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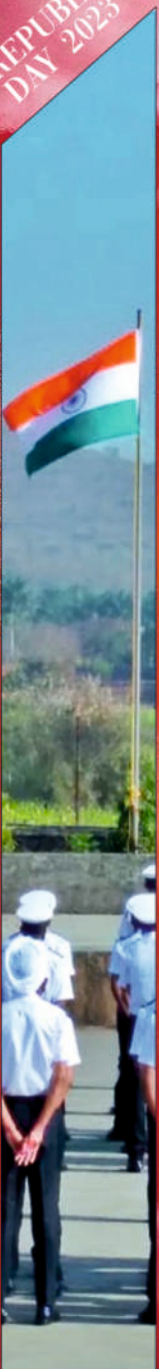
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Editor's Note

After a break of almost 15 days, the institute is back to work with maximum energy and buzzing at full throttle. This semester is filled with important events like Horizon and Transtech and holds a special place as it is the centenary birth year of our founder, Dr. NP Tolani and a year-long celebration of a variety of events under the silver jubilee year for TMI.

As a tribute to the Founding Father of the Tolani Group, an event was organized on his birth anniversary near his beautiful memorial opposite to the workshop. The celebrations included numerous events such as dance, music and drama, ending with an exceptional tribute performance of ball dance.

We dedicate this edition to our beloved founder.

Our next edition (my last one) will see numerous changes, including the one in leadership too. As my term as the editor-in-chief ends, the magazine will move on with a new face and, hopefully a worthy leader.

And as Krishna rightly said, and I quote, "change is the only constant." I hope that the new chief will take the magazine to new unexplored heights.

Devansh Diwaker
Editor-in-Chief



EMBLEMS OF HONOUR



Since its conception, the Tolani Maritime Institute has laid utmost emphasis on the value of the attributes promulgated by the Institute motto; "Attitude, skill and knowledge." The cadet with the perfect concoction of these most coveted qualities is the cadet who is doubtlessly worthy of wearing the TMI uniform with supreme dignity.

On the 22nd of October, 2022, the first-year cadets of TMI, after what seemed like a coon's age, were finally endowed with the prerogative of donning the TMI uniform, complete with the esteemed epaulettes, glittering as though studded with diamonds.

The investiture ceremony was graced with the presence of the chief guest, a TMI alumnus from the batch of 99', Chief Engineer, Mr Avira Abraham (Fleet Superintendent at Maersk Fleet Management & Technology), with Capt Razi Khan serving as the Emcee of the event.



A plethora of activities preceding the uncovering of the epaulettes commenced with a brief address by the principal, Dr Sanjeet Kanungo, whose words ignited everyone present the roaring flames of motivation.

Following this, the cadets, standing upright with a poise befitting an officer, took their TMI pledge; a solemn declaration to always abide by the rules and maintain the pride of the uniform bestowed upon them; after which, the epaulettes were uncovered by various dignitaries.

A melodic and rapturous tune struck up by the TMI band, the squads began to march methodically. Their rumbling feet moved in perfect synchronisation, symbolic of their ubiquitous discipline and unity, which seemed to shake up the entirety of the Institute.

The Chief Guest, Mr Avira Abraham, briefly addressed the cadets and delivered a modicum of inspirational words and helpful advice regarding life at sea. Sr. Vice Principal Capt. Manoj Kumar Hirkane witnessed the event.



The first years dispersed shortly afterwards, leaving their vibrant energy pervading the grounds and encapsulating everyone present, finally commemorating the auspicious occasion with the 22 push-ups, bringing into the limelight of their newly enrolled batch of 22', truly incorporating themselves into the Institute, TMI-style.



-Cdt. Sabyasachi Nautiyal

FRESHERS

Tolani Maritime Institute instilled a sense of discipline at the start of the cadets' journey to becoming leaders in the maritime industry. As a way to welcome the newly admitted first-year cadets to the institute, TMI organized the Freshers' Week 2022, where senior cadets took charge of organizing a week-long celebration of youth, much anticipated by the first years.

The week culminated with the highly anticipated Freshers' Night, hosted by Cdt. Niharika Khorgade and Cdt. Sabyasachi Nautiyal. The night kicked off with mesmerizing dance and music performances, including a fusion performance where Western music blended with the intoxicating beats of Garba, setting the perfect mood for the party. The unique fashion show left the cadets awestruck.



The cultural performances were followed by the pièce de résistance, DJ El Nino, who kept the cadets moving with his exceptional music mixing skills. The night ended with the cadets marching towards the food stalls, savoring delicacies prepared by the seniors themselves, who couldn't contain their inner chefs when provided with the opportunity.



The cadets created unforgettable memories on this special night, which will leave a lasting impression as they move towards a bright future. They received their first taste of what it means to be a cadet at Tolani Maritime Institute, where working hard and playing harder is a way of life.

-Cdt. Shivam Kumar

Republic Day 2023

On the 26th of January 2023, India celebrated its 74th Republic Day, a momentous occasion that commemorates the country's transition to a sovereign, democratic, and independent nation. It is a day that reminds every citizen of India of the countless sacrifices made by their forebearers to achieve this cherished goal.

