

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **LAUNCH OF "ATAL" – FIFTH FAST PATROL VESSEL FOR INDIAN COAST GUARD BY GOA SHIPYARD LTD**

**New Delhi, 29 Jul 25:** Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL), a premier Indian DPSU Shipyard, is constructing eight Fast Patrol Vessels for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG). The 5<sup>th</sup> vessel of the series was launched today in a ceremonious way by Smt Shilpa Agarwal in the presence of Shri Rozy Agarwal, IDAS, PIFA, Coast Guard Headquarters as Chief Guest to the chants of 'Atharva Veda'. In the glittering ceremony, the ship was named as "ATAL". Launch ceremony was also attended by IG Sudhir Sahni, TM, DDG (M&M) and other senior officials from ICG.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Shri Rozy Agarwal, IDAS, PIFA, CGHQ in his address brought out that these ships have been designed and constructed indigenously by Goa Shipyard Limited to meet the specific requirements of ICG. The ship has a length of 52m, breadth of 8m and would displace 320T. The Shipyard has since made exceptional strides in achieving the milestone of launching. These Advanced Fast Patrol vessels will assist ICG in protecting offshore assets and island territories. Their primary role will be fisheries protection and monitoring around island territories, exclusively economic zone and coastal patrol. Vessels shall also perform anti-smuggling, anti-piracy and search & rescue operations.

This Project contributes to the prosperity of the Nation by developing the local ecosystem and supporting workforce/ entrepreneurs/ MSMES. The project has generated substantial employment for local industry and MSMEs engaged on production activities at various factories and within Goa Shipyard Limited,

Addressing the gathering on the occasion, Chief Guest appreciated the efforts put in by Indian Coast Guard and Goa Shipyard Ltd. in ensuring that all ship building requirements are fulfilled indigenously. He also, congratulated all on achieving this critical milestone, to ensure that the march towards 'Atmanirbharta' in Defence Production is pursued in the right direction.

The launch of "ATAL" is an exemplary testimony of our nation's ship building capability and Goa Shipyard commitment to deliver indigenously designed state-of-art vessels for national security requirements.

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