INS ‘Airavat’ arrives at V.O. Chidambaranar Port, Tuticorin, with 198 Stranded Indian nationals from Maldives

Today, on 23.06.2020, Indian Navy Ship ‘Airavat’ repatriated 198 Indian nationals from Maldives as a part of the ongoing operation ‘Samudra Setu’ under the ‘Vande Bharat’ Mission by the Government of India to evacuate Indians stranded in different parts of the world by Sea.

INS ‘Airavat’ arrived from ‘Port of Male’, Maldives, to VOC Port at 0600 hrs. and was subsequently docked at Berth No.11 at 0645 Hrs. Among the 198 Indian nationals disembarked at the VOC Port, 191 are male & 7 are female.

On arrival, the evacuees from Maldives were screened by the Port Health Officials and their luggages were sanitized. On issue of PPE kits by the Port to all passengers, the passengers were boarded into the waiting buses and transited to the Passenger terminal. On reaching the passenger terminal, self-declaration forms were obtained from the passengers and were asked to download and configure ‘Aarogya Setu’ app in their smartphones, using the Wi-fi provided by the Port Authority. Thereafter, immigration and Customs formalities were completed, and the passengers were guided to the respective buses for their onward destinations. Refreshment, breakfast and lunch for all the passengers were jointly arranged by the Port Authority and the District Administration.

The entire operations were meticulously guided by Shri T.K. Ramachandran, I.A.S, Chairman, V.O. Chidambaranar Port Trust, Shri Sandeep Nanduri, I.A.S., District Collector, Shri Arun Balagopalan, I.P.S., Superintendent of Police, Shri B. Vishnu Chandran, I.A.S, Additional Collector, Shri Bimal Kumar Jha, Deputy Chairman, V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust, Capt. Aasish Kumar Sharma, Commanding Officer, INS Kattabomman.

Shri T.K. Ramachandran, IAS, thanked the District Administration, Indian Navy, Customs, Immigration, PHO and Senior Officers of Port for the coordinated efforts taken for the safe repatriation of Indian nationals through VOC Port, Tuticorin.

Earlier this month, 686 stranded Indians from Sri Lanka and 700 stranded Indians from Maldives were repatriated to India through VOC Port by ‘INS Jalashwa’ by the Government. The next repatriation of Indian nationals from Iran to India through VOC Port is tentatively scheduled on 1st / 2nd July, 2020.

The above details were released in a Press Release by V. O. Chidambaranar Port Trust today.

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23.06.2020 வேலூர் மாவட்டத்திலுள்ள கேமானூர் தொலைதொடர் பள்ளியில் நடைபெற்ற 'துறக்கும் நிகழ்ச்சி' போட்டியில் கலன் முதல் 198 உற்பத்தியர் உடன் கலந்து கூறியது. 

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