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Instead of 4, France Has Agreed to Send 6 Rafale Next Month to India

Indian Defence Research Wing · 29 Jun 2020

As Indian troops remain dug in at Ladakh in a prolonged standoff with China, allies are pitching in with commitments to deliver urgently needed weapons and ammunition for the armed forces. France has promised to deliver additional Rafale jets next month, an in-service Israeli air defence system is expected soon, precision artillery rounds will be sent by the US, and Russia will make early deliveries of ammunition and weapons worth \$1 billion. [Read More →](#)

India's Old Friend Russia Offers To Transfer Technology And Produce MiG-35 In India: MiG CEA

Indian Defense News · 28 Jun 2020

Russia and India have reached such an outstanding level of confidence after decades of fruitful cooperation in the field of defence. In an exclusive interaction, Ilya Tarasenko, CEO, MiG Corporation of Russia shares with Financial Express Online, his company's offering of MiG-35 for the Indian Air Force and plans for Make in India and setting up of an aerospace ecosystem. [Read More →](#)

India, Russia to Fast Track Production of Ka-226T Chopper, AK203 Rifle

Defence Aviation Post · 27 Jun 2020

India and Russia have agreed to resolve issues around the production of Ka-226T helicopters and AK203 rifle and put them on a fast track. Fast-tracking for the production of Ka 226T and AK203 was discussed during Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's visit to Moscow earlier this week. "The parties have resolved and will make all efforts to fast-track the launching of these projects," sources told DNA Ka-226T helicopter project announced in 2014 is expected to replace Indian army's light utility helicopters Cheetah and Chetak. [Read More →](#)

Defence Ministry Holds Third Meeting with OFB Employees' Unions on Its Corporatisation

Defence Aviation Post · 27 Jun 2020

The Defence Ministry held a meeting with three employee unions of the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) to address their concerns regarding its corporatisation, according to an official statement. The meeting on was the third such deliberations the government held with the unions. [Read More →](#)

Indian Navy Concludes Contract for Indigenously Developed Maareech Advanced Torpedo Decoy System

Indian Defence Research Wing · 26 Jun 2020

Indian Navy has concluded a contract for the indigenously-developed Maareech Advanced Torpedo Decoy System capable of being fired from all frontline warships on June 26. With this the Anti-Submarine Warfare capability of the Indian Navy has received a major boost. The design and development of the

Maareech anti-torpedo decoy system was undertaken indigenously by the Naval Science & Technological Laboratory and the Naval Physical & Oceanographic Laboratory. [Read More →](#)

Russia Starts Deliveries of Upgraded Air-to-Air Missile to India

Indian Defence Research Wing · 25 Jun 2020

Modi government in its efforts to increase stockpiles of Air-to-Air missiles of Indian Air Force (IAF) had placed orders under emergency purchase deals last year and according to information provided to idrw.org, Russia has started shipment of the latest and upgraded inventory of three different types of Air-to-Air missiles to India to be equipped on Russian developed Sukhoi-30MKI and Mig-29UPG fleet, which make up 50% of the IAF's fighter jet fleet. [Read More →](#)

Army Plans to Place Orders for More Excalibur Ammunition for Howitzers

Indian Defence Research Wing · 24 Jun 2020

After the government allowed the armed forces to go in for emergency procurements to do away with shortages of critical equipment, the Indian Army is planning to place an order for acquiring more Excalibur precision-guided Artillery ammunition which can hit targets at 50 km range. The Excalibur ammunition was inducted last year by the Army to acquire the capability to hit enemy positions close to populated areas without causing collateral damage on the western sector under emergency financial powers. [Read More →](#)

In a First, Private Firm to Train IAF Chopper Pilots on Simulators

Indian Defence Research Wing · 27 Jun 2020

In line with the government's policy to push private participation in defence, a Bengaluru headquartered firm has become the first private company to be training Indian Air Force helicopter pilots on simulators. Sources said that Alpha Design Technologies Limited (ADTL) and the Ministry of Defence (MoD), signed a Rs 1,400-crore deal, for setting up of two simulation centres and providing 1,200 hours of training each year for the next 20 years. [Read More →](#)

Desi Kalashnikov Misses Its Price Target

Defence Aviation Post · 24 Jun 2020

At a time when Indian soldiers need new modern rifles due to heightened border tensions with both China and Pakistan, the much-touted project to make the iconic Kalashnikov assault rifles in India has run into rough weather yet again. The defence ministry (MoD) earlier this month was forced to appoint a costing committee due to the "unreasonable and unacceptable" price quoted by the Indo-Russia joint venture to make 6.71 lakh AK-203 rifles, a derivative of the famous AK-47, at Korwa ordnance factory in Amethi district of Uttar Pradesh. [Read More →](#)

HSL Ties up with Turkish Firm to Build Fleet Support Ships

Defence Aviation Post · 23 Jun 2020

After clouds of uncertainty, the Hindustan Shipyard Limited, which achieved a turnaround, is inching forward smoothly to sign a contract and begin construction of five Fleet Support Ships for the Indian Navy in collaboration with a Turkish shipyard. The project is estimated between ₹10,000 crore and ₹14,000 crore. [Read More →](#)

Naval Group in Talks with Both MDL and L&T for Submarine Project, Says Exclusivity Needed

