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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Defence Ministry to Soon Decide Fate of Rs 1,800 Crore Carbine Deal

ANI · 16 Mar 2019

The Defence Ministry is soon going to decide the fate of the Rs 1,800 crore deal for buying over 93,000 close quarter carbines for the Indian Army. A firm from United Arab Emirates has been selected as the lowest bidder for the contract but after receiving several representations in the case, the Defence Ministry has formed an oversight committee to look into the case. [Read More](#)

India-US Identify Small Air Launch UAVs, LSAT Project for Defence Collaboration

Devdiscourse · 16 Mar 2019

India and the US have identified small air launch unmanned aerial vehicles and a lightweight small arms technology project along with aircraft maintenance for defence collaboration. [Read More](#)

Defence Ministry Plans to Buy 10 Lakh Hand Grenades for Combat Troops

The Economic Times · 15 Mar 2019

Defence Ministry is likely to consider a proposal to buy 10 lakh multi-mode hand grenades for the Indian Army under the 'Make in India' project in the military sector. "A proposal for buying 10 lakh hand grenades from an Indian firm would be considered by the Defence Ministry at a high-level meeting to be chaired by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. [Read More](#)

Indian MoD Details Additional Changes to Defence Trade Process

Janes 360 · 12 Mar 2019

The Indian Ministry of Defence (MoD) has announced further changes to its Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP), with the intent to simplify related processes and make defence trade more 'industry friendly'. [Read More](#)

PROJECT UPDATES

First-Ever Missile System MRO Facility to be Set Up in Hyderabad

Indian Defence Research Wing · 17 Mar 2019

Kalyani Group, which has interests in defence and aerospace segments, will set up the first ever missile system MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul) facility in Hyderabad. [Read More](#)

Lockheed Martin Offers Javelin Anti-Tank Guided Missiles to India

The Financial Express · 15 Mar 2019

US aerospace giant Lockheed Martin is ready to offer Javelin Anti-tank Guided Missiles through the

Defense Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI) between India and US. The Javelin is included in the Defense Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI) between India and the US, which means that the US administration is ready to share technology and to co-produce and co-develop future weapon systems in India. [Read More](#)

LCA-Tejas SP- 16 (LA – 5016) Completes its First Flight

Indian Defence Research Wing · 13 Mar 2019

Tejas SP-1 (LA-5016) completed its maiden flight after taking off from HAL Airport in Bangalore on 12-March-2019 piloted by Gp Capt K K Venugopal (Retd). SP-16 flew for 31 mins and landed back safely. The LCA Tejas SP-16 is Sixteen Series Production aircraft. Last aircraft SP-13 had completed its first flight on 30-January-2019.

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HAL Ramps Up LCA Production and Looks to the Mk2

AIN Online · 11 Mar 2019

Government-owned Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) will deliver 16 Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) in the final operational clearance (FOC) configuration to the Indian Air Force (IAF) by the end of 2019. HAL chairman R. Madhavan said that 16 LCAs have been delivered in the Initial Operation Clearance (IOC) configuration already. An additional eight are being produced as trainers. [Read More](#)

INVESTMENTS

Tamil Nadu Trying to Woo HAL to Set Up Manufacturing Unit at Salem

Hindustan Times · 17 Mar 2019

The Tamil Nadu government is impressing upon Hindustan Aeronautics Limited to set up a manufacturing unit at Salem as the state has been chosen for establishing the Centre's ambitious defence corridor. The move is a part of the 'Make in India' programme to catalyse indigenous production in defence manufacturing. [Read More](#)

Global Updates

Romania to Acquire Additional F-16 Fighter Jets

Defence Blog · 16 Mar 2019

Romania is looking to acquire additional F-16 fighter jets to replace its ageing MiG-21 Lancer fighter aircraft. The National Defence Minister Gabriel Les announced that the Fortele Aeriene ale Romaniei (Romanian Air Force) started the procedure for acquiring more F-16 Fighting Falcon fighter aircraft to replace the last MiG-21 Lancer aircraft. [Read More](#)

