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**BDL HANDS OVER 1<sup>ST</sup> RF SEEKER OF AKASH - NG MISSILE TO DRDO**  
- A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE ACHIEVED TOWARDS 'ATMANIRBHARTA' IN DEFENCE



Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL), handed over the first Radio Frequency (RF) Seeker of Akash - Next Generation Weapon System produced at its newly commissioned state-of-the-art Seeker Facility Centre (SFC) to Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO).

Seeker is a critical and technology intensive subsystem used in Surface-to-Air Missiles and Air-to-Air Missiles for target tracking in the terminal phase.

The RF Seeker has been designed by DRDO's Research Centre Imarat, and produced by BDL at its state-of-the-art Seeker Facility Centre set up at BDL, Kanchanbagh Unit.

In a special ceremony held at BDL's Kanchanbagh Unit today, **Commodore A Madhavarao (Retd.)**, Chairman and Managing Director, BDL handed over the 1<sup>st</sup> RF Seeker manufactured by BDL at this facility to **Dr Samir V Kamat**, Secretary, Department of Defence Research & Development and Chairman DRDO.

Speaking on the occasion, **Dr Samir V Kamat**, Secretary, Department of Defence R & D and Chairman DRDO stated that the establishment of Seeker Facility Center at BDL has enabled India achieve self-reliance in the field of RF seeker production and contribute greatly towards realizing the goal of "Atmanirbhar Bharat".

**Commodore A. Madhavarao (Retd)**, CMD, BDL expressed pride in the accomplishment stating that with the production of RF Seeker, BDL, now joins an elite group of companies worldwide having the complete capability for production of RF Seekers.

The ceremony was attended by several high ranking officials from DRDO and BDL including Shri U. Raja Babu, Distinguished Scientist & DG (MSS), Shri G A Srinivasa Murthy, Distinguished Scientist & Director DRDL, Shri Anindya Biswas, Outstanding Scientist & Director RCI, Shri B.V. Paparao, Distinguished Scientist & Director, ASL, Shri N Srinivasulu, Director (Finance) BDL, Dr. Vennam Upender, IPoS, Chief Vigilance Officer BDL, Commodore G R Pradhan (Retd.), Executive Director, BDL - Bhanur Unit,

Shri PV Raja Ram, Executive Director, BDL-Kanchanbagh Unit and Shri M Sreedhar Rao GM (NP, OP & UH-IBU), BDL.

This achievement marks a significant step forward in India's defence capabilities and reinforces the nation's commitment to become "Atmanirbhar" in crucial Defence Technologies.

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