

Piracy & Armed Robbery Against Ships In Asia

JANUARY-MARCH 2016

IMPROVEMENT

14 INCIDENTS REPORTED

- > Incidents of robbery
- > No piracy
- > Lowest compared to past four years
- > Majority CAT 4 (least significant)

68%

DECREASE
IN NUMBER
QUARTER-
ON-QUARTER
COMPARED
WITH 2015

KEY IMPROVEMENTS

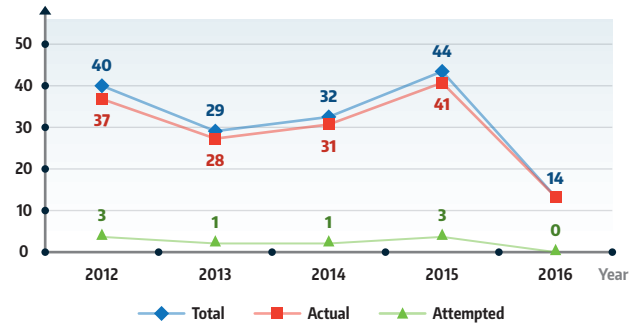
No hijacking of tankers for theft of oil cargo since September 2015

No unauthorized boarding of ships while underway in Singapore Straits since December 2015

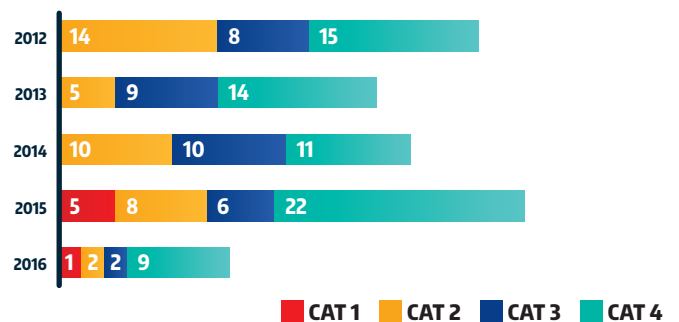


5-Year Overview (JANUARY-MARCH)

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS



SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL OF ACTUAL INCIDENTS



CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Proactive measures by enforcement agencies

- > Intensified patrolling
- > Enhanced surveillance
- > Apprehension of mastermind/perpetrators



