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PAKISTAN NAVY INDUCTS 2ND 054 A/P MULTI ROLE FRIGATE PNS TAIMUR IN PN FLEET

Karachi, 26 Aug 22: The Induction ceremony of PNS TAIMUR, second of four Type 054-A/P multi role frigates was held at PN Dockyard, Karachi. Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi graced the occasion as Chief Guest.

The contract for four multi-role frigates (Type 054-A/P) for Pakistan Navy was signed between Pakistan and China in June 2018. PNS TUGHRIL, the lead ship of Type 054-A/P was inducted into PN fleet in January this year. The second ship PNS TAIMUR was commissioned on 23 Jun 22 at Shanghai, China. During return passage to Pakistan, PNS TAIMUR port called Hong Kong, Cambodia, Malaysia, Sri Lanka and participated in bilateral naval exercises with various friendly countries.

While addressing at the ceremony, Chief of the Naval Staff emphasized that Type 054-A/P frigates are state of the art, potent and multipurpose platforms which will serve Pakistan Navy for years to come. Chief Guest emphasized that such projects are manifestation of the trust and mutual cooperation that exists with our time tested friends. Naval Chief also highlighted importance of the developing geo-strategic environment in Indian Ocean and emphasized the need to have a potent Naval Force in order to counter rising maritime challenges. He underlined the importance of strong maritime defence and security for Pakistan and reiterated that induction of state of the art ships will significantly enhance Pakistan Navy's capability of safeguarding maritime interests of Pakistan. Later, the Chief Guest handed over traditional Ship's scroll to Commander Pakistan Fleet followed by prayers from Almighty.

The ceremony was attended by worthy guests from Embassy of China and serving/retired officers of Tri-services.

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Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi addressing the audience at the induction ceremony of PNS TAIMUR held at PN Dockyard



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi handing over Ship's Scroll to Commander Pakistan Fleet at the induction ceremony of PNS TAIMUR held at PN Dockyard



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi in a group photo with Commander Pakistan Fleet and Ship's Crew at the induction ceremony of PNS TAIMUR held at PN Dockyard