

INS SUMEDHA

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About INS SUMEDHA:

- INS Sumedha is an indigenously built **Naval Offshore Patrol Vessel** 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**.
- It 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, provide maritime security to offshore assets and carry out escort operations for high-value assets.

Q1) What is an Exclusive Economic zone (EEZ)?

An exclusive economic zone (EEZ), as defined under the UNCLOS, is an area of the ocean extending up to 200 nautical miles (370 km) immediately offshore from a country's land coast in which that country retains exclusive rights to the exploration and exploitation of natural resources.

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