



## INS Nirdeshak

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The [Indian Navy](#) has commissioned INS Nirdeshak, a state-of-the-art survey vessel, at Visakhapatnam Naval Dockyard.

- **About:** INS Nirdeshak, the second ship of the **Survey Vessels (Large) (SVL) Project**, has been commissioned to enhance [hydrographic surveys](#), navigation, and maritime safety using advanced systems like Multi-Beam Echo Sounders, and Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUVs).
  - The SVL Project aims to modernize the Indian Navy's hydrographic survey fleet by replacing the aging Sandhayak class ships. The project comprises four ships; **they are [Sandhayak](#), [Nirdeshak](#), [Ikshak](#), and [Sanshodhak](#).**
- **Indigenous Manufacturing:** Built with over **80% indigenous content**, the project supports the government's [Make in India](#) and [Atma Nirbhar Bharat](#) initiatives.
- **Maritime Diplomacy and Security:** The ship will act as a **credible tool for maritime diplomacy**, assisting friendly nations in oceanic surveys, which supports India's [SAGAR \(Security and Growth for All in the Region\)](#) initiative.
  - It enhances India's leadership in the [Indian Ocean Region](#) by improving maritime security.

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