



MARITIME PIRACY -

Humanitarian Response

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ASSISTANCE TO PIRACY SURVIVORS and their FAMILIES

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Human Cost of Piracy



Thousands of seafarers have been taken hostage.

Tens of thousands of seafarers have been subjected to a piracy attack.

Hundreds of thousands of seafarers are regularly transiting piracy infested waters.

Millions of family members fear for the safety of these seafarers.

“ Maritime Piracy is a reality for a small number of seafarers and their families ”

“ The fear of Maritime Piracy is a reality for a majority of seafarers and their families ”



Heavily armed with AK- 47, RPG, Machine guns.

Tortures on innocent Crew

- Every moment of life in Somalia is torturous.
 - Deprived of basic human rights.
 - Loss of dignity- no hierarchy of ranks.
 - All jobs to be carried out in a 'minute' duration.
 - Opened fuel oil double bottom tanks and went inside without ventilation/ safety.
 - **Total UNSAFE practices.**
- Master and Chief Engineer kept in Meat room at -18 deg for 40 minutes- naked.
 - Tied up and beaten up harshly on many occasions.
 - Bullets fired near C/E ears .
 - Effect of failed negotiations made them believe crew are in contact with company.
 - **No Guarantee of LIFE!!!**

Crew Reactions

How the crew behaved

- Shock,
- Extreme Fear
- Panic
- Angry, Depressed
- Stockholm syndrome

What they should do....

- Stay united
- Keep your faith, morale high
- Meditation, Yoga
- Be calm and not aggressive
- Motivate and supports fellow crew members
- Do not argue
- never say **'NO'**

The Violence, Torture and fatalities on seafarers





The
Master's
Office



**The
Hospital**



- Situation worsened for Seafarers with increase of Pirate attacks in Indian Ocean.
- More cases of brutal torture, several fatalities, murder of seafarers and using seafarers as HUMAN SHIELDS.
- Many other seafarers found themselves under armed attack and even locked themselves in citadel for a long time.



Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme

A pan-industry alliance of ship owners, unions, managers, manning agents, insurers and welfare associations, working together with one aim –

“to assist seafarers and their families with the humanitarian aspects of a traumatic incident caused by a piracy attack, armed robbery or being taken hostage”



Good Practice Guide for Shipping Companies and manning agents Piracy Awareness Training

