

## Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways extends official support to CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 in Mumbai

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MUMBAI, Jan. 28

**EXIM India's Mega Cargo Show CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025**, the 15th edition, scheduled for **March 11-12, 2025 at Pavilion I and II, Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai**, has received official support from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW).

This recognition and honour for the event is a testament to its stature as one of the premier



**11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, March 2025**  
Pavilion I & II, Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai

congregations of the maritime, cargo and logistics sector in India and South Asia, with its comprehensive focus through a wide-ranging exposition and elaborate conference/training programmes spread over the two days. It has over the years

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## SMP, Kolkata celebrates 76th Republic Day with patriotic fervour

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KOLKATA, Jan. 28

**SYAMA Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (SMP Kolkata)** celebrated the 76th special colourful Republic Day at Kidderpore Dock premises. Mr Rathendra Raman, Chairperson, SMP, Kolkata unfurled the National Flag at the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) barrack at 9 am on 26th January 2025. Mr Raman, accompanied by Ms Ruchi

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## HMM inks MoU with JNPA to collaborate in Vadhvan Port development

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NAVI MUMBAI, Jan. 28

**HMM** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) to collaborate in the development of Vadhvan Port in India.

Under the MoU, HMM will



support the development and operation of Vadhvan Port, a large-scale project that aims to develop one of the world's top 10 container ports by 2040. The port will handle



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## DP World launches SARAL-3, a new rail-led multimodal service connecting Gandhidham to the National Capital Region

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NEW DELHI, Jan. 28

**DP World**, a leading global provider of smart, end-to-end supply chain logistics and one of India's largest private rail freight operators, has announced the launch of its latest rail-led multimodal service, SARAL-3, connecting Gandhidham in Gujarat to the



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**A DEDICATED SERVICE TO BOOST NATION'S RIVER TRADE**

## HMM inks MoU with JNPA

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23 million TEUs annually and include nine container terminals.

With a natural depth of 20 metres, the port will be able to accommodate HMM's 24,000 TEU vessels and offers strong connectivity to India's inland logistics network, HMM highlighted in a communique.

India's fast-growing market has drawn global attention, and HMM is expanding its ser-



At the MoU signing ceremony are (from right) Mr Daljoong Jeong, Managing Director of HMM India; Mr Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways; and Mr Unmesh Sharad Wagh, IRS, Chairman of JNPA

vices in the region, including through the INX (India North Europe Express), which will be starting in February this year, FIM (Far East-India Mediterranean) and IAX (India-America Express) routes.

Through this MoU, HMM plans to strengthen its Indian services and enhance its port business competitiveness, the communique added.

An HMM official stated, "We hope this partnership leads to strong cooperation for port development. We will continue investing in terminals to grow our integrated logistics business, a key part of our mid-to-long-term strategy".

## DP World launches SARAL-3

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National Capital Region (NCR). This new weekly service, a part of the 'Sustainable, Assured, Reliable, and Agile Logistics' (SARAL) rail-freight initiative, builds on the success of SARAL and SARAL-2, which connects South Gujarat and Chennai to NCR respectively. These services highlight DP World's commitment to delivering efficient, sustainable and customer-focused rail-freight solutions that strengthen India's multimodal logistics ecosystem.

SARAL-3 caters to the evolving needs of businesses by offering a combination of speed, precision and reliability. As part of this newly launched weekly rail service, a dedicated container train will commence from Bhimasar, Gandhidham every weekend. It will reach Pali-Rewari, Haryana within three days and also provide an option to reach Panipat or Modinagar Inland Container Depot (ICD) within six days, thereby providing businesses assured transit time for their cargo at the start of the week. This service is digitally enabled with advanced real-time tracking technology, which streamlines operations and provides complete visibility of cargo to the customers. With unmatched first and last mile delivery support by DP World's trucking solutions, SARAL-3 is an integrated door-to-door logistics service, offering businesses a simplified cost-effective end-to-end solution for their supply chain requirements.

Speaking on the launch of the new SARAL-3 service, **Adhendu Jain**,



Vice President, Rail and Inland Terminals, DP World Subcontinent, said, "At DP World, we focus on reimagining logistics with a customer first approach. SARAL-3, connecting Gandhidham to the National Capital Region, reflects our commitment to creating seamless, multimodal solutions that deliver at pace and with precision that modern businesses expect. By integrating sustainability into every step of our operations and investing in future-ready infrastructure, we are empowering businesses to access newer markets in a rapidly evolving trade environment."

DP World has more than 100 owned container rakes and Special Freight Train Operator (SFTO) rakes, over 16,000 owned containers, and trailers for last-mile delivery.

In December 2024, DP World commissioned a third rail line at its Pali-Rewari terminal in Haryana, which elevated the terminal's monthly freight handling capacity by 25%. This enhanced rail solution aligns with the company's commitment to its sustainability goals by reducing CO2 emissions by up to 70%.

DP World is one of the leading integrated logistics solution providers, driving India's logistics transformation with its rail terminals in Pali, Modinagar, Panipat, Hazira, Hindaun, Ahmedabad and Hyderabad. These terminals offer traders unique rail solutions, unlocking greater market access.

DP World also provides its customers a certificate, supported by its carbon emissions calculator, detailing the amount of CO2 emissions saved by moving their cargo via the SARAL-3 service, highlighted a release.

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Anand, Sr. Commandant, CISF, inspected the columns and took salute at the colourful parade by CISF unit of SMP, Kolkata, according to a release.



Kolkata will be able to handle more than 66 million tonnes of traffic despite the inherent problem of being the only riverine port in the country.

At the Republic Day parade special function, HoDs, senior officers and workers of SMP, Kolkata and CISF personnel along with their family members were present, said the release.

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become a must-attend for all in the fraternity, drawing participation from India, the region and across the globe.

The event also has the support of leading trade bodies and associations.

CTL BHP 2025 is set to attract over **100 exhibitors** and more than **10,000 attendees**, including shippers and consignees from India and overseas.

On this significant occasion, the Chairperson appreciated the commendable service rendered by the jawans of CISF. He also stated that CISF jawans are rendering yeomen's service to the vigilance and protection of voluminous cargo of crores of rupees within the port area. This has been instrumental in reducing pilfer-

age in the port and boosting the morale of workers of the port.

With a note of confidence, the Chairperson further said that due to multi-dimensional development programmes of SMP, Kolkata and with the help of CISF jawans, active cooperation from the port users and, above all, because of the hard work done by the port and dock workers in 2024-25, SMP,



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