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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** (English Edition) on 27th March, 2025 titled “**GE Delivers First Engine for Indigenous LCA Mk1A**” pertaining to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

2. It is to clarify that, the Engine has been handed over to our Freight Forwarder at USA which is expected to be received at HAL premises within a week time.
3. This is for information and record, please.

Thanking You,

Yours Faithfully

For Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd

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GE Delivers First Engine for Indigenous LCA Mk1a

■ 12 to be delivered this year ■ Marks start of supplies delayed due to supply chain constraints ■ HAL to ramp up production ■ Fighter deliveries next

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New Delhi: The first engine for India's new indigenous fighter jet, the light combat aircraft Mk1a, has been delivered, marking the start of supplies that had been delayed due to supply chain constraints. GE Aerospace has handed over the first of 99 F404-IN20 engines on order to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited and a total of 12 engines are expected to be sent this year.

The supply of LCA Mk1a to the Air Force has been delayed by over a year as the engines could not come on ti-

me due to disruptions in global supply chains faced by the American vendor. The Air Force has placed an order for 83 jets on HAL, which now plans to gradually ramp up production, taking it to 24 aircraft a year.

GE acknowledged the delays in supplies, saying that it shut down the production line for engines in 2016 when earlier orders had been fulfilled and restarting it was a complex task. The company added that the delivery of the first engine is an important milestone and it will continue to work with suppliers to keep the production line efficient.

"Restarting the F404-IN20 engine

line during Covid pandemic was even more challenging. With a high focus on safety and quality, and a remarkable commitment from our supply chain teams and our suppliers and partners, we have managed to

restart the line," Shawn Warren, general manager, Combat & Trainer Engines, GE Aerospace, said.

The executive said that the engine is one of the most successful in military aviation history and the variant delivered has been parti-

cularly made for the Indian requirement. "The F404-IN20 engine is a tailored design for India's single-engine fighter, with the highest thrust within the F404 family and a higher-flow fan, unique single-crystal turbine blades, and numero-

us special components," he said.

While the engine delivery will now lead to expedited induction of the LCA Mk1a jets to the Air Force, a larger order is expected to be placed soon. The Air Force has been preparing to order 97 additional LCA Mk1a jets, which will require more engines from GE.

In addition, India is currently negotiating a deal with GE for technology transfer and local production of the F414 engines that are required for upcoming LCA Mk2 fighter jets as well as the next-generation advanced multi-role combat aircraft.

DEFENCE MINISTRY SIGNS INDIGENOUS HOWITZERS DEAL

The Ministry of Defence has inked contracts worth ₹6,900 crore for indigenous 155mm/52 Calibre Advanced Towed Artillery Gun Systems and High Mobility 6x6 Gun Towing Vehicles.

The contract was cleared by the Cabinet Committee on Security earlier this month.

The contracts have been signed with Bharat Forge Limited and Tata Advanced System Limited, who were production partners for Defence Research and Development Organisation for the project.



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