

## **CONTRACT SIGNING WITH HINDUSTAN AERONAUTICS LIMITED FOR PROCUREMENT OF TWO (02) DORNIER AIRCRAFT FOR INDIAN COAST GUARD (ICG)**

Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for procurement of Two (02) Dornier Aircraft for Indian Coast Guard (ICG) along with associated Engineering Support Package at an overall cost of Rs. 458.87 Crores under Buy (Indian) Category.

Dornier aircraft will be inducted into the Service to undertake Aerial Surveillance over Maritime areas of responsibilities. The aircraft will be fitted with number of advanced equipment viz., Glass Cockpit, Maritime Patrol Radar, Electro Optic Infra Red device, Mission Management System (MMS) etc. The addition of the these aircraft will further bolster the aerial surveillance capability of Maritime areas of responsibilities of ICG.

Dornier aircraft are being indigenously manufactured at HAL(TAD), Kanpur and will significantly contribute in achieving Atmanirbharta, in consonance with the Make-in-India initiatives of the Government of India.

