

PRESS BRIEF

LAUNCHING OF FIRST INDIAN COAST GUARD POLLUTION CONTROL VESSEL (PCV) AT M/S GSL GOA

New Delhi, 29 Aug 24: Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL), a premier Indian DPSU Shipyard, is constructing two Pollution Control Vessel for Indian Coast Guard (ICG). The contract was concluded on 22 Jun 21 for Rs 583 Cr. It is for the first time that these vessels are being designed and constructed indigenously, with the launch of this state-of-art Pollution Control Vessel (Samudra Pratap), ICG and GSL continue its long standing partnership and triumphant march towards self-reliance, turning ' Atmanirbhar Bharat a reality.

The ship was launched and named as 'Samudra Pratap' by Smt Neeta Seth, in presence of Shri Sanjay Seth, Raksha Rajya Mantri, Chief Guest for the occasion. The launching ceremony was attended by IG Bisham Sharma, PTM, TM, COMCG (W), IG HK Sharma, TM, DDG (M&M) and Shri Brajesh Kumar Upadhyaya, Chairman and Managing Director, GSL along with officials from the Ministry of Defence, ICG, Indian Navy and Goa Shipyard Ltd.

The ship has been designed and constructed in-house by Goa Shipyard Ltd to meet the specific requirements of ICG. The ship has a length of 114.5m, Breadth of 16.5m and would displace 4170 T. Ship will be manned by 14 Officers and 115 Sailors. Keel laying ceremony for the ship was held on 21 Nov 2022. Since then, the Shipyard has made exceptional strides in achieving this milestone of launching. This advanced Pollution control vessel will help coast guard in carrying out dedicated oil spill response operations in the EEZ and beyond aided by specialized equipment for containments, recovery, separation and dispersal of pollutants. Further, GSL built ICG PCV is the first indigenously designed and built hybrid sea going ship in India.

The project with indigenou content of more than 60% has ensured substantial skill development and employment generation for local industry and MSMEs engaged on production activities at various factories and within Goa Shipyard Limited thus contributing to the objectives of Nation.

Addressing the gathering on the occasion, Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri appreciated the efforts put in by MoD, ICG and industry in ensuring that all ship building requirements of ICG are being fulfilled indigenously. Further, congratulating employees of GSL on achieving this critical milestone, he exhorted all present to ensure that the march towards 'Atmanirbharta' in Defence Production.

The launch of SAMUDRA PRATAP is an exemplary testimony of our nation's ship building capability and propels Goa Shipyard Limited into the league of Indian Shipyards capable of producing state-of-art Pollution Control Vessels.

