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INS IKSHAK ARRIVES AT PORT VICTORIA, SEYCHELLES

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INS Ikshak, Indian Navy's **indigenously** built Survey Vessel Large (SVL), arrived at Port Victoria, Seychelles, on **26 Jun 2026**, as part of her operational deployment to the **South West Indian Ocean Region**. This visit coincides with the **50th National Day celebrations of Seychelles**, underscoring the enduring maritime partnership and long-standing friendship between India and Seychelles.

During the port call, INS Ikshak will participate in the National Day celebrations and engage in a series of professional interactions with the Seychelles Defence Forces aimed at enhancing maritime cooperation and interoperability. The ship will also undertake community outreach initiatives, including medical camps and the distribution of essential supplies, further strengthening goodwill and people-to-people ties between the two nations.

As part of the visit, INS Ikshak will be open to visitors, offering an opportunity to experience the Indian Navy's capabilities and commitment to promoting regional maritime security, safety, and cooperation.

The deployment of INS Ikshak reaffirms India's commitment to strengthening maritime partnerships with friendly nations and advancing peace, security, and stability in the Indian Ocean Region, in line with the vision of **MAHASAGAR (Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions)**.





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