

**MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING & WATERWAYS**  
**MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2022**

**Port Performance**

The traffic handled at Major Ports during the period “April to December” has increased by 8.97% in the current financial year (FY 2022-23) as compared to the same period last year. It has gone up from 529.16 million Tonnes last year to 576.63 million Tonnes this year.

**Cargo handling at Paradip Port**

Paradip Port achieved another milestone by handling highest ever cargo traffic of 6,49,730 Metric Tonnes in a single day on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Further, after dredging of northern dock, recently, Port successfully berthed MV Golden Barnet, a Cape vessel of 16.20 meter draft carrying 1,46,554 Tonnes of Coking Coal at Kalinga International Coal Terminal Berth.

**Signing of Agreement**

Kamarajar Port Limited (KPL) and Maruti Suzuki India Ltd signed an Agreement on 19.12.2022 for export of Automobiles to the global markets. The Agreement is valid for a period of 5 years, starting from 01<sup>st</sup> December 2022. Maruti Suzuki India Ltd will use KPL for exports to Africa, Middle East, Latin America, ASEAN, Oceania & SAARC regions.

**World Pollution Prevention Week**

As part of observance of World Pollution Prevention Week, Major Ports have organised awareness programme for employees and conducted a seminar on green-port initiatives for Marine engineering students. The Major Ports have also taken up various programmes like Plantation, Essay Competition, Mock Drills etc.

**Inland Water Transport**

IWAI Ro-Ro Vessel Adi Shankara was deployed between Fort Kochi and Bolgatty for a period of 11.12.2022 to 14.12.2022 on trial basis to explore new route for viable operation on NW-3. The Cargo movement on National Waterways for April to November, 2022 recorded 80.44 million tonnes an increase of 18.05% as compared to April to November, 2021 of 68.14 million tonnes.