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ADMM PLUS EXERCISE ON MARITIME SECURITY AND COUNTER TERRORISM AT BRUNEI AND SINGAPORE



HE First Admiral Dato Abdul Aziz, Deputy Minister of Defence, Permanent Secretary, Datin Hajah Suriyah, HE Smt Nagma M Mallick, High Commissioner, and Commander Jayant Mahadik, Commanding Officer, INS Airavat.

Indian Naval Ship (INS) *Airavat* participated in the ADMM Exercises on Maritime Security and Counter Terrorism (Ex MS & CT) held in Brunei from 01 to 05 May 16.

To celebrate the arrival of INS Airavat and its participation in the ADMM Plus exercises, the High Commissioner of India, Mrs. Nagma M. Mallick along with Commander of the Ship Jayant Mahadik hosted a reception on board the INS Airavat on May 2, 2016. His Excellency First Admiral Dato Seri Pahlawan Abdul Aziz Hj Mohd Tamit, Deputy Minister of Defence was the Guest of Honour. Other distinguished guests from the Ministry of Defence included Commander Royal Brunei Armed Forces, Pehin Major General Mohd Tawih, Permanent Secretary, Datin Hajah Suriyah, Commander of Royal Brunei Navy, First Admiral Pg Dato Norazami, Commander of Royal Brunei Land Force, Brigadier General Pengiran Dato Aminan, Commander of the Joint Forces, Brigadier General Dato Haji Hamzah, Commander of the Royal Brunei Air Force, Col Shahril Anwar, Deputy Commander of the Royal Brunei Air Force, Col Haji Hamsani, Deputy Commander of the Royal Brunei Navy, Captain Haji Othman, Fleet Commander of the Royal Brunei Navy Commander Pg Mohd. In addition to the above guests, the reception was attended by the Vice Chancellor of University of Brunei Darussalam, Heads of Diplomatic Missions, Defence Attaches and Commanders of other Ships participating in the Exercise as well as members of the Indian Community in Brunei.

About 250 guests attended the reception. The High Commissioner as well as Commander of the INS Airavat delivered speeches on the occasion. The High Commissioner spoke about India's active and positive contribution in numerous ASEAN-led mechanisms viz ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) and ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting Plus (ADMM Plus) as well as supporting the East Asia Summit (EAS) which has strengthened India- ASEAN ties. She also said that the ADMM-Plus has become an important platform for ASEAN and its eight Dialogue partners to strengthen security and defence cooperation for peace, stability, and development in the region.



HE First Admiral Dato Abdul Aziz, Deputy Minister of Defence being greeted by Commander Jayant Mahadik, Commanding Officer, INS Airavat.



Commander Jayant Mahadik explaining various exercises conducted by INS Airavat to Pehin Major General Mohd Tawih, Commander of Royal Brunei Armed Forces.

05 May 2016, Brunei Darussalam.