## INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON OCEANOGRAPHIC DATA MANAGEMENT AND EXCHANGE 10 ~ 13 Nov. 1992

An international workshop on oceanographic data management and exchange was held at JHD, Tokyo, from 10 to 13 November 1992, in support of Sasakawa Peace Foundation of Japan and the Japan Hydrographic Association.

The workshop was aimed at strengthening the national

data center activites at western Pacific and Indian Ocean countries. Other than certain Japanese ocean scientists and experts, oceanographic data managers from India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam, as well as advisors from WDC-A and IOC, were participating in the workshop.

## EVALUATION OF JICA MINI-PROJECT IN PHILIPPINES

19 ~ 28 Jan. 1993

A JICA Mini-Project evaluation team composed of Japanese experts, headed by Dr. Y. Ganeko, Director of Coastal Surveys and Cartography Division of JHD, was dispatched to the Philippines from 19 to 28 January 1993.

Dr. Ganeko and the other two members, Mr. Y. Furuichi, Coastal Survey Officer of Hydrographic Department and Mr. H. Udetsu, International Affairs Division, JMSA, called on Commodore R. B. Feir, Director of Coast and Geodetic Survey Department, NAMRIA, and visited Puerto Princesa, Palawan, where is designated as the project site of the JICA Mini-Project Type Technical Cooperation in Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Charting.

As a result of discussions and exchange of views on the project, which were made with the evaluation team, the Director and other officials of CGSD/NAMRIA, and the Resident

Representative of JICA Philippines Office, a report on the interim evaluation and the implementation plan for 1993 were prepared and agreed to recommend to their respective governments the matters referring in these report and the plan.



Signing of a mimutes on evaluation From left: Mr. Udetsu, Dr. Ganeko, Cmdr. Feir and Mr. Imayoshi At CGSD/NAMRIA, Philippines

## WESTPAC CRUISE BY SURVEY VESSEL TAKUYO 10 Feb. ~ 15 Mar. 1993

The Survey Vessel *Takuyo* (2600 G/T) of the Hydrographic Department of Japan was sent to the western Pacific area for carrying out monitoring long-term variations in oceanographical structure, as part of the IOC/WESTPAC programme.

The *Takuyo*, Commanding Officer of Captain T. Motoshige and his 35 crew members as well as 6 Research Officers of JHD left Tokyo Port on 10 February, called

at Agana, Guam, from 19 to 22 February, and came back to Tokyo on 15 March 1993. As a training participant sponsored by IOC, Lt. Virgilio Aligora, Coast and Geodetic Survey Department of NAMRIA, Philippines, was also participating in the whole cruise.

The next WESTPAC cruise by the Survey Vessel *Takuyo* is scheduled to be made from February to March 1994.