At the Tolani Maritime Institute, the morning of the 26th of January was no different from the rest of India. Cadets assembled on the football field in their pristine white uniforms, peak caps, and taut belts. The air was filled with the resonating sound of patriotic songs as faculty members and guests took their seats. The event was graced by the Institute's Principal, Dr Sanjeet Kanungo, as the Chief Guest.

As the ceremony commenced, the tricolour was unfurled, and everyone sang the national anthem in unison. The platoons marched past, led by the Institute Cadet Captain, Cdt. Arsh Ghoshal, and their respective commanders. A unique aspect of the event was the felicitation of the employees of TMI and their families who participated in and won various competitions organized by the Directorate General of Shipping. The celebration culminated with Dr Sanjeet Kanungo delivering an inspiring speech, leaving everyone feeling proud and secure.



It is a day to celebrate the achievements of the nation and to honor the brave hearts who fought for India's freedom. The Tolani Maritime Institute's celebration was no exception, with its cadets and employees displaying their respect and love for their country. The feeling of pride and patriotism that the event left behind was a testament to the power of unity and perseverance.

Republic Day is a day to remember the strength and perseverance of the citizens of India, who have endured countless struggles and overcome them. It is a day to be grateful for the liberty and safety that every Indian is privileged to enjoy.

In conclusion, every Republic Day serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by our forebearers to achieve independence and democracy.



-Cdt. Niharika Khorgade

azadi ka amlat lahotdar

Vivacity, so high you could breathe it in the air! Brimming with the spirit of nationalism and enthusiasm to honour their sovereignty. Be it any man, woman or senior, all mobilized and embellished in khadi, just waiting for a green wave.

By no means, it's just any other gathering; it's the 91st anniversary of the great Dandi March. On the 12th of March in 1930 when the Mahatma initiated his Satyagraha against the British Raj's barbarous salt tax. Back in 2021, the Prime Minister of India, Shri. Narendra Modi flagged off a march which was 241 miles long, starting from Bapu's Sabarmati Ashram at Ahmedabad all the way to the city of Dandi, located in the Navsari district of Gujarat.



This marked the beginning of the year-long celebration of India's 75 years of independence. This government initiative was named the "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav." On the 6th of December 2022, as per the orders of the Government of India, the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations will recommence for another year and will culminate on August 15, 2023, under which, the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) organized long-term campaigns which will be on themes that articulate the vision of a new India and resonate with every Indian.

TMI, emphasizing high *Jan-Bhagidari* or public participation, had conducted numerous competitions for its employees and their families.

TUG OF WAR



During the week following the 2nd of February, 2023, the Tolani Maritime Institute witnessed cries of "Heave!" permeating the air as all four houses assembled on the football ground to test themselves and take their strength and endurance to absolute limits. .



TMI organized a Tug of War event among its four houses in early February 2023. The event saw all the houses competing against each other in both the girls' and boys' categories. The first day of the event featured a "toss" match, where Master House competed against Morarjee House, while Cassim House competed against Mudaliar House, and all four houses qualified for the semis after Master defeated Morarjee and Cassim defeated Mudaliar.



During the semi-finals, Master House and Cassim House qualified for the finals under the girls' category, while Mudaliar House qualified for the finals from the boys' category. However, the boys of both the houses of Cassim and Morarjee gave a tough fight during their semis, resulting in a 'draw' declared by the instructors. An official tie-breaker event was then planned separately for the two houses on 6th February, where Cassim House defeated Morarjee House by a clear margin and secured their spot in the finals.

On 7th February, the event culminated with matches for the third position in the tournament held between Morarjee and Mudaliar houses under the girls' category, where Mudaliar house emerged victorious, and Master and Morarjee, where Master house won by a landslide victory. The highly anticipated and competitive final saw Cassim house display sheer dominance by defeating their opponents in both the girls' and boys' categories and emerging as the winners of the tournament. The final standings were Cassim, Mudaliar, Master, and Morarjee.



-Cdt. Yudhajit Chakrabarty

• IMMORTAL BELOVED •

Dr Nandlal Pribhdas Tolani, better known as NP Tolani, was born in the province of Sindh during the pre-independence era. He was born on 15 February 1924. The partition of India changed the lives of millions of people. Nandlal Pribhdas Tolani, born into a family of landlords, was one of them.

In 1946, he went to the US to pursue his postgraduate studies in Agriculture at Cornell University, in line with the family agricultural business in Sindh. He then returned to independent India, bereft of the wealth that was, and a question mark for a career. After a short stint with a firm of civil engineering contractors, Dr Tolani started his own contracting business. It grew to undertake the construction of large earthen dams for irrigation projects. He ran a business model, which, along with his commitment to technology and determination to excel. It paved the path to his becoming the pre-eminent builder of earthen dams in Western India.

