

Growing public-private synergy is driving India's indigenous warship construction: Secretary (DP)

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"Growing synergy between the public and private sector is driving India's indigenous warship construction," said Secretary (Defence Production) Shri Sanjeev Kumar as he endorsed Quality Assurance-led reforms, specifically the Green Channel certification and increased digitalisation as vital catalysts for empowering MSMEs and ensuring faster delivery of defence assets. He was virtually addressing the South Zone Quality Assurance Industry Conclave 2025 organised by the Directorate of Quality Assurance (Warship Projects), Department of Defence Production in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu on December 10, 2025.



"To realise the goal of Viksit Bharat by 2047, we must leverage technology to streamline processes," Shri Kumar said, emphasising that reducing friction in the supply chain is essential for operational readiness.

Speaking on the occasion, Joint Secretary (Land Systems), Department of Defence Production Dr Garima Bhagat called for a paradigm shift in the industry's approach to quality. Underscoring a move from inspection to prevention, Dr Bhagat urged industry partners to adopt strong public-private partnerships where quality is built into the manufacturing process rather than tested for at the end.

Key Highlights of the Conclave include:

- **Strategic Dialogue:** A platform for strengthening cooperation between the Indian Navy and industry partners regarding component quality.

- **Tech Integration:** Discussions on adopting advanced technologies to ensure combat readiness.
- **Vision Alignment:** Reaffirmation of Quality as the anchor of self-reliance, supporting the path toward a developed India by 2047.



The conclave served as a high-level strategic forum to align the Southern India defence industrial base with the nation's vision of 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Maritime Vision 2047'. It brought together key government officials and approximately 80 industry representatives from the major industrial hubs of Coimbatore, Chennai, and Bengaluru. The event focused on fostering a robust ecosystem for indigenous warship construction through advanced Quality Assurance (QA) frameworks.

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