



This large and complex vessel is a real "feather in the cap" of India's Tebma Shipyards.

When a global leading owner combines with a leading designer and top class engine and equipment suppliers, they are unlikely to go anywhere other than a first rate shipbuilder to put the package together. Thus, Tebma was chosen for this prestigious project.

The result is this very impressive and highly specialised deepwater research vessel of which the builder is justifiably very proud.

"The 'Fugro Voyager' is a state-of-the-art geotechnical research vessel with a self-contained laboratory built specifically for offshore exploration in deeper oceans,"

Business Development. "It is the first vessel of its kind built by any shipyard in this part of the world."

Other features of the vessel include a twin-tower drilling derrick over a centrally located moon pool, automated pipe and tool handling equipment for safer drilling operations, DP2 dynamic positioning, Comfort Class notation, and living quarters for up to 60 personnel.

Powered by a diesel-electric propulsion system combined with controllable-pitch thrusters, the vessel is completely automated and was constructed with an emphasis on crew comfort, continued Mr Swamy.

Tebma was selected to build the vessel following a worldwide tender process. According to Mr Swamy, the yard

focus on OSV construction combined with a modern shipbuilding facility and a highly trained workforce.

"Despite a slowdown in the industry this year, Tebma remained at full production capacity and delivered five vessels," Mr Swamy said. "We are now seeking new orders for delivery in 2015 and beyond."

Mr Swamy said the future remained bright for Tebma, with the company leveraging its rich shipbuilding experience with world-class facilities and a knowledgeable workforce to offer competitive harbour tugs, dredgers, and offshore work boats.

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