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## Defence Sector Updates

### Policy & Market Updates

#### POLICY

##### **Defence Ministry Chalks Out Guidelines for Selection of Shipyards for Warship, Submarine Building Projects**

Indian Defense News · 21 Mar 2019

The ministry of defence has cleared fresh policy guidelines for selection of shipyards for major warship and submarine building projects of the Indian Navy and Coast Guard. [Read More](#)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### **India, US Inch Closer Towards New Pact to Deepen Defence Industry Cooperation**

Indian Defense News · 24 Mar 2019

The US has submitted a draft ISA to the defence ministry and is waiting for India to respond. The two sides announced their readiness to start negotiations on an Industrial Security Annex (ISA) to shore up defence cooperation during the inaugural 2+2 dialogue last September. [Read More](#)

##### **Defence Acquisition Council Clears Procurement Plan of Over Rs 2,000 Crore**

The Economic Times · 21 Mar 2019

The Defence Acquisition Council chaired by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has cleared capital procurements worth over Rs 2,000 crore, including 'multi-mode' hand grenades and modernisation of naval aircraft yards at India's western seaboard. [Read More](#)

#### PROJECT UPDATES

##### **India to Launch an Electronic Intelligence Satellite on April 1**

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India on April 1 will launch an electronic intelligence satellite Emisat for the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) along with 28 third party satellites and also demonstrate its new technologies like three different orbits with a new variant of PSLV rocket. [Read More](#)

##### **HAL RUAV:- India's First Unmanned Rotary-Wing Aerial Vehicle**

Indian Defece Update · 23 Mar 2019

Indian aerospace and defence company Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) unveiled a full-scale prototype of a locally designed rotary-wing unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) at the Aero India 2019

defence exhibition being held in Bangalore on 20-24 February. [Read More](#)

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## **Dassault, Boeing and Saab — the Front-Runners for IAF's 114 Fighter Jet Contract**

The Print · 23 Mar 2019

France's Dassault Aviation, American firm Boeing and Swedish Saab are the front-runners for the Indian Air Force's multi-billion dollar contract for 114 fighter jets. However, the Russians are still in contention with two aircraft, as is US manufacturer Lockheed Martin. [Read More](#)

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## **L&T Hits Brahmos Transport-Storage Launch Canisters Stride**

Indian Defense News · 22 Mar 2019

L&T Defence, a trusted industry partners of BrahMos Aerospace Pvt. Ltd. has delivered the 100th set of BRAHMOS Transport-Storage Launch Canister (TLC) to BAPL from its recently augmented manufacturing facility at Ranoli, Vadodara in Gujarat. [Read More](#)

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## **Tata Power SED Bags Rs 1,200 Crore Contract from Defence Ministry**

The Economic Times · 22 Mar 2019

Tata Power Strategic Engineering Division (SED) has bagged a Rs 1,200 crore contract from the defence ministry for supply of ship-borne 3D Air Surveillance Radars. [Read More](#)

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## **BEL Receives First Green Channel Certificate**

Defence Aviation Post · 20 Mar 2019

Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) has received the first Green Channel Status certificate from Directorate General Quality Assurance (DGQA) for supply of Spares for a particular Radar being manufactured by Military Radar Strategic Business Unit (SBU) of BEL's Bangalore Complex. [Read More](#)

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## **Ordnance Factory Trichy to Produce Remote Control Gun System for Indian Navy**

Indian Defense News · 20 Mar 2019

Ordnance Factory Tiruchirapalli (OFT) will produce SRCG (Stabilised Remote Control Gun System). The SRCG which will be equipped with advanced features such as remote operation and accurate firing system which will be utilised by the armed forces as a weapon station mounted over the vessels of Indian Navy. [Read More](#)

## **Global Updates**

### **MBDA to Develop The Next Generation of The MICA Air-To-Air Missile for Dassault Rafale**

Indian Defence Research Wing · 24 Mar 2019

The MBDA MICA (Missile d'interception, de combat et d'autodéfense / Interception, combat and self-defense missile) is a multi-target, all weather, fire-and-forget, short- and medium-range missile system. It is intended for use both from air platforms as individual missiles, as well as by ground units and navy ships, which can be equipped with the rapid fire MICA Vertical Launch System. It is fitted with a thrust vector control (TVC) system. [Read More](#)

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### **U.S. Army Awards Northrop Grumman with \$982 Million for Support Cyber Electromagnetic Activities**

Defence-Blog · 23 Mar 2019

U.S. weapons maker Northrop Grumman Corp reported that U.S. Army has selected it as one of multiple companies competing for task orders issued under R4, an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract with a ceiling of \$982 million. [Read More](#)

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## **Kazakhstan Orders Additional C295 Transport Aircraft**

Defence-Blog · 22 Mar 2019

The European aerospace giant Airbus has announced that Kazakhstan ordered additional C295 transport aircraft. Through this new agreement, which includes training, spares and ground support equipment, the overall C295 fleet operating in Kazakhstan will increase to nine aircraft. [Read More](#)

## **BAE Systems Awarded \$41,8 Million for USS Anchorage Modernization and Repair**

Defence-Blog · 22 Mar 2019

San Diego-based BAE Systems San Diego Ship Repair company is awarded a \$41,8 million contract for the execution of San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock ship USS Anchorage (LPD 23), according to the U.S. Department of Defense. [Read More](#)

