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MPC for MILAN 2020 Concludes at Visakhapatnam

The Mid Planning Conference (MPC) for MILAN exercise concluded at HQENC Visakhapatnam 08 Nov 19. The three-day conference was attended by 29 delegates from 17 friendly Foreign Navies. Delivering the Opening Address, Commodore Sanjiv Issar, Commodore Milan briefed on the broad programme of MILAN 2020 scheduled to be conducted at Visakhapatnam in Mar 2020. The scope of exercise planned during the harbour and sea phase of MILAN 2020 was discussed in detail with the delegates of the participating countries during the conference.

MILAN series of biennial a multilateral naval exercise which commenced in 1995, was conducted at Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) until last year, is being conducted for the first time on the mainland at ENC with increased scope and complexity of the Exercise. MILAN 2020 is aimed to enhance professional interaction between friendly foreign navies and learn from each other's strengths and best practices in the maritime domain. The event would also provide an excellent opportunity for Operational Commanders of friendly foreign navies to interact with each other in areas of mutual interest.

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