

# Samtel's range in Opto-electronics and Defence Electronics

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**N**EW DELHI. Samtel has come a long way since the first milestone in its journey about ten years back in 2004, when the company signed the first memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Defence Avionics Research Establishment (DARE), DRDO for indigenous co-development of 'ruggedisation' technology for multifunction displays. Moving ahead of cockpit displays and proving its capabilities in avionics, Samtel has waded into the Opto-electronics and Defence Electronics, the need of the hour. The "Global Commercial Aircraft Avionics Systems Market 2012-2016" report names it as one of the important

players in the defence production space, a must-watch company – a feather not only in Samtel's cap but also in India's growing indigenous defence production arena.

At Defexpo, Samtel showcases its range of competencies that have been developed in varieties of Displays for military as well as non-military market. It also provides an insight into Samtel's manufacturing and Quality processes, Built-to-Print (BTP) capabilities, as well as Samtel's experience in Automated Test Equipment (ATEs).

Puneet Kaura, Executive Director, Samtel Avionics said, "We are now gaining ground in developing competencies beyond displays, and become a complete electronics and avionics firm. We are

exploring further opportunities in Opto-electronics, Defence Electronics and BTP – which will go a long way to expand our field of play. With our expanded range of offerings, we look forward to presenting an enhanced Products and Services portfolio matching international standards to our partners and customers."

With partnership as the mantra of development, Samtel has joint ventures with public sector units as well as the global industry majors. Products developed by HAL and Samtel under the Samtel-HAL JV, like Near Vertical Incidence Skywave (NVIS) compatible Multifunction Displays develops indigenous next-generation avionic display systems for HAL's star programmes. ■