

China's Third Aircraft Carrier Completes Maiden Sea Trials

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China's third aircraft carrier, Fujian has successfully completed its eight-day maiden sea trials.

- Fujian is an 80,000-tonne supercarrier with electromagnetic catapults for launching aircraft.
 - Trials focused on propulsion, electrical systems, and other equipment, achieving expected results.
- China is the **second country after the US** to field a supercarrier with this technology.
- China's first aircraft carrier <u>Liaoning</u> was commissioned in **2012** and the **second** carrier **Shadong** was launched in **2017**.
- China announced that it is building its fourth aircraft carrier, likely a nuclear-powered supercarrier.
- Indian Navy's carriers:
 - The Indian Navy operates two aircraft carriers namely the <u>INS Vikramaditya</u>, a refurbished Russian carrier commissioned in 2013, and the <u>INS Vikrant</u>, an indigenously designed and built carrier commissioned in September 2022.

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