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JOINT NAVAL EXERCISES NASEEM AL BAHR & DERAA AL SAHIL COMMENCES AT SAUDI ARABIAN WATERS

Islamabad, 09 Sept 23: Major joint Naval Exercise Naseem Al Bahr-XIV and Deraa Al Sahil between Pakistan Navy (PN) and Royal Saudi Naval Forces (RSNF) commenced at Al Jubail, Saudi Arabia. The exercises are aimed to consolidate bilateral relations and enhance interoperability between the two navies and Special Ops Forces. The maritime drills include range of naval operations covering traditional & non-traditional warfare domains.

For participation in exercises, PN Flotilla comprising Pakistan Navy Ships SAIF, HIMMAT, DEHSHAT and MUHAFIZ reached Al Jubail port of Saudi Arabia. The ships were warmly welcomed by senior RSNF officials and Pakistan's Diplomatic Staff at Saudi Arabia.

In addition to Naval Ships, Special Operations Forces & Marines of both the navies, helicopters and aircraft of Royal Saudi Air Force are participating in the exercises. During the harbour phase, both sides exchanged views on professional subjects and finalised the planning of sea exercises. Harbour phase activities included workshops on tactical procedures, seminars, simulators training, exchange visits and coordination meetings prior conduct of exercises at sea.

Exercise Naseem Al Bahr is biennial naval exercise that has evolved over three decades. The exercise is a manifestation of Pak-Saudi strategic relations and mutual resolve to enhance cooperation in naval domain to jointly deal maritime challenges.

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Royal Saudi Naval Forces officials called on Mission Commander and Commanding Officer onboard PNS SAIF during Joint Naval Exercise Naseem Al Bahr XIV, being conducted at Saudi Arabia



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Royal Saudi Naval Forces officials being briefed onboard PNS SAIF by Pakistan Navy officials during Joint Naval Exercise Naseem Al Bahr-XIV between Pakistan Navy (PN) & Royal Saudi Naval Force (RSNF) commenced at Al Jubail, Saudi Arabia