Boeing F/A-18 Super Hornet Successfully Completes Operational Demonstrations in India

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- F/A-18 Demonstrates Carrier Compatibility to Indian Navy requirements

GOA, India, July 20, 2022 — Boeing's [NYSE: BA] F/A-18 Super Hornet successfully completed operational demonstration tests at Indian Naval Station Hansa in Goa, India, reinforcing the Super Hornet's ability to effectively and safety operate off Indian Navy carriers.

Two U.S. Navy F/A-18E Super Hornets completed multiple ski-jumps, roll-in and fly-in arrestments, as well as performance flights, in a variety of weights in the air-to-air, air-to-ground, and air-to-surface configurations, meeting the Indian Navy test requirements.

"The Boeing team was privileged to showcase the F/A-18 Super Hornet's compatibility with Indian carriers in Goa," said Alain Garcia, vice president, India business development for Boeing Defense, Space & Security and Boeing Global Services. "As the most advanced frontline multi-role naval fighter, the F/A-18 Super Hornet is one of the world's most proven and affordable multi-role fighters and continues to evolve with the development of the next-generation Block III capability which will be game-changing for India."

"With the Super Hornet Block III, the Indian Navy would not only get the most advanced platform but would also benefit from tactics, upgrades and knowledge related to the naval aviation ecosystem that the U.S. Navy offers," he added.

The tests followed eight ski-jumps in various weights and configurations during previous tests held at Naval Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River in Maryland in late 2020 that demonstrated the Super Hornet's ability to operate from a short takeoff but arrested recovery (STOBAR) aircraft carrier.

Read more about how the F/A-18 Block III Super Hornet is a game changer for Indian Navyhere.

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