

**8th NIOHC/Letter 4
dated 28th March 2008**



Dear NIOHC colleagues,

8th NORTH INDIAN OCEAN HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION MEETING
AGENDA AND NATIONAL REPORTS

I enclose the final agenda for the 8th NIOHC meeting at Annex A to this letter. It incorporates comments received in response to 8th NIOHC/Letter 3.

8th NIOHC/Letter 3 included a reminder of the need to complete your National Report, in the standardized format, by 31st March. To-date, I have received only three National Reports: these have been placed on the IHO website, together with other documents for the meeting. The remaining National Reports need to be sent to Mrs Liz Dunn, International Relations Manager at United Kingdom Hydrographic Office, by e-mail to elizabeth.dunn@ukho.gov.uk, or by fax to +44 1823 351945, by 4th April at the latest.

Yours sincerely,

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**Annex A
to 8th NIOHC/Letter 4**

8th NORTH INDIAN OCEAN HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION MEETING

AGENDA

No.	Agenda Topic, noting IHO Work Programme (WP) 2008 Tasks	Lead
	OPENING FORMALITIES	
1.	Opening Remarks by Hosts	India
2.	Opening Remarks by Chairman	Chair
3.	Opening Remarks by President IHB	President IHB
4.	Administrative Arrangements	India
	CONTEXT FOR 8th NIOHC BUSINESS	
5.	Adoption of the Agenda	Chair
6.	Review of Action List from 7 th NIOHC	Chair All Members
7.	NIOHC Statutes	Chair
	8th NIOHC BUSINESS	
8.	Report by NIOHC Chair, noting IHO WP Task 1.1.13	Chair
9.	Report by IHB	President IHB
10.	NIOHC Response to Disasters	Chair All Members
11.	Cooperation with IHO Member States, non-Member States, neighbouring RHCs, International Organizations, PERSGA, and industry, noting IHO WP Tasks 1.1.20 and 1.3.6	Chair All Members
12.	National Reports (HO highlights, organization etc), noting IHO Work Programme Task 1.1.13	All Members
13.	Review of Status of Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Charting in North Indian Ocean Region – IHO Special Publication S-55, noting IHO WP Task 2.2.2	Chair All Members
14.	Promulgation of Radio Navigational Warnings and MSI within NAVAREA VIII area; implementation of GMDSS, noting IHO WP Task 3.4.1 and CL 31/2000	Chair India
15.	Progress on Implementation of the INT Chart Scheme, noting IHO WP Task 3.3.5	India (INT Chart Coordinator)

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16.	ENC Issues, noting IHO WP Tasks 1.1.17, 1.1.18, 1.1.19 and 3.3.4 a. Update on identification of key shipping routes and ports within region b. ENC scheme and time-scale for production c. Identification of producer nations d. Assistance with ENC production e. ENC distribution (including RENCs) f. Inconsistent Allocation of Navigation Purpose codes to small-scale ENCs. Paper CHRIS19-06.1E "Present status of small-scale ENC coverage with respect to the allocation of cells to usage bands 1 (Overview) and 2 (General)" (IHB letter 21 November 2007) g. NAV 54, carriage of ECDIS, e-navigation	Chair All Members
17.	Capacity Building, noting IHO WP Tasks 2.1.5, 2.1.6, 2.2.1, 2.2.3, 2.3.2 and 2.3.5 a. Outcomes from 5 th CBC, June 2007 b. Report on Phase 1 Technical Workshop, Jeddah, November 2007 c. Submissions to 6 th CBC, June 2008 d. World Hydrography Day, noting IHO Work Programme Tasks 2.3.1, 4.2.2 and 4.2.4 e. CPRNW/MSI Workshop, October 2008	Chair All Members
18.	IHO Strategic Issues, noting IHO WP Tasks 5.1.1 and 5.1.3 a. Procedures for Selection of NIOHC Members to the Council b. Progress of Approval of the Amendments to the IHO Convention by Member States (CL 1/2008) c. Work of the ISPWG	Chair India
19.	Progress on Marine SDI Development and Land-Sea Data Integration (CL 24/2007)	UK
20.	Any Other Business a. IHO Certification for Hydrographic Products	Chair All Members Bangladesh
21.	Review of 8th NIOHC Actions	Chair All Members
NEXT MEETING		
22.	Election of Chair and Vice Chair	Chair All Members
23.	Venue and Date of Next Meeting	Chair All Members
CLOSING FORMALITIES		
24.	Closing Remarks	Chair