

## Indian Navy Advances Atma Nirbhar Bharat with ASW SWC Project

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Recently, the Indian Navy's shipbuilding program achieved a significant milestone with the launch of 'Agray' and 'Akshay', the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> ships of the 08 x <u>ASW (Anti-Submarine Warfare) Shallow Water Craft (SWC)</u> Project.

- These ships are being built by M/S Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) in Kolkata for the Indian Navy.
- These ships signify a transition from the aging Abhay Class Corvettes to the more advanced Arnala Class, designed for anti-submarine and mine laying operations in coastal waters.
- The project reflects India's commitment to bolstering indigenous defense manufacturing, with over 80% of the content sourced domestically.
- Notably, in the past year, <u>3 indigenous warships/submarines</u> have been delivered, with a total of 9 warships launched, underlining the nation's determination to strengthen its maritime capabilities through self-sufficiency.



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