

DELIVERY OF FIRST INDIGENOUS DIVING SUPPORT VESSEL - 'NISTAR'

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'*Nistar*', the first **indigenously** designed and constructed Diving Support Vessel, was delivered by Hindustan Shipyard Limited to the Indian Navy on **08 Jul 2025 at Visakhapatnam**.

The warship has been designed and built as per classification rules of the Indian Register of Shipping (IRS). The ship is highly specialised and can undertake **Deep Sea Diving and Rescue Operations** – a capability with select Navies across the globe.

The ship's name, '*Nistar*', originates from Sanskrit and means liberation, rescue or salvation. The ship, measuring **118 m** with a tonnage of nearly **10,000 tons**, is installed with state-of-the-art Diving Equipment and has the capability to undertake **Deep Sea Saturation Diving up to 300 m depth**. The ship also has a Side Diving Stage for undertaking **Diving Operations up to 75 m depth**.

The ship will also serve as the '*Mother Ship*' for the **Deep Submergence Rescue Vessel (DSRV)**, to rescue and evacuate personnel, in case of an emergency in a submarine underwater. The ship is equipped with a combination of Remotely Operated Vehicles to undertake **Diver Monitoring and Salvage Operations up to a depth of 1000 m**.

The delivery of *Nistar*, with nearly **75% indigenous content**, is yet another milestone in the Indian Navy's quest for indigenous construction and is in line with the GoI's vision of *Aatmanirbhar Bharat* and the **Make in India** campaign.





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