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In terms of Regulation 30 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, we are enclosing herewith a news item published in **The Economic Times, News** (English Edition) on 7th March, 2024 titled "**Cabinet Committee on Security clears 34 new Dhruv choppers for Indian Coast Guard, Army**" to be manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

2. This is for information and record, please.

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Cabinet Committee on Security clears 34 new Dhruv choppers for Indian Coast Guard, Army

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Synopsis

The government has approved the acquisition of 34 new Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) Dhruv choppers, manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). Nine choppers will be allocated to the Indian Coast Guard and 25 to the Indian Army, enhancing domestic defense capabilities and replacing older aircraft. The decision also includes upgrading BMP infantry combat vehicles for the Indian Army, highlighting the government's commitment to indigenous defense production.



34 Made-in-India Dhruv choppers to boost Indian Army, Indian Coast Guard The Indian government has approved a proposal for 34 new <u>Advanced Light</u> <u>Helicopter</u> (ALH) <u>Dhruv choppers</u>, marking a significant move towards indigenization in defense manufacturing. <u>Hindustan Aeronautics Limited</u> (HAL) will manufacture these helicopters, with nine slated for the <u>Indian Coast Guard</u> and 25 for the Indian <u>Army</u>.

The decision underscores a commitment to bolstering domestic defense capabilities and replacing older choppers. The ALH Dhruv is a versatile helicopter known for its performance in high-altitude regions like the Siachen glacier and Ladakh. However, concerns persist regarding its mechanical reliability.

In a related development, the government has also sanctioned a project to upgrade BMP infantry combat vehicles for the Indian Army's mechanized infantry directorate. These projects are expected to be valued at over Rs 8,000 crore, further emphasizing the government's focus on indigenous defense production.

The Advanced Light Helicopter (Dhruv) is a multi-role, new-generation helicopter in the 5.5-ton weight class, indigenously designed and developed by HAL. The Dhruv Advanced Light Helicopter is a workhorse for the Indian Armed Forces. In use with the Army, it flies to extremely high altitudes to serve soldiers in the Siachen glacier and in Ladakh. In recent times, there have been concerns about mechanical defects and reliability in the forces.

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