



IMO AWARD FOR **EXCEPTIONAL BRAVERY AT SEA** **2016**

Monday, 21 November 2016 at 6 p.m.

The 2016 IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION

Address by IMO Secretary-General

Mr. Kitack Lim

PRESENTATION CEREMONY

CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION

(listed in the alphabetical order of the country nominating)

- Mr. Tang Shunjie, diving squad leader of the emergency response Dong Hai Rescue No.1 Flight Team of the Dong Hai Rescue Bureau. Nominated by China for his tenacity and courage in rescuing the only survivor of a capsized fishing boat, who had been trapped in the engine-room for over 30 hours and was in a state of panic and unable to communicate. In complete darkness, rough seas and strong currents, Mr. Tang cleared the access of dangerous fishing nets and other floating objects and guided the fisherman to safety.
 - Captain Hervé Lepage, Master of the containership **CMA CGM Rossini**. Nominated by France for his tireless efforts to find and rescue, in adverse weather and sea conditions, two crew members of the capsized catamaran **Lama-Lo**. The survivors had been drifting in a tender for 26 hours when Captain Lepage located them by successfully estimating the drift of the beacon transmissions – before skilfully manoeuvring the ship alongside the tender and helping the crew members on board.
 - Shri B.M. Das, Uttam Navik, winch operator and diver of the rescue helicopter CG 822 of the Indian Coast Guard Air Station Daman. Nominated by India for rescuing all 14 crew members of the cargo ship M/V **Coastal Pride**, which was rolling heavily in rough seas and strong winds. Mr. Das helped six crew members get winched up to the helicopter and helped the others to abandon the sinking ship via the life raft. He himself was washed away, but managed to save himself and the crew before the vessel capsized and sank.
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- Assistant Inspector Kang Seonggyu, Special Rescue Unit of the Republic of Korea Coast Guard. Nominated by the Republic of Korea for his role in locating and rescuing a crew member confined in an engine-room air pocket of the capsized Chinese fishing vessel **Noyounger** 57189, after a previous Unit had helped to unblock the entrance but was unable to locate the survivor. After finding the crew member, Mr. Kang was able to stabilise his condition, before helping him to escape.

RECIPIENT OF THE 2016 AWARD

MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE

- Captain Radhika Menon, Master of the M/T **Sampurna Swarajya**, nominated by the Government of India, for her display of great determination and courage in rescuing seven fishermen from the sinking boat **Durgamma**. The fishermen had been given up for dead after being adrift for six days, in fierce rain, wind speed of 60 to 70 knots and 27-feet high waves.

(Video courtesy of The Shipping Corporation of India)

RECEPTION

The ceremony will be followed by a reception in the Delegates' Lounge.





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