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Recently, the INS Sagardhwani visited Cam Ranh, Vietnam which marked a significant step in India's scientific cooperation with Vietnam.

About INS Sagardhwani

- It is an **oceanographic research vessel** which was commissioned in July 1994.
- The meaning of the name '**Sagardhwani**' is the **sound/ voice of the sea**.
- It was designed by **Naval Physical and Oceanographic Laboratory (NPOL)**, Kochi.
- It was built by **Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE)**.
- It is equipped with **an array of scientific equipment** and laboratories for conduct of scientific research in the field of oceanography.
- **Objective:** The vessel has served as a key platform **for marine scientific research**, contributing significantly to advancements in **marine acoustics and naval oceanography**.

- INS Sagardhwani has completed **more than 200 scientific missions** aimed at developing theoretical models for development of weapons and sensors.
- It works in tandem with scientific organisations and laboratories of DRDO like Naval Science and Technology Laboratory, Defence Research and Development Laboratory.
- It has participated in the **Sagar Maitri initiative**.
 - Sagar Maitri is a **flagship collaborative initiative of the Indian Navy and DRDO**, aligned with the Government of India's vision of 'Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions (MAHASAGAR)'.
 - The initiative aims to promote closer cooperation in socio-economic aspects and greater scientific interaction, especially in ocean research, among Indian Ocean Rim (IOR) countries.

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