Thales Brazil Unit Wins Contract for Airspace Surveillance Radars

Air Force Technology · 15 Mar 2019

Thales Brazilian subsidiary Omnisys has received a contract to supply primary and secondary airspace surveillance radar stations for deployment in the country's mid-west border area. The contract was awarded by the Commission for the Implementation of the Airspace Control System (CISCEA) and requires Omnisys to install LP23SST-NG and RMS970S route surveillance radars in the cities of Ponta Porã, Corumbá and Porto Murtinho. [Read More](#)

Northrop Grumman Makes 500th F-35 Center Fuselage Ahead of Schedule

engineering.com · 15 Mar 2019

Production of the F-35—the world's most expensive weapons platform—has reached another milestone, with the 500th center fuselage rolling off the assembly line at the company's Palmdale Aircraft Integration Center of Excellence in California. The part was manufactured ahead of schedule. [Read More](#)

Raytheon Wins U.S. Navy NMT Contract Modification

Via Satellite · 15 Mar 2019

Raytheon was awarded a \$7.6 million modification to a previously awarded firm-fixed-price contract (N00039-16-C-0050) from the U.S. Navy. The contract is for the production, testing, and delivery of fully integrated Navy Multiband Terminals (NMT). [Read More](#)

DoD Inspector General Slams F-35 Program Office for Allowing Lockheed to Manage Government Property

Defense News · 15 Mar 2019

The F-35 Joint Program Office has not adequately tracked government property leased or loaned to Lockheed Martin and its subcontractors, an oversight that a new investigation by the Defense Department's inspector general said could impact readiness. [Read More](#)

BAE Systems Delivers River-Class OPV HMS Medway to Royal Navy

Naval Technology · 15 Mar 2019

UK firm BAE Systems has handed over River-class offshore patrol vessel (OPV) HMS Medway to the British Royal Navy. Named after the River Medway in Kent, the 90m-long, BAE Systems-built vessel completed its first sea trials in the Firth of Clyde in December last year. HMS Medway is the second of five 2,000t River-class 2.0 vessels designed to perform patrol duties in home waters and beyond. [Read More](#)

US to Buy more F-35 Fighter Jets from Lockheed Martin

Jefferson Journal · 15 Mar 2019

The US Department of Defense is to buy another tranche of F-35 fighter jets from maker Lockheed Martin at a lower price-per-plane than previous orders. The new order, 90 jets for \$8.5bn, brings the price of each aircraft to about \$95m, down from a previous \$102m. [Read More](#)

Lockheed Martin Corp Wins \$507 Million Defense Contract

Reuters · 15 Mar 2019

Lockheed Martin Corp was awarded a \$506.9 million modification to a U.S. defense contract for a guided missile system and associated services. [Read More](#)

Raytheon Wins Deal to Offer Retrofits for F-15 Fleet of Jets

Nasdaq · 14 Mar 2019

Raytheon Company RTN recently secured a \$21.2-million contract for retrofitting the F-15 fleets' current Identify Friend of Foe units. The deal was awarded by the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH. [Read More](#)

Northrop Grumman Wins Contract to Build Two Missile Defense Command and Control Systems for Poland

Military & Aerospace · 14 Mar 2019

Command and control experts at Northrop Grumman Corp. are preparing to build two battle management systems for the government of Poland to help military authorities quickly deal with uncertain information concerning potential air and missile attacks. [Read More](#)

U.S. Navy Awards Raytheon \$402 Million Contract for SPY-6 Radars

PR Newswire · 14 Mar 2019

Raytheon Co., Integrated Defense Systems, Marlborough, Massachusetts, is awarded a \$402 fixed-price-incentive (firm target) modification to previously-awarded contract N00024-14-C-5315 to exercise options for Air and Missile Defense Radar Program (AMDR) low-rate initial production (LRIP). This modification will provide for three AMDR LRIP units. [Read More](#)

Saab to Deliver RBS 70 Mk II Missiles to the Czech Army

Saabgroup · 14 Mar 2019

Saab has received an order to deliver the Mk II missile for RBS 70 to the Army of the Czech Republic. The deliveries will take place in 2019. The order was placed by the NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA), responsible for acquisitions for NATO members. [Read More](#)

