KMB officials including Director, Ports, Chief Engineer, Chief Accounts Officer, Executive Engineer, Regional Executive Officer, among others.





New Mangalore Port Authority – 1st Board Meeting of FY 2024-25

The 1st Board meeting of the New Mangalore Port Authority (NMPA) for the fiscal year 2024-25 was convened on April 22, 2024, at 02:30 P.M. The meeting was attended by Mr. Jayaram Raipura, Chief Executive Officer of the Karnataka Maritime Board, and the Consultant representatives of Karnataka Maritime Board. The gathering

provided a platform for key stakeholders to deliberate on strategic initiatives, operational priorities, and collaborative efforts aimed at advancing the objectives of New Mangalore Port. Discussions centered on enhancing port infrastructure, optimizing operational efficiency, and fostering sustainable growth within the maritime sector.

Active Tender Information

Currently, there are a total of six active tenders available on the Karnataka Public-Private Partnership (KPPP) portal for various projects envisaged by Karnataka Maritime Board. The active tenders cover a range of activities, including advisory services, infrastructure development, and service contracts. These opportunities present

avenues for private sector participation in various aspects of maritime development, contributing to the overall growth and enhancement of maritime operations in Karnataka. The following is the list of active tenders on KPPP Portal:

1. Selection of Transaction Advisory Services for Development of Gurupur River Island in Karnataka on Public Private Partnership (PPP) Basis.
2. Operationalization of Four Berths at Non-Major Ports of Karnataka on Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Basis.
3. Appointment of Technical & Engineering Project Management Unit for in-house technical advisory to Karnataka Maritime Board.
4. Appointment of a Legal Advisor for Karnataka Maritime Board (KMB)
5. Appointment of an Independent Engineer for Monitoring the Pre-Development Activities of an All-weather Greenfield Port at Keni, Karnataka
6. Providing 2 Nos. of minimum 30 Ton Bollard pull capacity each Tug service on revenue sharing basis for berthing and unberthing of ships for a period of 3 years at Karwar Port, Uttara Kannada

Unveiling of 1st Edition of Karnataka Maritime Board Newsletter



The Karnataka Maritime Board (KMB) launched the inaugural edition of its newsletter, aiming to provide relevant insights into maritime activities in the region. This initiative seeks to connect stakeholders with maritime developments, ensuring timely information dissemination. The newsletter will

showcase ongoing projects, regulatory updates, and industry trends, promoting transparency and engagement within the maritime community. Karnataka Maritime Board aims to raise awareness, foster collaboration, and facilitate informed decision-making through this platform.

Visit of representatives from IIT Madras to Manki

A team from Indian Institute of Technology, Madras conducted a reconnaissance survey at Manki for the development of a multi-purpose Port. The team assessed the wave patterns and tranquillity conditions of the site and evaluated the coastal area to gather other essential data for their analysis. As part

of the assessment, the team also finalized the port layout, outlining the optimal configuration for future development and operations. This endeavor aimed to comprehensively understand the maritime environment at Manki and lay the groundwork for potential infrastructure projects or improvements in the region.





Visit to National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NIT K)- Surathkal

The Chief Executive Officer of Karnataka Maritime Board visited NITK Surathkal on April 22, 2024, wherein a comprehensive discussion took place regarding various maritime development projects being planned in Karnataka. Specifically, deliberations centered on the potential for international cruise terminal at Battapadi, encompassing discussions on project components, development strategies, and technical considerations. Additionally, the feasibility of implementing a water metro in Mangalore, focusing on the Gurupur Netravati river, was

explored. The discussion also touched upon the possibility of establishing two additional berths on the Bengre side of Old Mangalore Port and the operational requirements for their functionality, along with the necessity for a siltation study. Furthermore, opportunities for collaboration between Karnataka Maritime Board and NITK were highlighted, with potential areas including preliminary studies, stability assessments, third-party studies, and the development of berths and ports, paving the way for fruitful partnerships in the maritime sector.

