

PRESS RELEASE

PORT CALL OF INS TRIKAND AT IRAN

1. The Western Fleet of the Indian Navy under the Command of Rear Admiral Vineet McCarty, Flag Officer Commanding Western Fleet is on an operational deployment to bolster diplomatic ties and undertake maritime partnership exercises with friendly foreign countries in the Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman. During this deployment, INS Trikand has made a port call at Bandar Abbas, Iran on 17th August 2023 towards enhancing interoperability and synergy between the two navies. The ship is commanded by Captain Pramod G Thomas. INS Tarkash, a ship of the Western Fleet and ships of the First Training Squadron of the IN had visited Bandar Abbas in July 2018 and October 2022 respectively.

2. INS Trikand is an advanced stealth frigate of the Indian Navy. The ship is equipped with various modern indigenous weapons and sensors making her a formidable platform.

3. Traditionally, India and Iran have strong bilateral relations. The port call of INS Trikand is aimed to boost the maritime partnership between the two navies and to foster a common understanding of the security challenges in the region. During the visit the personnel from IRI Navy and Indian Navy will undertake professional interactions on various dimensions of maritime operations to enhance cooperation and strengthen ties between the two navies.

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