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POLICY

India Tweaks Rules for Friendly Countries for Defence Exports

Hindustan Times · 26 May 2019

India has tweaked rules to allow friendly countries to use lines of credit or soft loans given to them to buy Indian defence equipment. The move is aimed at boosting exports, according to two officials aware of the development. In a recently issued order, the ministries of defence and external affairs said the friendly countries can buy defence equipments like Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) manufactured in India at the same price as Indian armed forces have bought them for. [Read More](#)

India Launches Policy to Improve Quality of Local Defence Products

Defence Aviation Post · 20 May 2019

The Indian Ministry of Defence (MoD) has issued a new policy to allow domestic defence companies to self-certify the quality of products that it supplies to the Indian armed forces. The move is an apparent response [Read More](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

India Relaxes Procedure to Speed Up Arms Sales to Friendly Foreign Nations

Indian Defense News · 25 May 2019

Defence ministry says the new standard operating procedure (SOP) will “substantially enhance the pace of utilisation of the defence LoCs” extended to friendly countries. [Read More](#)

US Working With India on Enhanced ASW Capability

Indian Defense News · 25 May 2019

The US State Department has approved the sale of 24 Lockheed Martin MH-60R anti-submarine helicopters to India, paving the way for final negotiations to set the price and what on-board

equipment and weapons will be required by the Indian Navy. [Read More](#)

India has Five More Military Satellites on the Way

Indian Defense News · 23 May 2019

In a pre-dawn launch ISRO launched the RISAT-2B, India's newest 'eye in the sky', from the SHAR Range in Sriharikota aboard the PSLV-C46. Over the past ten years, only two such satellites have been launched. ISRO Chief, K Sivan, promises that within the coming year, India will see at least five more RISAT launches. [Read More](#)

PROJECT UPDATES

Hindustan Shipyard, Two Other PSUs to Bid Jointly for Building 6 Submarines

Indian Defence Research Wing · 26 May 2019

Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL) and two other public sector undertakings have come together to float a consortium for building submarines. The two other PSUs are Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) and Mishra Dhatu Nigam Ltd (Midhani). Indigenous construction of six conventional submarines is envisaged by Ministry of Defence, a press release from HSL said. [Read More](#)

BrahMos-A Enters Production Even Before Orders are Placed

Indian Defence Research Wing · 23 May 2019

After successful recent trial of the BrahMos-A from Su-30MKI aircraft, BrahMos corporation which manufactures Air Launched BrahMos missile system has said that the missile system already has entered production even though orders for the missile is yet to be placed by the Indian air force and the program is still pending one more developmental trials said reliable industrial sources close to idrw.org. [Read More](#)

Iraq Calls Upon Indian Companies to Participate in its Leading Defence Exhibition in Baghdad in 2020

Knnindia · 22 May 2019

The Commercial Attaché at the Embassy of Iraq has invited Indian companies or industries to participate in the defence exhibition to be organized in Baghdad next year. The exhibition will be held at Baghdad International Fairground in Baghdad, Iraq, from March 7 to 10, 2020. This is 8th session of the International Defense Exhibition in Iraq (IQDEX). [Read More](#)

India Claims New First for World's Fastest Cruise Missile

Shephardmedia · 22 May 2019

India said the world's fastest cruise missile passed another key test on 22 May when it successfully hit a land target after being fired from a fighter jet. India is developing the supersonic BrahMos missile - which has a top speed of 3,450 kilometres (2,140 miles) per hour - with Russia, and according to media reports wants to soon start selling it abroad. [Read More](#)

Tech Mahindra Signs Rs 300 Crore Defence Contract with Indian Navy

The Economic Times · 21 May 2019

Tech Mahindra has announced its biggest defence order worth over Rs 300 crore with the Indian Navy. As part of the 'Armed Forces Secure Access Card' (AFSAC) Project, Tech Mahindra will implement RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) based Access Control System across all naval bases and ships. [Read More](#)