Proposed Developments at Old Honnavara Port on PPP basis

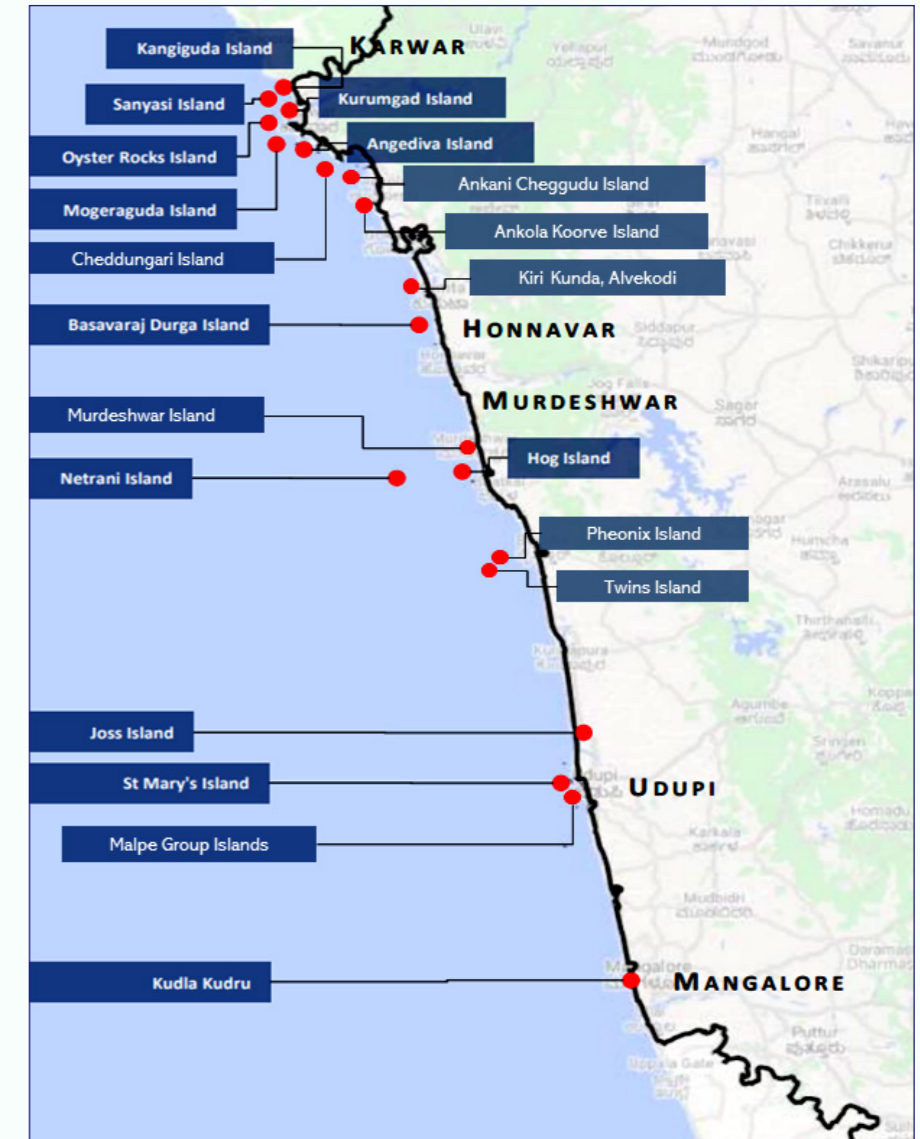
The Old Honnavar Port, nestled at the mouth of the Sharavati River in Uttara Kannada District, remains largely underutilized, despite having huge development potential and land assets that can be put to use. Whilst the presence of Honnavar Port Private Ltd (HPPL) and the proposed Pavinakurve Port in close proximity shall cater to cargo movement in the region, the strategic location of Honnavara also offers the following development opportunities:

- Transforming into a 'Ship Building and Repair Yard' by leveraging the vacant land area available at the port and also its proximity to NH 66 allowing a swift mobilisation of ships to coastal areas of the State of Karnataka.
- Transforming into an 'Tourism & Recreational Port' by leveraging the scenic Sharavati River, lush forest surroundings, the Gerusoppa Reservoir, and the famous Jog Falls attracting tourists seeking breathtaking experiences. Such 'Asset Monetisation' strategies would create new sources of revenue for Karnataka Maritime Board and would also augment the State's revenue.

Formulation of Island Masterplan

A dedicated sub-group, comprising representatives from several key agencies such as the Surveyor General of India, National Hydrographer, Registrar General of India, NHRC, ISRO, and Coastal Security Police, meticulously studied the islands of Karnataka in a phased approach. Their comprehensive analysis unveiled the presence of a total of 106 islands across Karnataka, categorized into three groups: (i) 1 Accessible Island with a population, (ii) 46 accessible islands devoid of any inhabitants, and (iii) 56 inaccessible islands. From this assessment, 23 islands have been singled out for further evaluation to gauge their potential for development.

In the 9th meeting of Karnataka Maritime Board, the CEO, KMB was authorised to take necessary action for the development of island in the state. In light of this, formulation of an island masterplan shall be undertaken by the Karnataka



Maritim Board which will also serve as a strategic guide for steering the development trajectory of Karnataka's islands. This masterplan will not only aim to facilitate sustainable development but also emphasize the preservation of the islands' ecological and cultural legacies, ensuring their integrity for generations to come.





1st Quaterly dialogue of Central Water Commission on “Coastal Area Management” held on 23.04.2024



The first quarterly dialogue of Central Water Commission on “Coastal Area Management” was held on 23.04.2024 under the Chairpersonship of Secretary Smt. N. Manjula IAS, Infrastructure Development Ports and Inland Water Transport Department, Government of Karnataka. The meeting was also attended by representatives from Central Water Commission, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India, National Institute of Ocean Technology, Chennai, National Institute of Oceanography, Goa, Central Water Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune and Central Ground Water Board, Bengaluru.

Shri Jayaram Raipura, CEO, KMB addressed the attendees with a detailed presentation on the initiatives undertaken by Karnataka Maritime Board (KMB) for coastal protection in the state. It was mentioned that along the state's expansive coastline, which extends approximately 320 kilometres, around 94 kilometres

are impacted by sea erosion, necessitating urgent protective measures. Presently, approximately 54 kilometres of Karnataka's coastline benefit from protective measures implemented through innovative model designs funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) under Tranche I and Tranche II, along with support from the state government.

Through ADB Tranche I & Tranche II, a total of 17 projects, with a project cost of ₹ 864.07 Crore, were successfully executed between 2011 and 2021. These projects encompass a range of hard and soft solutions, including seawalls, groynes, plantation, beach nourishment, and sand dunes, aimed at mitigating erosion and bolstering coastal resilience.

The Karnataka Maritime Board remains committed to implementing effective solutions to safeguard the state's coastline and enhance coastal resilience in the face of ongoing erosion challenges.