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(Announcement)

Participation in Multilateral Exercise (SAMASAMA 2026) hosted by the United States Navy and the Philippine Navy

The JMSDF will participate in the multilateral exercise "SAMASAMA 2026" hosted by the United States Navy and the Philippine Navy as described below in order to strengthen cooperation and to realize a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific."

1. Objectives
 (1) To improve the JMSDF's tactical capabilities
 (2) To strengthen cooperation with the participating navies

2. Period
 November 30–December 4
 (Harbor Phase: November 30–December 3)
 (Sea Phase: December 4)

3. Exercise Area
 Subic (Philippines) and in the vicinity of Subic

4. Participating Unit
 JS *TAKANAMI*

5. Activities
 (1) Harbor Phase
  Subject Matter Expert Exchange
 (2) Sea Phase
  Tactical Maneuvering, CROSSDECK, Transfer at Sea Exercise and PHOTOEX