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Summary report of the North Indian Ocean Hydrographic Commission (NIOHC)

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Executive Summary:	This paper provides a summary report of CB activities to CBSC14
Reference:	NIOHC CB Plan 2013-2017

Introduction - background

1. A five year plan for CB activity in the NIOHC region was approved by the membership in 2012. This plan covers the period 2013-2017 and is reviewed annually (during NIOHC meetings) to ensure it meets regional requirements. The plan is based on assessing the phase of development of each of the coastal states within the NIOHC region (as determined by the IHO's three phases of CB) and arranging training activity to build the necessary capability to meet SOLAS treaty obligations. There is a great deal of 'SOLAS awareness' required in this region.

Activities completed since CBSC13

2. A MBES Processing training course for *Sri Lanka* was delivered in April 2015

3. A MBES Processing training course for *Bangladesh* was delivered in April 2015

4. In conjunction with the IIC Academy an Introduction to MBES Operations training course for NIOHC members was delivered in Visakhapatnam, India in February 2015 for the following coastal states:-Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Myanmar, Oman & Seychelles

5. The following activities are planned for 2016:-

- MBES Processing for Myanmar
- Advanced ENC Production for Sri Lanka
- A Chart Scheming Workshop
- Introduction to MSDI & Data Management (in conjunction with the IIC Academy)
- ENC QA (carried over from 2015)

6. Egypt and Myanmar were awarded places on the second IHO-NF CHART project training course which was delivered at the UKHO, September – December 2015.

Action Required of CBSC

7. The CBSC is invited to take note of this report