

INS Kirpan

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About INS Kirpan:

- It is an **indigenously-built in-service** missile.
- It is a **Khukri class missile** corvette commissioned into the Navy on January 12, 1991.
- It has a displacement displacing capacity of close to 1,400 tonnes.
- It is capable of a speed of more than 25 knots.
- The Khukri class are **equipped with Diesel Engines** assembled in India.
- The ship is fitted with a medium-range gun, 30 mm close-range guns, chaff launchers, and surface-to-surface missiles.
- It performs a wide variety of roles, including **coastal and offshore patrol**, coastal security, surface warfare, anti-piracy, and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) operations.

Q1) What is a missile corvette?

A missile corvette which is also known as a missile patrol craft, is a small warship designed for coastal or littoral operations. It is typically equipped with anti-ship missiles, surface-to-air missiles, and other offensive and defensive

weapons systems.

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