

Brahmos Missile

Why in News?

The manufacturing of **BrahMos missiles** will begin in **Lucknow** in May-June 2025, marking a significant advancement for **the <u>Indian defense sector</u>**.

Key Points

- About the Manufacturing:
 - According to the Defense Minister **Brahmos missiles along with defense** equipment will be manufactured in Lucknow.
 - A railway track will also be built to transport the missile to the manufacturing unit
 In this project, Russian scientists will also work with India
 - It is a part of the Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor.
 - The defence manufacturing centres are being established through the Defence Corridor in two states of India, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu .



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- <u>The BrahMos missile</u>, which has a range of 290 km, is an **Indo-Russian joint venture** and is the **world's fastest cruise missile** with a top speed of Mach 2.8 (about three times the speed of sound).
 - BrahMos is named after the Brahmaputra (India) and Moskva (Russia) rivers.
- It is a two-stage missile (solid propellant engine in the first stage and liquid ramjet in the second stage).
- It is a multiplatform missile i.e. it can be launched from land, air and sea and is a multicapability missile with high accuracy which operates both during day and night irrespective of weather conditions.
- It operates on the "fire and forgets" principle i.e. it does not require guidance after launch.
- Vietnam, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia are among other potential customers for the BrahMos missile.

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