

KEEL LAYING & PLATE CUTTING CEREMONY OF INDIAN COAST GUARD SHIP

New Delhi, 06 Apr 26: - Keel laying ceremony for FPV-4 (Yard 16504) along with plate cutting ceremony for FPV-7 (Yard 16507) of 14 FPV project (Yard 16501-14) was held at MDL, Mumbai on 06 Apr 26. The ceremony was graced by DIG RS Gandhe, CGRPS(MBI) as the chief guest. Senior officials of MDL and Bhartiya Tatrakshak were also present.

The contract for design and construction of 14 Fast Patrol Vessels (FPV) was concluded in Jan 2024 with MDL. The water jet propelled FPVs with approx. 340 T displacement are designed for coastal security, search & rescue and law enforcement duties.

The indigenous content of these ships is augmented with indigenously built gear box by M/s Triveni, Mysore and Water Jets by M/s MJP India. The FPVs are being equipped with state-of-art machinery fit including AI based predictive maintenance system and multipurpose drones.

Keel laying of the FPV-4 and Plate cutting of FPV-7 marks a significant milestone in the overall project timeline. The fourteen ships are being built in consonance with the nation's vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and poised to augment the Bhartiya Tatrakshak's presence in IOR.

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