1.a.2 Introductions and objectives of the Workshop

IOWave25

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Pre-IOWAVE25 Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures for NTWCs and DMOs
Hybrid – August 2025

Background

- **The IOC Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/IOTWMS)** at its 14th session (Banten, Indonesia, 17–19 November 2024, decided to organize an Indian Ocean Wave Exercise in 2025 (IOWave25) and established a Task Team to plan and conduct the exercise.

- **The Task Team IOWave25** decided to conduct IOWave25 with four different scenarios on 25 September, 15 October, 25 October and 5 November 2025.

- **The ICG/IOTWMS Steering Group** Meeting on 17-19 June 2025, the meeting requested the ICG/IOTWMS Secretariat, IOTIC, and the Task Team IOWave25 to consider organizing online pre-IOWave SOP workshop.

- **The Task Team IOWave25** coordination meeting held on 24 June 2025, the meeting decided to hold two hybrid three-day pre-IOWave SOP online workshops

Pre-IOWave SOP workshops

4-6 August 2025
Pre-IOWave workshop for **Eastern Indian Ocean Member States** (Australia, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Timor-Leste); and

11-13 August 2025
Pre-IOWave workshop for **Western Indian Ocean Member States** (Comoros, France Indian Ocean Territories, India, Iran, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Oman, Pakistan, Seychelles, South Africa, Tanzania and United Arab Emirates)

Workshop Objectives

1. Brief on IOWave25 scenarios and dates.

2. Emphasize importance of tsunami warning chains and SOPs.

3. Promote time-driven warning processes.

4. Share best practices and tools.

5. Train on tsunami threat information.

6. Clarify agency roles and responsibilities.

7. Plan SOP improvements and testing.

8. Gather feedback on IOWave25 and WTAD participation.

Participants

- Representatives from the **National Tsunami Warning Centres** (NTWCs) and all the relevant

- National, Provincial and Local **Disaster Management Organisations** (N/P/LDMOs)

- Representatives of **UNESCO-IOC Secretariat and IOTIC** and their technical experts in the region.

- **Chairs and vice-chairs of relevant ICG/IOTWMS Steering Group, working groups, and task teams**

- Representatives of **IOTWMS Tsunami Service Providers** (TSPs) in Australia, India, and Indonesia

Trainers / Facilitators / Moderators

1. **Pattabhi Rama Rao**, Chair of ICG/IOTWMS

2. **Harkunti P Rahayu**, Vice Chair of ICG/IOTWMS

3. **Yuelong Miao**, Vice Chair of ICG/IOTWMS

4. **Padmanabham Jijjavarapu,** Chair of Working Group 2

5. **Robert Greenwood,** Vice Chair Working Group 2

6. **Yedi Darmadi,** Vice Chair Working Group 2

7. **Suci Dewi Anugrah,** Chair of Working Group 3

8. **Vijaya Sunanda Maneela,** Chair of RW NWIO

9. **Ajay Kumar B**, Chair of IOWave25

10. **Septa Angraeni**, Vice Chair of IOWave25

11. **Regina Khanbekova,** UNDRR

12. **Harald Spahn**, Tsunami Expert, Germany

13. **Srinivas Kumar Tummala,** ICG/IOTWMS Secretariat

14. **Ardito M Kodijat**, IOTIC

15. **Nora Gale**, ICG/IOTWMS Secretariat

Workshop Format

- **Day 1:** Regional Online Session

  - Opening, IOTWMS & IOWave25 background

  - SOPs and tsunami warning chains

  - Breakout sessions for NTWCs and DMOs

- **Day 2:** National Coordination

  - Review SOPs and warning chains

  - Plan for IOWave25 participation

- **Day 3:** Regional Online Session

  - Member State reports

  - Planning and evaluation

  - Preparation for IOWave25 and WTAD

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