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**CRUISE VESSELS AT INDIAN PORTS UNDER J M BAXI AGENCY – JUNE 2024**

Port	Domestic	International
AGATTI	5	
COCHIN	1	5
MUMBAI	9	3
MORMUGAO	4	3
NEW MANGALORE		2
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>



## KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Vizag port's themed cruises tap local heritage.
- Royal Caribbean unveils new Asian itineraries from Singapore

## Vizag port's themed cruises tap local heritage.

- Visakhapatnam Port Authority (VPA) is actively promoting special interest cruises, including wildlife enthusiast cruises and adventure sports packages, to attract niche tourism segments. These cruises offer guided visits to wildlife sanctuaries and national parks, as well as adventure activities such as scuba diving, snorkeling, trekking, rock climbing, and river rafting.
- The ₹96-crore Vizag International Cruise Terminal, developed by VPA and the central tourism ministry, was inaugurated last year. It is equipped with world-class infrastructure and can handle 2,000-passenger cruise ships, significantly boosting cruise tourism in Visakhapatnam.
- VPA is encouraging former cruise ship crew members to establish local businesses that align with the cruise industry's needs. This initiative aims to leverage their expertise to create a strong ecosystem of locally owned businesses that enhance cruise operations and passenger experiences.
- Visakhapatnam Port is working to become a prime cruise destination in India. The port, in collaboration with cruise lines, Chennai Port, and the Puducherry government, has made VICT a cruise port of call. Insights from the 15th task force meeting on cruise tourism are being used to formulate strategies to elevate Visakhapatnam's status in the global cruise tourism market.

**Source: The Hindu Business Line**

## Royal Caribbean unveils new Asian itineraries from Singapore

- Royal Caribbean International announced new cruises aboard the Ovation of the Seas, sailing from Singapore from October 2025 to March 2026. These cruises will explore destinations across Asia, including Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand, offering 3- to 8-night getaways.
- Bookings for these cruises open on May 22 via Royal Caribbean's website. The itineraries cater to all ages, offering a mix of cultural experiences, culinary delights, and beach relaxation. Highlights include visits to George Town in Penang, Phuket in Thailand, and an 8-night escape to Bali, with stops at Celukan Bawang and Lombok in Indonesia.
- The Ovation of the Seas offers a range of thrilling experiences, including the North Star observation capsule, RipCord by iFly skydiving, FlowRider surf simulator, rock-climbing wall, bumper cars, and roller-skating at SeaPlex, the largest indoor activity complex at sea.

**Source: Economic Times**



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