## **Airbus Confirms H145M Bid in Australia**

Air & Cosmos International · 21 Mar 2019

Airbus confirms that it has responded to the Commonwealth of Australia's request for information for a 4t class, rapidly deployable, multi-role helicopter for Australian Special Forces. The H145M is the military version of the H145 multi-purpose twin. It is based on a commercial off-the-shelf platform with military-specific modifications, Mathewson underlines. [Read More](#)

## **US Army Selects Northrop Grumman for \$982 Million R4 Contract**

Army Technology · 21 Mar 2019

Northrop Grumman has been selected by the US Army to compete for individual task orders under the \$982 million R4 contract. The company will support the army's efforts to procure a full-spectrum of cyber electromagnetic activities (CEMA) through the contract. [Read More](#)

## **Boeing Gets US Navy Contract to Deliver 78 Block III Super Hornets**

Naval-Technology · 21 Mar 2019

Boeing has received a contract modification worth \$4bn from the US Navy to manufacture and deliver 78 F/A-18 Block III Super Hornets. The modification converts a previously awarded advanced acquisition contract to a fixed-price-incentive-firm-target multi-year contract, according to the US Department of Defense. [Read More](#)

## **Lockheed Martin Awarded \$264 Million for Korea's F-35 Lightning II Program**

Defence-Blog · 20 Mar 2019

Pentagon's No.1 weapons supplier Lockheed Martin Corp was awarded a \$45.5 million contract modification for support South Korea's F-35 Lightning II program, according to a statement put out by U.S. Department of Defense. [Read More](#)

## **BAE Systems Begins Missile Integration on UK F-35B Fighter Jets**

Naval-Technology · 20 Mar 2019

BAE Systems has announced that it has begun work on the integration of next-generation weapons onto the UK F-35B fighter jets. The company has started integration of MBDA's Meteor beyond visual range air-to-air missile and the Selective Precision Effects At Range (SPEAR) surface attack missile onto the aircraft under a contract with Lockheed Martin, which is the prime contractor on the F-35 programme. [Read More](#)

## **Taiwan Officially Confirm Request to Buy New F-16 Fighter Jets**

Defence-Blog · 20 Mar 2019

Taiwan president Tsai Ing-wen has confirmed that the Ministry of National Defense of the Republic of China has requested to buy advanced F-16V fighter aircraft from the United States. [Read More](#)

## **U.S. Navy Taps BAE Systems for Thousands of Advanced Precision Kill Weapon Systems**

Defence-Blog · 20 Mar 2019

Aerospace giant BAE Systems has reported that the U.S. Navy orders thousands of Advanced precision kill weapon system (APKWS) precision guidance kits. The combat-proven Advanced Precision Kill

Weapon System (APKWS®) kits transform standard 2.75" (70mm) Hydra rockets into guided munitions that provide warfighters with a precision strike capability with limited collateral damage. [Read More](#)

## **Boeing to Integrate Nuclear-Tipped Cruise Missile on B-52**

Flight Global · 19 Mar 2019

The US Air Force (USAF) has awarded Boeing Defense Space & Security a \$250 million contract to integrate the nuclear-tipped Long Range Stand-Off Cruise Missile (LRSO) on the B-52H bomber. [Read More](#)

## **Lockheed Martin Awards Atomic Clocks Contract for GPS III F Satellites**

Naval-Technology · 18 Mar 2019

Lockheed Martin has awarded a contract to Frequency Electronics (FEI) to qualify atomic clocks for potential use on the US Air Force's (USAF) next-generation GPS III F satellites. The \$5.9 million contract was awarded by Lockheed Martin Space as a risk reduction effort for the GPS III F satellite programme. [Read More](#)

## Technology Updates

### **Saab, Boeing Promotes its New Long-Range Precision Weapon System**

Defence-Blog · 23 Mar 2019

The Saab and Boeing team have commenced a renewed push to sell its new long-range precision weapon system, called the Ground-Launched Small Diameter Bomb (GLSDB). According to a news release put out by Saab on 22 March, the defense team has together developed the Ground-Launched Small Diameter Bomb (GLSDB) – the rocket artillery munition designed to meet the evolving needs of the armed forces. [Read More](#)

### **BAE Systems Wins DARPA Contract for Air Mission Planning Software**

Naval-Technology · 22 Mar 2019

BAE Systems has secured a contract from the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to continue the development of autonomy software to improve air mission planning for the military. The company developed software known as the Distributed, Interactive, Command-and-Control Tool (DIRECT) to improve air battlespace awareness. [Read More](#)

### **Bell, Rolls-Royce Sign Agreement to Research Engine Designs for V-280 and V-247 Platforms**

Defence-Blog · 22 Mar 2019

British engine maker Rolls-Royce and Bell Helicopter, part of American conglomerate Textron, sign teaming agreement to research engine designs to improve safety, performance and affordability for future aircraft. [Read More](#)

### **Next-Gen Desi Anti-Radiation Missile Set for Trials With Passive Seeker**

Indian Defense News · 21 Mar 2019

India's maiden attempt to develop a New Generation Anti-Radiation Missile (NGARM) has finally picked up momentum. Scientists with the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) are warming up to undertake the pending trials of this state-of-the-art missile without further delay. [Read More](#)

### **US Navy's Raytheon-Built EASR Radar to Begin Live Testing in Virginia**

Naval-Technology · 21 Mar 2019

The US Navy's next-generation radar for aircraft carriers and amphibious warfare ships, Enterprise Air Surveillance Radar (EASR), is set to commence live testing at Wallops Island Test Facility in Virginia. [Read More](#)

## **Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers**

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