

Naval Group cleared for 3 additional Scorpenes



6th IN Scorpene commences trials

The sixth submarine of Project 75, Yard 11880, Indian Navy's Kalvari class commenced her sea trials on 18 May 2023. The submarine was launched in 20 April 2022 from the Kanhoji Angre Wet Basin of Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL). Vaghsheer is scheduled for delivery to the Indian Navy in early 2024 after completion of these trial. MDL has 'Delivered' three submarines of the Project-75 in 24 months and the commencement of sea trials of the sixth submarine is a significant milestone. The submarine will now undergo intense trials of all its systems at sea, these include propulsion systems, weapons and sensors.

Naval Group would like to thank the Indian and French authorities for the announcement regarding the extension of the Indo-French partnership and the objective to explore more ambitious projects to develop the Indian fleet and its performance. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) remains our natural partner. This decision is a testimony of the Indian Navy's trust in the industrial cooperation we have established, and reaffirms the success of the transfer of technology achieved under the P75 programme for six submarines, which were built entirely in India by MDL. The "Make in India" policy in the service of Indian sovereignty (AatmaNirbhar) has been at the heart of the P75 programme, as well as other activities developed by Naval Group and its Indian industrial partners to provide the Indian Navy with the most modern naval defence technologies", stated Naval Group officials.

"We welcome the declarations made during the Indian Prime Minister's historic participation to the French National Day, to continue and further strengthen our 15 year submarine building cooperation, which is a major element of the Indo-French strategic partnership developed over the past decades. Naval Group and its partners will be fully mobilised to meet the expectations of Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited and the Indian industry to fulfil the needs of the Indian Navy", stated Pierre Eric Pommellet, CEO of Naval Group. 🇫🇷

