

## Stakeholder Consultations & Industry Interactions

- Lt Gen Subrata Saha, PVSM, UYSM, YSM, VSM\*\* (Retd) Director General, SIDM interacted with industry representatives on 15 March 2018 on opportunities that the Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor would offer.
- DG, SIDM addressed an industry gathering organised by Tamil Nadu Defence Production Quad in Trichy on 16 March 2018. Smt Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri also addressed the representatives and touched upon the importance of MSMEs in Defence Industrial Corridors. DG, SIDM handed over the 'Compilation of Research Projects by Academic Institutes for Defence' to Hon'ble Raksha Mantri at the event.

SIDM online resource [www.sidm.in](http://www.sidm.in) was formally launched by Mr Rajib Kumar Sen, JS, Economic Adviser, Ministry of Defence.

- SIDM & CII jointly organised a 'Stakeholder Consultation on Opportunities for Industry in Defence' in Bengaluru 04 April 2018. Mr Darpan Jain, IAS, Commissioner for Industrial Development & Director, Industries & Commerce, Government of Karnataka interacted with industry representatives and urged SIDM to setup operations in Karnataka.
- As part of series on industry interactions, SIDM & CII jointly organised a session on 'Opportunities in Defence for Indian Industry' in Pune on 05 April 2018. Baba N Kalyani, President, SIDM said that India would not only be the largest producer of defence equipment but will also produce at half the price. DG, SIDM briefed the representatives about SIDM's role in catalysing the Indian industry.
- SIDM organised an industry interaction to discuss the Draft Defence Production Policy 2018 and seek comments and inputs from the Industry. A presentation highlighting key aspects on the draft policy was made to the members of the industry by SIDM. SIDM compiled recommendations of the industry and shared them with Ministry of Defence for including into Draft Defence Production Policy 2018.

## International Delegation

DG, SIDM along with Indian industry delegation and officials of Ministry of Defence, Government of India visited Moscow on 20 March 2018. The purpose of the visit was to finalize MoUs that would be signed at India Russia Military Industrial Conference at Defence Expo and also discuss Indian industry participation at the ARMY 2018 event to be held in Moscow in August 2018. **[Click here for more](#)**

DG, SIDM & H.E. Pankaj Saran, Ambassador of India to Russian federation addressed industry representatives from 19 holding companies at Indian Embassy in Moscow.

During his visit, DG SIDM briefly met Mr Oleg Ryazantsev, Deputy Minister for Industry & Trade, Russian Federation and discussed collaborations between Indian & Russian defence manufacturers.

### **Events Addressed by Director General, SIDM**

- DG, SIDM was invited to 'Annual Meeting of The Trilateral Commission' on 23 March 2018 in Singapore. The Trilateral Commission is a non-governmental, policy-oriented forum that brings together leaders in their individual capacity from the worlds of business, government, academia, press and media, as well as civil society. [Click here for more](#)
- Lt Gen Subrata Saha, PVSM, UYSM, YSM, VSM\*\* (Retd), DG, SIDM addressed the Global Industry Association Summit during a session on 'Agents of change in practice: Perspectives from Industry Associations' on 26 March 2018 in New Delhi.
- DG SIDM and Baba Kalyani, President, SIDM addressed the CII AGM 2018 in a special session with Smt Nirmala Sitharaman, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri on 09 April 2018. SIDM felicitated Hon'ble RM, India's first full time lady Defence Minister with Yashaswini trophy during the session.

### **SIDM @ Defence Expo 2018**

In sync with Defence Expo 2018's theme 'India-The Emerging Defence Manufacturing Hub', The Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) jointly with Ministry of Defence, Government of India is organising a series of events during the Defence Expo 2018 in Chennai. [Click here for more](#)

### **Upcoming Events**

With the introduction of revised 'Make II' procedure with industry friendly features, 24 projects have been identified by Indian Navy and preliminary details have been hosted on 'Make in India' website.

SIDM in association with Indian Navy is organising a 'Industry Interaction On 'Make' Project: Indian Navy on 26 April 2018 in New Delhi. The one day interaction is to focus on face to face discussions between industry representatives and Project Officers of various Make projects.

### **Membership Update**

As on 15 April 2018, SIDM membership has crossed 150