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FALCO UAV CO-PRODUCTION COMMENCEMENT
CEREMONY HELD AT PAC, KAMRA

KAMRA 20 AUGUST, 2009:- In a simple but impressive ceremony, the commencement of Falco UAV Co-Production Project was inaugurated at Pakistan Aeronautical Complex (PAC) Kamra today. Air Marshal Farhat Hussain Khan, Chairman PAC Board was the chief guest at the occasion. Falco is an advanced tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) designed by Selex Galileo, Italy and will be co-produced by Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra. Falco UAV would address the present and future surveillance and reconnaissance needs of Pakistan Air Force.

Speaking on the occasion, Air Marshal Farhat Hussain said that the addition of UAV co-production facility would be a major step towards the long-term goal of self reliance in military aviation industry. He lauded the efforts of engineers and technicians of Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra who had worked unrelentingly for the last two years to establish the facility. Highlighting the enormity of the task, he said that establishing a UAV facility at Pakistan Aeronautical Complex Kamra was a challenging task requiring dedication beyond expectations. He further said that Falco UAV will be utilized, keeping in view the current regional and global challenges and will greatly enhance the PAF operational capability. Air Marshal Farhat lauded the cooperation of the Italian company involved in the project due to which Pakistan would now become part of an exclusive club of countries who have indigenous capability to manufacture a modern tactical drone.

Earlier, Managing Director Aircraft Manufacturing Factory, Air Vice Marshal Aminullah Khan and Managing Director F6 RF, Air Commodore Nadeem Aslam, presented an appraisal of the project activities. Managing Director AMF also appreciated Air Headquarters and Government Ministries for their unwavering support

to the project. He specifically mentioned the state-of-the-art machines and equipment inducted for the project and said that these technologies are unique in country and represent a quantum leap in the capability of Pakistan Aeronautical Complex in the field of Composites. He also said that induction of this technology has opened a new dimension in the field of aviation manufacturing at PAC and would be utilized for other futuristic requirements of aviation industry.

The roll-out of first coproduced Falco UAV from Pakistan Aeronautical Complex is scheduled in the near future.



Air Marshal Farhat Hussain Khan, Chairman PAC Board, Kamra inspecting the manufactured parts of FALCO UAV during FALCO UAV Co-Production Commencement Ceremony at Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra. (20-08-09)



Air Marshal Farhat Hussain Khan, Chairman PAC Board, Kamra along with Officers and Technicians during FALCO UAV Co-Production Commencement Ceremony at Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra. (20-08-09)