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## **INCOIS** team to receive National Geo-science award today

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A team of scientists from the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) here has been selected for National Geoscience Award-2014 by the Government of India for developing Ocean Forecast and Information System for India for maritime safety and boosting the blue economy. The system is being used by eight lakh people daily for operational planning and safe navigation at sea.

The award will be presented by President Pranab Mukherjee at Delhi on Tuesday to the team members--Dr. T.M. Balakrishnan Nair (Team leader), Dr. R. Harikumar, Dr. Francis P A and Ms. K.G. Sandhya.

The team developed a user-driven operational ocean prediction system for early warning on ocean state for fishermen, oil industries, shipping, port, harbours, maritime boards, coastal tourism departments, marine police, Navy and coast Guard for safe navigations.

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