

# *Directorate of Dockyards*

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. Directorate of Dockyards (DODY) is the nodal Directorate at Integrated Headquarters of Ministry of Defence (Navy) for development of technical/ repair infrastructure at Naval Dockyards (Mumbai and Visakhapatnam), NSRYs (Kochi, Port Blair, and Karwar) and INS Eksila. It undertakes monitoring and coordination of projects under execution, associated budgeting, replacement/ induction of new equipment and their sanctions for Dockyards and NSRYs. The special repairs to marine assets are also under the ambit of DODY and so is the formulation of all policy aspects regarding modernisation/ augmentation of repair facilities.

2. The Directorate is headed by the Principal Director of Dockyards (PDODY) of the rank of Commodore. Organisationally he comes directly under Assistant Chief Of Material (Dockyards and Refits) (ACOM (D&R)). Some of the important functions carried out by PDODY are as follows: -

(a) Formulation of all policy aspects regarding modernisation/ augmentation of repair facilities and replacement of machinery and equipment pertaining to Naval Dockyards, NSRYs and INS Eksila through Director General Naval Projects (DGNP).

(b) Drawing up the three years Annual Technical Works Programme (ATWP) for modernisation and augmentation of repair facilities of Naval Dockyards, NSRYs and INS Eksila. Thereafter, obtain Approval in Principle (AIP) from MoD for works approved under this programme for that FY and subsequently, obtain necessary financial sanctions from CNS/ MoD for individual works which are beyond the powers of local Commander- In- Chiefs (C-in-C).

(c) Monitoring progress of sanctioned technical works, executed by DGNPs through Quarterly Progress Review Meetings (QPRM), Chaired by ACOM (D&R) and Working Group Meeting (WGM), chaired by Joint Secretary (Navy).

(d) Coordination of all works pertaining to capital dredging which forms part of the sanctioned naval projects at Mumbai and Visakhapatnam.

(e) Ensuring timely allotment of funds, monitoring expenditure and submitting the requisite budget returns for the following capital and revenue heads operated by DGNPs and Naval Dockyards respectively.

### **NAVAL SHIP REPAIR ORGANISATIONS**

3. The Naval Dockyards Mumbai and Visakhapatnam are the two premier Dock Yards of Indian Navy for undertaking repair and refit works of the Western and Eastern Fleet ships. Besides these Dockyards. The Naval Ship Repair Yards, Kochi, Port Blair and Karwar caters to the repair/ maintenance needs of the ships based in these naval bases.

(a) The Naval Dockyard Mumbai has a maritime heritage of over 250 years. The yard is spread over 200 acres of land in the heart of south Mumbai, has a workforce of over 10000 civilian personnel, in 101 technical repair work shops, to cater for the repair and refit work of the Naval ships based in Mumbai.

(b) The Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam was christened on 29 Mar 1972. The present day yard evolved from being a Boat Repair shop at HMIS Circars in 1940, and later as a Base Repair Organisation (BRO) in 1953. The yard is spread over 704 acres of land, with 28 jetties, 03 dry docks, slipway and 10 groups of technical repair workshops to cater for the ships and yard crafts based in Visakhapatnam. The yard is manned by 8000 civilian employees besides serving Naval officers and men.

(c) The Naval Ship Repair Yard, Kochi has the genesis from BRO established in pre-independence days for the support of Royal Navy ships. The yard has strength of 900 industrial personnel. The creation of infrastructure at Naval Ship Repair Yard, Port Blair commenced with formation of Base Maintenance Unit in 1972, upgraded to BRO in 1979, and further upgraded to Naval ship repair yard in 1993. The docking requirement of the ships based in Port Blair is met by the Floating Dry Dock maintained by the yard. The infrastructure at Naval Ship Repair Yard, Karwar is the early stage of creation.

### **AUGMENTATION OF SHIP REPAIR YARDS**

4. The technical repair infrastructure at Naval ship repair organisations, subsequent to its creation and up gradation are periodically augmented to keep pace with advancement of technology, new induction equipment, and increase in fleet strength. The Mumbai and Visakhapatnam Dockyards and INS Eksila are augmented through project organisations created specifically for this purpose namely DGNPs. The Naval Ship Repair Yards, Kochi, and Port Blair are augmented through MES organisations. Augmentation of NSRY, Karwar is yet to commence. The Annual Technical Works Programme (ATWP) is the tool used for modernisation and augmentation of repair facilities of Naval Dockyards, NSRYs and INS Eksila.

