

LCU L-56 Commissioned into Indian Navy

Indian Navy has recently commissioned the ship LCU L-56, which is the 100th warship built by the Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE).

- LCU 56 is an amphibious ship with its primary role being transportation and deployment of main battle tanks, armoured vehicles, troops and equipment from ship to shore.
- It is the sixth of eight indigenously built Landing Craft Utility (LCU) MK IV class ships.
- The LCU Mk-IV Class of ships are **fitted with close to 90%** <u>indigenous content</u>, in line with the Government of India's 'Make in India' initiative towards achieving self-reliance and indigenisation.
- The induction of LCU 56 will add to maritime and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) capability of <u>Andaman Nicobar Command</u>.
- The ship will be deployed for multi-role activities such as beaching operations, search and rescue missions, disaster relief operations, coastal patrol, and surveillance operations along the Andaman and Nicobar Group of Islands.

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