



Second Scorpene submarine ready for induction

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- The Navy is set to induct the second Scorpene submarine Khanderi , a defence source said with remaining submarines in the series are in advanced stages of manufacturing and trials.
- Khanderi has completed all trials and is in the final stages of acceptance. It is expected to be commissioned soon into the Navy .
- Khanderi was launched into water in January 2017 and has since been undergoing a series of trials.
- Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL), Mumbai, is manufacturing six Scorpene submarines under technology transfer from Naval Group of France under a 2005 contract worth \$3.75 bn.

Ready for trials

- Another source stated that the fourth submarine Vela is ready to be launched into water for trials around the same time depending on the ocean tide.
- After a series of delays in the project, the first submarine of the class Kalvari joined service in December 2017.
- The third in the Scorpene series Karanj which was launched last year and is in advanced stage of trials and could be ready for induction by year end.
- The last two submarines Vagir and Vagsheer are in advanced stages of manufacturing on the assembly line.
- The 'Boot Together' is where the five separate sections are welded together to form the submarine.
- Kalvari is the first modern conventional submarine inducted by the Navy in almost two decades.
- In addition, the Navy currently operates four German HDW class

- submarines and nine Russian Kilo class submarines.
- The Navy had last inducted a conventional diesel-electric submarine, INS Sindhushastra, procured from Russia in July 2000.

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