

Press release

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Vishwa Samudra Group orders Royal IHC's Beagle® 8 TSHD

Royal IHC is to build a Beagle® 8 TSHD for India's Vishwa Samudra Group. The trailing suction hopper dredger will have a hopper capacity of 8,000 m³ and will be built at Royal IHC's shipyard in Kinderdijk, the Netherlands. Delivery is scheduled for summer 2027. This will be the latest addition to the dredging fleet of Vishwa Samudra, one of India's fastest growing infrastructure companies. The company had previously selected two Beavers® to help support its growing operations. One of the main reasons for choosing the Beagle® was its proven technology, class-leading efficiency and short delivery times.

"We are committed to making a lasting impact in the infrastructure sector. The Beagle® 8, combined with the knowledge and experience of Royal IHC in the dredging industry, will help us to strengthen this ambition," said Mr Shivdutt Das, Group Managing Director of the Vishwa Samudra Group.

Derk te Bokkel, CEO of Royal IHC, said: "We are proud that Vishwa Samudra has once again chosen Royal IHC. This will enable us to build a trailing suction hopper dredger at our yard in Kinderdijk. Vishwa Samudra's order reflects the success of our renewed shipbuilding strategy of building complex and time-sensitive vessels in the Netherlands, while supplying projects with a lower risk profile through our partner shipyards. Our customers appreciate this flexibility and the reliability that we are able to offer".

About the Beagle®

The Beagle® is a platform of standardised trailing suction hopper dredgers with hopper capacities ranging from 4,000 to 12,000 m³. It combines a proven design with the latest dredging technologies.

Key features include an optimised hull design for reduced resistance and maximum payload carrying capacity. Combined with best-in-class fuel efficiency, this results in minimal greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, making the Beagle® a future-proof solution for a wide range of dredging projects around the world.

The proven performance of this modular platform makes the Beagle® series a compelling solution for the Indian dredging market. Royal IHC is delivering its third Beagle® 8 to India with this new order

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About Royal IHC

Royal IHC is a leading supplier of maritime technology and determined to play a leading role in making the maritime industry more efficient and sustainable.

Anchored in the rich Dutch maritime history, Royal IHC continues to build on its position as a leading provider of maritime technology and craftsmanship. With the right expertise on board and driven by innovation, Royal IHC offers a clear competitive advantage to its global clients in the dredging, offshore, mining and defence industries.

Through its equipment, ships and services, Royal IHC delivers reliable, integrated solutions to increase customers' operational efficiency and enable more sustainable solutions. In an ever-changing world, our goal remains to find the smartest and safest way forward for both our customers and Royal IHC employees.

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