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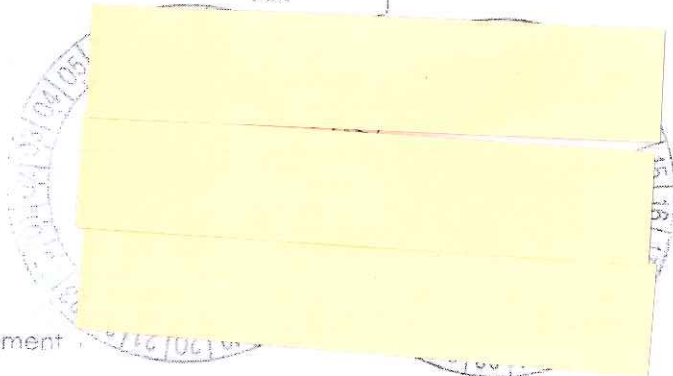
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Director General
Coast Conservation and Coastal Resource Management



High-level Specialised Training Course on Improving Safety for Coastal Communities (Italy, from 12 to 19 April 2026)

- I have the honour to inform you that the Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) has conveyed an invitation from the Government of Italy, under the IORA-Italy Dialogue Partnership to a High-level Specialised Training Course on Improving Safety for Coastal Communities, to be held in person at Tricase (Lecce), Italy from 12-19 April 2026. Accordingly, Member States are invited to nominate suitable participants for the program. Please refer the attached Note. M.Ss.2025.168 for more information.
- The objective of the programme is to strengthen the technical and institutional capacities of IORA Member States in improving the sustainable management and safety of coastal communities particularly in the context of climate change impacts and increasing anthropogenic pressures. This course will focus on environmental risk assessment, pollution monitoring, biodiversity conservation ecosystem restoration, policy development, and adaptive coastal management.
- This programme has been included in the IORA Core Group on Tourism Work Plan under Activity A3.3 – High-level Specialised Training Course on Improving Safety for Coastal Communities, and aligns closely with the IORA Action Plan (2022-2027), particularly in the areas of environmental sustainability, blue economy, disaster risk reduction, marine safety, and institutional strengthening.
- In this regard, I would be thankful if your Ministry could nominate a suitably qualified official with relevant experience in Fisheries, Marine Resources, Coastal Management, or Environmental Governance to participate in the above programme. The nominated candidate should be proficient in English, which will be the working language of the course.

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06. Kindly let the Government of Italy will cover accommodation, local transportation, pocket money, and all remaining related costs while the international travel and visa expenses will need to be borne by the nominating authority.

06. It would be appreciated if the nomination together with the requested details of the candidate could be forwarded to the Embassy via email (dga@mfa.gov.lk) within the stipulated timeframe to enable onward submission to the ICPA Secretariat.

07. Submitted for your kind consideration and necessary action.



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