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The Board of Directors of Larsen & Toubro (L&T) at its meeting held today has decided to appoint Mr. J. D. Patil to the Board with effect from July 1, 2017. Mr. Patil will be designated Whole-time Director and Senior Executive Vice President (Defence Business). The induction signals th in defence related businesses strategic plans.

A post-graduate in Mechanical Engineering from IIT, Mumbai, Mr. Patil joined L&T in 1978 after a brilliant academic career. In his nearly four decade-long career in L&T, Mr. Patil was involved in expanding the pment Group and in its

forays into the defence sector. This included teaming up with the DRDO and the Indian Navy in building a portfolio of indigenous, cutting edge missiles and weapons systems, Submarines, Military communications and Artillery systems. Commenting on the appointment

Chairman, said:

plan to increasingly indigenize defence production, and we are confident that under the leadership of Mr. Patil, L&T will be able to grow its defence

Mr Patil holds senior positions in several defence-related industry bodies. He is the Chairman of FICCI Committee on Defence, member of FICCI Committee on Homeland Security, Member of the National Defence Council and Manufacturing Council of CII.