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**Collaborative efforts of BEL and domestic start-ups will contribute
to *Aatmnirbharta* in Defence Production**

**More Initiatives should emanate from the scientists & engineers of
BEL: Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane**

Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane inaugurated ‘Abhigyaan’, the *state-of-the-art* auditorium at the Central Research Laboratory (CRL) of Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), a Defence Public Service Unit (DPSU) on January 10, 2024 in Ghaziabad, UP. He termed the Abhigyan auditorium as an asset to the scientific community.

Interacting with the scientists and engineers of BEL, the Defence Secretary lauded their efforts towards bolstering National Security while carrying forward the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi’s vision of *Aatmanirbhar Bharat*. He urged them to have more collaborations with the domestic start-ups and incubators with the aim to provide state-of-the-art technologies/products to the armed forces. He emphasized that more initiatives should come from the scientists and engineers of BEL.

The Defence Secretary added that as efforts are being made towards jointness of the three Services, BEL can play an important role in ensuring that the equipment/systems are provided to the Armed Forces and Indian Coast Guard in an integrated manner.

Abhigyaan auditorium consists of excellent acoustics, smart interfaces, a large interactive data wall and three cameras with extensive features for live feed. There are also two high resolution displays for simultaneous presentation and demonstration. The auditorium has a seating capacity for 250 people and will be used for product demos, symposiums, hackathons, tech talks and lectures.

Chairman and Managing Director, BEL, Shri Bhanu Prakash Srivastava and other senior officials were also present on the occasion.

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