

MSI Assessment – NAVAREA IX

Submitted by: Pakistan

SUMMARY

Executive Summary: Over view of activities undertaken within NAVAREA IX since WWNWS 8.

Action to be taken: In accordance with Paragraph 12

Related documents: None

1. **Background.** The Hydrographer of Pakistan Navy is the NAVAREA IX Coordinator. The PN Hydrographic Department (PNHD) at Naval Headquarters, 11 Liaquat Barracks Karachi is the focal point for the SafetyNET services. The department is responsible for the transmission of MSI for the 16 countries of NAVAREA IX and promulgation of the Notices to Mariners (NTMs). The NAVAREA warnings are compiled at PNHD and up-linked to the INMARSAT for onward transmission through the INMARSAT 'C' satellites from LES Burum. The routine messages are forwarded on LES Burum. Burum LES is accessed through Internet, in case of any urgent message; it is transmitted on priority basis on special services to inform the mariners immediately. The reception of all the NAVAREA warnings promulgated through SafetyNET and coastal warnings through NAVTEX are monitored at PNHD by placing respective terminals at communication center.

Distress Alert. Pakistan is the member of Global Search and Rescue Organization and performs the task of rescue coordination centre for Maritime Rescue Region. MRCC Pakistan is manned by Maritime Security Agency (MSA). MSA is well equipped to perform distress monitoring, communications and response functions. NAVAREA IX promulgates Distress Warnings in collaboration with MSA through LES Burum. MRCC Pakistan is looking after an area of responsibility of MRCC Pakistan, chartlet is attached as Annex B. Other related information appended below:

Piracy Alerts. Pakistan as a coordinator NAVAREA IX played very active role in promulgation of Piracy Messages and Alert Warnings during the piracy hike from 2010-2012 near Somalian Coast and Gulf of Aden.

Notices to Mariners. The Notices to the Mariners (NTMs) are being published by the PNHD every week. The information is received from various port authorities, National coordinators of the NAVAREA IX countries and also from merchant vessels transiting / operating in the NAVAREA. The Notices to Mariners not only update the data for the paper charts but also the ENC's. The summary / details of all enforce NAVAREA IX warnings are also included in part-II of Pakistan Notices to Mariners, which can be obtained gratis from Mercantile Marine Department Karachi, Pakistan as well as available on PNHD / NAVAREA IX website: www.paknavy.gov.pk/hydro:

a. Current limits of NAVAREA IX are appended below. The chart-let of the same is at Annex A:

23° 48´N. 068° 05´E
 12° 00´N. 063° 00´E
 12° 00´N. 050° 45´E

- b. Navigational Warnings: 0300, 1500 UTC (IOR)
 c. Meteorological information: 0630, 0700 and 1830 UTC (IOR)
 d. SafetyNET Satellite broadcast service provider: BURUM

Operational Points of Contact for National Co-ordinator within the NAVAREA

COUNTRY	INSTITUTION	TELEPHONE	FAX	EMAIL
Bahrain	MENAS MARITIME OPERATION CENTRE BAHRAIN	+973 17828541	+973 17727765	info@menas.com.bh
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Eriteria	-	-	-	-
Iraq	-	-	-	-
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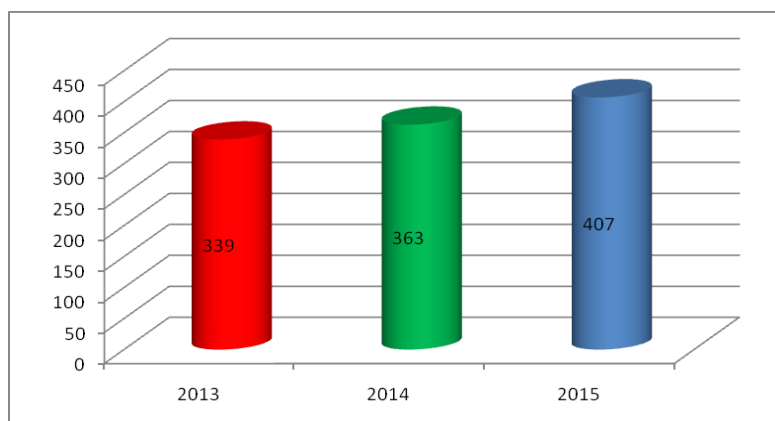
2. **Comments.** NAVAREA Warnings are transmitted/broadcasted on SafetyNET as per above mentioned details. The following table shows the number messages received and SafetyNET warnings / messages that were promulgated during last three years.