Defence Aviation Post · 22 Jun 2020

Leading naval manufacturer Naval Group has confirmed that it is in touch with both the Indian shipyards shortlisted for the ambitious P 75I submarine contract but believes that an exclusive arrangement needs to be worked out to take ahead the project. The Rs 45,000 crore project has recently moved onto the next step with the shortlisting of two Indian shipyards – MDL and L&T – and five foreign companies they can collaborate with to acquire design and manufacturing technology. [Read More →](#)

BAE Systems Awards Modification Contract for 159 Bradley M2 A4 Tracked IFVs Production Option

Army Recognition · 27 Jun 2020

According to a contract released by the U.S. DoD (Department of Defense) on 25 June 2020, BAE Systems Inc., York, Pennsylvania, was awarded a \$266,865,094 modification (P00039) to contract W56HZV-18-C-0133 for Bradley A4 Production Option Two, which awards 159 vehicles. [Read More →](#)

Northrop Grumman Receives \$222 Million Contract to Update Aging Missile-Warning Satellites

SpaceNews · 27 Jun 2020

Northrop Grumman has been awarded a \$222.5 million contract for technology upgrades to the Defense Support Program, a constellation of early warning satellites that has been in operation since the 1970s. The contract announced on June 26 by the Space and Missile Systems Center would add another decade of service life to the DSP constellation. Northrop Grumman will provide technical and engineering support until 2030. [Read More →](#)

Northrop Books \$333M Modification to Navy MQ-4C UAS Production Contract

GovCon Wire · 26 Jun 2020

The U.S. Navy has awarded Northrop Grumman a \$333.4M contract modification to facilitate the low-rate initial production of three MQ-4C Triton unmanned aerial systems for the Australian government. The modification exercises options under a previously issued contract and includes the manufacture of main and forward-operating bases integrated with multiple-intelligence functionalities, the Department of Defense said. [Read More →](#)

U.S. Army selects Northrop Grumman to sustain VADER systems

Defence-Blog · 26 Jun 2020

U.S. defense contractor Northrop Grumman has announced that it been selected by the Army to sustain the VADER, short for Vehicle and Dismount and Exploitation Radar. Northrop Grumman has secured a potential five-year, \$89.6 million contract to help the U.S. Army design, build and sustain long-range radar systems. [Read More →](#)

BAE Awarded Contract to Supply Royal Navy With Autonomous Patrol Boats

World News Monitor · 25 Jun 2020

BAE Systems has won a £3.2 million contract to supply the British Royal Navy with autonomous Pacific 24 boats. Modifications made to the P24 by BAE, the Navy, the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory, and autonomous systems supplier L3Harris include an onboard robotic control system, advanced sensors, high-resolution optical and thermal camera, and a Long-Range Acoustic Device for audio communications and warning over distances. [Read More →](#)

Rwanda Airforce Orders 2 Utility Aircraft

ChimpReports · 26 Jun 2020

The Rwandan government has ordered for two aircraft in what appears part of a wider strategy to strengthen its Airforce. The Textron C-208 EX utility aircraft will be delivered by ATI Engineering Services, an American company specializing in modifying aircraft, at a cost of \$10m. [Read More →](#)

CPI Aerostructures Receives \$5 Million Long-Lead Funding to Supply Wing Components for E-2D Advanced Hawkeye

Information Services Group · 25 Jun 2020

CPI Aerostructures announced that it received long lead funding of \$5 million in anticipation of purchase orders that will total more than \$20 million from Northrop Grumman to supply Outer Wing Panel (OWP) structural components and kits for the E-2D Advanced Hawkeye airborne command and control (ACC) aircraft. [Read More →](#)

BAE and AFRL Program Accelerates GaN Radar Development

Compound Semiconductor · 24 Jun 2020

BAE Systems' FAST Labs research and development organisation continues to advance millimetre wave GaN semiconductor technology to support critical next-generation radar, electronic warfare, and communications. It is currently in Phase 3 of a multi-year, cooperative agreement with the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), developing defence-critical GaN technologies. [Read More →](#)

CTS Ceramics Denmark and Thales Enter into a Four-Year 1M EUR Contract to Develop State-of-the-Art Sonar Technology

Thales Group · 23 Jun 2020

CTS Ceramics Denmark and Thales Defense Mission Systems have collaborated since the end the 2000s to build knowledge within sonar technology. Now the collaboration results in a four-year 1M EUR contract between our two companies further cementing our mutual relationship. Through this contract, CTS Ceramics Denmark will provide piezoelectric components to Thales future Sonar solutions. [Read More →](#)

Elbit Systems to Provide Maintenance Services for T-6 Fleet of IAF

Airforce-Technology · 23 Jun 2020

Elbit Systems has secured a contract from the Israeli Ministry of Defense (MOD) to provide operation, maintenance and logistic services for the Textron T-6 trainer aircraft fleet of the Israeli Air Force (IAF). The \$38m, five-year contract has an optional period of five additional years. Previously, Elbit Systems has provided the IAF with operation and maintenance services for the T-6 fleet, meeting the IAF's standards of service, availability and flight safety. [Read More →](#)

Technology Updates

First-of-Its-Kind Army Model Expands Military Fuel Options

Army.mil · 23 Jun 2020

U.S. Army researchers developed a new, advanced scientific model that will allow vehicle maintenance specialists to turn to bio-derived fuels in austere locations. With this solution, the Army can reduce logistics costs associated with transporting and storing military fuel for military operations overseas. [Read More →](#)

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