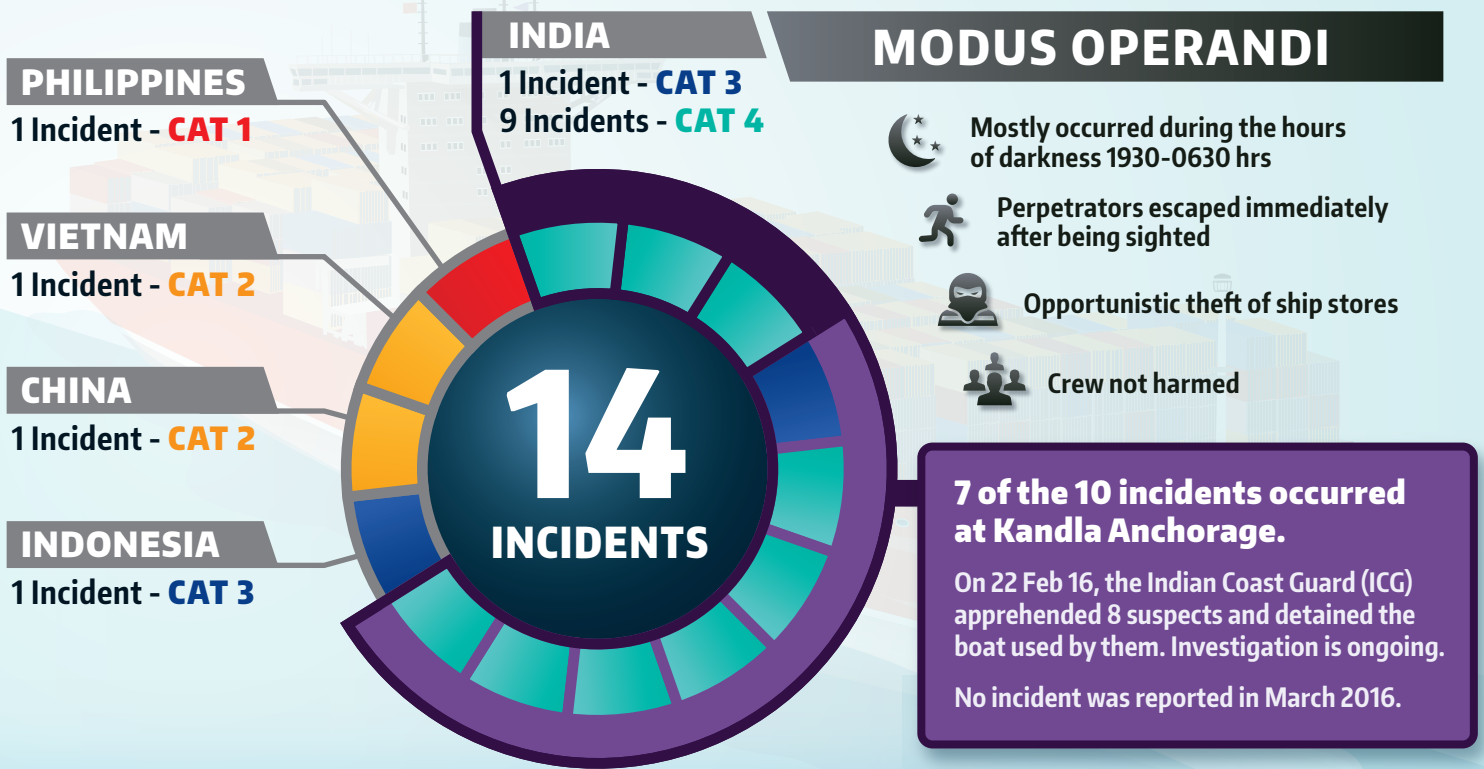
Close cooperation among all stakeholders in information sharing and operational responses



Timely reporting, enhanced vigilance and adopting of best practices by ship master/ crew/operator



Location of Incidents

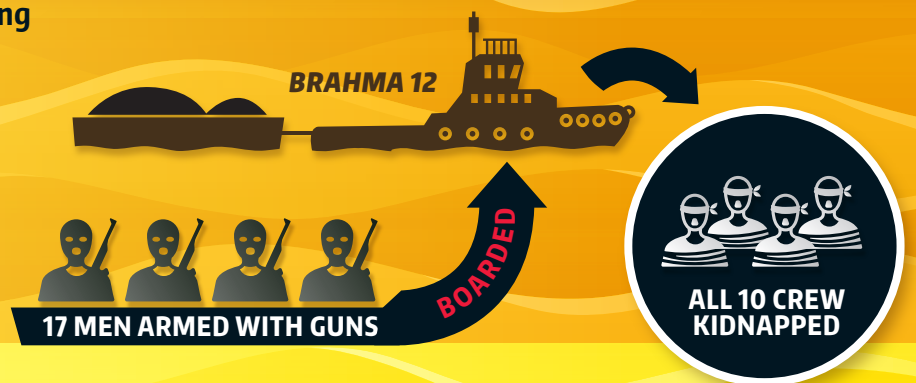


KIDNAPPING OF CREW

On 26 Mar 16, tug boat *Brahma 12* towing barge departed Kalimantan, Indonesia for Batangas, Philippines was boarded by 17 men armed with guns.

All 10 crew kidnapped for ransom.

INVESTIGATION ONGOING



CONCLUSION

- > Overall situation continued to improve during January-March 2016
- > However, of concern was the incident involving kidnapping of crew from tug boat *Brahma 12*
- > Worth commending was arrest made by ICG in February 2016
- > No room for complacency. No one agency can do it alone; we need cooperation and coordination of the littoral States, shipping industry and relevant stakeholders in working towards our shared commitment in keeping the sea in Asia safe