Specifications of information and data received

2013				2014				2015			
E-mail	Fax	Phone	Text	E-mail	Fax	Phone	Text	E-mail	Fax	Phone	Text
125	31	2	97	67	19	-	165	123	23	-	186

List of navigational warnings issued during last three years are:

NAVAREA IX WARNINGS	2013	2014	2015
	339	363	407



3. **NAVTEX Coverage.** Details of NAVTEX Station in the region are appended below. The chart-let of the same is at Annex C. (Ref: ALRS VOL.5 NP285/2015/2016)

	NAVTEX Station	TELEPHONE	FACSIMILE	EMAIL
B	Bahrain	+973 883939 / 883543	+973 242676	-
V	Al Qusayr(Egypt)	+20 65 330001	+20 65 330001	-
F	Bandar-e-Shahid Rajai	+98 761 4514032	+98 761 4514036	abbasradio@pmo.ir
A	Bushehr(Iran)	+98 771 2530074	+98 771 2530077	Bushenradio@pmo.Ir
M	Muscat (Oman)	+968 24571400	+968 24562995	--
P	Pakistan Karachi	+92 21 34591161	+92 21 34591285	

4. **Operational Issues.** Nil

Details of MSI information received from coastal states within the NAVAREA

Coastal State / Country	No of MSI messages	Topics / subject of messages
Pakistan	01	Port Information / Construction
	01	Boat sunk
	17	Military Exercise
	04	Cable laying operation
	02	Navigation Lights and buoys
Bahrain (MENAS)	05	Seabed survey / survey operation
	05	New Gas/oil pipeline/platform
	26	Navigational aid buoys & beacons
	02	New Submarine cable
	06	Over waters live firing exercise
	02	No anchorage area/ Alternative route
	02	Jacket installation/Floating barge
	02	Reclamation, Dredging and marine works
Saudi Arabia	02	Navigation Aids Loran-C Station/DGPS Station etc
	04	Beacon/Buoy
Yemen	01	Port Information / Construction
Egypt	02	Seabed Survey/Under water test/ photography
	17	Acoustic/Lights Signals/ Radar responders
	31	Marine units/platforms/Offshore Rigs
	15	Maintenance execution rehabilitation
	29	Drilling operation
	03	Establishment & installation
	02	Maritime cable extend
Iran	03	Buoy established
	02	Boat missing/buoy removed
	01	Platform established
Miscellaneous (Informations received from various sources)	10	Post-lay survey, Cable burial operation, Buoy with radar reflector, flashing light Cable lay operation, Uncharted buoy reported by ship.

All "In Force" warnings that are more than 42 days old remained available on website for mariners.

5. **Quality Management Survey.**

NAVAREA	ISO 9001 - 2000	Promulgate "In-Force" Bulletins	Promulgate "No-Warning" Messages	Monitor Broadcast in almost real time	24/7 contact information provided	Promulgate two scheduled broadcasts	IMO Master Plan updated
NAVAREA IX	NO	YES	NO*	YES	YES	YES	YES

*Karachi radio is not operational and under up gradation so 'No Warning Messages' is not being promulgated through Navtex.

6. **Contingency Planning:** Contingency Plan is held.

7. **Capacity Building:** Capacity building of the regional countries situated in Navarea IX, need to enhance their capability to understand the importance of the MSI.

8. **Other Activities.** PNHD / NAVAREA IX have been at the forefront in taking active part in all the activities of the IHO. Efforts are being made to establish communication with few Navarea IX members states/National Coordinators.

