

PRESS BRIEF

KEEL LAYING CEREMONY OF YARD-16404 4th OF 06 NGOPV, INDIAN COAST GUARD

New Delhi, 25 Jun 26: The keel-laying ceremony of Yard 16404, fourth of 06 Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPVs) was held at Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL), Mumbai on 25 Jun 2026. The ceremony was presided over by senior officials from the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and MDL. The contract for the construction of 06 Next Generation OPVs was concluded on 20 Dec 2023. The Ship will feature modern machinery and other systems. This ship is being indigenously designed, developed, and constructed by MDL, in line with the GoI's vision of Aatma Nirbhar Bharat. The project underscores India's commitment to self-reliance in defence production and will significantly contribute to strengthening the nation's strategic autonomy. This initiative marks a key milestone in ICG's ongoing efforts to enhance its operational capabilities and bolstering Coastal Security. The addition of new fleet of NGOPVs will further ensure strengthening the ICG's role in safeguarding India's maritime interests.

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