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Message

India's economy and industry offers entrepreneurs across the world, a huge potential for trade and business including those related to the defence of the country. With a coastline of over 7500 kms stretching over 11 maritime states and island territories, India is a basket of opportunities for enterprises including those related to defence.

The Government of India has embarked on a number of initiatives like opening up of various sectors for the private sector and permitting 100% FDI under the automatic route, allowing offsets, quick approval for defence projects and procurements etc. The maritime industry is intertwined with the country's economic growth as well as maritime security.

Ministry of Defence and Department of Defence Production continue to support the growth of indigenisation and absorption of technology, which in turn creates demand for the maritime and logistics sectors.


I am very happy to note that industry professionals are organising this **2nd edition** of the International Conference cum Exhibition: **Maritime Nation India 2017** in Navi Mumbai on 14-16 September 2017. I am confident that this event will significantly contribute in projecting the opportunities of investment and collaboration among the defence related shipbuilding, ship-repair and ship-recycling ecosystem in India.

On behalf of my team at the Ministry, I wish the organisers of the event all the best and wish you have good conversations on rebuilding India as an even stronger Nation and contributing to the global peace and security.

I look forward to the gist of the deliberations post the event.

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