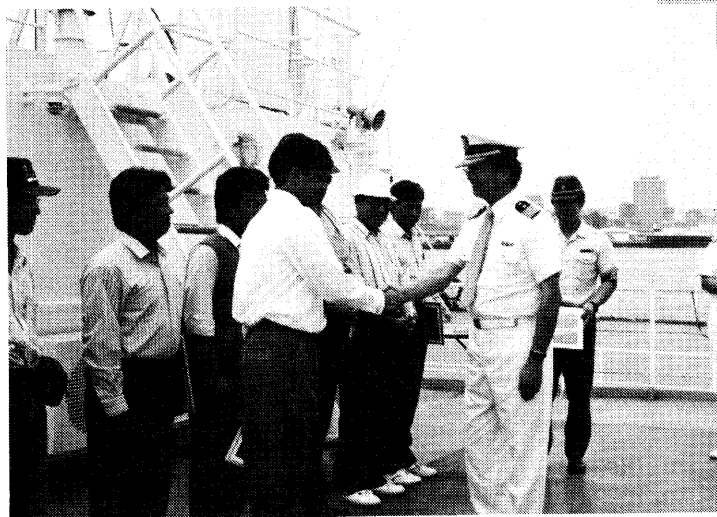


PRACTICAL TRAINING ON BOARD S/V TAKUYO

The participants of this course practiced training aboard the Survey Vessel TAKUYO from 9 to 11 August 1995.

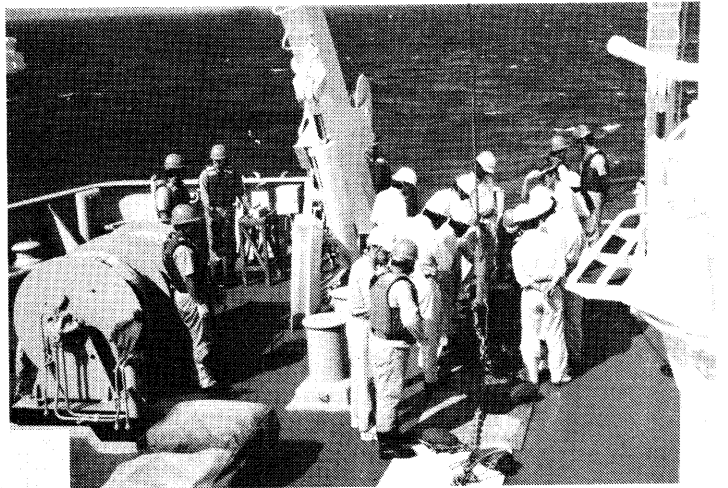
They traveled to Shimizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture on 8 August and visited the Shimizu Maritime Safety Office for a courtesy call on the Director of the office.

Their visit was pictured and interviewed by several local newspapers and TV. Then, the participants talked about their hopes to the on-board training to the reporters. The visit was reported in the local morning papers and TV news for Shizuoka Prefecture on 9 August.



Disembarking Ceremony

Practice on Bottom Sampling



The S/V TAKUYO departed from Shimizu Port at 12:00 on 9 August as scheduled. Although Mt. Fuji, located near Shimizu City was not observed as it was wrapped in a mist, the weather was fine and the water was calm. The participants were explained about various survey equipment on the vessel and practiced position fixing, bathymetric survey with Echo Sounder, bottom and sub-bottom profiling with Seismic Profiler and Sub-bottom Profiler, Seismic Profiler using Air Gun, and so on.

All of the participants enjoyed this valuable voyage until they returned to Tokyo Port on 11 August and nobody had a seasickness.

GROUP TRAINING COURSE IN NAUTICAL CHARTING, 1995

The JICA Group Training Course in Nautical Charting for the Japanese fiscal year 1995 is scheduled to take place at Hydrographic Department of Japan, from 16 November 1995 to 22 March 1996.

The "General Information (G.I.)" brochure which gives information on its curriculum, program, application procedures, etc. on the course, was forwarded through diplomatic channels, to certain 10 countries: Bangladesh, China, Costa Rica, Fiji, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, and Sri Lanka, which have previously expressed their needs in sending participants to the course.

JICA INDIVIDUAL TRAINING IN NOTICES TO MARINERS, 1995

An individual training in Notices to Mariners is now conducting at the Hydrographic Department of Japan (JHD), for Ms. Liza B. Bombais, Section Chief, Notice to Mariners, Coast and Geodetic Survey Department (CGSD), National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA), Philippines, from 18 September to 2 December 1995.

This training is arranged and sponsored by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and is now conducted as part of JICA scheme in the counterpart training in Japan for those who are currently assigned as counterparts of JICA experts dispatched to their countries.

Ms. Liza is a counterpart assigned to Mr. H. Shiroma, Notices to Mariners Officer of JHD, who worked for NAMRIA for 2 years until 3 August this year.

During her stay in Japan, she will participate in on-the-job training and many lectures on Notices to Mariners.