



## WEBINAR

# MARINE POLLUTION

*The oceans, which cover over 70% of our planet, are increasingly burdened by human activities. Pollution from plastics, chemicals, oil spills, and agricultural runoff threatens marine life, disrupts ecosystems, and harms coastal communities. Addressing marine pollution requires global cooperation, sustainable practices, and innovative solutions to protect our oceans for future generations.*

*Join us for an insightful webinar on 'Marine Pollution', where we will explore the growing threats to our oceans, from plastic waste to chemical contamination.*

*This webinar is being organised by Centre for Policy Research in Maritime Studies (C-PRiMeS), Indian Maritime University in collaboration with the Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University of Sri Lanka*



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10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**



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### KEY POINTS OF DISCUSSION

- Current State of Marine Biotechnology research in India
- Challenges and Future Prospects of Marine Biotechnology research in India
- Types of Marine Pollution Affecting the South Sea
- Impacts of Marine Pollution on Marine Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
- Efforts to Combat Marine Pollution in the South Sea
- Restoration and Adaptation of Marine Life to Pollution Stress

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# SPEAKERS

## Dr. Vinithkumar, NIOT, India

*Dr. N.V. Vinithkumar is a Scientist and Project Director at the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) with an extensive academic and research background in marine sciences. He is leading the Deep Ocean Mission Vertical 6 – Advanced Marine Station for Ocean Biology. His areas of specialization include Marine Bioinformatics, Marine Ecology, and Biochemistry, where his research focuses on understanding the complex interactions within marine ecosystems and utilizing bioinformatics tools to address critical ocean-related challenges.*

## Prof. Chandravathany Devadason, TCEUSL, Sri Lanka

*Prof. Chandravathany Devadason is a Rector and Researcher at Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, with over 30 years of experience in academia. Her research focuses on aquatic pathology, fish microbiology, immunology, and fisheries. Dr. Devadason has published extensively, with 20 peer-reviewed papers and five books, and has contributed to national and international projects. She has held key leadership positions, including Acting Vice Chancellor at Eastern University, and has received numerous awards for her academic and research contributions.*

# MODERATOR

## Dr. N. Godhantaraman, IMU-HQ, India

*Dr. Godhantaraman has an impressive academic and professional background with over 25 years of research experience and 18 years of teaching expertise. Throughout his career, he has held key academic leadership roles, including heading the Centre for Environmental Sciences at the University of Madras from 2015 to 2021. Since 2022, he has served as an Academic Consultant at the Indian Maritime University (Central University, Govt. of India). Dr. Godhantaraman has spent over two decades advancing knowledge in this field, specializing in marine ecosystems, environmental sciences, and their conservation, solidifying his reputation as a leading expert in marine biology.*

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### About C-PRiMeS

*The Centre for Policy Research in Maritime Studies (C-PRiMeS) was established under the Indian Maritime University (IMU) to address the growing need for an exclusive body focused on maritime studies. Drawing inspiration from India's Maritime India Vision 2030 (MIV-2030) and Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047 (MAKV-2047), C-PRiMeS aims to become a globally recognized knowledge hub and policy advisory body for the maritime sector. Its core mission is to provide unbiased, data-driven insights to policy makers, facilitating informed decision-making on national and international maritime issues. C-PRiMeS seeks to foster collaborations across industry, academia, and government, contributing to the development of the marine economy by offering policy analysis, research, and training on key maritime topics.*