

PRESS RELEASE

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Launching of construction for Indonesia's first Scorpène submarine

On 7th August 2026, the steel-cutting ceremony of Indonesia's first Scorpène submarine took place at PT PAL shipyard in Surabaya, marking the start of the construction phase of the Scorpène for the Republic of Indonesia (SRI) programme.

The effective launching of the construction phase marks a major milestone in the Scorpène for the Republic of Indonesia (SRI) programme. Two Scorpène submarines are built in Indonesia, by PT PAL, through a comprehensive transfer of capacity from Naval Group.

This achievement follows the successful cooperation between Naval Group and PT PAL with the prerequisite training sessions in Cherbourg and certification phases.

The Naval Group-PT PAL consortium combines the complementary expertise and responsibilities of each partner to ensure optimal collaboration. PT PAL is responsible for hull construction, equipment integration, testing, final assembly and delivery of the submarines to the Indonesian Navy. Naval Group provides the submarine design, engineering support, industrial capability transfer and continuous technical support thanks to a dedicated team of experts permanently based in Surabaya.

The SRI programme is designed to strengthen Indonesia's sovereignty at sea and naval defence industrial autonomy. Thanks to the transfer of capacity, the management, operation, and maintenance of the future submarine fleet are fully conducted in Indonesia, by Indonesian industry and for Indonesia, contributing to the consolidation of the national defence industrial base and supporting the creation of thousands of highly skilled, long-term jobs.

For PT PAL Indonesia, the commencement of construction represents more than the beginning of a shipbuilding project. It marks the transformation of Indonesia's submarine industrial capability into an operational reality, reinforcing PT PAL's commitment to becoming a world-class naval shipbuilder capable of delivering advanced defence platforms while supporting national strategic autonomy.

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About PT PAL

Indonesia's national leading maritime manufacturing company and a strategic pillar of shipbuilding industry. The company possesses end-to-end capabilities spanning the design, construction, maintenance, repair, and modernization of maritime assets.

Its core expertise encompasses the design and construction of naval vessels, commercial ships, and general engineering solutions. Complementing these capabilities, PT PAL Indonesia delivers comprehensive maintenance, repair, overhaul (MRO), and lifecycle support services for naval ships, submarines, commercial vessels, as well as energy and electrification infrastructure.

Driven by a commitment to innovation, quality, and technological advancement, PT PAL Indonesia continues to strengthen maritime industrial sovereignty while serving as a trusted partner in delivering integrated maritime and engineering solutions for both domestic and international markets.

About Naval Group

As an international naval defence player, Naval Group is a partner for countries seeking to maintain control of their maritime sovereignty. Naval Group develops innovative solutions to meet its customers' requirements. The group is present throughout the entire life cycle of vessels. It designs, produces, equips, integrates, supports and upgrades submarines and surface ships, as well as their systems and equipment, right up to the final phases of deconstruction and dismantling. Naval Group's unique know-how in autonomous systems, underwater weapons and drones place it in pole position to become European leader in the sector. As a high-tech company, it draws on its outstanding expertise, unique design and production resources and ability to establish strategic partnerships, in particular within the framework of transfers of technology. It also provides shipyard and naval base services.

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