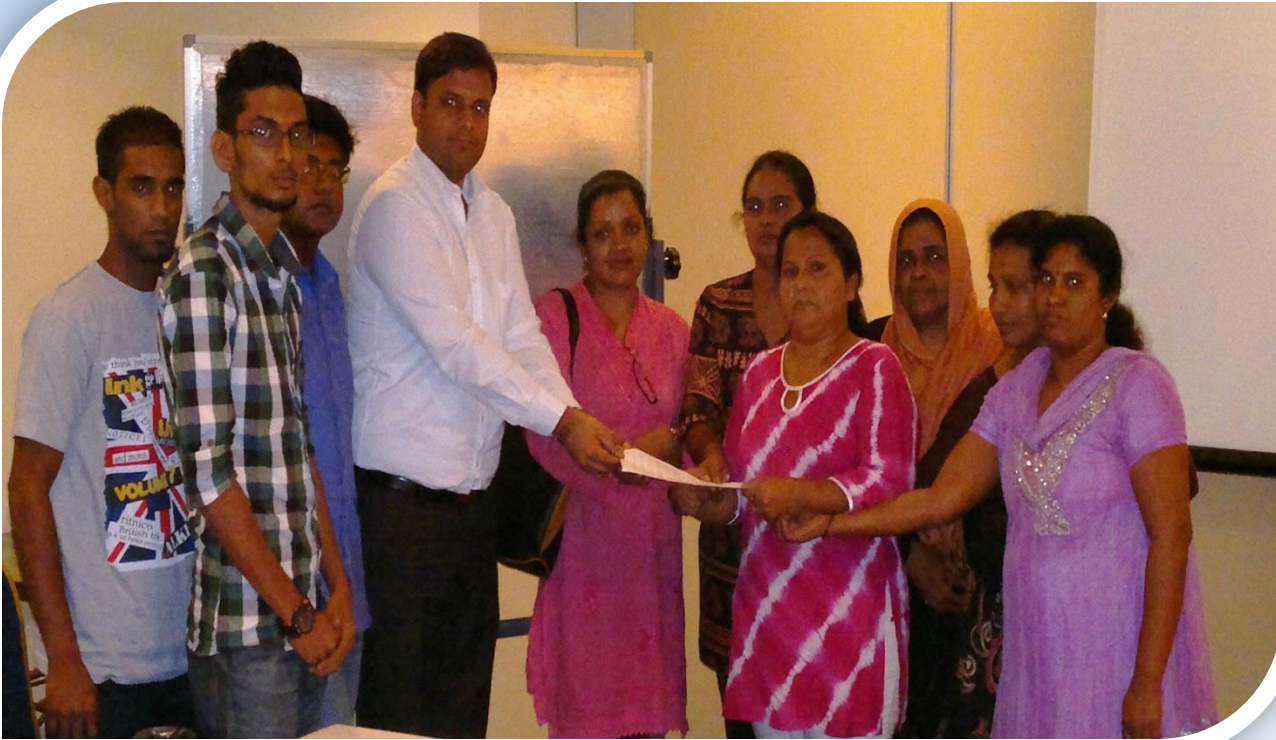


MPHRP Seafarers Pre departure Piracy Awareness Training

- What should I be aware of and what should I be doing in a piracy situation?
- How will this training help me?
- What do I need to tell my family that will help alleviate their concerns?



Humanitarian support to families in South Asia



Humanitarian support to the families of affected crew on daily basis with monetary as well as facilitating medical support, education for children, counselling as required.



Assisting Seafarers on return from captivity



MPHRP assisted crew of Malaysian flagged vessel MV Albedo when released from captivity.



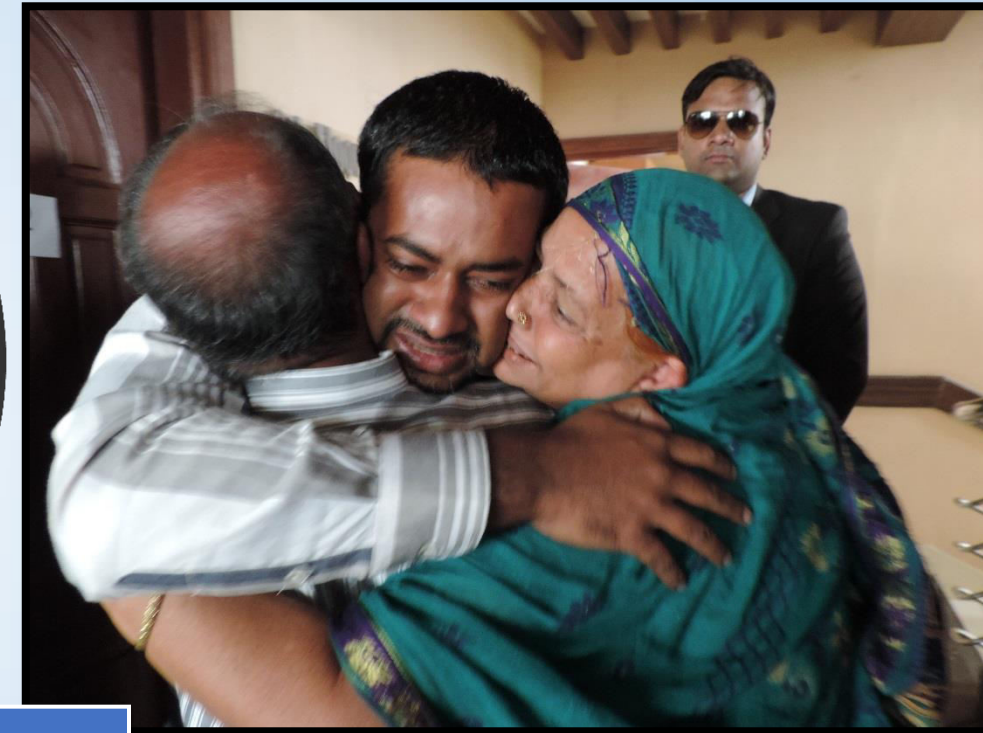
Humanitarian support to piracy survivors



The crew purchased new clothes, shoes, mobile phones with top ups, luggage bags, assisted with travel documents, had fresh haircut and shave before leaving for home country.



Emotional reunion with their families



Families met with their loved ones on return from captivity. Many of them met with their loved ones after 4 years of inhumane trauma. Four Sri Lankan families are still awaiting to hear more on their missing husband.

Rehabilitation of Seafarers on return



Seafarers are assisted with counselling support as well as documentation work so as to secure job in good shipping company and start a NEW LIFE!



Thank You from Seafarers & Families



Families thanked MPHRP, its funders, partners for reuniting their loved ones with them. They said “ Our whole life is indebted to MPHRP for all their kind support and help. THANK YOU”





Bestowed with Dr Dierk Lindemann Welfare Personality of the year award by Hon'ble Secretary General of IMO

Achievements and Recognition of the work done by MPHRP



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