Mr. Jose G. Solis, Administrator, National Mapping and Resources Information Authority (NAMRIA), Philippines, visited the Hydrographic Department of Japan on 10 February 1988, discussed with Dr. Sato, Chief Hydrographer, on the possible technical cooperation programmes between the two countries. He also paid a visit to Survey Vessel TAKUYO. His visit was arranged by the Overseas Shipbuilding Cooperation Center (OSCC).

On 7 September 1988, Captain Manuel M. Calibo, Assistant Director, Survey Department of NAMRIA, Philippines, visited the Hydrographic Department of Japan to make a courtesy call on Dr. Sato, Chief Hydrographer and visited various divisions of the Department as well as the Survey Vessel TENYO. His visit was arranged by JTCA.

Captain S. Kapur, Military, Naval and Air Attache of the Embassy of India, Tokyo, made a courtesy call on Dr. Sato, Chief Hydrographer and visited cartographic section of the Hydrographic Department, on 9 September 1988.

NEW HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY VESSEL OF KOREA

A new hydrographic survey ship named 'PUSAN 806' of the Office of Hydrographic Affairs, Korea, was commissioned on 22 December 1987. Her principal particulars and main equipment are as follows:

Hull : FRP Radar : GS-985 Length overall : 19.40 m Echo Sounder : PS-20R

Breadth : 4.40 m Navigation : Gyro compass

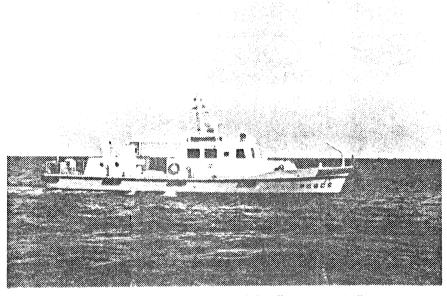
Depth : 1.85 m Communications : SSB, MTS

Gross tonnage : 22 tons Positioning system : Trisponder

Main engine : 190Hp x 2 sets Generator : 44Kw x 1 set

Speed : 12 knots
Cruising range : 450 miles

Crew : 4



Hydrographic Survey Ship "PUSAN 806"

WESTPAC CRUISE

The Hydrographic Department of Japan dispatched its Survey Vessel "TAKUYO" (2600 tons) to Western Pacific for monitoring variations in oceanographic structure of the Western Pacific waters. This is the 4th cruise for the WESTPAC programme of IOC by the TAKUYO. She left the Port of Tokyo on 11 February and came back to the same on 14 March 1988, by way of Guam, U.S.A., and Kochi, Shikoku of Japan.

As the participants of the on-board training sponsored by IOC, Mr. Efren P. Carandang, NAMRIA, Philippines, and Mr. Zhao Liu Zhi, Department of Marine Investigation, South China Sea Branch of State Oceanic Administration of China, joined the cruise.

The next cruise by the TAKUYO for the WESTPAC Programme is scheduled to be made around February and/or March 1989.