

Pillar 4 : Extending Efforts for Security and Safe Use of the “Sea” to the “Air”

Case (43): Cooperation among coast guard agencies

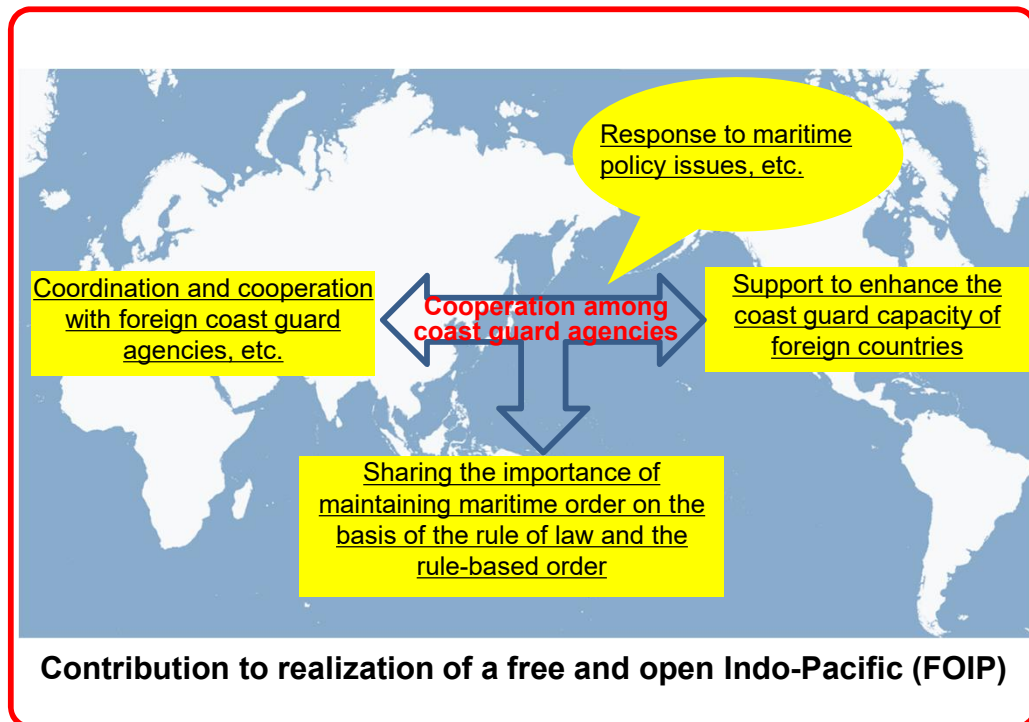
1. Basic concept

- Coast guard agencies, etc., play an important role in maintaining peace and stability at sea
 - Based on the National Security Strategy, the government enforces international coordination and cooperation with maritime law enforcement agencies.
 - The government supports the maritime law enforcement agency in each country in enhancing the ability to utilize patrol ships, etc., provided through ODA and other aid projects.
- ⇒ **These initiatives establish closer cooperation among coast guard agencies, contributing to the realization of a free and open Indo-Pacific (FOIP).**

2. Items of cooperation

The government promotes initiatives in accordance with “the Policy to Enhance Maritime Security Capabilities” (adopted at the Ministerial Council on December 16, 2022).

- Coordination and cooperation with foreign coast guard agencies, etc.
(Example) Implementation of the joint engagement “Sapphire” with the United States, port calls by patrol and other vessels in joint drills and personnel exchanges in India and Southeast Asia, cooperation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Information Sharing Centre (ISC) for the Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP), cooperation with Australia and Pacific island countries, etc.
- Further promotion of support to enhance the maritime safety capabilities of other countries
(Example) Dispatch of the Japan Coast Guard’s Mobile Cooperation Team, human resource development through maritime safety policy programs, support for the training of vessel traffic service personnel, support to enhance charting abilities, and support to enhance the capacity to provide navigation warnings
- Sharing the importance of maintaining maritime order based on laws and the rule of law with coast guard agencies in various countries
(Example) Coast Guard Global Summit, North Pacific Coast Guard Forum, Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting, bilateral meetings of heads of coast guard agencies, etc.
- Response to maritime policy issues, etc.
(Example) Signing of memorandums, etc., in the area of maritime domain awareness (MDA), information sharing and cooperation through the MDA Situational Indication Linkages (MSIL), academic research in the area of maritime safety, etc.



Coast Guard Global Summit



Japan-U.S. joint search and rescue drills



Support to enhance the capacity of patrol ships provided by Japan



Capacity enhancement support through Japan-U.S. cooperation



Support to enhance charting abilities