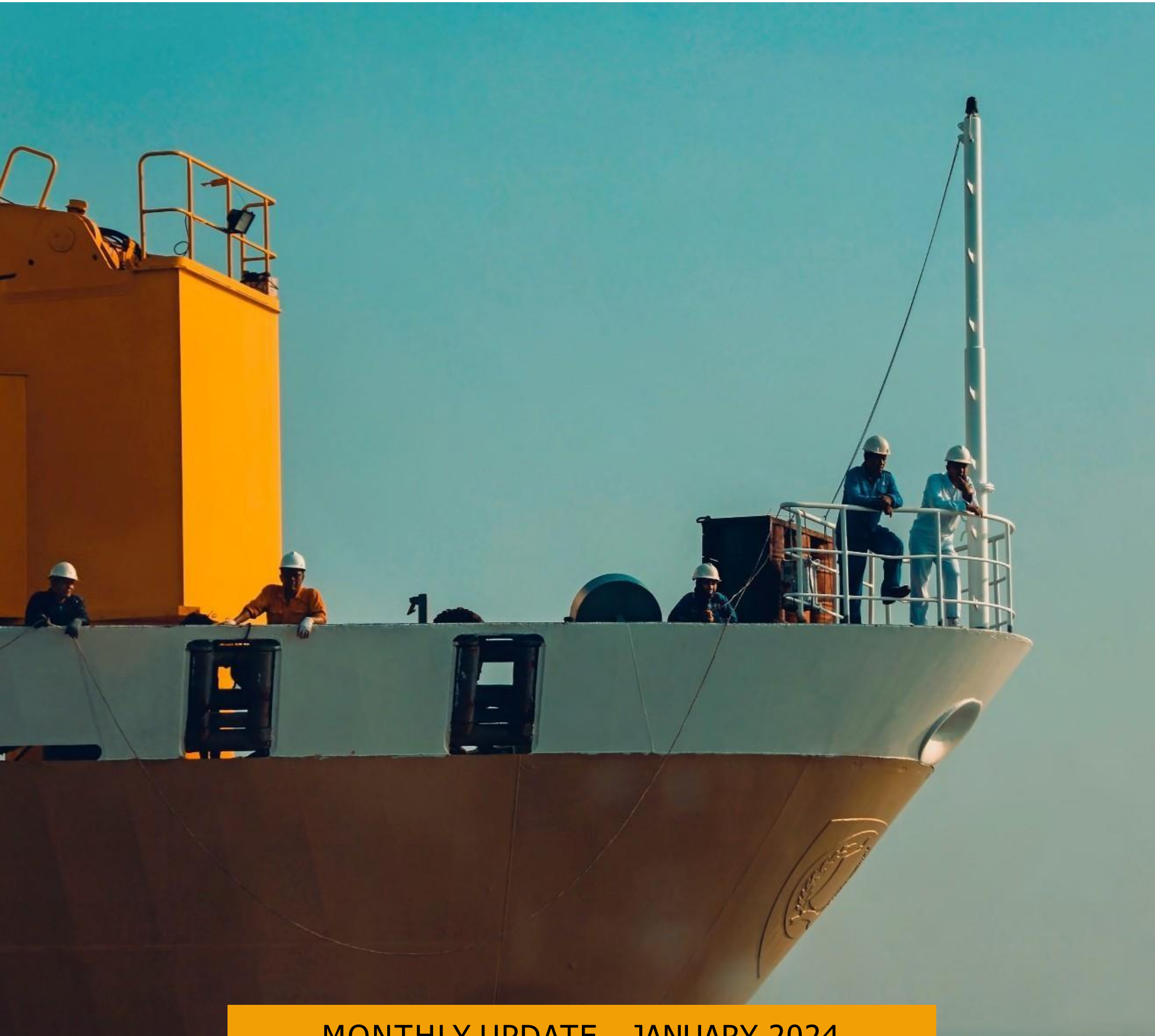




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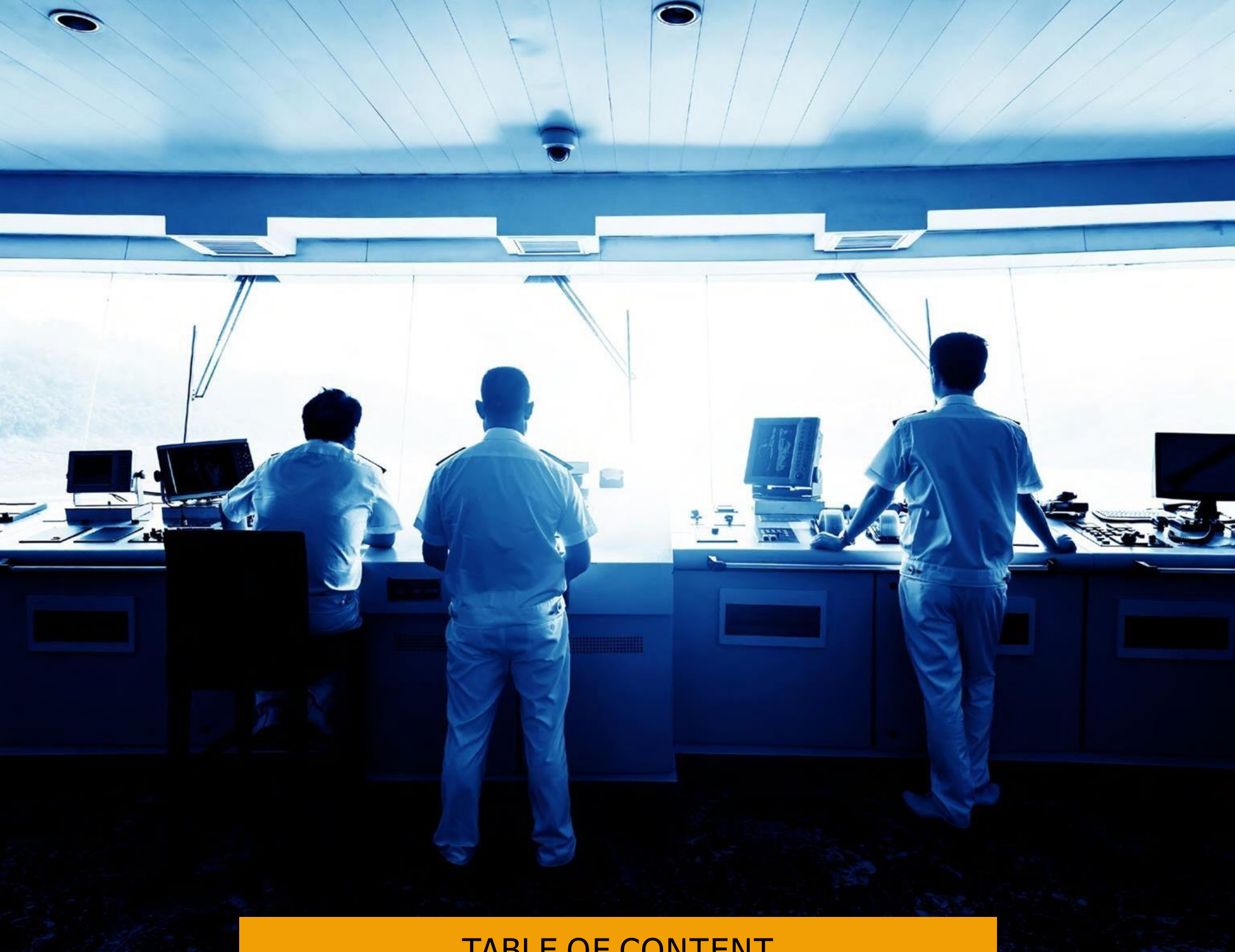


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PORTS	SIGN ON	SIGN OFF
BUDGE BUDGE	5	4
CHENNAI	6	5
COCHIN	33	41
DAHEJ	20	18
ENNORE	7	4
GANGAVARAM	6	7
HALDIA	23	22
HAZIRA	7	6
JNPT	40	40
KANDLA	14	12
KARAIKAL	9	9
KRISHNAPATNAM	25	29
MAGDALLA	3	3
MANGALORE	37	31
MORMUGAO	55	43
MUMBAI	224	233
MUNDRA	19	20
OKHA	10	8
PARADIP	46	38
PIPAVAV	1	1
SIKKA	20	19
TUTICORIN	3	3
VADINAR (SBM)	6	7
VADINAR NAYARA	0	1
VISAKHAPATNAM	2	5
Grand Total	621	609
FY 2023-24 (Apr – Dec)	6110	6149



