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## Launch of RSN's Fourth Frigate

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Launch of RSS Tenacious.

The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) fourth frigate, RSS Tenacious was launched on 15 July 2005, by Mrs Lalitha Jayakumar, wife of Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Law, Prof S. Jayakumar, at Singapore Technologies Marine yard. Prof Jayakumar officiated at the launching ceremony.

The launch of RSS Tenacious marks another milestone for the Formidable-class frigate programme. She is the third frigate to be built locally. In the next phase, RSS Tenacious will undergo harbour and sea trials.

The RSN stealth frigates' sophisticated sensor and weapon systems are concurrently undergoing shore-based integration testing while the ships are being built. This will mean significant time savings. With their enhanced anti-air, anti-surface and anti-submarine

warfare capabilities, the frigates will enable the RSN to undertake a wide spectrum of missions and more effectively carry out its mission of defending Singapore and its vital Sea Lines of Communications (SLOCs).

Minister for Manpower and Acting Minister for Defence, Dr Ng Eng Hen, and other senior MINDEF and SAF officials were also present at the launch.



Mrs Jayakumar launches RSS Tenacious.



DPM and Mrs Jayakumar touring RSS Tenacious.

Factsheet:

Factsheet - Launch of RSN's Fourth Frigate Republic of Singapore Navy's Frigate Programme (MINDEF\_20050715003.pdf)

Speech:

Speech by Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Law Prof S Jayakumar at the Launching Ceremony for RSS Tenacious (MINDEF\_20050715002.pdf)