



Ministry of Defence



Relentless efforts by Indian Air Force & Indian Navy to provide critical COVID-19 medical supplies



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in Indian Air Force (IAF) and Indian Navy (IN) continue to work round the clock to provide oxygen and other medical supplies to the civil administration to tackle the current COVID-19 situation in the country. As on early hours of May 12, 2021, the aircraft of IAF airlifted 403 oxygen containers of 6,856 Metric Tonnes (MT) capacity along with other equipment of 163 MT capacity, in 634 sorties from different parts of the country. The cities covered are Jamnagar, Bhopal, Chandigarh, Panagarh, Indore, Ranchi, Agra, Jodhpur, Begumpet, Bhubaneshwar, Pune, Surat, Raipur, Udaipur, Mumbai, Lucknow, Nagpur, Gwalior, Vijayawada, Baroda, Dimapur and Hindan.

The IAF aircraft have also conducted 98 sorties from different countries, airlifting 95 containers of 793 MT capacity and other equipment of 204 MT capacity. The equipment has been procured from Singapore, Dubai, Thailand, Germany, Australia, Belgium, Indonesia, the Netherlands, United Kingdom, Israel and France.

As part of operation 'Samudra Setu II', seven Indian Naval Ships have returned home with 260 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) from 13 containers for direct supply to various states, eight oxygen containers of total capacity 160 MT, approx. 2,600 oxygen filled cylinders and 3,150 empty cylinders for Oxygen from Persian Gulf and Southeast Asia. While INS Jalashwa is presently in Brunei, INS Shardul is scheduled to enter Kuwait on May 12, 2021. Following are the details of IN ships that have returned home:-

Ship	Medical Supplies	Country/Port	Arrival
INS Tarkash	27-MT Liquid Medical Oxygen filled containers - 02 Oxygen cylinders - 230	Qatar	Mumbai on May 12, 2021
INS Kochi & INS Tabar	100MT Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) in five containers Oxygen cylinders – 1200	Kuwait	New Mangalore Port on May 11, 2021



INS Airavat	Cryogenic oxygen tanks – 08 Oxygen cylinders –3,898 Other critical COVID-19 medical stores	Singapore	Visakhapatnam on May 10, 2021
INS Trikand	40 MT Liquid Oxygen (Liquid Medical Oxygen cryogenic containers)	Qatar	Mumbai on May 10, 2021
INS Kolkata	Oxygen Cylinders – 400 27-MT Liquid Medical Oxygen Containers – 02 Oxygen concentrators - 47	Qatar & Kuwait	New Mangalore Port on May 10, 2021
INS Talwar	27-MT oxygen containers – 02	Bahrain	New Mangalore Port on May 05, 2021

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