Thales Provides Upgraded Sonar for Australia's Collins-Class Submarine

Naval Technology · 13 Mar 2019

Thales UK has completed delivery of the first replacement bow sonar array for Australia's Collins-class submarine upgrade programme. The company is under contract to provide six replacement bow sonar arrays for Collins-class submarines. [Read More](#)

Thales Receives French Order for Coast Watcher 100

Shephard · 13 Mar 2019

Thales has received an order from the French defence procurement agency (DGA) to supply two Coast Watcher 100 coastal surveillance radars. The radars will be installed at two DGA missile test ranges where they will ensure protection for tactical test areas, monitor maritime traffic and detect threats. The X-band long-range radar can detect inflatables, jet skis and other small craft, commercial aircraft and warships as well as low-altitude airborne threats. [Read More](#)

Pratt & Whitney Gets \$71 Million F-35 Propulsion Tech Support Order

Executivebiz · 13 Mar 2019

The U.S. Navy has awarded United Technologies Corp.'s Pratt & Whitney subsidiary a \$71.4 million task order to mature the F-35 propulsion system ahead of service operational use of the fighter aircraft. [Read More](#)

Raytheon IIS to Supply EO/IR Surveillance Platform to Mideast Nation

GovCon Wire · 13 Mar 2019

A Raytheon business unit will deliver electro-optical/infrared camera surveillance systems to support the security programs of a Middle Eastern customer under a contract with the U.S. Army. [Read More](#)

AIM Norway, Lockheed Martin to Establish World's First Licensed F-16 Sustainment Hub

Defence Blog · 13 Mar 2019

Lockheed Martin Corp. has announced an agreement with AIM Norway for jointly establish the world's first Lockheed Martin-licensed F-16 'Falcon Depot' center for the Royal Norwegian Air Force (RNoAF) and other regional F-16 customers. [Read More](#)

Raytheon to Provide Integrated Air Surveillance Radar to RNAF

Air Force Technology · 13 Mar 2019

Raytheon Company and Hensoldt have agreed to provide integrated air surveillance radars to Royal Netherlands Air Force (RNAF) and another European customer. The integrated radars are a combination of Hensoldt's next-generation primary airport surveillance radar (ASR-NG) and Raytheon's Condor Mk 3 Mode S monopulse secondary surveillance radar (MSSR). [Read More](#)

Lockheed Martin Awarded \$84 Million for Upgrade Missiles Designed to be Launched from Aircraft

Defence Blog · 13 Mar 2019

Lockheed Martin Corp, the Pentagon's No. 1 weapons supplier, has won a contract valued more as \$84 million to upgrade guided missiles designed to be carried and launched by military aircraft and helicopters. The U.S. Department of Defense said that Lockheed Martin is awarded an \$84.1 million cost-plus-fixed-fee, indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity contract to perform design and development studies, technology demonstrations and engineering services for rapid technology development for the Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile, Long Range Anti-Ship Missile, Joint Air-to-Ground Missile and Hellfire baseline weapon systems. [Read More](#)

Kongsberg Confirms Japanese Joint Strike Missile Order

Defense Blog · 12 Mar 2019

Norway's Kongsberg Defence & Aerospace company has confirmed the sale of a Joint Strike Missile (JSM) for Japanese fleet of F-35 fighter aircraft. The JSM is the only long-range sea- and land-target missile that can be carried internally in the F-35 and thus ensuring the aircraft's low-signature (stealth) capabilities. [Read More](#)

Northrop Grumman Awarded \$89 Million to Support MQ-4C Triton System

UPI · 12 Mar 2019

Northrop Grumman was awarded an \$89 million contract for sustainment and engineering support for the MQ-4C Triton unmanned aircraft surveillance system. The contract also involves technical expertise of field service representatives, logisticians and test support to ensure MQ-4C air vehicles and mission control and operator training systems are fully sustained and mission capable. [Read More](#)

