

# INS Sumedha

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**In news**– As part of the Indian Navy's Long Range Deployment in the South Eastern Indian Ocean, INS Sumedha has recently visited Port Tanjung Benoa, Bali.

## **About INS Sumedha-**

- INS Sumedha is **an indigenously built Naval Offshore Patrol Vessel** and is deployed for multiple roles independently and in support of fleet operations.
- It is **part of the Indian Navy's Eastern Fleet based at Visakhapatnam** and functions under the operational command of the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command.
- Sumedha is the third ship of the indigenous Naval Offshore Patrol Vessel (NOPV) Project to be inducted into the Indian Navy.
- The ship has been designed and built by Goa Shipyard Limited.
- **The primary role of the ship is to undertake EEZ surveillance, anti-piracy patrols,** fleet support operations, providing maritime security to offshore assets and carry out escort operations for high value assets.
- It is noteworthy that **INS Saryu, the sister ship commissioned earlier,** has successfully completed a long and arduous deployment in the Gulf of Aden, undertaking escort operations.
- **The ship's weapon and sensor outfit includes** a SRGM 76.2 mm gun, close in weapon systems, latest navigational and early warning radar, chaff launching for self protection and an integrated ESM system to undertake all assigned missions.
- She is also equipped with two rigid inflatable fast motor boats and is capable of carrying a helicopter

onboard.

- The **ship is propelled by two diesel engines which are the largest engines of their type to be inducted in the Indian Navy**, enabling the ship to achieve high speeds.
- The entire propulsion and power management of the ship is controlled electronically by means of a remote control system which also incorporates the '**Automatic Power Management System**'.
- The ship is equipped with a fully integrated LAN system onboard along with a CCTV management system ensuring optimal utilization of onboard equipment.