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Anglo-Eastern's MoU with DGS: Targeting 3,000 jobs for Indian seafarers by 2024-25**
- **Seafarers connect will foster better networking**
- **'Unacceptable' Rise in Seafarer Abandonments in 2023, Says ITF**



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Anglo-Eastern's MoU with DGS: Targeting 3,000 jobs for Indian seafarers by 2024-25

- Anglo-Eastern Group, a Hong Kong-based ship management conglomerate, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Directorate General of Shipping. The agreement aims to add at least 1,000 Indian seafarers annually until 2024-25 to the conglomerate's existing pool of 21,000 Indian seafarers. This collaboration reflects a strategic partnership between the two entities for the growth and development of the maritime industry.
- The MoU outlines a commitment by Anglo-Eastern Group to generate 3,000 jobs for Indian seafarers by 2024-25, with an estimated economic impact of approximately Rs900 crore. This emphasizes the significance of the maritime sector in contributing to job creation and economic growth in India, aligning with the vision of the Directorate General of Shipping.
- The Managing Director of Anglo-Eastern Ship Management India, Vineet Gupta, highlights the vast availability of educated, smart, and hardworking Indian youth. With 250 million Indian youth in the workforce, Gupta suggests that India is uniquely positioned to control various industries, and global ship management companies, including Anglo-Eastern Group, should leverage this abundant pool of talent.
- The article mentions the importance of a high-quality maritime training infrastructure in India. Anglo-Eastern Group operates the Anglo-Eastern Maritime Academy near Mumbai, emphasizing its commitment to training and skill development in the maritime sector. This investment in education and training contributes to the supply of highly skilled Indian manpower for the niche ship management industry, guided by experienced merchant navy officers and leaders in the Indian maritime sector.

Source: The Hindu Business Line



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Seafarers connect will foster better networking

- The Hong Kong-based Anglo Eastern Group, a major employer of Indian seafarers, has announced plans to The Directorate General of Shipping's 'Seafarers Connect: Hum Saath Saath Hain' programme will be held in collaboration with seafarers' unions in maritime coastal states and Union Territories. Goan Seamen Association of India (GSAI), President, Mr. Frank Viegas said that the pioneering programme will foster connections, provide a support network, and address key issues concerning the seafaring community who are the backbone of the maritime industry. The event to be held on February 3 at Ravindra Bhavan, Margao at 10 am will bring together seafarers from various ranks allowing them to engage in meaningful conversations.

Source: India Shipping News

'Unacceptable' Rise in Seafarer Abandonments in 2023, Says ITF

- The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) reported a total of 132 ship abandonments in 2023, indicating an increase of 13 cases compared to the previous year (2022). This alarming rise highlights a concerning trend in the maritime industry, where shipowners are failing to fulfill their obligations under the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (MLC) regarding seafarer repatriation, maintenance and support, and contractual wage payments.
- Unpaid wages from the reported cases of abandonment amounted to over \$12.1 million, affecting 1,676 seafarers who sought assistance from the ITF. Indian seafarers were particularly impacted, with over 400 reported cases. The failure to receive wages and the abandonment of ships place significant financial strain on seafarers and their families, emphasizing the urgent need for industry-wide compliance with labor standards.
- The ITF played a crucial role in addressing the issue, securing more than \$10.9 million in owed wages from 60 of the abandoned vessels. The organization's Inspectorate Coordinator, Steve Trowsdale, emphasized the unacceptable nature of the rise in seafarer abandonments, attributing it to the industry's tendency to treat seafarers as disposable entities. Trowsdale highlighted the dedication of ITF inspectors in holding shipowners accountable for their actions, noting the impact on seafarers' well-being, dignity, and basic human rights. The report underscores the ongoing challenges in ensuring fair treatment and compliance within the maritime sector.

Source: Sagar Sandesh



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