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## PAKISTAN NAVY CONDUCTS FLEET ANNUAL EFFICIENCY COMPETITION PARADE UPON CULMINATION OF OPERATIONAL YEAR

**Karachi, 29 Dec 22:** Pakistan Navy Fleet Annual Efficiency Competition Parade held at Karachi to mark culmination of rewarding and eventful operational year of Pakistan Navy Fleet units. Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Upon arrival, the Chief Guest was received by Commander Pakistan Fleet, Vice Admiral Ovais Ahmed Bilgrami and Guard of Honour was presented by a smartly turned out contingent of Pakistan Navy.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief of the Naval Staff expressed complete satisfaction over operational readiness of Pakistan Navy Fleet and lauded the dedication and professionalism of officers and men for successful conduct of large number of naval exercises including bilateral and multilateral exercises in own and international waters contributing towards regional maritime security and protection of Pakistan maritime interests in the region and beyond. The Admiral commended PN Fleet efforts and contributions in achieving significant operational objectives and milestones and protection of Pakistan's Sea Lines of Communication. He highlighted Pakistan Navy endeavours to ensure seaward security of Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), Gwadar Port and maritime related projects of CPEC. Naval Chief reiterated that Pakistan Navy is fully cognizant of changing geopolitical realities in the region and stands resolute to defend country's sea frontiers. The Admiral also underscored that prevalent global and regional geostrategic environment demands Pakistan Navy to remain ever vigilant and battle to safeguard Pakistan maritime interests.

Earlier, in his welcome address, Commander Pakistan Fleet Vice Admiral Ovais Ahmed Bilgrami highlighted PN Fleet achievements during the outgoing year making particular mention of the conduct of a number of Live Weapon Firings, participation in multilateral exercises, HADR missions, Overseas Deployments and Regional Maritime Security Patrols undertaken by Fleet units.

Later, Chief of the Naval Staff gave away Efficiency Award shields to best performing units of various Squadrons of Pakistan Navy Fleet.

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Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi giving away efficiency shield to the winning Pakistan Navy unit for best performance during Fleet Efficiency Competition Parade 2022



Group photo of Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi with prize winners of Efficiency Shields after the Fleet Efficiency Competition Parade 2022



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi reviewing the parade during Fleet Efficiency Competition Parade 2022



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