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Press release

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Royal IHC and Karnafuly Ship Builders Ltd sign contracts for design, engineering and equipment of four CSDs

Royal IHC and Karnafuly Ship Builders Ltd (KSBL) in Bangladesh have signed contracts for the design, engineering and hardware of four cutter suction dredgers (CSDs). These four mono-pontoon custombuilt CSDs (2x 700 mm and 2x 600 mm) will be built in Bangladesh by KSBL for Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority (BIWTA). In addition, Royal IHC will provide yard assistance for the installation, testing and commissioning of the equipment and the CSDs.

The four CSDs will be used by BIWTA for maintenance dredging in Bangladesh. Ronald van Son, director Dredging Custom Vessels at Royal IHC on the contract, "We have been collaborating with governmental bodies in Bangladesh, such as BIWTA, since 1971. Providing our vessels, equipment and expertise to help Bangladesh fight the constant battle against flooding and keep its waterways navigable in dry season. Becoming the technical partner of KSBL in the construction of these four CSDs is a confirmation of the close and long standing relationship with the dredging industry in Bangladesh and our added value in overcoming challenges caused by the monsoons."

	Overall length	Width	Dredging depth
CSD - 600 mm	53.5	10	17
CSD - 700 mm	73.5	14	20

In 2016, Royal IHC delivered packages for design, engineering, components and yard assistance to KSBL, for the construction of 10 CSDs (500 mm and 650 mm). In addition, more than 100 standard modular dredging vessels (Beaver®), workboats and booster stations have been delivered by Royal IHC to the Bangladesh public and private sector over the past fifty years. These vessels and equipment are still used nowadays for maintenance dredging in the waterways of Bangladesh.

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Company Profile

Royal IHC is a leading supplier of maritime technology and determined to play a leading role in making the maritime industry more efficient and sustainable.

Anchored in rich Dutch maritime history, Royal IHC sets out to expand its position as a leading supplier of maritime technology and expert craftsmanship. With the right people with the right skill set on board, and driven by innovation, we provide a clear competitive edge to our worldwide customers in the dredging, offshore, mining and defence industries. More than equipment, vessels and services, we deliver reliable, integrated solutions that improve operational efficiency and allow for a more sustainable performance. As we navigate new waters in an ever-changing world, our aim remains finding the smartest and safest way forward for both our customers and our people. Working together, we are creating the maritime future.

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