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PAK-CHINA JOINT NAVAL EXERCISE SEA GUARDIANS-2020 SUCCESSFULLY CULMINATES AT KARACHI

Karachi, 14 Jan 20: Closing Ceremony of sixth bilateral exercise Sea Guardians-2020 between Pakistan Navy and PLA (Navy), was held at Pakistan Navy Dockyard, Karachi. Deputy Commander of Southern Theatre Command PLA, Vice Admiral Dong Jun graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Commander Pakistan Fleet, Vice Admiral Asif Khaliq was also present on the occasion.

While addressing the ceremony, Vice Admiral Asif Khaliq expressed his gratitude to Southern Theatre Command for their engagement and joint collaboration in exercise Sea Guardians-2020. While alluding to warm and cordial relations between the two countries, the Admiral expressed satisfaction over mutually benefiting and professionally rewarding conduct of the exercise. Commander Pakistan Fleet, also emphasized that such interactions will further improve exchange of professional experience in maritime threats, developing a synergistic approach in naval domains and stepping up the capabilities to ensure safe & sustainable maritime environment in the region.

Earlier, Deputy Commander of Southern Theatre Command PLA, Vice Admiral Dong Jun thanked Pakistan Navy for extending warm hospitality to visiting naval platforms/ assets of PLA (Navy). He hoped that this exercise will further enhance bilateral relationships and cooperation between the two countries in general and navies in particular. The Admiral also formally declared culmination of the exercise.

During the exercise, Pakistan Navy and PLA (Navy) Flotilla comprising naval platforms/ assets along with Marines Corps Detachments carried out advance level joint drills and naval maneuvers in North Arabian Sea. The harbour and sea activities of the exercise were also witnessed by senior officials from both navies.

Exercise Sea Guardians-2020 spanning over nine days was designed to share professional experiences on contemporary and non-traditional threats as well as to enhance bilateral cooperation and interoperability between the two navies. The closing ceremony was attended by a large number of military officials from both the navies.

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Commander Pakistan Fleet Vice Admiral Asif Khaliq and Deputy Commander of PLA Southern Theatre Command Vice Admiral Dong Jun addressing the audience during closing ceremony of Pak-China bilateral Exercise Sea Guardians 2020



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Troops in action during Exercise Sea Guardians 2020 held at Karachi between Pakistan Navy and Chinese Navy



Commander Pakistan Fleet Vice Admiral Asif Khaliq along with Deputy Commander of PLA Southern Theatre Command Vice Admiral Dong Jun in a group photo with Pakistan Navy and Chinese Navy officials after the closing ceremony of Pak-China bilateral Exercise Sea Guardians 2020



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