A Global ballast water management programme has been initiated by UNDP since March 2000. India is one of the pilot country.

Comprehensive national work plan and communication plan for the project is in place and implementing process started, with respect to awareness building, survey and research, preventive measures and legislative review.

The project would also be extended to cover other major Indian ports as well as neighboring countries like Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Singapore, Malaysia, Maldives & Thailand.