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PRESS RELEASE

Japanese ship “IKAZUCHI” visited Hambantota port

Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force(JMSDF) ship “IKAZUCHI(DD-107)” had made a goodwill visit to Sri Lanka from 15th to 17th January, 2019. She was on the way to Japan after the accomplishment of anti-piracy operations in the Gulf of Aden. During their stay in Sri Lanka, the crew joined several programs including beach cleaning with Sri Lanka Navy.

“IKAZUCHI” invited the students of Hambantota Primary School to tour the ship, where the children received gifts from the ship crew.



Hambantota primary school students visited JS IKAZUCHI.



JS IKAZUCHI crew play bugle.



Group photo



Captain Ryoko Azuma, Commander of Escort Division 1, called on Commaner Southern Naval Command. Captain Azuma is the first female officer who is appointed to the Commander of Escort Division in JMSDF history.



JS IKAZUCHI crew cleaned Hambantota town beach with Sri Lanka Navy.

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