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## LANDMARK SUCCESS IN SEARCH OF MISSING FISHERMEN

<u>Karachi, 12 Mar 24:</u> Pakistan Navy (PN) in coordination with Pakistan Maritime Security Agency (PMSA) has recovered remaining dead bodies of missing fisherman of boat Al-Assad in a joint Search and Rescue (SAR) operation.

SAR operation was started on 05 March 24 in open sea. Despite challenging conditions wrt SAR, PN & PMSA deployed aircraft, helicopters, ships and speed boats to locate and recover all missing fishermen. After historic success of yesterday when 10 dead bodies were successfully located and recovered from sea. Today remaining all dead bodies have been recovered from open sea.

The fishing boat Al-Assad with an onboard crew of 45 capsized in open sea off Hajmbro creek on 5 March due inclement weather. All 14 missing fishermen have been successfully recovered by PN & PMSA units.

Conduct of continuous Search and Rescue operation by PN & PMSA is a demonstration of PN's commitment to ensure rescue and safety of seafarers & civilians at sea.

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