Raytheon's Improved Missile-Defense Warhead Delayed Two Years

Bloomberg · 12 Mar 2019

Raytheon Co.'s redesigned missile-interceptor warhead -- an improvement on a system intended to defend against a potential North Korean attack -- will be delayed for two years because of technical difficulties. [Read More](#)

Northrop Grumman and MBDA Integrate CAMM Into IBCS

Defense Daily · 11 Mar 2019

Northrop Grumman and MBDA said on Monday they finished a new effort to incorporate the European Common Anti-air Modular Missile (CAMM) into the U.S. Army's integrated air and missile defense (IAMD) Battle Command System (IBCS). [Read More](#)

BAE Systems Offers Combat-Proven CV90 for LAND 400 Phase 3 bid

Army Recognition · 11 Mar 2019

BAE Systems on 7 March confirmed it is offering the CV90, a combat-proven Infantry Fighting Vehicle (IFV), to the Commonwealth of Australia in response to the LAND 400 Phase 3 Mounted Close Combat Capability Request for Tender. The project team will be led by BAE Systems' Sweden-based combat vehicles business and supported by BAE Systems Australia. [Read More](#)

Northrop Grumman Starts AARGM-ER Engineering and Manufacturing

Flight Global · 11 Mar 2019

Northrop Grumman received a \$323 million contract from the US Navy for engineering and manufacturing development work on its Advanced Anti-Radiation Guided Missile-Extended Range (AARGM-ER), an air-launched weapon designed to seek and destroy radar sites on the ground. [Read More](#)

Finnish Defence Forces Place Order for Virtual Training Simulators from Saab

Saabgroup · 11 Mar 2019

Saab and the Finnish Defence Forces Logistics Command have signed a contract for deliveries of virtual simulators for marksmanship and basic combat training with associated maintenance for three years. The order value is approximately 9 million Euro and the first deliveries will take place in 2019. [Read More](#)

Technology Updates

India is Developing New UAV for ISR Missions

IHLS · 16 Mar 2019

India is one of the fastest-growing markets for unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), and one of the top UAV importers for military purposes worldwide. Technological advancement in UAVs and the demand for multi-functional UAVs have pushed manufacturers to invest heavily in the research and development of cost-effective and feature-rich UAVs. [Read More](#)

BAE Systems Signs New Agreement with TWI

Adsadvance · 13 Mar 2019

BAE Systems has signed a new agreement with The Welding Institute (TWI), designed to drive innovation, skills and training across UK industry. Together with The Welding Institute (TWI), BAE Systems will embark on a number of joint studies and research programmes designed to help innovation across current and future aircraft programmes. [Read More](#)

BEL-led Team Unveils New Airborne Weapon Prototypes

Janes · 13 Mar 2019

A collaborative Indian industry team led by Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL) has unveiled an array of new air-launched precision-guided weapons and lightweight cruise missiles. [Read More](#)

Pinaka Guided Weapons System Successfully Test Fired

The Economic Times · 11 Mar 2019

The indigenously developed Pinaka guided rocket system was successfully test fired at Pokhran desert in Rajasthan, in a boost to artillery capability of the Army. The weapon system is equipped with state-of-the-art guidance kit comprising of an advanced navigation and control system.

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Israel Aerospace Industries Unveils ADA-O to Enable Land and Air Platforms to Deal with GNSS Anti-Jammers

Intelligent Aerospace · 11 Mar 2019

Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) is introducing ADA-O, an additional development in the ADA lineup, which addresses GPS jammers to ensure GPS availability for land platforms. The system developed by

IAI supports multiple satellite navigation systems (GNSS) constellations, feature an advanced architecture and employs a range of advanced methods of digital signal processing. [Read More](#)

Raytheon's Case for Building Army Radar Grounded in Deep Knowledge of GaN Technology

Forbes · 11 Mar 2019

The Raytheon strategy begins with gallium nitride (GaN) technology. GaN is a hard, glass-like substance with a crystalline structure that can move electrons a thousand times faster than the silicon traditionally used in computer chips. It can survive much higher temperatures and voltages than silicon, and it has high resistance to ionizing radiation. [Read More](#)

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