9. **NAVAREA Website.** www.paknavy.gov.pk/hydro

10. **NAVAREA Contact Information:**

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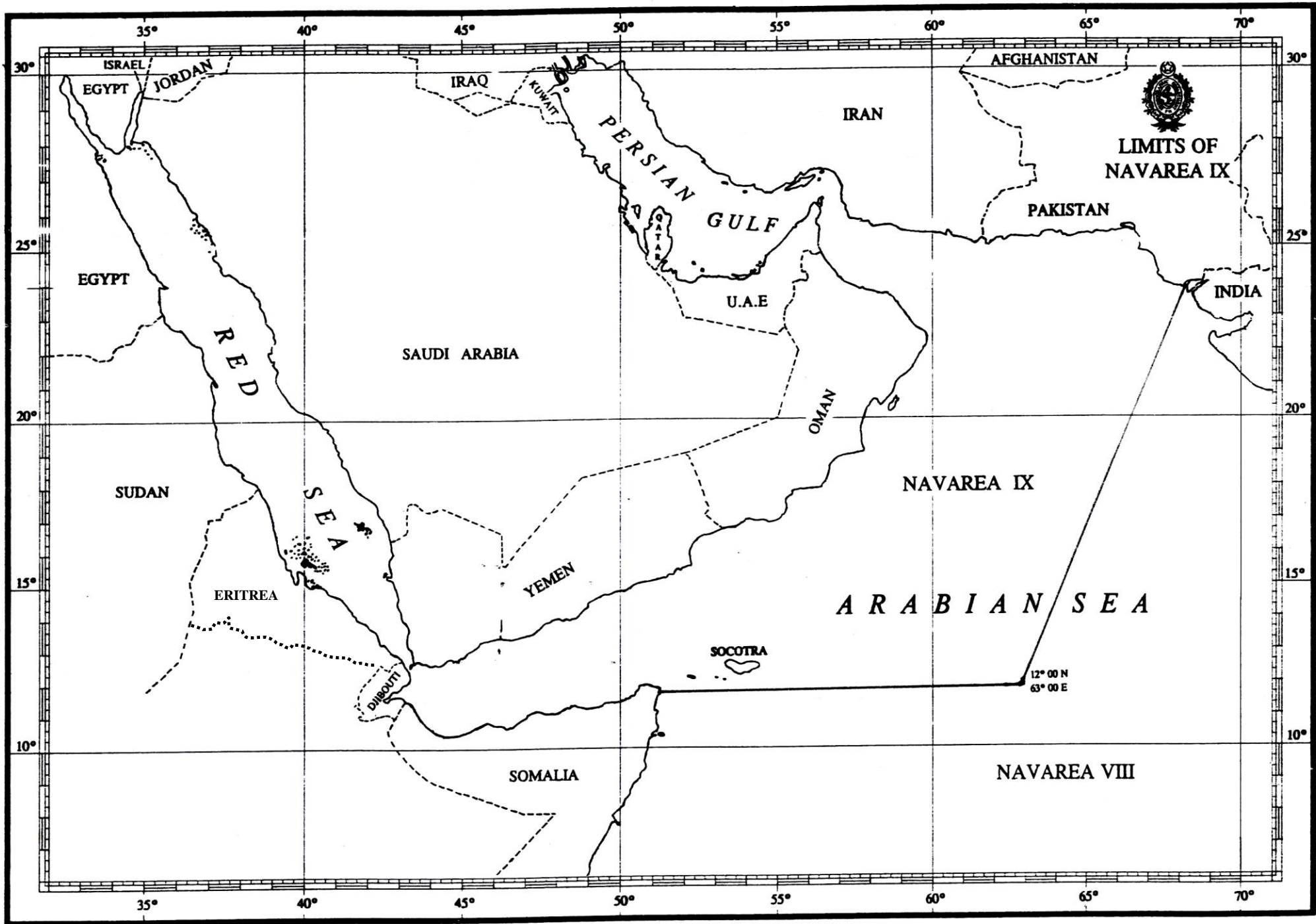
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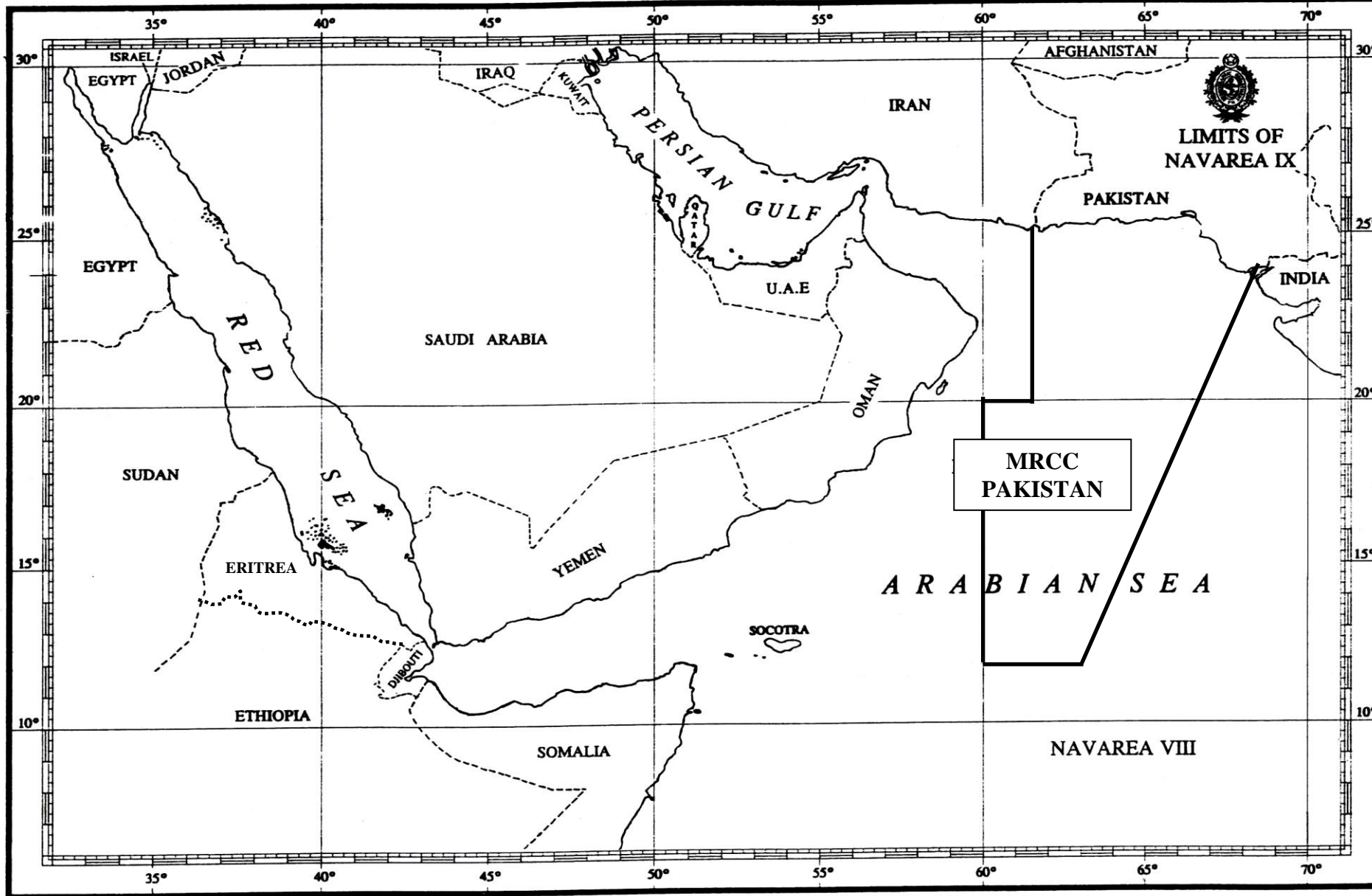
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11. **Recommendations.** MSI courses be conducted at regular basis for Regional countries to train them for active participation.
12. **Actions requested.** The Commission is requested to note this report
13. **Summary.** The above is provided as NAVAREA IX self-assessment report for the WWNWS8. Coordinator NAVAREA IX transmits MSI for the 16 countries in the region. Navigational Warnings are promulgated via SafetyNET and NAVTEX with all enforced warnings being included in the Notice to Mariners which is published once per week. All the enforced warnings and NTMs are regularly posted and monitored on NAVAREA IX website as well. NAVAREA IX accesses LES via internet and all SafetyNET broadcasts are monitored. Karachi Navtex station is under up gradation, Coastal Warnings are also being transmitted via SafetyNET.



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ANNEX 'B'



NAVTEX – MSI BROADCASTS
North Arabian Sea, Red Sea and Persian Gulf (NAVAREA IX)

