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### **STEEL CUTTING CEREMONY OF TYPE-054 A/P WARSHIP FOR PAKISTAN NAVY HELD AT CHINA.....A GREAT MILESTONE IN PAK-CHINA FRIENDSHIP**

**Islamabad 20 Dec 18:** Steel Cutting ceremony of first war ship of Type 054 A/P Frigates Project being built for Pakistan Navy was held at Hudong Zhonghua (HZ) Shipyard China.

Vice Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Kaleem Shaukat graced the ceremony as Chief Guest. While addressing the ceremony the Admiral highlighted that today's accomplishment also ushers new chapter in Pak-China friendship that has matured through the tests of times and has remained steadfast in other domains. Both countries are bounded by the affinity of trust, compassion and commonality. Vice Admiral Kaleem Shaukat also lauded the concerted efforts made by China State Shipbuilding Corporation, China Shipbuiding Trading Company, China Ship Development & Design Center, Hudong Zhonghua Shipyard and PLA(Navy) in achieving the significant milestone of Steel Cutting ahead of the schedule.

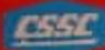
Mr. Qian Jianping Vice President CSSC speaking on the occasion welcomed the Chief Guest and underscored the significance of the project. The Vice President expressed his resolve to complete the project ahead of schedule to entire satisfaction of Pakistan Navy. The ceremony was attended by Maj General Fan JianJun Director of the Bureau of Equipment Technology Cooperation of Equipment Development Department of Central Military Commission, Rear Admiral Liu Hongwei Deputy Director of the Equipment Department of PLA Navy, Ms Zheng Wei from Ministry of National Defence, Mr Duan Fengshuang President CSTC, Mr Chen Wei Assistant Director General CSDDC, Mr Chen Jian Liang Chairman HZ Shipyard, Pakistan Government and Navy officials.

National Anthems of People's Republic of China and Islamic Republic of Pakistan were played at the occasion. After National Anthems, Steel was Cut for first Type 054 A/P Frigate by the Chief Guest.

Once constructed, the warship will be one of the largest and technologically advanced platform of PN which will strengthen Pakistan's capability to respond to future challenges, maintain peace & stability and balance of power in Indian Ocean Region. It will also support Pakistan Navy's initiative of securing seas for international shipping by patrolling distant waters through Regional Maritime Security Patrol (RMSP).

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# 054A/P (F22P 后续舰) 军贸首舰 开工仪式招待晚宴

Banquet for Celebrating Steel-cutting Ceremony  
Ship No. 2 of 054A/P (F22P Batch II) Project

