



VPA Chairperson, Dr. M. Angamuthu, IAS, Paid a courtesy call on Vice Admiral Biswajit Dasgupta, FOC-inC, and apprised CinC on performance of Port, Ongoing Projects and various issues of mutual interest to the Indian Navy and VPA.





# నేవీ చీఫ్ తో పోర్టు చైర్మన్ భేటీ

సింధియా, న్యూస్ టుడే : తూర్పు నౌకాదళం, విశాఖపట్నం పోర్టు అధికారిటీ మధ్య పరస్పర అవగాహన, మెరుగైన భాగస్వామ్యం కొనసాగించేందుకు ప్రత్యేక చర్యలు తీసుకుంటున్నామని ఆయా సంస్థల అధిపతులు ప్రకటించారు. బుధవారం విశాఖపట్నం పోర్టు అధికారిటీ చైర్మన్ డాక్టర్ అంగముత్తు తూర్పునౌకాదళం ముఖ్య కార్యాలయాన్ని సందర్శించారు.



పోర్టు చైర్మన్ అంగముత్తుకి జ్ఞాపిక అందిస్తున్న ఈఎన్సీ చీఫ్ బిశ్వజిత్ దాస్ గుప్తా

● ఆయనకు ఈఎన్సీ ఫ్లాగ్ ఆఫీసర్ కమాండింగ్-ఇన్-చీఫ్ వైస్ అడ్మిరల్ బిశ్వజిత్ దాస్ గుప్తా సాదర స్వాగతం పలికారు. ఇరు సంస్థల భాగస్వామ్యంతో చేపడుతున్న వివిధ అభివృద్ధి పనులు, చేపట్టాల్సిన నూతన ప్రాజెక్టులపై చర్చించారు. ఔటర్ హార్బర్ ప్రాజెక్టు, ఐఎన్ఎస్ విక్రాంత్ కు విశాఖలో స్థావరం ఏర్పాటుపై ప్రతిపాదనలు సిద్ధం చేయనున్నట్లు స్పష్టం చేశారు. అనంతరం అంగముత్తుకు బిశ్వజిత్ దాస్ గుప్తా జ్ఞాపిక అందజేశారు.



# VPA chairman pays courtesy call on ENC chief

∴ **The Hindu Bureau**  
VISAKHAPATNAM

Visakhapatnam Port Authority (VPA) chairman Madhaiyaan Angamuthu paid a courtesy call on Vice Admiral Biswajit Dasgupta, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command (ENC), at the latter's office here on Wednesday.

They discussed about the proposed Naval Outer Harbour Project and the basing of INS Vikrant at Visakhapatnam, according to an official release here. The VPA chairman also apprised him of the performance of the port.

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**VISAKHAPATNAM**

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# Vizag port leads country in marine exports

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Visakhapatnam Port Authority (VPA) is the leading port in the country with a share of 26.36% in the marine products export segment, according to the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA).

In 2022-23, the port shipped 2.64 lakh metric tonnes of marine products worth ₹16,877 crore.

Another port, the Krishnapatnam in Andhra Pradesh, also handled 18,832 metric tonnes of marine cargo valued at ₹1187.4 crores.

Overall, the country shipped 17,35,286 metric tonnes of marine products worth ₹63,969.14 crore (\$8.09 billion) to various countries in the East and West coasts.

## Top honour

Port	Volume (metric tons)	Value (₹ in cr.)
Vizag	2,64,214	16,876.93
Kochi	2,25,230	7,550.48
Kolkata	1,25,193	6,481.60
JNPT	2,26,540	5,892.69
Chennai	1,04,604	5,284.52



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Speaking to *The Hindu*, Visakhapatnam District Fisheries Department Joint Director G. Vijaya said that Visakhapatnam has a vast

fishing harbour and a two ports next to each other. The Governments' encouragement on cultivation, quality products, hygienic

conditions of the packing areas, awareness camps and training sessions, are some of the reasons why Andhra Pradesh is at the forefront of seafood production and exports, she added.

Seafood Exporters Association of India (SEAI) Andhra Pradesh regional president Alluri Indra Kumar said a large number of exporters of marine products are located in Andhra Pradesh, especially around the Visakhapatnam port. Exporters from neighbouring Odisha also favoured the Vizag port.

Frozen shrimp in India, which earned ₹43,135.58 crore (\$ 5481.63 million), retained its position as the most significant item in the basket of seafood exports, accounting for a share of 40.98% in quantity and 67.72% of the total dollar

earnings. "Shrimp exports during the period increased by 1.01% in rupee value. The overall export of frozen shrimps during 2022 was pegged at 7,11,099 metric tons, and the US is the largest market to us. However, Vannamei shrimp exports declined in 2022 compared to 2021 by 8.11% from \$5234.36 million to \$ 4809.99 million," said MPEDA chairman D.V. Swamy.

The country shipped 17.36 lakh metric tons of the seafood worth \$ 8.09 billion during the 2022-23, despite heavy odds, Mr. Swamy added.

Frozen shrimp remained the major export item in terms of quantity and value both, while USA and China turned out to be the major importers of India's seafood in the latest fiscal.