

**JICA Group Training Course on
Information Management for Maritime Activity and
Disaster Prevention for 2010 finished**

The closing ceremony of JICA Group Training Course on “Information Management for Maritime Activity and Disaster Prevention” was held at JICA Tokyo on 25 November 2010. Seven trainees from Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Pakistan, and Thailand were granted certification of International Accredited Category B for Hydrographic Survey from Dr. Shigeru KATO, Chief Hydrographer of Japan Coast Guard and completed the training course.

The Training course was conducted for six months from June 2010. During the course, the trainees went through various trainings including lectures on hydrographic survey, field training of harbour coastal surveys in HIMEJI Port for one month, and on-board training using survey vessel. They also took study tours to several institutions including Shizuoka Prefectural Earthquake Preparedness Education Center in order to get knowledge to utilize bathymetric data for disaster prevention such as for earthquake and tsunami. We hope the trainees to promote friendly relations among trainees and with JHOD officers, and to contribute to the progress in hydrography in their own countries, with their knowledge and experience obtained through this training course.

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Closing Ceremony



Field Training in HIMEJI Port



Onboard training on S/V MEIYO