November 24th, 2026
Japan Coast Guard

Participation in the Manila Dialogue

On November 17th, Vice Commandant for Operations, YAMATO participated in"the Manila Dialogue※"which was held in the Philippines.

During the Session on "A New Era for Coast Guards: Addressing Non-Traditional Maritime Security Through the ASEAN Coast Guard Forum (ACF)", he presented the Japan Coast Guard's international cooperation efforts in Southeast Asia and engaged in discussions with panelists on the JCG's involvement in the ACF.

※ The Manila Dialogue:

The Manila Dialogue is a conference attended by maritime security agencies, diplomatic officials, academics and others, primarily from Southeast Asia and the Indo-Pacific region, to discuss various issues surrounding the South China Sea with a view to promoting the region's shared interest in a free and open rules-based maritime order.

1. Date and Venue
   Date: November 15th to November 17th, 2026
   Venue: Gallio Hall, Manila, Philippines

2. Panelists (only the Parallel Session C)
   VADM YAMATO, Vice Commandant for Operations, Japan Coast Guard
   ADM Supangan, Commandant, Philippine Coast Guard
   VADM Zawawi, Deputy Director-General for Operation, Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency
   Mr. Thanatip, Deputy Director, Thai Maritime Enforcement Command center

3. Summary
   In the Parallel Session C, Vice Commandant for Operations, YAMATO participated as a panelist and presented the JCG's cooperation and collaboration with ASEAN member states, including capacity-building.
   He also made remarks on efforts to realizing the updated Free and Open Indo-Pacific, which shares fundamental principles with the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific, through information-sharing with the ACF. The session featured active discussions with panelists and participants.



Remarks During the Parallel Session C



Discussion with Panelists