

MDL Signs MoU as Anchor Shipyard for Greenfield Shipbuilding Industrial Cluster at Dighi

MoU signed in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shri Devendra Fadnavis

Mumbai, 15 September 2026: Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Shipbuilding & Heavy Industries Park Maharashtra Limited (NSHIPML) to participate as the Anchor Shipyard in the proposed Greenfield Shipbuilding Industrial Cluster at Dighi, Raigad, Maharashtra. The MoU was signed in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis.

The MoU was signed on behalf of MDL by Capt. Jagmohan, Chairman & Managing Director, and on behalf of NSHIPML by Shri Pradeep P., Managing Director.

NSHIPML is the Special Purpose Vehicle jointly constituted by the Maharashtra Maritime Board and Mumbai Port Authority for development of the greenfield shipbuilding cluster in Maharashtra. The initiative is being taken forward under the Government of India's framework for greenfield shipbuilding cluster development and supports the objectives of Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047.

Under the MoU, MDL has envisaged shipbuilding capacity of at least 1.2 million Gross Tonnage (GT) per annum, with a proposed investment of approximately Rs. 15,000 crore. The proposed facility is intended to support the construction of large commercial vessels and strengthen India's overall maritime industrial capacity.

Speaking on the occasion, Capt. Jagmohan, Chairman & Managing Director, MDL, said:

"This MoU marks an important step in MDL's expansion from its established strengths in warship and submarine construction towards large-scale commercial shipbuilding. We are grateful to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Cabinet Minister for Fisheries and Ports Development Shri Nitish Rane and the Government of Maharashtra for their support for this important initiative. MDL will bring to the Dighi project its experience in complex ship construction, engineering, project management and development of a strong domestic vendor ecosystem. We look forward to working with all stakeholders to create a modern and globally competitive shipbuilding facility."

The Dighi development is expected to create modern shipbuilding infrastructure together with an associated industrial and supply-chain ecosystem. It will contribute to the national objectives of increasing indigenous shipbuilding capacity, attracting technology and investment, generating skilled employment and improving India's competitiveness in the global maritime sector.

The MoU provides the framework for the strategic partnership between the parties and will remain valid for five years from its effective date or until it is superseded by a comprehensive Concession Agreement, including the Lease Agreement, whichever is earlier.

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