



## INS Tushil

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**INS Tushil (F70)**, India's advanced **multi-role stealth-guided missile frigate**, was commissioned into the [Indian Navy](#) in Russia, marking a significant milestone in [India-Russia defense cooperation](#) and maritime strength.

- **About:** INS Tushil is an upgraded [Krivak III-class frigate](#) of [Project 1135.6 \(Talwar Class\)](#). It is the 7<sup>th</sup> in the series after three **Talwar-class** and three **Teg-class frigates**.
  - INS Tushil, is the first of two upgraded frigates under a 2016 contract between the Indian Government and **JSC Rosoboronexport (a Russian company)**.
    - A frigate is a versatile warship used for escorting, patrolling, and combat operations, crucial in modern navies.
  - The name **Tushil means "protector shield,"** reflects the Indian Navy's commitment to protecting maritime frontiers.
- **Advanced Weaponry:** INS Tushil is equipped with [BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles](#), **Shtil Surface-to-Air Missiles**, [anti-submarine torpedoes](#), and electronic warfare systems.
- **Operational Versatility:** Designed for **blue-water operations** across air, surface, underwater, and electromagnetic dimensions, aligning with [India's SAGAR \(Security and Growth for All in the Region\)](#), ensuring stability in the [Indian Ocean Region \(IOR\)](#).
- **India - Russia Defense Cooperation:**
  - [Agreement on Military Technical Cooperation \(2021-2031\)](#)
  - [India-Russia 2+2 Dialogue](#).
  - **Bilateral Projects:** [T-90 tanks](#), [Su-30-MKI aircraft](#), [MiG-29-K aircraft](#)
  - **Military Exercises:** [INDRA\(Tri-Services\)](#), [Avia Indra](#)( Air Force), and [Ex Vostok](#) ( Army ).



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