Indian Army in Hunt for 12000 Telescopic Sights for Assault Rifles

Indian Defence Research Wing · 21 May 2019

In a major boost for the armed forces, the Indian Army is looking to purchase of nearly 12,000 telescopic sights for new assault rifles for infantrymen. This is to combat the influx of snipers already being employed by terrorists and rival armies and to give an advantage to the armed forces. [Read More](#)

INVESTMENTS

India's Bharat Forge Invests in Defence Technology Firm

Defence Aviation Post · 23 May 2019

Indian company Bharat Forge, a subsidiary of the Kalyani Group, has entered an agreement to acquire a 26% stake in defence technology company Aeron Systems, which is based in the city of Pune in the western Indian state of Maharashtra. [Read More](#)

Global Updates

BAE Systems Australia Celebrates JSF Manufacturing Milestone

Defence Connect · 22 May 2019

The range of parts produced in Australia have delivered 500 tail sets for the fifth-generation fighter, with the parts combining with aft fuselage and horizontal tail sets to make up the rear section of each jet that BAE Systems produces across its global enterprise. [Read More](#)

Lockheed Martin Receives \$63 Million Contact for US Navy's Surface Ship Undersea Warfare System

Defense World.Net · 22 May 2019

Lockheed Martin Rotary and Mission Systems is awarded a \$63,102,113 contract modification in support of the continued development, integration, and production of the United States Navy's AN/SQQ-89A(V)15 Surface Ship Undersea Warfare (USW) system. The AN/SQQ-89A(V)15 is the USW combat system with the capabilities to search, detect, classify, localize and track undersea contacts, and to engage and evade submarines, mine-like small objects and torpedo threats. [Read More](#)

BAE Systems Delivers 500th Aft Fuselage of F-35 Stealth Jet to Lockheed Martin

Defense World.Net · 21 May 2019

BAE Systems' plant in Samlesbury, Lancashire has delivered the 500th aft fuselage of the F-35 Lightning II Stealth fighter jet. The facility produces the aft fuselage, horizontal and vertical tails of the jet which is operated by both the US Air Force and the Royal Air Force. [Read More](#)

Dassault Freezes Falcon 6X Design

Aviationpros · 20 May 2019

Dassault Aviation has completed the Critical Design Review for its new Falcon 6X, freezing the detailed design of the new ultra widebody twinjet, and begun manufacturing major parts as the program tracks to assembly of the first aircraft by early 2020. [Read More](#)

Poland to Buy F-35 Stealth Fighter Jets by 2026

Defense World.Net · 20 May 2019

Poland has sought to buy F-35 stealth fighters from the United States, its Deputy Minister of Defense Wojciech Skurkiewicz revealed plans to purchase two batches of the Lockheed Martin-made jets. According to him, the first aircraft will enter the service of the Polish army by 2026. [Read More](#)

NAVAIR Awards APKWS II 'Upgrade' Contract

Jane's 360 · 20 May 2019

The US Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) has awarded BAE Systems Information and Electronics Systems a USD10.9 million contract to upgrade the guidance section of the Advanced Precision Kill Weapon System II (APKWS II) 70 mm (2.75 inch) guided rocket. [Read More](#)

Technology Updates

ISRO Successfully Launches RISAT-2B Spy Satellite into a Precise Orbit

Indian Defense News · 22 May 2019

PSLV-C46 launched RISAT-2B, a Radar imaging earth observation military satellite into a precise orbit. The launch vehicle soared into the sky at 0530 hrs IST from the First Launch Pad (FLP) of Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) SHAR, Sriharikota. [Read More](#)

Next-gen HF Radar Technology to be Developed in SA Lab

Defence Connect · 21 May 2019

Using high-frequency technologies developed in Australia, JORN is the eyes and ears of the Royal Australian Air Force, monitoring Australia's northern approaches through a network of three remote radars in Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory. [Read More](#)

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SIDM's vision is to catalyse the Indian defence industry to effectively contribute to India's national security and become a trustworthy global partner. Our mission is to work closely with the Government towards enabling the growth of the defence industry. Collaborate with experts from the Armed forces, Academia and Defence industry to optimize the industry's development capabilities. Its values are: India First; One Voice and Self Reliant for Security.

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