PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA (2015)





Ratio of increase declined over 2012-2015



5 YEARS-OVERVIEW



NO INCIDENT OF HIJACKING OF TANKERS FOR THEFT OF OIL CARGO SINCE SEPTEMBER 2015

12 incidents reported; of which 2 were foiled by authorities. **ARRESTS AND PROSECUTION**



Found and detain ships used by perpetrators



Produced 'Guide for Tankers **Operating in Asia against Piracy** and Armed Robbery Involving Oil Cargo Theft'



LOCATIONS

STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE

- More than 50% incidents reported in 2015 occurred in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore on board ships while underway
- Improvement with no actual incident reported since November 2015

PORTS AND ANCHORAGES

• Situation at most ports and anchorages in Asia has improved in 2015 compared to 2014, except Vietnam

WAY FORWARD

Collaboration among the ReCAAP ISC, shipping industry and authorities to:



Share timely updates and assessments



Ensure immediate assistance and responses to victim ships

Work in progress...ReCAAP ISC jointly producing 'Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia' with ASF, IFC, INTERTANKO, OCIMF, RSIS, SSA/FASA

CONCLUSION

The efforts of various regional enforcement agencies in enhanced patrols and agility, had led to the quick apprehension of the perpetrators. With more perpetrators being put to task, the overall situation in Asia is heading for improvement.

However, there is no room for complacency. Cooperation and collaboration among the ReCAAP Focal Points, shipping industry and regional authorities are key towards combating piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia.