

COASTAL SECURITY SCHEME

India's Coastline

India has a coastline of 7516.6 kms., bordering the mainland and the islands, running along the States of Gujarat (1214.70 km), Maharashtra (652.60 km), Goa (101.00 km), Karnataka (208.00 km), Kerala (569.70 km), Tamil Nadu (906.90 km), Andhra Pradesh (973.70 km), Odisha (476.70 km) and West Bengal (157.50 km) and the UTs of Daman & Diu (42.50 km), Lakshadweep (132.00 km), Puducherry (47.60 km) and Andaman & Nicobar Islands (1962.00 km).

Present Coastal Security System

The IN has been designated as the authority responsible for overall maritime security, which includes coastal security and offshore security. The IN is assisted by Indian Coast Guard (ICG), State Coastal Police and other Central and State agencies.

ICG is additionally responsible for coastal security in Territorial Waters including areas to be patrolled by Coastal Police. The DG, ICG has been designated as Commander Coastal Command and will be responsible for overall coordination between Central and State agencies in all matters relating to coastal security.

Coastal Security Scheme - Overview

D/o of Border Management, MHA is implementing Coastal Security Scheme (CSS) in phases with the objective of strengthening infrastructures and capabilities of Coastal Police for patrolling and surveillance of coastal areas, particularly shallow areas close to the coast.

Coastal Security Scheme (Phase I) : CSS (Ph-I) was implemented from 2005 to 2011. Under the Scheme, coastal states/UTs were provided with 73 Coastal Police Stations (CPS), 97 check posts, 58 outposts, 30 barracks, 204 interceptor boats, 153 jeeps and 312 motor cycles.

Coastal Security Scheme (Phase-II)

Under Phase-II, the scheme coastal States/UTs is sanctioned with 131 CPS, 60 jetties, 10 Marine Operation Centres, 225 boats, 131 four wheelers and 242 motorcycles. The phase-II of the scheme is under implementation till 31.03.2020.



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The Coastal Security Scheme Phase-I

With a provision of 73 Police Stations, 97 Check Posts, 58 Out Posts 30 Barracks, 204 boats, 153 Jeeps and 312 Motorcycles has been completed in March 2011.

The Coastal Security Scheme (Phase-II)

Scheme envisages to carry forward the objectives specified in the Coastal Security Phase-I Scheme, by way of providing additional infrastructural support to the coastal States/UTs for marine patrolling and with a view to supplement other coastal security initiatives being effected by the Indian Navy and Coast Guard etc. The Coastal Security Phase-II scheme has been approved for implementation over a period of 5 years from 01.04.2011 with an outlay of Rs. 1579.91 crores. The scheme has been granted extension for a period of 4 years w.e.f. 01.04.2016 to 31.03.2020.

There is a provision of 131 coastal police stations, 180 boats, 60 jetties, 10 large vessels (A&N), 131 four wheelers, 242 motor cycles, 10 marine operation centres and 35 rigid inflatable boats under Phase II of Coastal Security Scheme.
