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(Announcement)

Japan-India Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a bilateral exercise with the Indian Navy (IN) to strengthen cooperation to realize a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific" as described below.

- 1. Objectives
- (1) To improve JMSDF's tactical capabilities
- (2) To improve interoperability between JMSDF and Indian Navy
- 2. Date
 June 29
- 3. Exercise Area East China Sea
- 4. Participating units
 - (1) JMSDF: JS *HAMANA* (2) IN: INS *KILTAN*
- 5. Type of exercise Replenishment at Sea
- 6. Notes

Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.



From the front, JS HAMANA and INS KILTAN



From left to right, JS HAMANA, INS KILTAN