Adani Group places largest ASTDS Tug order on Udupi Cochin Shipyard Limited

Udupi, Dec 27, 2024: Adani Ports & SEZ, through its subsidiary, Ocean Sparkle Limited, has placed an order for 8 nos of 70 T Bollard Pull ASD (Azimuthing Stern Drive) Tugs on Udupi Cochin Shipyard Limited, the wholly owned subsidiary of Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) – the leading shipyard in India. This is in addition to the 3 nos of the 70 T Bollard Pull Tugs already under construction at Udupi-CSL for Ocean Sparkle Limited, totalling 11 Tug order on Udupi-CSL.

The 70 Tonne Bollard Pull Tugs have a Length of 33 m, Beam of 12.2 m and Draft of 4.2 m. The vessels will be propelled by 2-Main Engines of 1838 kW and 2.7m Propellers from Niigata IHI Power Systems Co. Ltd., Deck Equipment from W-Rig Limited. These tugs will be built to the designs of Robert Allan Limited, world's leading design house for harbour tugs.

The tugs are built to the Approved Standard Tug Design and Specifications (ASTDS) promulgated by Government of India, for promoting Atma Nirbhar Bharath initiatives. Udupi-CSL has been piloting the initial projects under this scheme. Udupi-CSL has already delivered 2 x 62 T Bollard Pull Tugs for Ocean Sparkle Limited in 2023 and 2 x 70 T Bollard Pull Tugs for Polestar Maritime Limited in 2024.

Udupi-CSL also has ship building orders for construction of 6 nos of 3800 Deadweight General Cargo Vessels and 8 nos of 6300 Deadweight Dry Cargo vessels for M/s. Wilson ASA, Norway. The first of the series of vessel – 3800 Deadweight General Cargo Vessel was launched in Dec 2024. The Yard is also constructing 1 x 70 T Bollard Pull Tug for Polestar Maritime Limited. Udupi-CSL since take over in 2020, was revived by Cochin Shipyard Limited, and the Yard has been turned around in a short period, and the orderbook of this Yard has now crossed INR 2000 Crores.

"CSL and Udupi-CSL has introduced the Robert Allan Tugs in India complying with the Approved Standard Tug Design and Specifications (ASTDS) and has benchmarked the delivery timelines and quality of the tugs being constructed in India. CSL is committed to transform the industry by introducing the Battery Electric Tugs too through the upcoming Green Tug Transition Programme (GTTP) announced by the Govt. of India." said Mr. Madhu Nair, the Chairman and Managing Director of CSL.

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