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It is my great honour to convey my sincere appreciation for the opportunity to express my support for Defence Services Asia (DSA) 2026 and National Security (NATSEC) Asia 2026.

These events are of outstanding significance and set to be comprehensive, action-oriented gatherings for strategic thinkers, innovators, and decision-makers to make bold moves amid an increasingly vulnerable security landscape. Over four decades, DSA and NATSEC Asia have evolved from regional showcases into global powerhouses.

The future of defence is more than just about possessing the largest machinery or the most formidable hardware. It involves human creativity, digital capabilities, and our capacity to outpace any adversary across various physical and digital domains. We are in an era of unseen warfare, where cyber intrusions, data conflicts, and artificial intelligence present risks comparable to any traditional battlefield.

DSA and NATSEC Asia unite the most innovative minds ready to confront these contemporary threats headon and question, "How do we maintain an advantage?" Innovation serves as the new weapon in a time when yesterday's technologies have already become outdated.

Hence, DSA and NATSEC Asia focus on pioneering new paths. From Al-enhanced surveillance systems to quantum-empowered encryption, from autonomous defence mechanisms to next-generation cybersecurity frameworks. These are no longer just concepts for the future; they are essential to our survival in the defence sector.

DSA and NATSEC Asia offer a platform for advanced solutions that go beyond merely meeting global defence requirements and aim to establish new benchmarks.

The challenges we encounter demand immediate action. Threats such as cyber-attacks, climate-related emergencies, and more are tangible and pressing, necessitating that we act without delay. The urgency to harness technology, work together across borders, innovate beyond traditional boundaries, and respond decisively has never been more apparent.







Together, let us lead with courage, innovate with conviction, and secure a safe, sustainable future for generations to come.

Thank you, and we eagerly anticipate your presence at DSA 2026 and NATSEC Asia 2026.

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