Later, in the mid-60s, he finally entered the shipping business and established the Tolani Shipping company. It was the first Indian bulk carrier operator whose safety and quality assurance systems were unmatched. Dr Tolani's entrepreneurial drive in his commitment to education and love for sports is evident in his ability to have led his flourishing business along with taking on the bridge, sailing, and swimming with the same zeal as he did his business. In recognition of his unparalleled contribution towards the development of the Indian Maritime sector, he was bestowed with the prestigious "Varuna Award" in 2002 by the Directorate General of Shipping. On the sports front, he has won national championships and represented India in the 1978 Bridge Olympiad. He truly lived an inspirational life making an impact on the employees, cadets, and all the people around him.

Dr Nandlal Pribhdas Tolani left for his heavenly abode on Monday, 14th of August, 2017.

Founder's Day 2023, on 15th February, 2023, was a memorable event that began with a floral tribute to Dr N P Tolani, led by Dr Sujata Naik and attended by guests who headed to the peaceful memorial garden where Dr Tolani's ashes rest. The cultural program started with a soulful Ganesh Vandana performed by the cadets, invoking blessings for the auspicious occasion.

The stage was then taken over by Bandish, the official music club, who treated the audience to an extravagant combination of melodies sung together, creating a beautiful hymn that left everyone mesmerized. The attendees were transported to a magical realm of sparkling stars and cosmic pleasure.

Next, the theatrical society of TMI, Nautanki India, presented a quirky portrayal of the life of Dr N P Tolani, showcasing his unique traits and contributions. They managed to give the audience a brief history of the few instances of Dr. Tolani's life which helped shape him into the man he was known to be. The performance was a fitting tribute to the founding father of TMI and left everyone in awe of his visionary leadership.



The event culminated with several dance performances by Nritayana, the official dance club of TMI, showcasing Dr Tolani's favorite styles, including Waltz and Ballroom. The performances left the audience captivated and filled with nostalgia for the old days when Dr Tolani was among them.

Although Dr N P Tolani has passed away, his principles and memories will forever remain immortalized in the hearts and minds of all those whose lives he touched. The Founder's Day event was a fitting tribute to his legacy, and it left everyone inspired to carry forward his vision and values.



-Cdt. Yudhajit Chakrabarty

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01-Nov-22	Mr. Clarence Sundram	British Petroleum
04-Nov-22	Mr. Anubhav Garg	NYK Ship Management
	Capt. N.P. Singh	NYK Ship Management
	Capt. Mandalik	NYK Ship Management
	Mr. Abir Dey	NYK Ship Management
09-Nov-22	Mr. Ajay Ingle	Bharat Forge Pvt Ltd company
	Mr. Abhijit Patil	Bharat Forge Pvt Ltd company
	Mr. Dattaprasad Lomate	Bharat Forge Pvt Ltd company
	Mr. Rohit Gattu	Bharat Forge Pvt Ltd company
16-Nov-22	Brig. M. Sri Kumar	Synergy
21-Nov-22	Mr. Demitrov Yavor	EP Shipping
	Capt. Gurdeep Johal	EP Shipping
02-Dec-22	Mr. Deon Correa	Carnival Cruise Lines
	Ms. Mellita Colaco	Carnival Cruise Lines
	Mr. Steven Fernandes	Carnival Cruise Lines
17-Jan-23	Mr. Mangesh Sathe	IRS
	Mr. Kunal Sharma	IRS
	Mr. Ramesh H. V.,	IRS
	Dr. Suman Kumar Jha	IRS
18-Jan-23	Ms. Ivannia Calderon	Dole Reefer Ship Management
	Capt. R. S. Bajwa	Dole Reefer Ship Management
25-Jan-23	Mr. Sushil Parakel	THOME Shipping
	Mr. Navendu Tomar	THOME Shipping
	Mr. Vinay Singh Chauhan	THOME Shipping
	Ms. Preksha Jain	THOME Shipping

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27-28 Jan 23	Capt. Kunal Katiyal	Wilhelmsen Ship Management
	Capt. Chinna Raju	Wilhelmsen Ship Management
	Capt. Sanjay Pandit	Wilhelmsen Ship Management
02-Feb-23	40 Officers and Police Staff	Maharashtra Police
08-Feb-23	Mr. Mangesh Sathe	IRS
	Mr. Praveen K. Mishra	IRS
	Mr. Ramesh H. V.	IRS
	Dr. Suman Kumar Jha	IRS
10-Feb-23	Capt. Santosh B. Rele	K-Line
	Mr. Vishal Sharma	K-Line
10-Feb-23	Prof. Tanuja Khatavkar	PVG College of Engg. And Technology
	Prof. Minakshi Atre	PVG College of Engg. And Technology
	Dr. Ujwala Thakar	PVG College of Engg. And Technology
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	Prof. Neeta Shirsat	PVG College of Engg. And Technology
	Prof. Varsha Chaware	PVG College of Engg. And Technology
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	Mr. Miller	Campbell Shipping
18-Feb-23	Sea Scouts	
23-Feb-23	Mr. Z. N. Patil	
	Mr. Arvind Dhupkar	
23-Feb-23	Capt. Nilesh Kanwal	Scorpio Shipping
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	Mr. Bijoy Yadav	Scorpio Shipping
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