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ReCAAP ISC PARTICIPATES IN RIVER CLEANUP AS PART OF WORLD MARITIME DAY

Today, staff from the ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ISC) participated in a Boat Waterways Cleanup on the Kallang River in conjunction with World Maritime Day (WMD) that was commemorated on 29 September 2022.

2. Through the half-day river clean up exercise that was conducted onboard two boats, ReCAAP ISC aims to play its part for the environment. “The Centre recognises the importance of environmental sustainability for the maritime sector and today’s cleanup efforts is our small way of giving back to the society and to help make our waters cleaner,” said Mr. Krishnaswamy Natarajan, Executive Director of ReCAAP ISC. Every year, the WMD is commemorated in September with the aim of focusing attention on the importance of shipping safety, maritime security and the marine environment.

3. Every day, litter on land is washed by rain or blown by winds into our drains and canals which lead to other waterways. As a pillar of Singapore’s self-sustainable water supply, keeping our waterways and reservoirs clean is vital to the health of our people and the environment.

4. This river cleanup was made possible through the collaboration with Waterways Watch Society Singapore, an independent environmental organisation which was established in 1998 with the mission of bringing together people to love our waters and to inspire stewardship for our environment through education and volunteerism.



Caption: Staff of ReCAAP ISC at the river clean up.

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About ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ReCAAP ISC)

The Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP) is the first regional government-to-government agreement to promote and enhance cooperation against piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia. The Agreement entered into force on September 4, 2006 with 14 Asian countries as Contracting Parties, and the Information Sharing Centre was established on November 29, 2006. To date, 21 States (14 Asian countries, 5 European countries, Australia, the USA) have become Contracting Parties to ReCAAP. To fulfil its vision as the Information Hub for combating piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia, ReCAAP ISC enhances regional cooperation through information sharing, capacity building and cooperative arrangements. At the 12th Governing Council Meeting in 2018, the Council announced that ReCAAP ISC has met the criteria to be a Centre of Excellence for information sharing in combating piracy and armed robbery at sea. For more information about ReCAAP ISC, please visit <http://www.recaap.org>