



## Press Release

### **BEML Ltd and MDL Forge Strategic Partnership to Drive Innovation in Marine Applications**

**New Delhi | November 26, 2024** : BEML Ltd and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) have entered into a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to jointly advance research and development in cutting-edge technologies for marine applications. The signing ceremony was held at BEML's Delhi office, attended by the CMD of BEML, the Director (Shipbuilding) of MDL, and senior officials from both organizations.

MDL is the only shipyard in India having a proven track record of building Frigates, Destroyers and submarines. MDL has been involved in indigenization of its platform and is actively pursuing for partners to achieve its goal of platforms fully made in India.

BEML Ltd has established robust research capabilities across diverse domains, including platform designs for heavy defence utility vehicles, missile systems, metro and rail components, mining equipment, and modernization of defence systems. With a vision to expand its expertise into the marine sector, BEML aims to leverage this partnership with MDL to develop cutting-edge solutions for futuristic marine applications.

This collaboration emphasizes BEML's commitment to strengthening its research capabilities and driving innovation in the defence and maritime domain. By combining its proven engineering expertise with MDL's deep knowledge of shipbuilding, the partnership seeks to capitalize on emerging opportunities in the marine sector and contribute to India's vision of "Aatmanirbhar Bharat" and technological self-reliance in critical defence technologies.

Welcoming the partnership, **Shri Shantanu Roy, CMD of BEML Ltd**, stated, "We are delighted to join hands with MDL to advance the nation's maritime sector through enhanced research and the development of indigenous technologies. This collaboration underscores our commitment to reducing dependency on imports for the defence forces while strengthening our manufacturing capabilities and contributing to India's self-reliance in the defence and maritime domain."

**Shri Sanjeev Singhal, CMD (MDL)** stated that “The MoU between MDL and BEML is an important step in the right direction. This collaboration is a testament to the shared vision of both organization to drive innovation and technological advancement in Marine applications. This partnership is not just a milestone but a small yet decisive move towards the realization of self-reliance in Defence production under the “Aatmanirbhar Bharat” initiative. I am confident that this partnership shall pave the way for meaningful indigenization in the Defence sector and reinforce our commitment to the nation’s security and progress.

Through this MoU, BEML will bring its extensive expertise to the table by providing technical guidance for the design and manufacturing of strategic equipment specifically suited for marine applications. The company will also focus on developing and optimizing production processes to cater to the specialized demands of the maritime industry.

MDL, in collaboration with BEML, will spearhead its indigenization initiatives, drawing upon BEML's proven capabilities in localizing production for defence, rail, and mining equipment. This partnership is a significant step toward bolstering self-reliance in critical marine technologies and reducing reliance on imports.

To support this collaboration, MDL will make dedicated facilities available to BEML's research team, facilitating the development, testing, and validation of innovative technologies and systems. Together, the two organizations aim to drive innovation and deliver cutting-edge solutions, aligning with India's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India) and strengthening the nation’s maritime capabilities.

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**About BEML** – BEML Limited, which is a leading multi-technology ‘Schedule A’ company under the Ministry of Defence, plays a pivotal role in serving India’s core sectors like Defence, Rail, Power, Mining and Construction by offering world class products. BEML operates in three verticals viz. Defence & Aerospace, Mining & Construction and Rail & Metro and has state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities located at Bangalore, Kolar Gold Fields (KGF), Mysore, Palakkad, with having very strong R&D infrastructure and nationwide network of sales and services. BEML Limited, a committed player in the field of manufacturing earthmoving, transportation, and construction equipment, celebrates a rich legacy spanning six decades of relentless pursuit of excellence and innovation.

**About MDL** : Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL), often referred to as the “Shipbuilders to the Nation” is a schedule ‘A’ Navratna PSU and a premier shipyard in India. It operates under the Ministry of Defence/Department of Defence Production and specializes in the construction of Wardships and Submarines for the Indian Navy, Ships for Coast Guard as well as other Maritime platforms for commercial purposes. MDL was founded in 1774 and is one of India’s oldest Shipyards. MDL’s continuous advancements and focus on Indigenization align with India’s Aatmanirbhar Bharat (Self-reliant India) initiative, making it a cornerstone of the Nation’s Naval Defence capabilities.

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