



INS Rajput being decommissioned at Naval Dockyard in Visakhapatnam | EXPRESS

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THE first destroyer of the Indian Navy INS Rajput was decommissioned at Naval Dockyard here on Friday after serving the country for 41 years.

The ship was decommissioned at a ceremony held on low-key note due to the pandemic. The national flag, naval ensign and the decommissioning pennant were lowered in the presence of Flag Officer

Commanding-in-Chief Eastern Naval Command Vice Admiral Ajendra Bahadur Singh.

Ajendra Bahadur Singh also released a special postal cover to mark the decommissioning. INS Rajput, the lead ship of the Kashin-class destroyers built by the erstwhile USSR, was commissioned on May 4 in 1980.

INS Rajput was built at the 61 Communards Shipyard in Nikolayev (now in Ukraine) under original Russian name 'Nadzhny' meaning 'Hope'. The

keel of the ship was laid on September 11 in 1976 and she was commissioned on September 17, 1977. The ship was commissioned as INS Rajput on May 4, 1980 at Poti in Georgia by the then Ambassador of India to USSR IK Gujral. Captain Gulab Mohanlal Hiranandani was her first Commanding Officer. Over her four decades of glorious service to the nation, the ship has the distinction of serving in both Western and Eastern Fleets.

During her service, the ship had the distinction of being part of both the Western and Eastern fleets. She was based in Mumbai till June 1988 and thereafter it was rebased at Visakhapatnam as part of the Eastern Fleet. The ship was equipped with an array of weapons and sensors including surface-to-surface missiles, surface-to-air missiles, anti-aircraft guns, torpedoes, and anti-submarine rocket launchers. INS Rajput was also the first ship to be fitted

out to fire the supersonic cruise and long-range BrahMos missile. The ship was also the first Indian Naval Ship to be refitted with an Indian Army regiment, the Rajput Regiment. INS Rajput participated in several operations including Operation 'Aman' off Sri Lanka to assist IPKF, operation 'Pawan' for patrolling duties off the coast of Sri Lanka, operation 'Cactus' to resolve hostage situation off the Maldives, and operation 'Crownsnest' off Lakshadweep.

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